



THE GATEWAY

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Beetham & Hale 100th Anniversary Sports Special 2019

Welcome to the 2019 Beetham & Hale Sports special pictorial edition of The Gateway, celebrating Beetham Village's 100th 'Great Family Day Out'

The days before this year's 100th Anniversary Sports were frustratingly mixed—glorious sunshine one day, then downpours the next. By the morning of Saturday 27th July it became clear which type of day the celebration Village Sports was going to be, and everyone arrived in their wet weather gear... Luckily, however, unlike 2018 the strong winds stayed away and the Sports went ahead with umbrellas at the ready

The Sports was opened by Bay Radio's Danny Matthews and began with the Children's Fancy Dress Competition. As always the afternoon was compered by Paul Lusted in his inimitable fun style, and the races attracted plenty of entries despite the mud and rain

Stalls under cover were very popular, and the Beetham Community Band managed to keep a bit drier this year. The Cumberland & Westmorland Wrestling included the Under 18 World Championship, which was won by John Gibson, with Matty Hodgson as runner-up. The Fell Race was won by Carl Bell and the first lady back was Jenn Bell, and the couple delighted everyone by both donating their cash prizes back to Beetham Sports. Thank you once again goes to Simon Greenwood and the Beetham Sports Committee for ensuring the event was as enjoyable as ever; thank you to all who helped with the races, manned stalls and refreshments; and thank you to Graham Edwards for taking these photographs. Final thanks go to everyone in the community for ignoring the forecast and making it such a profitable event, enabling more grants to be made to local organisations again this year





