

WHEATLEY CELEBRATES
H.M. THE QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE

5-12 June 1977

On 22nd September, 1976 a meeting' was held in the Council Chamber at the Merry Bells under the Chairmanship of Mr, Peter Audley-Miller to discuss preliminary arrangements for a village celebration of the Queen's Silver Jubilee,

Attending the meeting were 32 representatives from various groups active in village life.

After discussion a provisional programme was drawn up and a co-ordinating committee formed. The committee consists of:

Mr. Peter Wild,(Chairman) 7 Templars Close Tel, 3666
Mr. Percy Blake, 74A High Street Tel. 2411
Mrs. Jones, 76 Farm Close Road
Mr. Gerry McGowan, The Post Office, High Street Tel. 2341
Mrs. Lynn Shew, 35 Farm Close Road Tel. 3413
Mrs, Tombs, 110 Church Road.

Also as ex-officio members of this committee are Mr. Peter Audley-Miller, Chairman of the Council; and Mr. Vic Markham Public Relations Officer
Tel, 2607, Mrs, Carol Newman, Secretary and Mr. John Smith (Manager Barclays Bank) Treasurer,

INTENTION

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Queen's Accession to the Throne by encouraging individuals and groups to produce a series of joyous activities in which all in the village may participate during the week 5th - 12th June 1977* These activities should not only be financially self-supporting or be funded by prior arrangement, but should allow an opportunity for money to be collected to enable donations to be made subsequently to charity.

METHOD

A committee has been formed to co-ordinate all the activities within the village during the week long celebrations. The key word is 'co-ordinate' because the committee itself will have no finance or facilities of its own.

Therefore all individuals or groups who agree to produce the separate activities during the week should be prepared to provide for the requirements and funding of the activities. These may necessitate booking a hall or site. Providing flags, food and drink or entertainment.

The producers of the event are asked to accept full responsibility for total organisational requirements, This does not mean that help and guidance may not be provided by other people if required.

PROGRAMME FRAMEWORK

At the meeting of 22nd September and a subsequent meeting of the co-ordinating committee on 27th September a provisional programme was evolved. Around this framework many other activities can take place. The basic functions themselves can also be developed by the addition of other activities.

Provisional Programme. Framework

Date	Time	Item
Sunday 5 June	AM	Church Service in the Parish Church
	PM	Brass Band Concert
Bank Holiday	AM	Pram Race
Monday 6 June	PM	Children's Sports.at the Lower School
	Evening	Concert Party
Bank Holiday	AM	Traditional Village Sports
Tuesday 7 June	PM	Street Party
	Evening	Ox Roast, Barn Dance & Disco
Wednesday 8 June	Evening	Open day for village organisations Outdoor Sports ~ Tug-o-War, etc.
Thursday 9 June	Evening	Open day for village organisations Indoor games - Darts, Aunt Sally, etc.
Friday 10 June	Evening	Open day for village organisations Senior Citizens Party including Bingo
Saturday 11 June	PM	Carnival Procession
	Evening	Jubilee Ball at the Lower School
Sunday 12 June	AM	Ecumenical Service in Memorial Grounds

Activities to be held throughout the week;

- Flower Festival in the Parish Church.
- History of Wheatley Exhibition in the Primary School
- Garden Competition including window boxes
- Scouts Camp and Displays in the West Field and Scout House

An invitation to you to .join in the celebration

This is an invitation to any individual or organisation in the village to join in with these celebrations by contributing an additional activity which fits within the existing framework.

For instance you may wish to open your garden to visitors and possibly offer them tea (for a nominal charge as a contribution towards the charity).

The British Legion may wish to lay a wreath on the War Memorial and you too may like to join them in laying a wreath.

You, your friends, or the organisation or club of which you are a member may have some form of activity or display to which you could invite others either to watch or to join with you.

You may like to join with Scouts and camp out for a night or for the ■week in the West Field.

The ideas are only limited to the extent of your imagination and the fact that if you have a good idea

you are asked to implement it yourself or find someone to undertake the organisation for you. All ideas to be submitted to the co-ordinating committee for acceptance no later than 5 November 1976.

Souvenir Programme

Copies of a Souvenir Jubilee Programme will be produced and sold. This will contain full information about, who - what - where and when. It is intended to sell advertising space to cover production costs so that the money raised by selling copies can be wholly devoted to the charity.

It is also intended to make this production a comprehensive souvenir of Wheatley. Therefore if you have an item or photograph or story which is relevant to the history of Wheatley, its people or to changes which have taken place in the village, particularly during the last 25 years, please let us have them.

Souvenir Jubilee Mugs

Negotiations are already under way to produce a special 'Wheatley' version of a Jubilee 1-lug. These mugs will be given to every child in the village under 14 years of age. A limited quantity will also be ordered for sale to the public.

A get-together on 3 November 1976

In order to co-ordinate effort and to give everyone who has agreed to produce an activity an opportunity to ask questions a meeting will be held in the Merry Bells on Wednesday 3 November at 8.00 p.m.

Representatives from organisations within the village are asked to attend together with any individual who would like to be totally responsible for running an activity.

After the meeting the co-ordinating committee will produce a finalised programme together with the name of the person or organisation who has accepted responsibility for running the activity.