



Jamboree Time

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2008 Jamboree was a Blast.

Last years Barrow Jamboree was one of the best attended Jamborees of recent years. Registration figures show that 153 adults and 113 children were in attendance. The weather cooperated and a fun time was had by one and all. Saturday evening's entertainment was preceded by a flamboyant punch party. This was hosted with much aplomb, complete with grass skirts and Hawaiian style leis by the Myerscoughs, Killips, Potters, and Elcocks. Congratulations to all involved and we look forward to a repeat performance this year. The wealth of artistic talent which is showcased each year at our "Saturday Night in the Pavilion" concert is a wondrous feast for the eyes and ears; and 2008 was no exception. From the moment our



sardonic compere, Roger Hudson, took the stage until the closing act a fabulous time was had by young and old. Let's keep that tradition going for 2009; and remember your participation is required to make this evening a success. So if you can sing or dance or have any other worthy talents you would like to share with us, please let compere Roger know. He will, I am sure find a place on the billing for you, and you never know Canadian Idol could be next.

Dorothy (Dot) Burns

It is with great sadness that I report the loss of a stalwart Jamboree member. As most people are now probably aware Dot Burns passed away last September. In her official capacity Dot was our Jamboree treasurer. Dot will always be remembered for her cheerful, bubbly personality and her ability to engage people on every level. Dot will be very much missed by husband Stan, children Gavin & Rachel, and grandchildren Selena & Aidan and by all her friends at the Barrow Jamboree.

2008 Trophy Winners

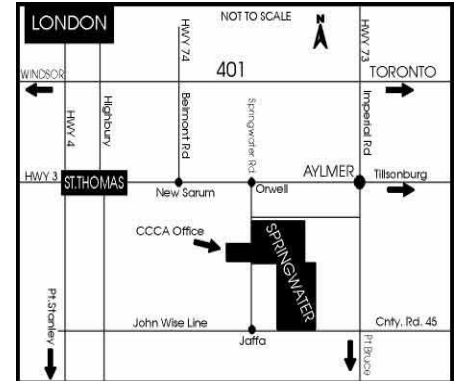
Mixed Darts: Dave Jackman & Lisa Coats. Runners-Up: Shane Killup and Anne McLeod. Team Darts: Farmers Arms: Stan Burns, Mike Potter & Stuart McLeod. Runners-Up: Barley Mow: Nick Hudson, Kevin Shea & Roland Beaudet.

Registration Process.

The system employed for collecting the fees once again went smoothly and the monies collected paid all our required expenses. Kudos go to the numerous volunteers who spent many hours sitting at the registration desk and also to the registrants themselves who took the time to pre-fill the forms which really sped up the whole process. So this year you will see the same system in place. Please enter on the east side of the park as normal and proceed down the roadway past the barrier. Once past the barrier drive towards the large shelter and park your vehicle on the side of the road. The registration desk will be located inside the shelter. Do not register at the main Springwater office on the west side of the road. If possible please fill out the registration form ahead of time, you will

find one enclosed with the Newsletter. It is important that you pay in cash; the registration desk is not equipped for credit cards, debit cards or cheques. Speaking of volunteers, yes that means you; we will require help with the registration process this year. If you can spare some time Friday during the afternoon or evening please contact Sue Jackman or Heather Chubb for further details.

2009 Jamboree Dates



The official activity dates for the 52nd annual Barrow Jamboree have been set for Friday June 26th to Sunday June 28th 2009. See enclosed registration form for camping rates. If you wish to camp outside of the dates mentioned on the registration form please contact the **Catfish Creek Conservation Authority** at 519-773-9037 to make booking arrangements. Please mention that you are with the Barrow Jamboree and that you wish to be in the North/South pavilion area. Catfish Creek's camping rates outside of the Jamboree dates are \$29 per night for an un-serviced lot and \$31/35 per night for a serviced lot.

Shannon Kelly 2008 Mr. Barrow.



Tradition flew out of the window when choosing last years Mr. & Mrs. Barrow. For the first time in Jamboree history there is no Mrs. Barrow; Shannon Kelly has taken on the responsibility of both roles. Shannon is the youngest son of George and Carol Kelly and has been a regular Jamboree attendee since he was in "nappies". Over the last few years Shannon has brought his organizational skills to bear and has brought calm and composure to the Darts Tournament. We actually now start and finish on time thanks to Shannon.

Tiny Talent Time.

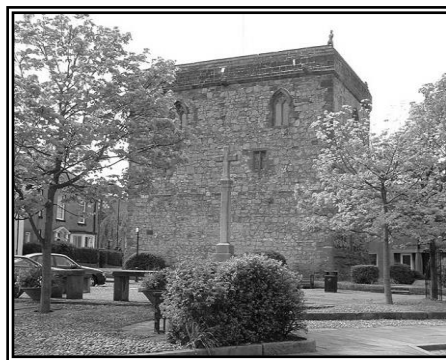
Contact Lynn Crinson to register your child or grandchild for the Tiny Talent Contest. Last year the children put on a wonderful show, they sang and danced their hearts out. So don't forget 1.45 pm Saturday afternoon over in the small shelter. This is a really popular event which draws lots of participants. The time slot we have is quite short, so please limit the acts to one per child. Some of the Tiny Talent Star contestants will appear at the beginning of the evening show.

Gourmet Breakfast.

As is the usual Jamboree tradition, "breakfast of champions" will be available on Sunday morning. Spatulas begin flipping at 9.30am and continue while quantities last. So start your Jamboree morning in style and amble over to the main shelter for a gourmet breakfast.

Dalton Castle.

As far as castles go Dalton castle is not one of the most spectacular you will ever come across, but it does speak of a time when Dalton was quite an important town in the Furness peninsular. There have actually been a couple of castles on this site, one built about 80 AD and another in 1172. The present castle was built around 1320 and was part of Edward II defensive strategy to defend the troubled border region against the marauding Scots under Robert the Bruce. The castle is actually a **Pele Tower**, of which there are over 90 scattered around the old counties of Cumberland, Westmorland and north



Lancashire. Dalton's **Pele Tower** was built as a rectangle 45 feet by 30 feet with walls at a maximum 6 feet thick. It was constructed using local limestone with red sandstone dressings around the openings. It is a three storey structure with a roof parapet and an inside spiral stairway. There was only one entrance, a door on the south side (since bricked over). After the threat of Scottish invasion dissipated the castle fell into a state of disrepair. The legal owners of the castle were the Abbot and monks of Furness Abbey, but after the dissolution of the monasteries it became crown property. It was used by the crown as a courthouse and also a prison. It is now owned by the National Trust who had it restored in 1968. On display is some recently restored armour, an exhibition on a local history and a display about local painter George Romney.

Ye Olde Roast Beef.

For those of you that want a break from slaving over the BBQ on Saturday night, why not order in. A local restaurant in Aylmer can provide a full 3 course roast

beef dinner with all the trimmings, delivered to the camp site and served on China plates for \$15. And of course the best part is you have no washing-up to take care of. If anybody is interested you can contact Raidee Corey before noon on Saturday and she will gladly take your order.

Volunteers Required

Organizing the Jamboree is a year long event involving a great number of people. As we attend each year and as the weekend events move seamlessly and smoothly from one to the other we tend to forget that people behind the scenes have made that happen. For this Jamboree to continue to flourish into the future we need a new influx volunteers. If you are interested in helping out please contact Sue or Dave Jackman and they can provide you with more detailed information of the jobs for which help is required.



A Quick One

An Ormsgill lad comes home from school and tells his Mam that he has just been given a part in the school play. "Wonderful" says she, "What part?" The boy says "I play the part of the Barrovian husband!" His Mam scowls and says: "I'm not havin' that, you go back and tell the teacher you want a speaking part."

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

Friday June 26th

5.30pm-6.30pm Mixed Darts Reg.
6.30pm-10.30pm Mixed Darts & Raffle
7.00pm-9.30pm Children's Bingo.

Saturday June 27th

9.00am-10.00am Team Darts Reg.
10.00am-12.00pm Team Darts.
12.00pm-12.30pm Mr. & Mrs. Barrow
12.30pm-1.30pm Kid's Carnival.
1.45pm-2.30pm Tiny Talent Time.
2.30pm-4.00pm Penny Table.
7.00pm-8.00pm Punch Party.
8.00pm-11.00pm Evening's Enter.

Sunday June 28th

9.30-10.30am Gourmet Breakfast.
10.00am-12.00pm Darts Finals
10.00am-12.00pm Sling Shot Games
1.00pm Trophy Presentations.