



## **ROLL up, roll up... a new event will bring fun and games to a seaside town.**

Rhyl is to play host to its own May Day festival, a traditional seaside celebration which will be the first of its kind for the area.

Hosted by Rhyl Town Council and called the Mayor's May Day, a whole array of colourful activities are being lined up.

Punch and Judy, stilt walkers, circus acts, clowns, hook-a-duck and hoopla stalls will be just some of the activities on offer. There will also be a welcome return for the Sol Cinema, the mini solar-powered cinema which proved a big hit when it first visited in 2016.

The colourful Batala Bangor drumming band will join the fun with a strongman competition for adults and children. A special bubble-making act, living statue, and face painters complete the line-up.

The event will round off Cllr Alan James's year as mayor.

He said: "This May Day event is our 'thank you' to the people of Rhyl. There's lots of change going on around town and development work happening, and we wanted this to be not just a celebration of Rhyl but a community event to thank people for their patience during the regeneration phase.

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“We know there’s lots still to do but we wanted to put on a special day for our town, an event with something for everyone. All of the activities are free with many not seen in Rhyl before.”

The event will be held on the town’s High Street with the venue chosen to support the local economy. Town councillors will be on hand to support the activities.

“Like all high streets, Rhyl faces difficulties, but by hosting events here hopefully we can attract people into town which, in turn, supports the local trade not just on the high street but across Rhyl.

“During my year as mayor, I have been honoured to meet so many amazing Rhyl organisations, groups, and people. The Mayor’s May Day is a chance for us to have some fun and laughs together,” added Cllr James.

The free event will run from 11am-4pm on Saturday May 5.

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