**The Cliff Barstow Jig Competition – The Rules**

In memory of founder member Cliff Barstow, White Rose Morris Men sponsor an annual jig competition. With an emphasis on a good old-fashioned graceful style as exemplified by Cliff Barstow, Bill Barrett and John Trickey\*, the winner will display economy, grace, and a natural upright dancing style.

A trophy will be awarded to the winner, engraved with the winner’s name and retained for one year before being returned to the competition for the following year. The winner will be invited to join the judging panel for the following year. Additionally, an audience-selected winner will receive the White Rose special Whitby prize!

* Each entrant will be asked to perform a compulsory dance chosen from a supplied list of four.
* Six finalists will be chosen, and invited to dance a further jig of their own choosing.
* Each dance should be a single jig drawn from the normal Cotswold repertoire and danced in a standard version.
* A single live musician should be used – for the compulsory dance the musician will be nominated by White Rose. For the own choice dance entrants should supply their own musician.
* Judges will choose a winner, but will not rank the other competitors, nor give out scores or feedback.
* Judges to be:
	+ One nominated by White Rose
	+ One nominated by Shepley Festival
	+ One nominated by the Barstow family
	+ The outgoing winner from the previous year if available
* In the event of a tie for winning place, or of any other dispute, the final decision will rest with the Squire of White Rose Morris Men.

\*Cliff Barstow was a founder member of Leeds Morris Men, White Rose Morris Men, and the Inter-Varsity Folk Dance Festival. Bill Barrett was a founder member of Leeds Morris Men. John Trickey is a member of Peterborough Morris Men and for many years danced a jig during the Sunday display at Whittlesea Straw Bear.