

2025 Marhamchurch Revel

A number of locals, visitors and villagers attended this year's Revel as the Queen Alma Veale was crowned by Old Father Time who also gave his traditional speech in the village square. The bough boys with their green branches stood behind as The Queen opened the Revel as per previous years and then rode a horse onto the Revel Field. The Barrel Morris lead the procession, followed by her Marshall Joey, Page Duke, Flower Girls Eden & Halley, and her maids Issie, Aria, Bea, Alexia, Jenjen & Cantika. The royal party were followed onto the Revel field by everyone else. Where they took to their seats on the stage to oversee the afternoon events.

Entertaining the crowds in the sunshine were Bude Ukulele Band, The Barrel Morris with Morris Dancing and for the children Entertainingly Different where Rob also oversaw the Children's races and ended the event with various Parachute games with the parents joining in, and those looking on thoroughly enjoyed.

There were the usual stalls and some new ones, ranging from the ever-popular cake stall to guess the weight of the pasty.

The Scouts barbecue tent was very popular too. In the Bray Institute (Village Hall) the lovely ladies served Cream Teas all afternoon where also the royal party enjoyed a special tea on the stage.

The Revel Grand Prize Draw offered some lovely prizes.

This year we were joined by Ben Maguire MP, who had a go on the smash the crockery stall, tombola, and enjoyed a traditional Cream Tea whilst engaging with the Village locals.

Early evening saw a large crowd gathering for the Pram Race. Entries assembled in the village square. Nikki from the Bullers judged the array of entries. In the junior class race Jeo Break came first, Under the Sea came second with Clarkson's Farm coming in third. In the fancy dress category, Under the Sea came first, Dippy Egg and Soldiers came second, and Mario Smart came in third.

In the senior class race Clarkson's Farm came first and Under the Sea came second with Mad Max coming third. In the senior fancy dress category Mad Max were first with Under the Sea coming second, and Clarkson's Farm third. Thank you to Kerstie for organising and to Tony & George who compared the evening with great commentary, laughter and adding their personal touches to the event. Thank you too to Nikki and Sam from the Bullers Arms who very generously donated the refreshments.

After the excitement of the pram race The Bullers Arms had Danny & Eva's Food van available to feed the hungry crowd.