



Clayton-le-Woods & Whittle-le-Woods Parish Councils



SCARECROW FESTIVAL



Entry Rules and Entry Form

What is a Scarecrow Festival?

Scarecrow Festivals are held in several towns and villages across the U.K. and elsewhere in the world and are a fun way to involve all sections of the community. Scarecrows have been used since ancient times to protect farmers' crops from feeding birds. In recent years many communities have begun to hold Scarecrow Festivals as a way of bringing different groups, businesses, schools and residents together and bring back the "community feel" that seems to have been lost in an era of technology and busy working families.

Ideas and Inspiration

There are all sorts of shapes and sizes of scarecrow, ranging from window displays to large groups of individual scarecrows, depending on the space and time that you have and your imagination. Google "Scarecrow Festivals" for inspiration.

The idea is to make a scarecrow that represents you and what you do. So, a school could make a class of wooden spoon scarecrows with a teacher, or a church could have a wedding theme. A garage could have a mechanic under a car bonnet. If you are a family who love cartoons or a movie night, you could create Simpsons characters or super-heroes.

If your home is directly on to the street you could display your scarecrow in your window, or in a plant pot.

RULES OF ENTRY

1. To enter, please complete the entry form with details of your scarecrow, your contact information and the address/location of your scarecrow. The entry form is on page 3 of this document
2. By signing the form, you are agreeing to your entry being photographed and used in publicity about the Scarecrow Festival and to your name or your group or business name being used in publicity about the Festival.
3. Each entrant can enter one scarecrow or a group of scarecrows.

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4. There are 5 categories for entry:
- Business or Organisation (e.g. shops, supermarkets, community groups, churches etc.)
 - Education or Uniformed Groups (e.g. schools, nurseries, brownies etc)
 - Families
 - Individuals 16 years and over
 - Children under 16 years (majority of the work must have been done by the child/children)
5. Completed Entry Forms should be emailed to:
projects@claytonlewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk or to
whittlewoodspc@yahoo.co.uk
or posted to:
Clayton-le-Woods Parish Council, Office 16, Reception Block, Chorley Business and Technology Centre, East Terrace, Euxton, Chorley, PR7 6TE
Or Whittle-le-Woods Parish Council, 309 Browndge Rd, Bamber Bridge, PR5 6UU
6. Commercially available scarecrows cannot be entered.
7. Scarecrows should be displayed within the boundary of your property and be clearly visible from the road for judging. Please ensure that your scarecrow is secure so as not to fall or cause harm or damage to any person or property.
8. Scarecrows should be displayed from Saturday 7th September until Saturday 21st September and judging will take place on 20th/21st September.
9. Scarecrows should be constructed to be weatherproof in case of inclement weather.
10. Entrants must be residents of, or have businesses in, Clayton-le-Woods, Whittle-le-Woods and Cuerden.
11. The closing date for entries is **September 3rd**.

Please remember that this is an event for the whole community so please avoid horror, graphic images, racial or sexual content.



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7 - 21 September 2019

Entry Form

Name of person, organisation or business entering:

Address:

Phone

No: _____ Email: _____

Entry Category: (please tick which category you are entering)

- Business or Organisation
- Schools and Uniformed Groups
- Families
- Individuals over 16
- Children 16 and under

Location of Scarecrow _____

Consent:

I/we consent to the scarecrow being photographed and images used in publicity material during and after the Festival.

Signed: _____

Closing date for entries is September 3rd 2019

Please return this form to: projects@claytonlewoodsparishcouncil.org.uk or to whittlelewoodspc@yahoo.co.uk or post to Office 16, Reception Block, CBTC, East Terrace, Euxton, PR7 6TE