## Sark's 450<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Fief



## St. Ouen, Jersey, Celebrations – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015

The Parish of St. Ouen in Jersey is to commemorate the 450th Anniversary year of Sark becoming a Fief by way of a Parish Fete and Gala Dinner on the above mentioned date. Sark residents are cordially invited to attend these events.

The Fief of Sark was made to the Seigneur of St. Ouen, Helier de Carteret, by Queen Elizabeth the First on the 6<sup>th</sup> August 1565, soon afterwards Helier de Carteret settled the Island with some 40 families to live on and defend the Island from the Queen's enemies.

**The Fete**: Entrance fee Adults £4 and Children £2. This will be open between 10 am and 5 pm in the grounds of St. Ouen Manor and will consist of many different activities, such as:

A donkey derby, bands, dancing displays, falconry displays, police display, model boat displays, fun for children, champagne & beer & food tents, a flypast of the CI Air Search, profits from the fete will go CI Air Search.

The Gala Dinner: There is limited availability to the dinner at a cost of £50 per ticket which is to be held in a marquee on the lawn of St. Ouen Manor. Any Sark resident planning to attend the Fete and wishing to be considered for seating at the Gala Dinner is to contact the President of Chief Pleas either by calling into his office during his published office hours or by phone to 01481-833028 (answer phone) or email to <a href="mailto:president.chief.pleas@gov.sark.gg">president.chief.pleas@gov.sark.gg</a> or in writing (email preferred).

**Travel & Accommodation**: Travel: The President of Chief Pleas has organised a charter boat (12 passengers) from Sark to Jersey on the Friday (14<sup>th</sup>), mid-afternoon, and to return early on Sunday (16<sup>th</sup>). The charter is mainly for the official Sark guests (3-6) but any spare seats can be made available to Sark residents on a first come basis (book with the President), all passengers including official Sark guests will pay for their own seats, a ticket will cost £75 return. Should a charter not be possible due to forecast weather conditions then Sark guests and other residents will be required to make their own way to Jersey and there is a Manche Ile ferry on the Friday evening to Jersey or alternatively one would have to travel via Guernsey by air or sea. Accommodation: Other than a few official Sark guests who are being accommodated by the Parish, it is the responsibility of the persons attending to find their own accommodation.

450<sup>th</sup> Fief Committee – July 2015