

Scouse Sonnet - Number 13 - 1950's Nostalgia

Coronation Day

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It was an overcast, Everton Tuesday, **Second of June, Nineteen Fifty Three.**
When close Neighbours in Salisbury Street, held our Coronation, Street Party.
All year, each Family paid into a common Pool, **their weekly Half-a-Crown.**
Mrs Gough was Organizer. Cooks, Entertainers and Helpers she soon found.
For makeshift chairs and tables, hanging Bunting; **and other essential tasks.**
Though Finances were modest, our National Pride could not be surpassed.
Food was served to Children first, **each with a new Souvenir Mug and Plate.**
Pie, Chips and Beans, Vantas, Cake, Jelly and Custard, this Feast tasted great.
Ian Bell on his Accordion. **Dad played our Pianola, Parlour window open wide.**
We sang along to every song, as hard-working Mothers looked on, satisfied.
The High-Jinks lasted until dusk, **this 'Tribute Day', enhanced by Informality.**
A terrific time was had by 'One and All', as lives returned slowly, to normality.
A Truly Memorable Street Party, **to Celebrate the Coronation of Our Queen.**
Though some viewed the whole Event, in Black and White, on a tiny TV Screen.