

## **The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022 – events in Barwick in Elmet and Scholes**

*I would like to thank and congratulate all our residents, our organisations and our community for the marvellous programme that was prepared and executed in Barwick in Elmet and Scholes over the four days of the Jubilee.*

### **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.**

*I made a point of visiting every event. The first was the erection of Barwick maypole after a five-year gap. The pole had been refurbished and looked fantastic – paraded through the streets followed by a long procession including bands, entertainers and of course, the new May queen and all the children all dressed for maypole dancing and all looking lovely, boys as well as girls. It is a huge job taken on by the maypole trust – as in previous years they did a superb job.*

*This was followed by the lighting of the beacon on the top of Hall Tower Motte. Stan Hardy, Deputy Lord Lieutenant crowned the May queen and later lit the beacon.*

### **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

*This was the day for Scholes scouts to hold their b-b-q along with lots of stalls and games for the youngsters. They had a good supply of beer and the sun shone – well done to John Bliss and his team.*

*In the evening Barwick Village Hall held a supper dance with entertainment. The food was good, the entertainment excellent and we were encouraged to have a dance so dance we did. A lot of work for a small team led by Linda Turp, it went with a swing and was enjoyed by all.*

### **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

*Now we return to Scholes for the Mad Hatter's tea party, the weather a bit cooler but dry. Janet Horkan and the Scholes Lodge Farm team put on a great show, fancy dress, cake baking, down the rabbit hole and most successful tug of war. Everyone wanted to have a go. Similar to the scouts bbq the emphasis was on entertainment for all our youngsters, and it made for memorable occasions.*

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

*Songs of praise with the Gawthorpe Brass Band – in the rain – but who cared. Following the combined Anglican and Methodist service the rain increased and everyone moved indoors to listen to the band and have a picnic, the church café opened so warm drinks were available.*

*After all this excitement I was exhausted so returned home to watch the Jubilee pageant on the tv. This Jubilee has been truly memorable and again on behalf of the Parish Council I thank and congratulate everyone in the community for setting events up and participating. well done to all.*

*Claire Hassell, Chair to the Parish Council of Barwick in Elmet and Scholes 2022- 23*