

BARFORD NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2018 Price 50p where sold

25TH ANNIVERSARY TEA PARTY **BARFORD GREEN GARDEN CLUB** **SUNDAY OCTOBER 7th 2.30** Barford St.Michael Village Hall

A unique opportunity to meet two very special guests



SIBYLLE KREUTZBERGER
GARDENING LEGEND
and
ANNA GREENLAND
GREENS, GOPHERS and GALLIC CHARM

More details in the Potting Shed Notes on Page 8

DOWN ON THE FARM

In July we celebrated my birthday by having a fire. Unfortunately, it was not intentional; the smoke house in which we smoke our bacon decided to self-combust and took out the adjacent workshop wall while it was about it.

Fortunately, we had recently had our fire extinguishers serviced and the use of these and fire engines from Deddington, Banbury and Chippy prevented what could have been catastrophic damage. The smoke house is now a small pile of ashes.

The fire chief said they had already been out to several combine harvester fires and there were earlier raging moorland fires in the north and in Wales.

For my money these were caused entirely by the minority patched pullover and sandals brigade who have lobbied equally inept DEFRA bureaucrats into destocking sheep numbers and reducing controlled burning of the heather on the grounds of ecology.

Both are practices that have been carried out for a century or more by people who know precisely what they are doing and who had repeatedly advised against the controls.

Their work had produced some of the finest moorland imaginable which has provided food and shelter for grouse and numerous other wildlife species and also given local sheep farmers some additional grazing.

De-stocking and reduced burning has resulted in overgrown heather which, in the tinder dry conditions this summer, has turned into the raging infernos that must have wiped out countless thousands of insects, rodents and other wildlife species.

It is quite simply a case of an ignorant minority with a huge chip on both shoulders about people who live in the country shooting themselves in both feet!

The drought that continued into August had serious consequences for arable farming with grain traders commenting on low yields and poor-quality samples. Our own wheat came off quite well although the sample was not the best.

Straw prices too have reached unprecedented levels with already cash strapped livestock farmers in the south west needing to supplement sun scorched pastures with hay and straw as early as July; this plunder of winter feed will have serious consequences.

The best thing about this summer, on our small farm at least, is the huge increase in insect life, especially butterflies, which, in turn, has seen a rise in the small bird population. The three fields we followed obviously played a part in this.

We seem to have had bird's nests in every nook and cranny and the barn owls can be heard calling out their fledglings to teach them to hunt in the evenings. We also have the Roe deer with a pair of fawns that makes a regular trip to the orchard and a family of weasels in the garden which I hope to capture on film with my new birthday present, a motion detector camera!

There was also a nice brood of partridges in one of the fields but unfortunately the buzzards spotted them and at the last count only two were left. It is okay to protect predatory birds, but they should also be controlled to prevent their increasing numbers causing a decline in other species.

Tony Collier
Irondown Farm



MAN'S WATCH

found during a dog walk – please contact Caroline Bird for more details on ☎ 338630

BARFORD VILLAGE MARKET

SATURDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER

10AM – 12PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Our market lives on with some new members on our Team!!

**Come along to sample Mick & Anne Pearson's butties with a filling of your choice
- bacon / bacon & egg / breakfast bacon, sausage & egg**

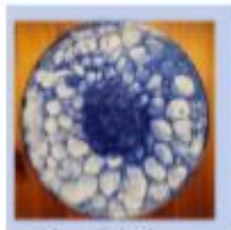
Joan's Very Affordable Plants

A French Bread lady who actually speaks French!!

INTRODUCING NEW PRODUCERS



Offering home reared meats
&
Free range eggs



Diana Sainsbury

From Duns Tew Pottery

With Hand-made stoneware pottery



Janet Macey

Of Berry's Orchard

Lovely selection of potted herbs
thyme, oregano, parsley etc.

**Plus a good range of local producers selling
cakes, bread, honey, preserves, greetings cards, wrapping paper & crafts
Rape seed oils, Fairtrade items, hand knitted woolies ..and treats for the birds**

QUIZ AND SUPPER

Hosted by our Committee
on Wednesday 12th September
in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Visitors most welcome £5



DOG FOULING IN THE CHURCHYARD

Complaints have been received about dog(s) being allowed to foul graves in the

Churchyard at St Michael's Church. This has caused a great deal of distress to the people whose loved one's graves have been desecrated in this way.

Please keep your dog(s) on a lead whilst in the Churchyard or walking through it. The churchyard is a place of sanctity - not a free space for dogs to roam unattended.

Sue Addison, Churchwarden

A message from Roscoe:

If you enjoyed reading 'Jack's adventures in Banburyshire' recently, those top Warriner school students Jack Bonner and Rob Hinde with their new friend - Winnie - are returning!

Look out for news of this exciting second book in the October 'Barford News'.

'Jack's Mosquito' - out soon

**WORLD'S BIGGEST
COFFEE
MORNING**

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**

*"The World's
Biggest Coffee
Morning on
Friday 28th
September is
Macmillan's
biggest
fundraising*

*event for people facing cancer. We ask people
all over the UK to host their own Coffee
Mornings and donations on the day are made
to Macmillan. Last year alone we raised over
£27 million and together we can make this
another successful year".*

WHEN: Saturday 29th September
WHERE: Sunnycote, Lower Street
WHAT TIME: 10:30am - 12:00

200 Club results AUGUST draw

£15, 175, John Langland
£10, 186, Gill Maddison
£5, 168, Tomasin Atherton

**the draw took place at
a Cuppa Morning**

The BARFORDS' VILLAGE SHOW

Barford Village Hall
Saturday 8th September

Entries 9.00-10.30 am
Judging 11.00am
Viewing & Prize Giving
2.30 for 3.00pm

Entry Form on Page 12

THE BARFORD DUCK RACE 2018

A big thank you to Dan & Vicky Wolfe for the use of their field again this year. Thanks also to Tim Bullard & Gemma Phillips for running the BBQ, and to everyone who supported the event.

With Four Races 'Ducklings Down Hill', 'Five Furlong Feathers', 'Sunshine Sprint' and 'Drake Stakes' followed by the Grand Final and then the ever popular 'Run What You've Brung', Mickey Bullard was kept busy doing the commentary and generally whipping up the crowds into great excitement!

The total profit was £306, the money will go towards the maintenance of the playground equipment in the village hall garden (for inspections, etc). Any excess will be put towards improvements in West Close.

It was also excellent to see the new members of the playground committee throwing themselves into the organising of the event. Good luck with this and other fund raising events in the future, and well done getting the planning permission for West Close.



Autumn Quiz Night

Saturday 15th September 2018

Doors open 7:30pm for a start time of 8pm - this event is a fund raiser for the Kathmandu kids' home

After such a great night that we had last year, it would be a shame not to do it again. This time, however, we must get team names and numbers in advance as were a little oversubscribed last year.

This year we will be serving Chilli with Baked Potato and Cheese with a veggie version too.

It will be BYOB as usual. Teams of eight maximum. We will be holding a raffle, so prizes are most welcome.

To book your team call 01869 338061

BARFORD PICTURE HOUSE

Welcome to our new 2018/19 Season.

We have 7 films instead of the usual 6. They will start in October. Season tickets will remain the same at £20 for the 7 films!! Posters of the season are on all village notice boards.

We always like a diverse range and this season we have comedy, drama, autobiography, history, musical, fantasy and current blockbusters. Each month in Barford News there will be a short resumé of the films.

From last year's profits we can fund the installation of an additional speaker, in the centre front of the hall to assist with the dialogue. The remainder will go to Village Hall funds. Precise figures will appear in next month's BN.

We hope to see you in October and thank you for your continued support.

Gunilla



THE TIMES

Tuesday August 14 2018

More letters

Danger zone

Sir, Our parish council is so worried by the speed and size of vehicles using the country lanes that it asked Oxfordshire county council highways department to undertake speed monitoring to assess the danger. Without such monitoring, remedial steps cannot be taken.

Its request has been refused on the grounds that it is too dangerous for their operative to install.

CHRISTOPHER MURRAY
Barford St Michael, Oxon

BARFORD PICTURE HOUSE 2018/19

OUR NEW SEASON HAS 7 FILMS

OCTOBER 20th....*Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri.*

NOVEMBER 17th....*Railway Man*

DECEMBER 8th....*In the Bleak Midwinter*

JANUARY 12th2 Documentaries, *In Our Hands* and *My Generation*

FEBRUARY 9th....*Hundred Foot Journey*

MARCH 9th....*Mamma Mia...Here we go again*

APRIL 6th....*The Shape of Water*

COMEDY, DOCUMENTARY, HISTORICAL, ROMANTIC
WE HAVE IT ALL!

COME ALONG TO OUR VILLAGE HALL COSY CINEMA
£4 on the door.....only.....£20 Season Ticket
DOORS OPEN 7.15..FILMS START 7.45
Tea and Coffee available or bring your own drinks

Films provided by Age UK.
Contact Gunilla on 01295 720521



BEING AWARE – CRIME PREVENTION

Following recent thefts and house break-ins in the village, the investigating detective has offered to come and give advice on making our homes and property safer. This will probably be in September so look out for posters and information around the village.

Tony Elvidge



SAVE THE DATE.....the next Big Barford Breakfast will take place on Saturday 10th November, 9:00am – 11:30am (*last orders!!*)

As this year commemorates the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I and this is Remembrance weekend, we will be donating all profits to THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION



See October's Barford News for more details.....

CHANGES TO THIS MONTH'S CHURCH SERVICES



We are changing the order of the services this month so we can celebrate St Michael's Feast Day in St Michael's church on Sunday 30th September. St Michael is the patron saint of soldiers, mariners, doctors and police. The village, which used to be called Great Barford, is named after the saint.

**Sue Addison & Tony Elvidge
Churchwardens**



BARFORD GREEN GARDEN CLUB
NOTES FROM OUR POTTING SHED
SEPTEMBER 2018

NOSY GARDENS

We already have one volunteer for later this year; if anyone else is prepared to welcome fellow members to their garden in September or October, please let Trevor know –

trevorstevens49@hotmail.com

NEXT VISIT: Saturday September 1st, Burmington Grange, Cherington, 2.30 pm.

This is the day before the garden opens for the National Gardens scheme, and the brochure describes it as: "Interesting plantsman's garden extending to about 1½ acres, set in the rolling hills of the North Cotswolds with wonderful views over unspoilt countryside. The garden is well developed considering it was planted 15 yrs ago. Small vegetable garden, beautiful sunken rose garden with herbaceous and shrub borders. Orchard and tree walk with unusual trees." We will have a guided tour by the owner, and teas will be provided. £5 for entry, £4 for tea and cake; parking in field. Please let Gunilla know if you are coming.

IMPORTANT DIARY DATE - SEE FRONT COVER
25th ANNIVERSARY TEA PARTY
Sunday 7th October 7th Village Hall, at 2.30 pm

To mark our 25th Anniversary we will welcome two very special guests:

Sibylle Kreutzberger. Sibylle trained at Waterperry, and in 1959 was appointed by Vita Sackville-West as Head Gardener at Sissinghurst, together with her partner Pamela Schwerdt. After Vita died in 1962, they stayed on until 1990, managing Sissinghurst for the National Trust and contributing to the development of this most prominent and influential British garden. Sibylle's achievements were recognised by the award of Fellowship of the Royal Horticultural Society. She will talk informally about her gardening career and will answer our questions. Don't miss this unique opportunity to gain insights into the development of Sissinghurst and a notable life in gardening.

Our other guest will be Anna Greenland who will talk about her Vegetable growing history, starting with a tiny greenhouse in Cornwall and ending up as Head

Gardener with Raymond Blanc's veg. patch at Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons.

Anna is at the heart of the organic growing movement. For over a decade, she has followed her passion, growing the highest quality organic food for star chefs Raymond Blanc, Tom Aikens and Jamie Oliver. As Head Gardener at Soho Farmhouse, Anna created the vegetable, fruit and herb gardens from scratch. She also designed the first vegetable garden at Kew Gardens in recent times. She shares her knowledge through classes, talks and collaborations. She recently won a Gold Medal at Hampton Court Flower Show. Anna made her show debut with a mini treasure trove for picklers and preservers in Herbs for Preserves. In only 3x3m, there was inspiration here for urban gardeners in this pretty outdoor larder with ingredients for pestos, vinegars, oxymels (medicinal vinegar and honey extractions) and quick pickles using coriander, basil, fennel and other herb plants. Anna also showed how you can make skincare salves with marigolds, medicinal spoonfuls of turmeric, ginger, garlic and rosemary for colds. (At the Dig In Cookery Theatre.) She will talk 'vegetables' and answer any questions.

There will be a lovely TEA to celebrate and will include special Anniversary Cake.

TICKETS ARE LIMITED to 60. £3 Members and £5 visitors. Please email Linda on:

l.newbery@btinternet.com - after the beginning of September tickets will be made available to other Garden Clubs.



SPADE AND FORK



BARFORD CARPET BOWLS CLUB
Restarts on Tuesday 11th September in
the village hall at 7:15pm
New members are always welcome

from the Carpet Bowls Committee

**CHARITY DINNER IN AID OF
THE BARFORD PLAYGROUND FUND
ON SATURDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2018
ARRIVE 7PM FOR 7.30PM**

THE COST OF THE MEAL IS £20 PER HEAD

There will be a maximum of 50 places available (5 tables of 8 and 1 of 10). While there are no reserved seats, if you would like to make up a table with friends and/or family, let us know in good time and a table will be reserved where possible. The menu is given below and all you need to do is ring Mick Pearson ☎337074 or email mickpearson1@outlook.com with your choices. If you are booking a full table, we would ask that one person collects the money and the meal choices from the other table members. We will require payment at least one week in advance of the meal to confirm your booking. This will not be refundable.

STARTERS

roasted pepper and tomato soup with parmesan croutons and a bread roll
or
smoked mackerel pâté with lemon butter croûtes and a baby leaf salad
or
oriental pork meatballs with peanut dipping sauce, prawn crackers and a lime wedge

MAINS

slowly braised beef olives served with creamy mashed potatoes
(no olives will be harmed in this dish as these olives are strips of beef wrapped around an onion and mushroom filling)
or
oven baked salmon fillet with a lemon and asparagus sauce served with new potatoes
or
creamy chicken masala served with new potatoes
or
a vegetarian option is available on request
the main courses will be served with seasonal veg

DESSERTS

lemon posset with raspberry coulis and a shortbread biscuit
or
sticky date and pecan tart with vanilla ice cream
or
apricot and white chocolate bread and butter pudding served with cream
coffee or tea | mint chocolate

While we will put jugs of tap water and glasses (tumblers and wine) on the tables you will need to bring any other drinks with you (alcoholic or otherwise).

The surplus that has accumulated from our Tuesday Lunch Clubs will fully fund this event which means all of the proceeds will go to the Playground Fund.

There will also be a raffle and other fund raisers on the night so please ensure you have plenty of cash with you. This event is for a very good cause so please try and make this a sell-out.

**TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB
18TH SEPTEMBER 2018**

MENU

Main Course

steak, mushroom and ale pie
served with mashed potatoes
or
lamb moussaka
made with aubergines and potatoes
or
vegetable and bean moussaka
all mains served with seasonal vegetables

Desserts

apple and blueberry crumble and custard
or
lemon soufflé and ginger shortbread

Finally

Coffee & Tea

Price £5.00

As usual please bring your own drinks to have with your meal. Please ring Anne & Mick on 01869 337074, or email mickpearson1@outlook.com by Tuesday 11th September

Please Note: if you do not receive a reply to your e-mail, we haven't received it so please call us

HEDGEHOG MATTERS

As if to tease, no sooner had I sent last month's Barford news to the editor after writing about seeing no hedgehogs for a long time, wondering if they were alive than I walked into the garden and nearly stood on one that had curled up suddenly in the middle of the path when it heard my footsteps!

Since writing about reporting hedgehog sightings last month, someone has reported sadly seeing one dead small to medium sized one on Mill Lane recently, and another dead one (or at least its "shell") at the far end of Conker Alley around the corner on South Newington Road. The latter could have been the work of badgers or maybe roadkill and then eaten by badgers. South Newington road can be quite busy at times and is more commonly being used as a short cut.

Ridiculous as going to look for dead hedgehogs might sound to some, I went to look on Mill Lane but could find nothing then. It's always interesting to see their size, state of health and whether juvenile or adult. I have even taken some to the vets for a microchip scan because those that have come from Wildlife Rehab centres are usually chipped for monitoring purposes. Reports back to them help them to know how successful their treatments and what they are doing and how long those hedgehogs then survive in the wild. We have since seen one several times, late at night in the hedge line behind us and two together on one occasion. Even with at least two local hedgehog deaths, at least two remain and there is no easy way of knowing how many more are around. Thanks for telling of your sightings and please do, if you spot any. Perhaps their presence in our hedge again indicates the start of a change in the seasons and coming back to a familiar place before the autumn where food is always present and there are good safe places to hibernate later on. Maybe the continually dry weather has brought them back too, knowing that there is a reliable food source here. Whatever the reason, it does follow the pattern of the last three years. Unless, of course, these are different hedgehogs.

Now that we've have had some rain and things are growing again, many people will be thinking of strimming and mowing to tidy up at the end of summer. **Remember when strimming that we do have hedgehogs in the village and if there is access into your garden, you may have them in your long grass and edges whether you know it or not!** They are good at hiding and hard to spot.

They will not move off if they hear a strimmer but curl up into a ball for self-defence. Many are taken to Wildlife Hospitals every year with horrific injuries. Some are treatable though nasty and painful but other hedgehogs are put to sleep. These are just the ones that people have found but how many others come to a nasty painful death in the undergrowth that nobody sees or knows about? It may be time consuming but consider checking long grass with your hands (gloved!) first, or if it is a large area perhaps feel first with a soft brush or maybe something similar.



ABOVE: slash across face and lost an eye
RIGHT: entire nose cut off

These pictures illustrate just some of the horrendous injuries that they can encounter.



Last year I asked the council if they would consider changing the contract with Thomas Fox who cut the grass and the verges in the villages, to leave a margin of long grass at the edges. They did consider but decided against it on the basis that a lot of residents cut back the verges outside their own houses anyway and that this was probably the generally preferred option. A number of people were keen for verges to be left longer and expressed their disappointment at this decision. Opinion in the village may be divided on this and perhaps it is something to consider again in the near future. Perhaps it is something that the village could be consulted on? Some Hedgehog Rescue centres have been working with councils, contractors and housing trusts around the UK to help raise awareness of the damage caused by large scale strimming equipment used to maintain large expanses of hedgerow and verges. As well as providing refuge and a wildlife corridor for hedgehogs and other small mammals, in time it produces an abundance of wild flowers and in turn an increase in butterflies and a wide range of invertebrates for birds and other wildlife to feed on. It also softens the edges. Having watched Thomas Fox cut close into some of the hedge edges, especially near the end of Nether Worton Road which looks perfect for hogs, any hedgehog resting in the daytime in those verges wouldn't stand a chance!

Helen Taylor – 01869 337850



The WI go back to the sixties! Well – as you can see the Barford ladies really got into the spirit of things for the WI Sixties Tea Party! The outfits were hilarious, especially as we remembered that people actually wore this sort of get-up to go about their normal lives. Oddly, we never did identify Ozzy Osbourne look-a-like on the front row in the pink trousers.....

We drank Snowballs (advocaat and lemonade) or Dry Martini with lemonade, Mateus Rose or German Riesling and non-drinkers had Dandelion and Burdock or elderflower cordial.

We ate cheese and pineapple in a 'hedgehog', prawn cocktail, cucumber and mint sandwiches, and celery with squeezey cheese from a tube. After a 'palate cleanser' of Angel Delight we were ready for the butterfly cakes and the Black Forest Gateau. Comments on the catering ranged from 'Ugh – I took a big mouthful of that by mistake can I have a real drink now?' to 'Actually that wasn't as awful as I remember' to 'That was absolutely fabulous, why don't we have it all the time?'

Mick Pearson kindly came along to play us some sixties music and lots of us took to the floor to see if we could still do the moves (definitely!). Nostalgia for those who could remember the sixties and a history lesson for those who were too young or those people who 'weren't really there'!



VILLAGE HALL WORKS

We have received comments from several residents and hall users suggesting that removal of the stage would provide much more usable space for the type of events that are now hosted in the hall – charity dinners, quiz nights, village markets etc.

Several of our neighbouring villages have removed staging, increasing the floorspace available and have opted for temporary staging which has proved very effective. These

include our two primary schools, Bloxham Ex-Servicemen's hall, Deddington Parish Church, Enstone, Gt. Tew to name but a few.

Our village has grown hugely since the hall was built, and at times it is now a very tight squeeze to fit everyone in! It's a while since the stage was actually used, as in recent years musicians have opted to set up at floor level rather than using the stage. However, if staging should be required there is modular, temporary staging available in Deddington which we could borrow.

One particular benefit following the removal of the stage would be that, in time, given planning permission, double doors could be constructed opening out onto the garden, thus providing easy access for BBQ's, Children's parties etc.

The hall is due to be decorated in the near future, so this is the perfect time to be considering making such a change. This is your hall, and we would welcome your views, so please send comments to:- VHMC, Thimble Hall, Lower Street, or email vhmcbarford@gmail.com.

VHMC

Show Number:

No of Entries:

Name: _____ Age (under 15): _____

	Vegetable & Fruit Classes	V
1	Three Beetroot, tops cut to 10cms (4ins) approx.	
2	Three Carrots, long, tops cut to 10cms (4ins) approx.	
3	Three Courgettes	
4	Three Onions	
5	Five Shallots	
6	Three Potatoes of one variety	
7	Three Runner Beans with stalks	
8	Five French Beans with stalks	
9	Five Cherry Tomatoes	
10	Three Round Tomatoes	
11	Three Chillies (same variety)	
12	A Pair of Vegetables (same variety) not in other classes	
13	Five Single Assorted Vegetables	
14	A Pair of Sweetcorn cobs	
15	Three Apples of one variety, eating or cooking	
16	Dish of one variety of soft or stoned fruit	
17	Longest Marrow	
18	3 Eggs (same size and colour)	
	Cookery Classes	
19	A Lemon Drizzle Cake	
20	Six Shortbread biscuits	
21	Six Pieces of Flapjack	
22	A Victoria Sponge, Raspberry jam, no Cream (<i>Ladies only</i>)	
23	A Victoria Sponge (<i>Men only</i>) Recipe in August Barford News	
24	A Fruit Cake	
25	A Jar of Jam	
26	A Jar of Marmalade	
27	A Jar of Chutney	
28	A small pot of Lemon Curd	
29	A Homemade Alcoholic Beverage (<i>small bottle</i>)	
	Flower Arranging Classes	
30	An arrangement in a small watering can	
31	A foliage arrangement	
32	A miniature arrangement (10cms/4" overall)	
33	An arrangement in two colours	

Show Number:

No of Entries:

Name: _____ Age (under 15): _____

	Cut Flower Classes	V
34	Three Gladioli	
35	A Sunflower in a vase	
36	Three Dahlias	
37	Three Roses	
38	Four Fuchsia heads in water	
39	Four Salvia stems in water	
40	Four Marigolds	
41	Vase of mixed garden flowers, 5 varieties, (<i>max.15 stems, no</i>	
	Crafts	
	(Crafts must not have been entered in a previous Show)	
42	A crafted item made of wood	
43	A crafted item made of pottery	
44	A hand knitted or crocheted article	
45	A piece of needlecraft (<i>embroidery, tapestry, patchwork, cross-</i>	
46	You Made It, Let's See It (<i>Handmade article not covered in other</i>	
47	Drawing or Painting: any subject, any medium (<i>mount/frame</i>	
	Photography	
	13cm x 18cm or 5" x 7" (unmounted)	
48	My Sleeping Pet	
49	A Bird	
50	A Rose	
51	A Barford Pot-Hole	
	Children's Classes	
	7 years and under (Age to be stated on entries)	
52	A Colouring Picture (<i>available from the Post Office from</i>	
53	Four Chocolate Crispies	
54	A Decorated Stone	
55	A Junk model	
56	You Made It, Let's See It (<i>Handmade article not covered above</i>)	
	8-15 years (Age to be stated on entries)	
57	A photograph (Any Subject, 13cm x 18cm or 5" x 7")	
58	A Painted Stone	
59	A Victoria Sponge (<i>see classes 22 & 23</i>)	
60	A drawing or painting (<i>any subject, any medium</i>)	
61	You Made It, Let's See It (<i>Handmade article not covered above</i>)	

Please hand in your completed entry form on Show Day with your entries Last entries accepted at 10.30am. Children may enter adult classes but with no age shown.



DRESS A GIRL AROUND THE WORLD COFFEE MORNING

When? Saturday 8 September 2018
from 10.00am—12.00pm

Where? 10 Broad Close
Barford St Michael OX15 0RW
Raffle + Bring & Buy Cake Stall

Dress a Girl Around the World - UK, aims to provide the very best new dresses and shorts made especially by you for children living in poverty around the world. The aim of Dress a Girl Around the World is to ensure that every girl has at least one new dress and every boy a pair of new shorts. DAGAW is a wholly independent Not-for-Profit organisation in the UK and are affiliated to Dress a Girl Around the World in the United States who are a stem of the Hope4Women charity. The aim is to encourage and enable volunteers to join together to have a fun time to chat and share skills and experiences whilst making dresses and shorts. The newly handmade clothes are distributed throughout the world to children in poverty and areas of need. Because our aim is to provide a newly made garment as a 'very best gift' to a child in need we do not accept second hand garments.

Make a Dress for a Little Girl Sewing Day



Come and join the ladies of Barford for a day of friendship fun and sewing.

When?
Saturday 27 October 2018
lunch and refreshments provided
From 10.00am—4.00pm

Where?
Barford St Michael Village Hall

Requirements
Sewing machine, a sense of fun and a 'can do' attitude
More details and booking please call
Cathy Peacock 01869 338570
Glynnis Eastwood 01869 337021
Email—glynnis.eastwood@talk21.com





All systems go! We were delighted to hear that the playground for West Close has been granted planning permission so massive thanks to all the villagers who have supported the project.

Now for the tricky bit – the total cost will be £40,023! The playground committee would like to see the equipment installed whilst our children are still young enough to enjoy it, so some serious fundraising is going to be needed. The Parish Council have got us off to a fantastic start by giving us £8,000 and the existing playground group have also promised a substantial donation. This is a huge help because when applying for grants funders always like to see that groups are working hard to raise money themselves. We have already submitted a bid asking for £10,000 from the National Lottery Awards for All scheme and will hear from them in late October. We also plan to apply to Viridor (linked to the Energy Recycling site at Ardley) and will be looking at other grant making organisations.

Lots of folks have said they will chip in, so now is the time to see if you can still find those chequebooks. Please make cheques payable to West Close Playground and deliver to a Thursday cuppa morning or to Barn Elms, The Green (first house on the right at the top of Murreys Lane).

**Thank you in anticipation
The Committee**



VILLAGE CUPPA MORNINGS
EVERY THURSDAY IN THE VILLAGE HALL
10.00 – 11.30

Just £1.00 per person pays for your cuppa and as many refills as you can drink including coffee, caffeine free, tea, fruit teas available - biscuits included in the price

Come down to the hall and meet up with friends and neighbours of all ages - Babies and children welcome!!

This is also an opportune moment to remind you that Deddington Library has DVD hire, Audio books, free computer use, free access to Ancestry online, Find my past and wealth of other research websites... to name but a few!

Don't forget to give the library a call when you see a new neighbour move into the village! We have welcome packs ready and waiting to deliver, giving your new neighbours all the essential info to help them integrate into our fabulous community!

Stella O'Neill | Library Manager
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DEDDINGTON LIBRARY

We have had a fabulous Summer in the library! The Summer Reading Challenge, Mischief Makers, was very well supported which is excellent. There is still time to finish the challenge, the last date is Saturday 15th September.

A Story time based on Mischief Makers for 4 - 8-year olds was held at the end of July which was great fun. The children enjoyed listening to mischievous tales which was followed by a craft activity.



The Adults Summer Reading Challenge "Oxfordshire Reads" has been well

supported too, so hurry and get your book recommendation post cards back to the library for your chance to enter the prize draw!

Our last Rhyme-time for under 5's and families will start again after the summer break on Monday 10th September at 2.30, we look forward to seeing the little ones then and getting back into singing along on Monday afternoons with them!

Just a reminder that our digital helpers are on hand to support your computer training needs; so, if you're struggling to get on-line, learn how to use a search engine, use word to write letters or even your memoirs, whatever your learning needs, we're here to help, just get in touch with me at the library.



RUBBISH & RECYCLING COLLECTION DATES

{always a Thursday}

6th September.....green
 13th September.....blue 'n' brown
 20th September.....green
 27th September.....blue 'n' brown

The BARFORDS' VILLAGE SHOW

**Barford Village Hall -
 Saturday 8th September**

Entry Form on Page 12



ROWING SUCCESSES THIS SUMMER

Danielle Semple, student at University of Exeter studying geography has had a very hectic rowing summer schedule with her partner Susannah Duncan also from Exeter.

This started with them winning the Haslam trophy for lightweight double sculls in a new course record at Women's Henley at the end of June, giving them an automatic seeded qualification for Royal Henley scheduled for two weeks later. This was an open weight division with the girls meeting World champions in the finals. They had a very impressive start, but the advantage of age, experience at championship levels, weight and height were to be just that bit too much along with the very high temperatures. But as the commentators said these are rowers of the future for GB and the challenge from junior to world championships was set for Danielle. She has in fact just come back from Poland where she has been competing at the U23 World Championships in the women's lightweight double.

The racing took part over 4 days and Danielle and her partner, Susannah managed to secure a place in the A final after winning their heat and semis. The day of the final came along and with the conditions being in their favour, they knew they could really perform to their best. They were leading the pack up to the halfway point until the Italians and Germans made a big push that meant they didn't have the legs to fight their fast sprint finish, resulting in an impressive 3rd place, coming home with a bronze medal. They couldn't have had a better race, and result as this is the only Olympic event for lightweight women, meaning countries load their best athletes into this boat class and the Italians ending up getting a world record time.

Danielle is keen to carry on the training into next season to see if next year she can change the bronze for a gold?!

Danielle Semple, Thimble Hall



recipe for BANBURY CAKES....

The Banbury cake is a pastry with a wonderful and rather exotic history. Gervase Markham published the recipe for a version of the Banbury cake in 1615, but it is thought by many to date from the Crusades, when those few who survived the fighting and, far more dangerous, the disease, returned with new culinary treasures, one of which was the forerunner of the Banbury cake.

Ingredients

- 50g unsalted butter, softened
- 1 tbsp English honey
- ½ tsp freshly grated nutmeg
- ½ tsp ground cinnamon
- 100g currants
- 50g candied orange peel
- plain flour, for dusting
- 500g pack all-butter puff pastry
- 1 egg white, beaten
- 1-2 tbsp nibbed (*coarse*) sugar

Method

1. Cream the butter and honey together with the spices. Add the currants and the candied peel and mix well. On a lightly floured surface roll out the pastry to the thickness of a £1 coin and cut out 10 x 10cm circles, re-rolling any trimmings. Divide the filling between the circles.
2. Bring up the edges of the pastry to enclose the filling and crimp the edges of the pastry together to look like little purses. Turn the parcels over, with the folds underneath. Roll each parcel out gently to an oval shape, taking care not to expose the filling.
3. Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4. Place the cakes on a baking sheet lined with non-stick paper. Brush with the egg white and sprinkle with sugar. Cook for 25-30 mins until cooked and crispy. Turn the oven down if the tops brown too quickly.
4. When cooked, transfer to a wire rack and allow to cool a little before eating. When cold, they're excellent spread with a little salted butter.



DEDDINGTON BOOKWORMS SUMMER BOOK REVIEWS

The Elegance of the Hedgehog by Muriel Barbery is

set in a wealthy apartment block in Paris. It follows events in the life of the concierge, Renée Michel, and Paloma Jesse – younger daughter of an upper-class family who live in one of the apartments.

To all outward appearances, Renée is a dowdy, slow-witted concierge. Secretly, however, she listens to Mahler, reads such authors as Tolstoy and follows Japanese cinema. Paloma also has an interest in Japan. When a cultured Japanese businessman moves into the apartments, he and Paloma both recognise Renée's intelligence and make an effort to know her. Themes relating to philosophy, class consciousness and personal conflict run through the book. Some members of the group struggled to become engaged or complete the book which proved to be the anticipated challenge but everyone agreed it was worth finishing this clever, moving novel.

We also read **Elizabeth is missing** by **Emma Healey**, which is a thought provoking and sensitive debut novel.

Maud is slowly losing her memory and her grip on everyday life much to the frustration of her daughter and others around her. She believes her best friend Elizabeth is missing and in terrible danger and is continually trying to find her. As time progresses Maud's investigations actually start to trigger memories of a tragedy that occurred more fifty years ago – the disappearance of her sister.

The group agreed that the difficult subject of a loved one succumbing to dementia is very well written. The author has got into the mind of Maud with great effect, some of her behavioural traits make the reader smile and some are heartbreaking. A degree of frustration was felt by some as Maud's dementia was ignored by those around her and not acknowledged until very late in the story but all agreed this book is well worth a read.



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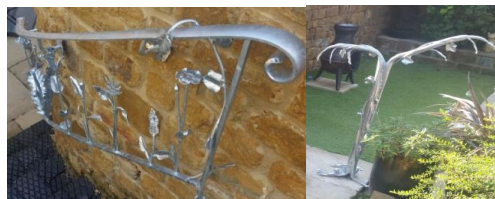
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Diary dates to the editor by 15th of each month please

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SEPTEMBER

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Thursdays	Open cuppa mornings Cubs (Deddington) Scouts (Deddington)
Fridays	Rainbows Whist alternate weeks
Saturdays	Village Market 3 rd week (except January or August)
3rd Wednesday	Village Hall Management Committee

DIARY DATES

September

5 th	Parish Council Meeting
8 th	Barford Village Show – village hall
8 th	'Dress A Girl' Coffee morning
11 th	Carpet Bowls starts again!!
12 th	WI Quiz & Supper
15 th	Village Market
15 th	Quiz Night in aid of Kathmandu
18 th	Tuesday Lunch Club - VH
22 nd	Playground Charity Dinner–village hall
29 th	Macmillan Coffee Morning at Sunnycote

October

3 rd	Parish Council Meeting
7 th	25 th Anniversary Tea Party for the Garden Club – village hall
20 th	Picture House '3 billboards....'
27 th	'Dress A Girl' Workshop

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