

WARSOP CARNIVAL

SUNDAY 3RD JULY 2016

**Once again the weather was great,
and the entertainment fantastic.**

The sun shone brightly as the annual Warsop Carnival got underway on the first Sunday in July.

The theme this year was the elements – air, earth, fire, and water - and it was obvious that everyone got on board following the theme which was depicted in the carnival parade by their brightly coloured costumes and decorated floats.

The parade, which was led by the Seaforth Highlanders Pipe Band and traditionally marks the beginning of the day's events,

left Robin Hood Avenue at 12 noon and wound its way through the streets filled with onlookers towards Warsop town centre ending at the Carrs Showground at around 12.45pm. It featured floats from a wide range of local groups, charities and schools including: Scouts, Hetts Lane Holiday Club, Birklands Primary School and Netherfield Infant School, to list but a few.



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Once the parade was over, the fun continued with a full day of fantastic entertainment for all the family. This, together with the glorious weather, attracted over 4,500 visitors who all turned out to enjoy the Carnival.

There was a full line-up of entertainment in the main arena with the main attraction, Dangerous Steve and his thrilling show. Steve, who is one of the most experienced outdoor attractions on the circuit at the moment, started presenting his motorbike stunt show at just six years old!

The show was an hilarious and dynamic act full of sensational stunts, with brilliantly funny audience participation, knockabout comedy, crazy balancing and a thrilling fire-juggling finale.

It was a non-stop, thrill-a-minute show with Dangerous Steve's fire and chainsaw juggling, giant unicycle stunts, ladder balancing and blindfold motorcycle riding.

Other entertainment included the popular Air Bag Drop, which encouraged audience participation to do a terrifyingly high jump from a raised platform on to an inflated air bag. There was also Sue Fee's fire show, the Joker, the funfair, the vintage car show, Welbeck Brass band and The annual Rotary Club Duck Race down the River Meden.

The day was rounded off with live music headlined by The Outlines and also featuring Groove 66, Blind Fever and Kenny & Dan (Ferocious Dog).

There were 56 stalls on the day, many raising funds for local charities and a wide variety of food outlets.

Chairman of Warsop Carnival Committee, Jennifer Cockcroft said:

"The weather was fine and that really helped, so the day went really well. A big thank you to everyone on the committee who worked hard to make the event happen, to the public for attending the event, to everyone who took part and to our supporters: BIG Warsop, Warsop Parish Council, Meden Vale Charity Shop, Chase Trade Autos, MDC, Mansfield First Community Responders, Selous Security & Bowring Transport."





Rotary Club Duck Race Winners



The winners of the 2016 annual Duck Race, which is organised by the Rotary Club of Warsop Shirebrook and District are:

- 1st place David Adsetts from Bolsover
- 2nd place Georgio Alambritis from Edwinstowe
- 3rd place Pauline Ashcroft from Mansfield



Vintage Car Display

The vintage car display was well attended and made an impressive addition to the Carnival Parade. It is always a popular part of the Carnival, attracting many visitors and vintage car enthusiasts.



Parade Winners

The parade, which was extremely well supported by both entries and onlookers, was judged by Kate Allsop (*Executive Mayor*), Cllr Andy Wetton (*Chair Parish Council of Warsop*), Tim Bower (*President Rotary Club, Warsop, Shirebrook & District*), Bethany Hodgkinson (*Carnival Queen*) and Callan Smith (*Carnival King*). All pictured below presenting the winning plaques.

The winners of the 'Best Dressed Float' competition were:
 1st – Hetts lane Holiday Club & Warsop Children's Centre
 2nd – Netherfield Infant School
 3rd – Birklands Primary School



This year's Carnival Royal Family together with dignitaries.

The Carnival Music Stage

This year's music stage was headlined by Warsop band, The Outlines. They are an energetic 3-piece modern alt punk band, fusing old school punk with a fresh sound that is guaranteed to get you moving!

The Outlines were formed in early 2015 and since then they have written, recorded and performed their first album 'The Streets of England' and completed their first UK tour. During the tour they performed in various venues including The Workshop in London and at DogFest supporting the incredible Ferocious Dog.

The fun loving band are currently in the process of completing their second album, and can't wait to get into the studio and start recording! They have big ideas and high hopes for the future, and are enjoying every second of what they do.

The Outlines were also supported by:

Grove 66



Grove 66, an exciting nine-piece band based in Derby. They play a fantastic mix of classic soul, ska, disco and pop music from the 60s to the present day.



Hillbilly blues mad heads, Blind Fever, play a high energy show which is full of toe tapping fun, irreverent lyrics and hillbilly hobo attitude.



Ken and Dan, who are both members of the amazing local band Ferocious Dog, gave up their time to entertain carnival visitors. Ken Bonsall is the lead singer and guitarist and Dan Booth plays the fiddle and writes songs.



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We are always looking for more committee members so if you would like to get involved with organising this amazing community event or if you or your group would like to help out on the day please get in touch.

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