

Golcar Lily Day May 2018

What a lovely day it was. I hope that everyone enjoyed it.

I am always amused by the things that end up being my responsibility, but I really don't think I should have been blamed for the greenfly invasion!

I am also amused by the simple things that I didn't realise I had done, but which work. I got out some benches from the church shed and they were the most useful seats on the village.

I think a lot went right. Some things probably went wrong. The help from the Lions setting up from 6.00 am really made a huge difference. I was still standing by 10.00 am this year. The environment group sailed in to help with our stalls. They weren't expecting to run the pig races, but I couldn't fault their style and enthusiasm. Donations to the bottle stall were extremely generous and I must thank everyone.

We are still short of people around the village. Sam came from Huddersfield live and she was around doing things like joining in the belly dancing with some of the children. She also tested the gin bar, more of which later. Fortunately the First Aiders were around to help with stewarding and with cleaning away the rubbish.

I'm wary of singling out people and groups, but the scouts make the whole day well organised and provide a huge amount of help to make everything work.

I heard some people wishing for a programme, so I asked if they would be prepared to do it. There will be no programme next year! The single sheet was just what was needed.

Thank you for the music, the entertainment, the bar and the re-enactment. Thank you to the Morris dancers. So, there I was. At the Rose and Crown with a horse and cart and True Talent Drama school. Slaithwaite Classic were arriving, so I had a possible procession. SWEAT were there so we could go. 1 minute to setting off Gordon appeared followed by the rest of the Morris team. A wander of Historia Normanis came round the corner and away we went. Why do I worry?!

Dixon's ice cream van was a very useful addition.

Talking to various people the weather affected the day in a lot of ways. It was an outdoor occasion. And we can't often say that. The crown had veered towards the field this year. And the gin bar definitely helped.

Many thanks to everyone who took part and put their sanity on the line for another year.

Sue Starr

Notes from meeting 25.6.18

Apologies; Hilary Richards, Kathryn Sykes, Lynne Knight.

Present; Soo and Craig Ellis, Susan Whitwam, Margaret Laycocok, Mark and Sarah Evans, Nore Beaumont, Barbara Armitage, Marion Hall, Sue Starr.

Sue will send flowers to Joan Morton when she gets home from hospital and to Sheila Tatham who is finding meeting too much now, Sheila has been a loyal friend to Golcar Lily Day.

Grateful thanks to Nore Beaumont for arranging the music for more years than she ever wanted to. Happily Margaret Laycock has agreed to do this.

There was discussion on food provision. The unexpected appearance of a pizza van outside the Rising Sun affected sales in the village. St John's church attendance figures were down. This may have been due to the sudden fine weather but needs managing carefully next year.

Unsure how many were there. People were spread throughout the village this year.

Raynet. Large posters with contact details needed.

Flower tubs. The person who has done it for many years has given up. New arrangements to be made for next year.

Announcements essential.

Query about number of drivers was referred to Sue Stainton.

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Will be moved to a different time of year, but will continue. Planning a get together of interested parties in September.

AGM Tuesday September 4th at St John's