

## **Welcome to the 2017 Gargrave Show.**

*I have been on the show committee for over 25 years and I was delighted to be asked to be the Show President for 2017. I have been the sheep dog trial steward for all those years and have seen the sheep dog entries grow each year. Since the foot and mouth restrictions, we have held the trial on a separate day from the show.*

*The sheep dog trial will take place on Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> at Home Bridge farm by the kind permission of the Beckwith family. This is well worth a visit starting at 9.00am and usually sees 50 to 60 dogs take part. First class caterers are in attendance and it is free for the public to watch.*

*The 113th Gargrave Show, a long-established and highly popular Agricultural and Horticultural Show, and the traditional opener to the local show season. A fantastic all-round family event showcasing the very best of rural skills, crafts and much more. Once again, there's so much for you all to see and do on show day, with show classes for sheep ,cattle and equestrian.*

*This year the Poultry Section will not take place because of the Avian flu restrictions.*

*The Handicraft and Horticultural marquee with many classes of hand-crafted and home-grown items show casing local entrants.*

*Here, there are classes to suit virtually everyone, both adults and children.*

*Gargrave Show Fell Races continue to create strong interest and we are again expecting some of the leading runners to participate.*

*Our Fun Dog Show is entertaining and, at times, hilarious!*

*It's action all the way, all day in the main show ring and don't miss our Grand Parade, when vintage agricultural vehicles and classic cars will be on display, followed by the presentation of trophies to prize-winning livestock entrants.*

*The famous Terrier Races can be great fun, and will again bring an end to another Gargrave Show.*

*Please do try to find time to visit our Craft Marquee and support our Trade, Food and Drink Stands. All continue to provide added interest for our visitors.*

*I would like to thanks all our Vice-Presidents, sponsors, programme advertisers, the regional agricultural communities who continue to support us - in fact, anyone who has contributed to the ongoing success of this great show of ours, including members of the public for their much valued attendance.*

*I look forward to welcoming you all on show day.*

**Show President Bobby Clarkson.**