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CURRY & QUIZ NIGHT

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As we have only had a few enquiries for the Quiz and Curry Night could I ask you Barfordians to rally around and get your teams together in order to make this a successful evening.

Sadly, if we don't get enough interest by 23rd September we will have to postpone the event, which would be a great shame.

THE BARFORDS VILLAGE SHOW.....Saturday 9 September in the village hall...see pages 9 and 10 for Entry Forms

ATTENTION ALL UNDER 7's.....your COLOURING PICTURE for Class 52 is now available at the Post Office.....

Ride & Stride 2017 in aid of Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust

Saturday 9th September 10am – 6pm

Help to support our own Parish Church

If you would like to Walk, Cycle or Ride contact Anne Perry for details 01869 338033

The money is shared equally between the Oxfordshire

Historic Churches Trust and our Barford Church

The Trust has provided funding for our own churches over the years and will continue to do so in the future, so please support us if you can - **Anne Perry**

CHERWELL PLANNING VISIT

Alex Keen, Team Leader - Minor Developments, will be speaking to the Parish Council at their meeting on Wednesday 6th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. He will be outlining how the Cherwell Planner team operate and how they arrive at their decisions regarding planning in our village.

All are welcome to attend and hear what he has to say.

If you think that the WI and 'Jam and Jerusalem' are synonymous; then think again.

Here in Barford this summer it's been 'Gin and Jerusalem'. (Not that we sing Jerusalem.) Our annual outing was to the Cotswold Distillery, where members and their guests enjoyed an extremely informative tour followed by sampling the various spirits and lunch at a local hostelry.

With gin in mind, this summer's garden party included gin cocktails and a very convivial atmosphere. Two very enjoyable and sociable occasions. September's meeting will be 'Pasta, Puzzles and Pals'. In other words, a pasta supper and quiz with friends. Visitors (£4) are always welcome. If you'd like to know more, please contact Carole Coppin (338937) or Christine Hall (338659).



We are the "small friendly book club" meeting in Manning Close, Bloxham 7.45 - 9.30pm on the third Tuesday of each month. We enjoy a range of genres from classics to best sellers and take turns to propose books to read. We also sometimes get together to watch screen adaptations, of books we've read, on DVD. Our book for September is well reviewed: The Penguin Lessons by Tom Michell.



You are welcome to join us for a sociable discussion on Tuesday 19th September. Please contact Ro Armstrong on 07813 073169 for further details & to let us know you're coming.



Pasta, Puzzles & Pals
Our meeting on Wednesday,
13th September
In the Village Hall At 7.30pm
Visitors £4.00

SALLY ANNE WILLIAMS
5th October 1943 – 19th July 2017



Sally was born on October 6th 1943 in Northampton and was a long-awaited baby. Her parents, Bert and Joan, were very protective of her - they wouldn't even let her learn to ride a bike as they thought it too dangerous!

Her mother's family ran 'The Limes', a guest house in Northampton which had a dubious reputation. They moved in to help run the guest house when her grandfather died but on the proviso that it was smartened up! During the war and for some years after American troops were billeted there – looking through the guest book there was even someone stationed there from Barford St John.

Sally's first and favourite job was working for an undertaker. This is probably where she developed her sense of black humour. After that she spent 6 months in America visiting family, sailing on the Queen Mary. Her other jobs included Barclaycard, at an ice rink, hotel work, and catering in Bloxham. However, the majority of her working life was as a carer in the community, first with Social Services then with intermediate care and finally, after she retired, on the bank at Katharine House

She met George when dancing in Coventry, they married and set up home in Northampton. Several house-moves followed before they arrived in Barford 34 years ago.

Pets were a major part of her life, George was not keen but was persuaded by Sally to buy a 'Labrador' puppy for £3 'Trudie' who was the first of many pets.

Sally had a very dry sense of humour and was the Queen of the one liners - something which she passed on to her daughters. When all 3 were together George would refer to them as the 'female mafia' as he would frequently get shot down by a sentence.

Sally had a passion for gardening & spent many hours in her garden and in recent years she enjoyed the allotments.

When people describe a fight against cancer, she truly did, she never once complained throughout her treatment & always strived to put her family first. She spent her final weeks at Katharine House and her family are so grateful for the care and attention they gave, even allowing Luke the dog to go and stay with her.

Sally will be sadly missed and well remembered and by her family and all who knew her.



DOWN ON THE FARM.....

The full might of my neighbour's combine power gobbled up all our wheat and barley crops in a day and a half in mid-August interrupted by just one shower. So, the corn is all in and the straw awaits collection by the buyer.

All that remains is for us to finish hauling in a field of baled straw for our own use and cut the linseed when it is ready.

I must say that watching a combine is a sight easier than driving my – now deceased – old banger with all its dust, potential breakdowns and tedious daily servicing, but it does, of course, come at a price. However, in a catchy season like this one speed is king. Years ago, a fleet of combines was needed to cut a thousand acres of cereals; now one machine will cut twice that area in a season. So, when Charles Baker put his two wide cut machines into our crops it didn't take long!

Harvesting the field of wheat next to the orchard has deprived the foxes of cover from which to make lightning raids on the chickens. So, we can now let them have a greater area in which to forage which, with new pullets arriving this week, is timely.

We bought a new young boar to service the pig breeding herd last month. Called Eric, he has clearly been pampered by his previous owner and behaves more like a puppy than a



pig. Recently when I was staking a young apple tree that was 'on the lean' Eric ran off with the tree tie I had carelessly left on the ground. Eventually, after chasing him round the orchard a couple of times I managed to exchange it for a handful of pig nuts.

I am pleased with his good-natured character; male animals on farms always need treating with care; over the years I have been bitten by boars, bowled over by rams and had nasty moments with bulls – so having a docile male pig is a real bonus.

Mind you, female animals, especially those with young, can be just as bad. Ewes with lambs and cows with calves will 'have a go' if they think their offspring is threatened. Sows are usually okay, although I did have one bad tempered old thing that enjoyed grabbing hold of an arm or a leg and giving it a toothy squeeze. After a few painful encounters. I reckoned enough was enough and took her to Cirencester market so that someone else could experience the results of her foul temper.

Two of the new gilts (young sows) have now farrowed – one with a disappointing five piglets and the other with a useful nine. Unfortunately, they didn't farrow at the same time so I didn't have the opportunity of slipping two of the nine into the pen with the litter of five. Despite all their intelligence pigs can't count, so this 'evening up the litters' exercise can usually be performed without problem

Tony Collier – Irondown Farm



BARFORD VILLAGE MARKET
back after our summer break!
SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 10AM – 12PM
IN THE VILLAGE HALL



Joan with excellent plants, Chris with Alpines

Paddocks Farm, with their lovely selection of sausages, burgers, bacon etc.



Andy Gill and his fantastic hand-made pots



Plus a good range of local producers selling eggs, savouries, cakes, bread, honey, dairy produce,
preserves, greetings cards and wrapping paper

Fairtrade items, hand knitted woollies and made-to-measure items

.....and for the birds we have seeds, mealworms, sunflower hearts

Angus & Lucy's bacon butties/bacon & egg butties/breakfast butties



TEA AND COFFEE SERVED ALL MORNING FROM THE KITCHEN



POPPY APPEAL 2016 – 2017

We wish to thank the residents of Bloxham, Barford St John, Barford St Michael, Chipping Norton, Milcombe, South Newington, Swerford and Wiggington for their generous contributions towards our Poppy Appeal. The total collected by the Branch from these villages for the period November 2016 until June this year is:

£11,800 – another record for the branch!!

This record sum was achieved by our amazing Poppy Appeal Organiser, Lynn Andersen and her band of eager collectors to whom we also send our thanks. The latest information we have on the national total is that it is over £44.88m and all of the money collected will be spent on the physical and mental needs of members and ex-members, of the Armed Services who require our support over and above that provided by the state. The calls upon our assistance are now more than ever in demand in the aftermath of the recent Middle East conflicts.

If any person has any information about any serving, or ex-service personnel or their dependants, who are needing our assistance please do not hesitate to contact us. We would be pleased to receive this information in confidence so that we can endeavour to help. Please contact any Branch member or our Branch Welfare Officer, Rod Wallington, on 01295 720385.

Any person who supports the aims and purposes of the Legion and would like to join us we would be pleased to welcome you. We meet on the 2nd Sunday of the month, except in November, in the Elephant and Castle, Humber Street, Bloxham, at 11am. It is not necessary to have military experience to join the Legion. All it takes is an interest in our activities and support for our cause. The current membership fee is only £17 per year and for this we undertake to arrange events for our members and to participate in, and support, local village events.

So, if you would wish to join us, please contact any Branch member or our Branch Secretary Robert Giles on 07834 550349.

FROM THE OFFICERS AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE BLOXHAM & DISTRICT BRANCH



BYGONE BARFORDS

Song written by Jehanne Mehta, wife of Rob, editor of Barford News at the time, some time in the 1970's

The song is based on anecdotes told by the late Bill Castle of the Potteries and the late Bill Buckingham who lived opposite the church in Barford Saint Michael. The time was the early years of the twentieth century.

Bill Castle commented, "Barford were a rough place in them days."

THE BARFORD BALLAD

As I were going to Banbury
 'Twas on a market day.
Me wife had butter and eggs and cheese
 And I had corn and hay.
Joe drove the swine and Tom the kine
 Dick took the foal and mare
We sold them all then home again
 We comes from Banbury Fair.

When we returned to Little Barford
 Our pockets lined with gold,
We all went drinkin' at the Crown –
 The story shall be told:
The time it being harvest time
 And much work to be done,
They'd hired men from Ireland
 To help the harvest home.

Well, at the Crown the Irishmen
 Were drinkin' in great style.
They let us pay for mugs of ale
 And gave to us a smile,
But when we goes to lift our mugs
 They threatens us with force.
We couldn't withstand the Irish band
 And they drank our ale of course.

Well, someone said, "Let's send for Bill,
 For he's s fighting man.
He'll put this mob well in its place,
 If anybody can."
So off I goes to look for Bill
And back we comes with speed,
"I'll send them all to kingdom come
 If they lifts a fist," he said.

Well Bill he ordered a pint of ale,
 There was a deathly hush.
He lifted his mug up to his lips –
 The men came in a rush.
Bill grabs a stool and whirls it round –
 You never saw such fun –
He laid about him with a will
 And felled them every one.

Now Fred he were a friend of ours
 What beer and ale did love.
He kept a keg of very best brew
At Coombe Hill and Blackingrove
And when he were working in the fields
 He'd often creep away
And take a swig to keep him fit
And help him through the day.

Well, as we was coming for the Crown
 A terrible sound we heard
Of rattling wheels and pounding hooves –
 The devil abroad we feared.
A tearing along from Blackingrove
 Old Fred and the cart we see
Beside some other friends of ours;
 As drunk as lords they be.

"There'll be a spill," says I to Bill.
 "Reckon there will," says he.
The cart were going from side to side
 Along down Summer Ley.
The mare were in a foaming sweat,
 We feared a dreadful fall,
Fred was too drunk to turn her round
And they crashed right into the wall.

"Come on," says Bill, "Let's pick 'em up
 And carry 'em home to bed. "
"Oh what a ride that were!" says Fred,
 Holding his battered head.
So now we'll call "Goodnight" to all,
 We've all had plenty of cheer.
I think we'll not forget the day
 We went to Bunbury Fair.



BARFORD PICTURE HOUSE

Barford Picture House is proud to present its new programme of films for 2017/18.

We have carefully chosen 6 films and they start on **October 21st with LA LA LAND**a music-filled and colourful film.

We continue on **November 18th with LION**, **December 16th brings THE BEATLES**, a documentary about their touring years.

Next year we have **A DOG'S PURPOSE** on **January 20th**, a really beautiful story about a dog...a real weepy!!

On **February 24th** we have **DUNKIRK** and we finish on **March 24th with THE LAST PICTURE SHOW**.

Posters will be placed around the village and we welcome you all to our cosy Village Hall Cinema.

£4 per film or £20 Season ticket for 6 films.
Films provided by Age UK and all proceeds go to Village Hall. All films start at 7.45 and doors open at 7.15

Contact Gunilla on 01295 720521



QUICKFIRE QUESTIONS

with Barford News' very own Treasurer, the one, the only **CAROLINE BIRD.....**

Guilty pleasure?

The Archers

Who would play you in a movie of your life?

It might sound conceited but it could only be me!

Biggest bug bear?

Having to pay for a car park

Dream dinner party guests?

Vivian Leigh & Lawrence Olivier

Margot Fonteyn & Rudolf

Nureyev

Jackie and John Kennedy

Advice to teenage self?

Never give up – you get there in the end!

Cat or dog?

Cat

Top of your bucket list?

To visit every Capital City in Europe to start with!!

Where would you time-travel to?

To the court of Henry V111

Happiness is...

My dear family and their health



BARFORD GREEN GARDEN CLUB
NOTES FROM OUR POTTING SHED
SEPTEMBER 2017



VISIT TO PETTIFERS This took place on Monday August 7th and on Friday August 11th the garden was featured on Gardener's World when Adam Frost visited. 15 of us made the visit, in Upper Wardington. The garden is overlooking open countryside and blends very well with it. The evening was not sunny and the full effect of the garden was slightly diminished, but interesting plantings and juxtapositions were well displayed. Gina Price has been influential in garden design and takes inspiration from Piet Oudolf and Helen Dillon with many grasses and herbaceous plants. Gina gave us an introduction and with her gardener accompanied us around the garden very ready to answer questions and to admit her failures. The garden blog for Pettifers is nice to follow and shows the garden in full flower and sunshine. Refreshments in the large kitchen rounded off our visit nicely.

The New Garden Museum in London, next to Lambeth Palace has been re-opened since June this year and I recommend a visit. Wonderful objects on display showing the history of gardening and a section all about John Tradescant. The Heritage Lottery Fund and various Charitable Trusts have made this possible. Also a fabulous cafe.

FUTURE ACTIVITIES We are having Nosey Gardens again this year. It will be on Sunday 1st October in the afternoon. Trevor Stevens, our new Committee member is organising and all members of the Garden Club will be emailed with details. It would be good to keep them going if we can. There are two gardens....details will be emailed to members. We have no talks planned for the moment. Any suggestions welcome.

WHAT TO DO IN SEPTEMBER Late summer progresses into autumn. September is generally a cooler, gustier month than August and the days are noticeably shorter. While there's not as much to do in the ornamental garden at this time of the year, if you have a fruit or vegetable patch, you'll be busy reaping the rewards of harvest. It's also time to get out and start planting spring-flowering bulbs for next year and you can collect seeds for next summer's colour too. Make the most of the remaining warmth while you can!

Divide herbaceous perennials; Pick autumn raspberries; Collect and sow seed from perennials and hardy annuals; Dig up remaining potatoes before slug damage spoils them; Net ponds before leaf fall gets underway; Keep up with watering of new plants, using rain or grey water if possible; Start to reduce the frequency of houseplant watering; Clean out cold frames and greenhouses so that they are ready for use in the autumn; Cover leafy vegetable crops with bird-proof netting; Plant spring flowering bulbs.

Other jobs to do in September If the weather is already autumnal, you can now plant and move shrubs and trees without having to worry excessively about their survival and establishment. Shrubs planted now will get off to a flying start next spring, as they will have had all winter to settle in. Prune late-summer flowering shrubs such as *Philadelphus* (mock orange blossom) and give evergreen hedges a final trim to make sure they are in shape for winter.

Climbing roses can be pruned once they have finished flowering; side-shoots from the main branches can be cut back to a couple of buds. Any dead, diseased or spindly growth should be cut out and new young shoots tied in to the supports, from the base. If there is an old, thick and woody, unproductive stem, it can be removed from the base to stimulate more vigorous growth. Take semi-ripe cuttings of evergreen shrubs such as *Cistus*, *Ceanothus* and *Viburnum*. Take hardwood cuttings of roses, choosing well-ripened, healthy shoots. All this information and much more can be found on the RHS website, with more detailed information on ponds, lawns, trees and shrubs etc.

HAPPY GARDENING...WATCH YOUR BACKS.....



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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 Cherry & Almond Cake	
20	Four Fruit Scones	
21	Six Brownies	
22	A Victoria Sponge, Raspberry Jam, No Cream	
23	A Loaf of Bread (<i>hand or machine made</i>)	
24	A Ginger Cake (Men only) Recipe in Barford News	
25	A Jar of Jam	
26	A Jar of Marmalade	
27	A Small Jar of Pickled Onions	
28	A Jar of Chutney	
29	A small pot of Lemon Curd	
	Flower Arranging Classes	
30	An arrangement in a jug (<i>max 12" w x 18" h</i>)	
31	A foliage arrangement (<i>max 12" w x 18" h</i>)	
32	A miniature arrangement 10cms (4ins) <i>overall</i>	
33	An arrangement in a single colour (<i>max 12" w x 18" h</i>)	

The Barfords' Village Show 2017

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35	A sunflower in a vase	
36	Three Dahlias	
37	Three Roses	
38	Four Fuchsia heads in water	
39	Four Pelargonium heads in water	
40	Four Marigolds	
41	Vase of 5 varieties mixed garden flowers (max.15 stems, no oasis)	
	Crafts	
	(Crafts must not have been entered in a previous Show)	
42	A Bookmark (any medium)	
43	A Christmas Tree Decoration	
44	A hand knitted or crocheted article	
45	A piece of needlecraft (embroidery, tapestry, patchwork etc)	
46	You made it, Let's see it (Handmade article not covered above)	
47	Drawing or painting, any medium (frame optional)	
	Photography	
	13cm x 18cm or 5" x 7" (unmounted)	
48	My Pet in action	
49	A Ladybird	
50	A Spider's Web	
51	A Seedhead	
	Children's Classes	
	7 years and under (Age to be stated on entries)	
52	A Colouring Picture (available from the Post Office)	
53	A Decorated Biscuit	
54	A Decorated Jam Jar	
55	An original Lego model	
56	You made it, Let's see it (Handmade article not covered above)	
	8-15 years (Age to be stated on entries)	
57	A photograph (Any Subject 13cm x 18cm or 5" x 7")	
58	A design for a Book Cover (computer or hand drawn)	
59	Four Decorated Cupcakes	
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**CURRY AND QUIZ NIGHT
AT BARFORD VILLAGE HALL
SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 2017
7.30PM START**

Choice of:
Beef Madras
Or
Chicken Korma
Or

Halloumi, Mushroom and Butterbean Curry
All served with Rice, Poppadum, Naan Bread
and Mango Chutney

And for pudding, a choice of;
Apple and Blueberry Crumble and Custard
Or

Chocolate and Bailey's Roulade
Or

Chilled Lemon Soufflé with a Macaroon Biscuit

All you have to do is get yourself a team of 6 people, find out what they would like for a main meal and pudding, then give Anne or Mick Pearson a call on 01869 337074, or email us at mickpearson1@outlook.com, and let us know your team name, the number of each curry and pudding the team would like and, finally, drop the money around to us by 23rd September, at the latest, in order to confirm your place.

There will be a cash prizes for first, second and third. Leon Daly is bringing his vast knowledge of quizzing to bear and will be the Quiz Master. Bring your own drinks, alcoholic or otherwise.

The price is £12 per person which includes the cost of each quiz team member. There will also be a raffle and an auction for a two course Sunday lunch for up to 12 people at the Pearson's, with a pre-dinner glass of Prosecco included, though you will need to bring your own drinks, alcoholic or otherwise, for the meal. The reserve price for the meal is £120 so ask around your family and friends to see if you can make up a table and bid on the night.

All the proceeds from the curry meal, auction and raffle, plus the profit from the quiz, will be divided 75%/25% between the Village Hall and The Barford News.

**BOGS TOP £13,000 FOR CHARITY!!
(otherwise known as BARFORD OLD GIRLS)**



L to r: Ann, Erika, Jo (visitor), Cathy, Cubby, Ollie (who started the whole thing), Joyce, Glynnis, Jane and Mariann

Way back in 2004 ten Barford friends began getting-together suppers with members taking it in turns to host the evening and the 'guests' paying £10.00 each for Katharine House.

The first supper was in February 2004, and after three members moving away and a couple of 'new' ones joining, nine of us are still going strong!

Now, after 13 years of enjoying regular 'home-made' suppers, fun and lots of chat, our total raised to date has reached £13,063. Not bad, for 3-courses plus wine ten months each year!!



**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!!

HEDGEHOG MATTERS – SEPTEMBER

It was encouraging to be at the village market in July with a big aerial photo map of Barford and to hear how many people had seen or heard hedgehogs or seen hedgehog poo in their garden this year for the first time in many years, or ever. This included people living in parts of the village that may be less accessible to them. We could see how they were spreading out and using those gaps in fences that more people are making and see the evidence of how far they travel. There were also people from surrounding villages with many sightings and unfortunately several on the roads too.

It could just be that people are more aware now and on the lookout but I do believe that there are more around in the village too. It was obviously a blow to hear about the two that had been predated on and killed probably by badgers, mentioned in last month's issue. Last week I spoke to a local hedgehog expert and author at Countryfile and for our local population to increase we obviously need at least one more new hedgehog to be born or to travel as far as the area each year, than we do hedgehogs to be lost to illness, old age, predation or roadkill.



Our population seemed to have started to increase this year. Now, with at least two predated on, perhaps we are back in the same position. There is still hedgehog poo

next door to the garden that thought it had a nest with a large hedgehog mum and I saw the other marked female (two white spots that will be wearing off soon) for the first time in ages, last week. I saw her doing the pre-mating rigmarole a couple of months or more ago and last week was the first time that I had seen her around since. I had feared that she'd been predated too but hopefully she has been off nesting somewhere. The reality is that we will never know exactly how many hedgehogs we have locally, but if more people carry on seeing them and in new places then that is a good indicator that our population is going the right way.

If you see any young hedgehogs it would great to know about so do please let me know, in whatever way you want, then we can at least have an idea of how things are going.

I've asked the Parish council to consider asking the contractors who cut the verges to leave an unmown border close to hedges and walls for hedgehogs and other mammals to have a safe refuge and wildlife corridor to pass through. It would also provide more habitat for invertebrates in turn providing food for mammals and increasing butterflies as well as providing a softer more natural look at the edges. Some of the hedge edges where Thomas Fox get in close on their mower / strimmer are close to the garden with the hedgehog nest and are the kind of areas where new hedgehogs will be seeking their refuge. It is the kind of thing, along with access between gardens that can make all the difference between the local hedgehog population declining or increasing. They will discuss this at their September meeting. It's important to raise awareness with children too. Most have a cutesy image of hedgehogs but will probably have never seen one in the wild or really know much about them. I plan to give them a little talk about hedgehogs and what they can do to help, combining this with a few hedgehog crafts etc.

Please see below details of the 'Hedgehogs for Children' morning. Also, on the next page, you will find your picture to colour/decorate as you wish for the colouring competition – winners will be announced at the Hedgehog morning on the 29th.....

Helen Taylor

HEDGEHOGS FOR CHILDREN

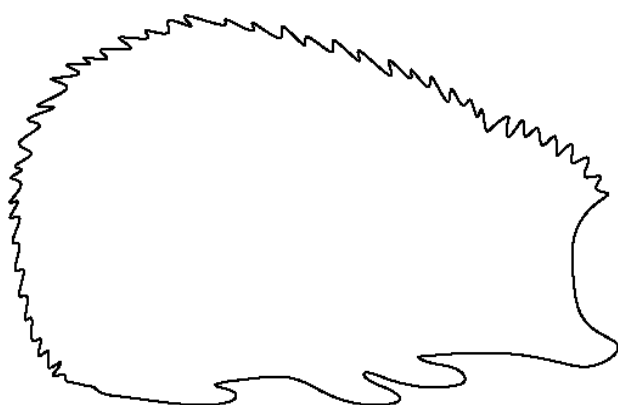
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**FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES....a talk
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Hedgehog colouring competition pictures
will be on display with the winners
shown.**





Name.....

Age.....

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Cut out the hedgehog picture then
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morning on
29th September

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age on and remember to give your
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FESTIVAL OF OPEN GARDENS

Our Festival of Open Gardens continues this September with the beautiful gardens open at Broughton Grange. With an impressive 25 acres of gardens and light woodland it is an opportunity not to be missed!

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On Saturday 9 September from 10am-4pm, the gardens will be open to explore, with tea and home-made cakes on offer too. Entrance fee is £7 and all money raised will be donated to Katharine House.

Remember you can keep up to date with all our events and everything that's happening at the Hospice, as well as buy tickets to our events and donate to Katharine House by visiting our website: www.khh.org.uk

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DEDDINGTON BOOKWORMS MONTHLY BOOK REVIEW

This month we read **Slade House** by **David Mitchell** (author not comedian!) which was a short but compelling book. The story centres on the unusual inhabitants of Slade House and those drawn to it. Not all is as it seems and the story unfolds, with twists and turns, as time passes. The characters, both good and evil, are well portrayed. Written in an episodic way, the story would lend itself to the small screen. We are a small, friendly group of 'bookworms' who meet on the first Monday of each month. New members are always welcome. If you love reading and would like to join us, please contact the Library for more information.

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TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB 19TH SEPTEMBER 2017

MENU

Main Course

Roast Loin of Pork

With Apple Sauce and Spring Onion & Apricot
Stuffing

Served with Roast Potatoes

or

Salmon, Asparagus and Lemon filled Vol au
Vents

Served with New Potatoes

**both of the above dishes served with a
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Desserts

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Or

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Finally

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As usual please bring your own alcoholic
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by Tuesday 12th September

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£10, 182, Palmer Family
£5, 201, Mariann Young
**The draw took place at
Thursday Cuppa morning**



DISCOVER VOLUNTEERING DROP-IN DAYS AT UPTON HOUSE

Interested in volunteering with the National Trust? Upton House is holding Discover Volunteering Drop-In Days where you can find out how you can get involved and how rewarding it is to help out!

Chat to current volunteers to find out more about what volunteering is really like, and visit different areas of the property to discover more about the wide range of roles you could be involved with. Volunteers and staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may have and chat through all the different forms volunteering can take at Upton. You'll then be able to set the wheels in motion by applying for any roles that take your interest

It's a very exciting time to join the Upton team following the launch of our new project 'A Made to Measure Home' in March! Upton has over 300 volunteers and we asked what advice they would give to people considering volunteering: For Anne-Marie who volunteers as a Catering Host and a House Host, it comes highly recommended: "For anyone thinking of volunteering at Upton I would say – give it a go, you won't regret it, you'll meet new people, make new friends and feel appreciated".

All sorts of roles are available, from helping out in the garden to being a room guide or running our new tearoom. However, if you were after something more specific, come and have a chat with us anyway and we'll do our best to try and accommodate you.

The drop-in days will take place on Wednesday 23rd and Friday 25th April from 12-3.30pm. All are welcome and no experience is necessary.

For more information contact:
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www.nationaltrust.org.uk/uptonhouse



POLLY PREEDY – 'Wonder Woman'

I met Jen Green on a WI Walk recently and we got to talking about Polly Preedy. As some of you will already know, Polly feeds homeless people in Banbury, at the moment there are 18 whom she helps, but other times it can be more. She cooks for them every single day of the year, entirely on her own and then takes the food on the bus to St. Mary's Churchyard where she feeds her 'flock'.

I felt that we Barfordians should be able to help in some way and asked Jenny to let me know more, below are some details that she sent. Please take the time to read this and help if you possibly can.

Thank you, Mariann (Young)

Dear Barford News readers

It is sometime since I have spread the word via the Barford News, about Banbury's own saint, and there will be residents new to the area that perhaps are not familiar with her work. My thanks to Mariann for the opportunity.

After a sudden serious illness, Polly made a promise that, should her health be restored, she would devote part of every day to people that need her help. For the last 27 years she has kept that promise and has taken food and a bit of hope to the homeless and friendless in Banbury, and sits with them in St Mary's churchyard. A meal is shared and if resources allow, something to eat later is provided (sandwiches, cake etc). After listening to their problems, it is often possible to put them in touch with other agencies that can help further, but sometimes they just want a sympathetic ear. She attends them every day.

If you would like to help this incredible woman serve the poor, please use the donation box in the Post Office for a gift of food - (baking ingredients especially welcome). Alternatively, a cheque made out to 'P. Preedy', or a Morrisons Gift Voucher (of £1, £5, or £10) can be handed to Barbara at the village shop or to Mariann at Stonehaven.

Thank you. Jenny Green

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CDC website: www.cherwell-dc.gov.uk – Parish Council minutes at www.cherwell-local.com

Village and local events diary

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

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Church of England September

Sunday 3rd 10:30am Family Service BSM
Sunday 10th 9:00am Holy Communion BSM
Sunday 17th 6:00pm Evening Prayer BSM
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2nd week W.I. meeting
Boys Brigade (Deddington)
Thursdays Open cuppa mornings
Cubs (Deddington)
Scouts (Deddington)
Fridays Rainbows
Whist alternate weeks
Saturdays Village Market 3rd week
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3rd Wednesday Village Hall Management Committee

Diary dates

September

6th Parish Council Meeting
9th The Barfords Village Show
13th WI – Pasta, Puzzles & Pals – VH
16th Barford Market – village hall
19th Tuesday Lunch Club
30th Curry & Quiz Night – village hall
29th Hedgehogs for Children – village hall

October

21st Barford Picture House – La La Land

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