

## Town Reeves Report - June 2017

Since we last met as a full committee my time has been quite mixed, and thankfully few duties as Town Reeve during February and March which was just as well as I had to have a spell in hospital and then recover (unfortunately missing the marathon which I attend every year as part of the NSPCC) so my first outing as such was on 8 April to the Southwold Spring Ball which was a joyous affair, with all the great and good from the surrounding area in attendance.

Attending the presentation of the Bezant cup at the Bungay Civic evening on 21 April was a real pleasure with such a deserving young man such as Brendan Ling being the recipient along with the recipient of the Civic Award Derek Abott and the Collyer Cup Emma Rusted.

The St Georges Day Parade was breath of fresh air with so many scouts, brownies, etc on the march from the grammar school to the High School with a service by The Rev. Chris Hutton which appealed to many of the children and adults on so many different levels.

On 21 May was the Civic Service at Southold - a beautiful sunny day for a great occasion welcoming in the new Mayor with the service held at the Church followed by a march around the town behind the Southwold drum band, which unfortunately is being disbanded.

I have attended many interesting meetings of my Mens Shed group - an amazing way for men, or all ages, I have found out to get together and promote sustainable good health ad well being - one of the young men at the Halesworth Shed had quite severe Problems when it came to spending time with people he did not know and it has changed his life. The Mens Shed is more than helpful on so many fronts.

My work for the Proms evening is becoming quite intense to ensure that this gets to as wide an audience as possible. I have done the proverbial photo shoot and been on the local Radio apart from piloting a light aircraft trailing a banner I am not sure what else I can do - please spread the information to as many as you can.

Saturday the 9<sup>th</sup> was a beautiful day for the All Hallows Fete and this was well attended raising in excess of £2000.

Saturday evening Tony and I had been invited to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Charter Anniversary Dinner of the Lions at Earsham Hall. This was a very well attended event in beautiful surroundings and most entertaining.