

Barry Jackson

High Sheriff of Leicestershire 2007/2008



Barry Jackson was born in July 1943 at Barnard Castle, County Durham, where he spent most of his early childhood. By the age of seven he had moved with his parents to Warwickshire and then to Leicestershire where he has lived ever since.

Barry was educated at Stamford School, Stamford, Lincolnshire, the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester and the National Institute of Agricultural Botany, Cambridge.

He worked initially for a Leicestershire agricultural seed merchant but soon started his own business. By 1972 he and his business partner were well established seed merchants in the Midlands

In 1972 he formed a wine company which specialised in the importation and distribution of wines from France and Germany and became a sole agent for a main Champagne House. The company supplied wines throughout England until it was sold in 1988.

In 1985 Barry founded, with new partners, a healthcare products business, dedicated to the manufacture and distribution of an acupuncture product against nausea called "The Sea-Band". Barry was Managing Director for 15 years and in that time The Sea-Band and other products were being sold in over 50 countries. He sold his shares in the business in 1999 and now devotes time to his property development company which was created in the late 70's.

Barry is a Compagnon de la Confrerie des Vignerons de Saint Vincent et Disciple de la Chanteflute and was awarded a Chanteflute for his services to Burgundy wines.

He is a Livery man with the Framework and Knitters Guild and is a Freeman of the City of London.

He is also on the Hinckley and Bosworth Local Strategic Planning and Town Centre Partnership committees.

His hobbies are travelling, golf and country sports. He has been married to Jeanne-Marie for 34 years and they have three children.