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Prepare to be spooked in the woods for charity this Halloween

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If you go down to the woods this October...you could be in for a shocking surprise!

Andy's at St Andrew's are holding their frightening fundraiser Scare Fest at Chambers Farm Wood, Wragby, near Market Rasen in Lincolnshire on Saturday 28 October.

By day, the woods is bursting with wildlife and care-free walkers but on a dark, dingy October night, the fundraising team at St Andrew's Hospice will transform this popular beauty spot into a horrifying Halloween spectacular of spooky proportions!

The Scare Fest is being staged to raise money for Andy's at St Andrew's, the Grimsby-based children's hospice that serves the whole of Lincolnshire, Hull and the East Riding.

Fundraisers are asked to sign up to walk through this deep, dark woodland and overcome their fears as they stumble upon a series of blood-curdling obstacles.

Theresa Crowe is part of the Fundraising team at the Hospice and she is promising an even more thrilling event in 2017.

She said: "Scare Fest will be the spookiest fundraiser of the year.

"By day, Chambers Farm Woods is one of the county's most beautiful locations but on Scare Fest night it will be transformed into something quite spine-tingling.

"We don't want to give too much away but there will be plenty of tricks and treats along the route.

"There will be witches, zombies and all manner of ghostly figures and we expect to hear the screams and laughter echoing around the countryside.

"Even though we are increasing the fear factor, the event is all in the name of fun and we want people to have safe, enjoyable night, just before Halloween.

"If you like horror films or scary stories, then this is just the event for you."

Scare Fest is open to ages 14 and over and costs £10 to register prior to the event and £15 on the night. The event starts at 7.30pm and registration is open from 7pm.

Participants are asked to collect sponsorship money, as the registration fee is used to cover costs.

St Andrew's is one of a handful of hospices who run both adult and children's services on the same site.

It costs £4.8-million a year to run, and only a small percentage of that is granted by statutory bodies.

Theresa continued: "Andy's really is an amazing place and we rely on the generosity of the communities we support to continue our work.

"We hope people are inspired to get involved in the Scare Fest and our other fun events.

"We would also like to thank Lincs FM for their support of the event – their street team will be on hand to provide moral support to our fundraisers."

You can sign-up to the Scare Fest at <u>www.standrewshospice.com/scarefest</u> or call the Fundraising Team on 01472 571 266.

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