



# Mike McFarnell

*"The Anti-Litter King"*

**"A GOOD JOB  
WELL DONE"**

**I**N 1986 Dover District Council set up a campaign to combine the resources of council and community to help clean and improve the

environment. Mike McFarnell was appointed to head the project which initially was to be for twelve months. In the early stages it was called "Operation Spring Clean", with a later addition of "Autumn Challenge"

The campaign was an outstanding success and Mike McFarnell sustained it for another nine years. Finally, in 1996, it was decided to end the campaign on a high note and Mike has compiled a report to acknowledge the help and support given over the years by many people in the district to improve our environment.

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1987: RIVER DOUR ASSOCIATION WORKING TO CLEAN UP THE RIVER





The 24-page booklet records the highlights of the campaign and includes many references to the help given by the Dover Society, led by John Owen, Chairman of the Projects sub-Committee who receives a special mention.

In the ten years John organised a Sea Cadet Challenge, each year taking a different area of the town. He organised the successful project to strip and paint the old leopard bollards in and around the town. Other work included replanting trees in Lousybery Wood, restoring the pond at Lydden by repairing the clay bottom, mounting window displays in empty shops and helping with beach clearance. Members will remember many of the projects depicted in these pictures.



*UPPER*

Members of the Dover Society re-painting the Leopard's Head bollards in London Road.

*LOWER*

The Dover and Deal Carnivals provided a splendid opportunity to publicise Mike's work.