

Quiz Night

Newsletter

15 November 2012



First of all a VERY BIG THANK YOU to Mark and Anita at the Ring o' Bells. Over that last 3 years, (not including tonight and the last two quizzes) they have raised £1,021 for Friends of Marple Memorial Park.

This year the Friends group has been very busy. So far we've:

Successfully Campaigned to keep the park toilets open.

Painted the Infants Play Area fence.

Refurbished or replaced more than 20 Park Benches.

Replaced the flowerbed outside the library with our Diamond Jubilee Project raised bed and sculpture.

Planted wildflowers in the woodland behind the library.

Held two task days per month through the summer to keep on top of the Flowerbeds we saved from grassing over last year.

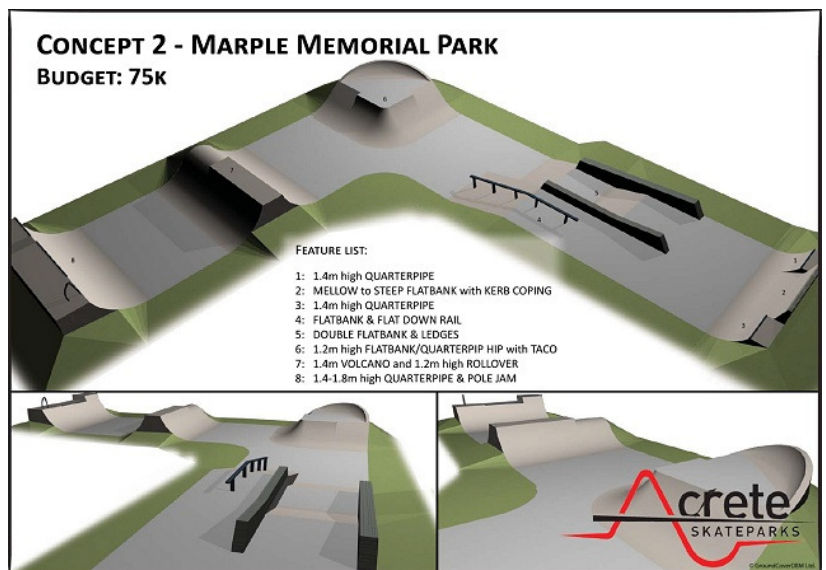
Raised over £6,000 to improve the park.

In fact since we began in 2003 we have directly raised almost £39,000!

More recently we've embarked on the biggest Challenge yet, which is to try and raise enough money to refurbish the skate park.

Working with the council, Marple Civic Society, Marple Vision Partnership, Marple Hall School and local skaters and BMX riders; we have consulted with skate park users, obtained tenders from 5 contractors and narrowed these down to two preferred schemes costing £75,000+.

Now the tough part is to raise the money. We hope to make a grant application to the Veolia Environmental Trust but before we can apply we first need to raise 20% of the total cost (£16-£20k). We've set a target of 12 months to try and do this and are going to need a lot of help from the Ringers and many others!



www.marplememorialpark.org.uk/projects/skate-park-improvements.html

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