

BOROUGHBRIDGE MAYOR'S DIARY
Councillor Geoff Craggs's Weekly Diary

15 July 2011

At last Tuesday's monthly Town Council meeting it was reported that the increase in the number of visitors to the Tourist Information Point in Hall Square was very encouraging, but there is a real need for more volunteers to "man" the facility. If anyone feels they can spare a few hours from time to time to meet up with visitors and help them, please contact the Town Clerk any morning Monday to Friday at One Hall Square, phone him on 01423 322956 or e mail info@boroughbridge.org.uk . All our volunteers say how much they enjoy meeting visitors to our community, so why not indulge yourselves and join in with their enjoyment!

On Friday Betty and I were invited to a hog roast at Thirsk Racecourse; this event was hosted by the High Sheriff of North Yorkshire Mrs. Alexandra Holford and Mr. Michael Holford. Being July and Britain the weather was naturally less than clement, but proceedings were hurriedly and efficiently moved indoors and after the presentation of well- deserved High Sheriff's awards to members of the Fire and Rescue, Police and Ambulance organisations we were treated to an excellent meal of roast pork, with salads supplied and served by young folk from Dr. B's Kitchen. An excellent evening, with an opportunity to chat with old friends and meet new ones- and it even stopped raining.....eventually.

On Sunday we attended the Knaresborough Mayor's Civic Service at Holy Trinity Church in Gracious Street; my earliest memory of Trinity is of going there during the 1939/45 war to a "Wings for Victory" service as a very junior Grammar School pupil, somewhat over awed by the occasion; the vicar at that time was the Reverend Atherley, who lived for many years in Aldborough when he retired; later visits to Trinity were to play with Knaresborough Silver Band at concerts. Betty also has happy memories of Trinity, as she attended morning service there every Sunday when she lived with her aunt in Knaresborough. Sunday's service was inspiring, with a full church, very friendly people and a real sense of community spirit.