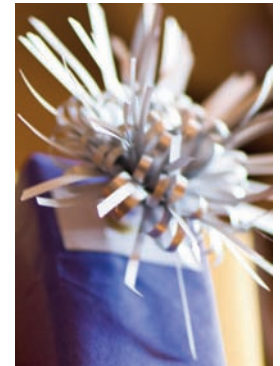


REALWEDDINGS



sugar resin to symbolise David and I we also had a small one made to represent our baby to be.

All three speeches were very different but hugely memorable: My dad was very nervous about his, and my mother heckling him turned it into a hilarious double-act! David's speech was very moving and brought tears to my eyes and David's dad made a very clever analogy about our wedding – a barn, fields of sheep, a young couple with a baby on the way and visitors from the East, my parents!

In the evening we had a DJ with karaoke. David loves his music and compiled 14 CDs worth of wedding music which the DJ took on board and the dance floor was not empty for a single minute. We were also delighted that the karaoke went down really well – a lot of appalling singing added to the evening. We chose the Hustle as our first dance as we didn't have time to take proper slow dancing lessons. Half-way through our friends and family joined us and you wouldn't believe how quickly the dance floor filled up – it was such a great ice-

breaker!

There were so many highlights of the day: I remember looking out of the windows during the meal and each one was like a beautiful painting because of the views of the hillside and fields. We really didn't need to do anything to make the place look amazing – it just was! I'll never forget seeing David's wedding ring shining on his finger and how different I thought he looked with it on – it made me feel warm inside. David says his proudest moment was walking back down the aisle with his new wife, and when I opened up the karaoke with 'True Colours' by Cyndi Lauper dedicated to him.

THE ICING ON THE CAKE... Our day was made extra special by us finding the right people – from Louise and Lucy at the barn, Darren the caterer, Frances the florist, Rachel, Claire and Candy at Candy Anthony's, Hetty the shoemaker, David and Jade our photographers and Mr Willingale's wine – we trusted in their professionalism and they were absolutely fantastic!

It seemed as though all of the important things magically fell into place