

Pork pie fan's dream wedding



MOST wedding day photos include a shot of the happy couple cutting their cake.

But pork pie fan Rob Eccles, of Barrow upon Soar, went one better on his big day thanks to his mate Richard Perkins.

Richard commissioned a giant Organic Melton Mowbray Pork Pie from Brockleby's, of Asfordby Hill, Leicestershire, for Rob's marriage to fiancée Amy.

The mega pie, made with organic Saddleback pork reared locally in Hathern, was topped by a heart and the initials R and A. The couple enjoyed a reception at the Burleigh Court Hotel in Loughborough after their wedding at Holy Trinity Church, Barrow.

Richard, who also lives in Barrow, said: "Rob is a huge pork pie fan and actually used to belong to an informal club devoted to eating pork pies.

"I thought that this would be the perfect wedding gift.

"He absolutely loved it. It was the talk of the night, and it tasted great too."

Brockleby's owner Ian Jalland, whose artisan piemakers at Asfordby Hill baked the monster pie, said: "We are always happy to help our customers and this was probably the most unusual request we have ever had. We were really happy to bake this special Melton Mowbray Pork Pie for Rob and Amy and wish them every happiness."

Brockleby's make the world's only organic Melton Mowbray Pork Pies. Melton Mowbray Pork Pies are set to gain PGI status. This legal ruling will mean that only pork pies baked in the region can bear the town's name.

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