

# Music fans flock to fundraising festival

## Sunshine smiles on LeeStock's new Melford Hall home

Music-lovers bathed in the beautiful Bank Holiday sunshine and soaked up the festival atmosphere at LeeStock's new home at Melford Hall over the weekend.

With two full days of live music from well-known acts like Toploader, Space and Mark Morriss as well as local bands like This Boy Wonders, VOTAS and many more, visitors flocked to the hall for the sixth annual fes-

tival, held in memory of Sudbury musician Lee Dunford who died from cancer, aged 21, in 2006.

Pete Keogh, one of the festival's organisers, said: "We had gorgeous weather and massive numbers of people turned up.

"There were about 900 on site on Saturday, with a few less on Sunday as it was more of a relaxed atmosphere."

Highlights from the weekend included Toploader playing hit single *Achille's Heel* as Chinese lanterns were set off on Saturday night, as well as John Power's headlining set the following evening.

Mr Keogh said the new venue had proved a big hit with crowds and artists alike.

"It was the perfect setting and hopefully we will be set-

tled here for a long while," he said. "William Hyde-Parker was very happy and we had lots of positive chats with the National Trust as well."

The money raised from the festival will be counted in the next few days, with all proceeds going to The Willow Foundation which helps terminally-ill young adults and has received nearly £40,000 from LeeStock over the years.



HEADLINE ACT: Joe Washbourn, lead singer of Toploader.

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PICKING AWAY: The Michael John McGlone Band performed on Sunday.

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A JOB WELL DONE: LeeStock's organisers were pleased with their efforts.

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THIRSTY WORK: Revellers enjoy a drink at the festival.

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FESTIVAL FASHION: Visitors show their support with LeeStock T-shirts.