

All the fun of a country fair

Nayland Fete is an annual event which grows in popularity each year. Traditionally held on Bank Holiday Monday, it reflects something of the country fairs that were held there for centuries.

Organised by Nayland Community Council and held on the playing fields behind the village hall, the fete stages many unusual events which this year include Red Indian dancing by a troupe based at Harwich and a parachuting display by the Phoenix Free Fall team of Ipswich.

Numerous raffles will be held with this year's top prize being a colour television.

Among other stalls will be those of the Nayland Eagles Football Club, the Guides and the parish church of St James.

Five major charities —

Arthritis Research, Marriage Guidance Council, Leukaemia Research, the Haemophiliac Society and Save the Children Fund — will also be represented with stalls aimed at providing a spot of fun while raising funds for their various causes.

Musical

There will be musical marching from the newly formed Sudbury Sapphire Majorettes, a dog obedience show and an exhibition of classic cars.

More than 30 stalls will surround the grounds, representing many local clubs and organisations.

The Women's Institute is running a cake stand, the Scouts a coconut shy, and Nayland Youth Club will invite visitors to win-a-teddy, pick-a-straw or have a smashing time on the Aunty Sally stall.



Winning poster

Nayland Community Council's Bank Holiday fete on August 25 is being advertised in a novel and eye-catching way this year.

Chairman Mrs Norah Owen thought it would be a good idea to involve local schoolchildren in fete preparations and two classes from Nayland Primary School took part in a poster design competition at the end of last term.

They were given the fete's theme, Hi-de-hi, plus a list of attractions which include parachutists and heavy horses, and although time was short, Mrs Owen said the designs produced showed considerable talent.

The winner is nine-year-old Scott Meekings, of Wiston Road, Nayland (pictured here with his entry) and the runner-up Glen Taylor, aged seven.

Scott's poster has been photographed by council treasurer, Peter Moore, whose grandchildren have coloured the copies, and they have been going up round the district this week. The rest of the designs will be put up in the village hall and prizes will be presented at the school next term.