



## **Press Release 25<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

***We are proud to be part of The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons and Associated Activities on June 2, 2022***

**No 13 (South Wales) Group - Royal Observer Corps Association** has announced plans to assist in the lighting of a Beacon for The Queen's Platinum Jubilee on the evening of Thursday, June 2, 2022.

The Beacon is one of thousands being lit in the UK and the Commonwealth, and forms part of the official programme announced by Buckingham Palace for the Jubilee Weekend.

The Beacon will be lit at **Festival Fields Llanelli SA15 4DN** on Thursday 2nd June at 21:45Hrs followed by singing. It will be one of over 2,022 lit by charities, communities and faith groups all over the UK.

In addition, beacons will be lit in all 54 Commonwealth capitals and the Principal Beacon lighting will take place in a special ceremony at Buckingham Palace on Thursday evening. This will take the form of a lighting installation with The Queen's Green Canopy 'Tree of Trees' sculpture and projections onto the front of Buckingham Palace. This innovative new way of taking part in the beacon lighting will reflect the Royal Family's long history championing environmental causes.

**Bruno Peek LVO OBE OPR, Pageantmaster of The Queen's Jubilee Platinum Beacons said;** " Building on a long tradition of lighting beacons to mark significant royal celebrations, thousands of beacons will be lit across the United Kingdom, the Commonwealth They will enable local communities to join together to pay tribute to Her Majesty as part of the official programme of events.

" For the first time, town criers, pipers, buglets and choirs from the UK and the Commonwealth will come together to join in the celebrations in their own individual and special way. It is wonderful to see the range of support for beacon lighting, which will highlight both the diversity and unity of the nation and the Commonwealth. The Queen has lit up our lives for 70 years through her dedicated service and commitment. We would like to light up the nation and the Commonwealth in her honour."

**No 13 (South Wales) Group Royal Observer Corps Association said;** “ We are proud to be part of this momentous celebration. It is only appropriate that this unique milestone in history is marked with beacons and music. We are honoured to be part of this special event for Her Majesty, The Queen’s 70<sup>th</sup> year as our Monarch and Head of the Commonwealth on her Platinum Jubilee.”

The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Beacons and Associated Activities have been conceived and organised by Pageantmaster Bruno Peek and his dedicated team.

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### **Timeline for many Beacons lightings, although events might change at individual locations**

- At **2pm** hundreds of town criers and 50 Pearly Kings and Queens will announce a specially-written Proclamation heralding the lighting of the beacons later that day.
- At **9.35pm** local time across the UK and Commonwealth, traditional and Northumbrian pipers and pipe bands will play *Diu Regnare*, a unique tune specially written for the occasion by Piper Major, Stuart Liddell, the world’s leading piper.
- At **9.40pm** buglers linked to local beacon lightings across the UK and the capital cities of the Commonwealth will officially announce the lighting of the beacons with a specially written bugle call, entitled *Majesty*.
- Then at **9.45pm** exactly local time, and to coincide with the lighting of the beacons, community choirs across all nations will sing *Song for the Commonwealth*, which has been written and composed by Lucy Keily, from Australia and Vincent Atueyi Chinemelu from Nigeria.

### **Notes to Editors**

Details of the event and those taking part can be viewed by going to the Guide To Taking Part found at [www.queensjubileebeacons.com](http://www.queensjubileebeacons.com)

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