

This year's Rushbearing Festival attracted hundreds of spectators and saw the biggest procession in its history.



The Rushcart - piled high with rushes - was hauled by 60 men wearing clogs through Sowerby Bridge and the surrounding vilages.

They were accompanied by colourful morris dancers, musicians and the Bradshaw Mummers.

Among those taking part was one of the Calderdale festival's founders Gary Stringfellow.

Now vice-president of the Rushbearing Association, he start-ed the event with president Fred Knights in 1977.



People are getting in on the fun by making their own baskets and hats. The festival is a rather popular event in the area and is held every year.



Every year, the festival is held in the town square. The costumes are made of recycled materials and are a sight to see. We get a lot of people from out of town.