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Saturday 9th September

Barford Village Show

Have a Go in the village show!! There are over 60 classes to choose from, something for everyone to try, so don't be shy!!

Home Grown Vegetables

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5 Photography Classes

Including 1 for Children

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Carrot Cake Competition Men Vs Ladies

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10 Classes for Children

Including Colouring and Lego,

Baking, Drawing or Painting

Let's repeat the success of last year and make this another show to Remember

(for all the right reasons!!)

Annual Parish Meeting - Chairman's Report 2023

The job of the Parish Council is to look after the running of the two settlements and to try to ensure that all our villagers are happy here. We do very ordinary things like paying contractors to cut the grass and providing insurance in case of accidents in the Village Hall and the playgrounds, but we also try to think of ways to make our villages better places, particularly paying attention to our environment and safety.

It seems that many of our villagers are very keen to keep the 'no mow May' policy which we have been trying for the past three years, but with some reservations. The quick growth which we have seen this year has emphasised that we need to keep on top of strimming the wayside edges for clear vision for drivers on the bridge and on corners such as at Bloody Bones Lane at the top of Barford St John. With narrow roads such as we have in our villages, it is a short hop from having uncut verges to having a dangerous hazard, so we will be paying close attention to this in future. Unfortunately, we were stymied this year by the contractors having staff problems, which culminated in a late cut and villagers offering to trim areas themselves. Grass cutting is the largest expenditure for the Parish Council and we now carry the burden of payment for this almost entirely ourselves, with the grant from Cherwell having been cut by 75% over the past few years. We spend some £3000 a year on maintaining our village swards from our annual precept of £8000. The usual schedule is a cut once every two weeks from April to October, allowing for the weather, with options for fewer or more cuts as necessary. On balance, we feel that the contractors do a good job, and the men who do the work are always happy to do a bit extra without complaint, if they are asked.

Our main drive this year, guided by Dr Hobbs, has been for the purchase and installation of a defibrillator at the Village Hall, which has now been completed. We will be running courses with the assistance of our local Ambulance Service and there are plans for another defibrillator for St John and another for the Townsend area of St Michael. The cost of the newly installed Zoll machine was £2000.

A number of small improvements have been made during the year. We were asked to install speed reduction signage at the bend in The Park (or South Newington Road as it is marked) and the Clerk put up 20s Plenty advisory signs earlier this year. We hope this will cut down the speeding round this blind bend, which has caused accidents in the past. The stile at the North East corner of West Close has been changed, to improve access with dogs. Hedging plants have been obtained from the Woodland Trust at no cost to ourselves for the edges of West Close, to discourage children from playing on the bank above Murrey's Lane. This was felt to be a dangerous place to play and the hedging was offered. A new dog bin has been installed in St John.

Unfortunately, we have tried for over a year to get repairs done to the bridge at the bottom of Mill Lane, but our many requests have fallen on deaf ears at the higher authority. We will continue to actively request this.

The Parish Council have seen 13 Planning Applications in the past year, from trimming trees in a Conservation Area to two storey building extensions. We have also requested that lorries for the new construction work at Buttermilk Farm be routed out through South Newington as well as down Barley Lane onto the Hempton Road, as the previous arrangement, entirely down Barley Lane, was undoubtedly unfair.

We have had sight of an outline of road improvements outside the Barford airfield, following the death of Harry Dunn at Croughton. This will involve various measures and we will be notifying the village when we have more information.

The Clerk oversees the administration of our Allotments and any repairs that need to be done. The tap for the water was recently replaced, and a skip will be hired to take away excess rubbish.

The Council purchased commemorative mugs for the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee last May and rather lovely coins for the Coronation this month. The cost of these was £335 for the mugs and £300 for the coins.

In total, the Council paid out in excess of £11,700 during the last year, with the major items being the grass cutting and the defibrillator. Although this was more than the precept and we drew on our savings, it was decided to keep the precept at the same level as last year, due to the substantial increase in the cost of living for everyone.

The Villages have been gifted with a lovely teak bench seat for positioning on the Village Green by Bernard and Verna Lane, who lived for over 40 years at the Old School House. Bernard served for many years on the Parish Council and was Chairman for quite a few himself. This will be installed shortly by our hands-on Councillors and a plaque commemorating Bernard and Verna's gift has been purchased.

Finally, the bridge. The Parish Council and the representatives from both Cherwell District Council and Oxfordshire County Council, who join us for our meetings, are very aware of the strength of feelings of villagers regarding this unsightly problem. We are very grateful to Chris Humphrey and Angus Norman for their efforts in trying to force answers from Oxfordshire Highways Planners and Administrators, but as you will no doubt have seen from Angus' piece in the June Barford News, their prevarication and evasion on this subject is, frankly, appalling. Although they have given us a 'new' date of Summer 2024, this appears to be mere fantasy on their part, and we seem to be no nearer to having our bridge repaired than we were when they originally restricted access because the bridge was failing. Indeed, as Angus points out, they knew about it for 10 years before they decided to do anything in the first place. The Clerk regularly chases those responsible for the proposed works, and we have held meetings with their representatives, but nothing is definitely decided and more evasion occurs. We are just as angry as anyone about this, and will continue to demand answers, but we are not hopeful of any substantial progress anytime soon, for which we are very sorry.

We were pleased to award Barford News a substantial grant for its continued publication, and feel the village owes a real debt of gratitude to the Team for their continued and substantial efforts at keeping the spirit of the villages alive in its pages.

I also feel that a very large vote of thanks should go to the Village Hall Management Committee for their work in the upgrading of the Hall and its facilities over the past few years. Driven first by Mariann with her working party to remove the stage, and then by Veronique and the present team to install the new sliding doors, repairing the floor and a complete redecoration, the Hall is now the envy of many other villages and suitably popular with renters. We are indeed very fortunate to have such a willing band of volunteers.

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of the Parish Council for their commitment to the villages and making decisions on village matters and bringing forward ideas for the future. Our Clerk, David Best, also deserved thanks for all his work and efforts on our behalf.

S. Turner, Parish Council Chair



A MESSAGE FROM THE FAMILY:

**Barbara Mary Alt,
born 11 March 1931, passed
away on 11 June 2023 with 2 of
her daughters by her side.**

**The funeral will be held on
Monday 10th July, 1pm
at St Michael's**

BARFORD BRIDGE UPDATE

Dr Hobbs and I attended the Cherwell Parish Liaison Meeting on Wednesday 14th June and spoke to Andrew Vidovic, a member of the Oxfordshire County Council Highways Department, who were holding sessions for Councillors.

We challenged him on the answers to questions that they had given the Parish Council in the past and he told us the following:

The hold up with progress on restructuring the bridge was presently because the Cherwell Planning Department, who are responsible for Listed Buildings/Structures, had refused their plans for the rebuilding work. He said that the Planners wanted the bridge to be rebuilt in exactly the same way as the present one, using the same stonework, whereas, in order to make the bridge strong enough to take heavier traffic, Highways need to construct the replacement in concrete or similar materials so that it will take the tonnage that current regulations require. He said they would face the replacement bridge in the old stone so that it looked the same, but this had been refused. We asked why we had only been advised of the listing being a problem very recently, when it had obviously been known about for years.

Another reason for the delay that we had received was that there was a shortage of Structural Engineers who could do the work. Andrew said that this was true and explained that the construction work for HS2 had swallowed all the talent locally. He mentioned that Engineers had agreed to work for Cherwell, but HS2 were offering *£10 per hour* more than they could afford, which was why they were having great difficulty recruiting, whereas the Government could just add the extra costs to the HS2 overall bill.

He said that the money was available for the work, but it was being held up for these reasons. We asked him why the bridge work was not listed in their planning forecasts and he replied that because of the above, the slippage time was incalculable and the work had not been scheduled for that reason.

We asked why our suggestion of a height restriction rather than the width restriction that has caused such problems had not been taken up and he replied that height restrictions were not allowed under the regulations, only width restrictions could be implemented. We complained that this was both a serious hazard and an eyesore in a Conservation Area, and he said that he knew the site well as he lived locally and appreciated our anger at the situation.

I subsequently asked the newly appointed Head of Planning, Paul Seckington, to investigate the refusal of the work by the Listed Structures Team and he said he would get back to me quickly. I will keep you informed of subsequent progress.

Sandi Turner | Chairman



Thank you for the very kind, and generous, on-line donation made by a lovely couple in Lower Street.

**The Team
Lucy, Mariann & Caroline**

Congratulations

to Maisie Bird of Horn Hill

After 5 years of studying at
Royal Veterinary College,
University Of London, Maisie is now a
qualified vet with lots of letters after
her name.

Well Done Maisie



Dr Bird BVetMed MRCVS
It's official!! 🐶

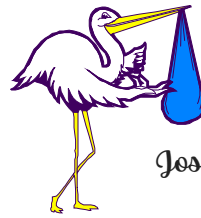


We are sadly at the end of a very
wonderful year. We wish all our
children the very best in their new
settings. We look forward to

welcoming new and returning families to both PFSU
and the Nursery in September.

We would like to thank everyone who had
contributed to our fundraisers over the year.
Excluding the Four farms and school fete, we have
raised £2221 which will go directly to the PFSU and
nursery.

Charlotte Witka | PFSU Deputy Manager



Congratulations to
Jonathan and Lucy
Elwidge on the safe arrival
of
Joshua Caleb born in 9th May
weighing 7 lbs 1 ozs.

*A wonderful grandson for
Jan & Tony Elwidge.*



Congratulations to proud parents
Hannah and Andrew on the arrival of
their their daughter,
Rosenwyn Joana Hickling-Snell
on 2nd June.

Mother and daughter are doing well
and keen to get out and about!





**KATHARINE
HOUSE
HOSPICE**

We wouldn't exist
without the incredible
support of our

community, whether it's taking part in an event,
playing our lottery, volunteering or even spreading
the word about Katharine House – it all makes a
difference. We're sharing just a few of the ways
you can help our hospice this summer. Thank you!

Take on our Accumulator Challenge

Do you have what it takes to compete with local
businesses, schools, colleges and community
groups in our Accumulator Challenge? Four
months, a £50 stake and a competitive team
challenge to raise as much as possible
for Katharine House... all while having lots of fun,
of course! Inject a little fun into the workplace,
classroom or local community space and sign up to
take part in our Accumulator Challenge now.

www.khh.org.uk/accumulator

Play our lottery!

Playing the Katharine House weekly lottery
couldn't be simpler! For just £1 a week, you can be
in with a chance of winning one of our 20 weekly
cash prizes. When you join the Katharine House
Hospice lottery, you'll be supporting local people
living with an incurable illness, as well as their
families and loved ones. Players must be 18 and
over. Find out more and sign up here:

www.khh.org.uk/lottery.

Three cheers for our volunteers

In every part of Katharine House, you will find
volunteers generously giving up their time to help
our hospice. We simply couldn't do what we do
without the incredibly selfless people willing to
offer their time to make a difference. We're
looking to recruit volunteers across a number of
areas, including: shop volunteers, gardeners,
hospice companions, receptionists and art
volunteers for Living Well. Could you spare some
time – either on a regular basis or occasionally?
Find out more here:

www.khh.org.uk/volunteering.

Gardens galore

Our Open Garden events are already under way
and off to a great start. We have some fabulous
villages taking part, as well as some private tours
and events with limited availability. You can find
the full list of our Open Gardens on our website.

www.khh.org.uk/gardens

AN INVITATION



TO JOIN US



Village Cuppa Mornings

10.00 ~ 11.30

**Every Thursday
In the Village Hall**

VILLAGE SHOW 2023

Saturday 9th September

PHOTOGRAPHY CLASSES

Entries will be judged on show morning

Photographs should be submitted

as Unmounted Prints,

13cm x 18cm or 5" x 7"



ADULT CLASSES

47 A Common Object from an unusual angle

48 My Pet

49 An Aspect of my Garden

50 A Butterfly or Moth

51 A Garden Gate

CHILDREN'S CLASS No. 57

A Photograph – Any Subject You Like

Village Show – 9th September

CHILDREN'S CLASS 52



WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB

19th July @ The George

12:30pm for 1pm

MAINS

- Seared Salmon -

Braised Fennel / New Potatoes

OR

- Imam Byaldi – Turkish stuffed aubergines

(Olive Oil, Onions, Tomatoes, Parsley & Garlic)

Spiced Cous Cous

Seasonal veg served for the table

DESSERTS

- Peach Melba -

Shortbread

OR

- Cheeseboard -

Stilton / Seasonal Chutney / Grapes / Crackers

Tea & Coffee

Price £12 per person

Please ring Anne & Mick on 01869 337074, or email mickpearson1@outlook.com

by Friday 14th July to book.

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

**** WE CAN CATER FOR ALLERGIES & INTOLERANCES - PLEASE NOTE ON YOUR EMAIL ****



IMPORTANT NOTICE RELATING TO DEDDINGTON, BARFORD AND HEMPTON CHURCH ENQUIRIES

Following the retirement of Annie Goldthorp the parishes of Deddington, Clifton, Hempton and the Barford's will be without a resident vicar for up to nine months.

In the event of anyone requiring assistance with weddings, funerals, home visits or consultation with a priest they should in the first instance contact one of the church wardens at Deddington or Barford churches who will then arrange for a suitably qualified person to contact you.

Churchwardens contact details:

Deddington, Stan Nelson or Lucinda Fuoco at wardens@deddingtonchurch.org

The Barfords, Sue Addison or Sally Barber both at barfordchurches234@gmail.com

BARFORD MARKET

Saturday, 15th July

10.00 – 12.00 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

**Come on down to the village hall to see what our stallholders
have to offer – New This Month, Artisan Breads,
Plus established favourites bringing Cakes, Plants, Hand-made glass,
Knitted Garments and Toys, Greetings Cards, Beautiful Fabric Bags,
not forgetting top quality Bird Food
DELICIOUS BACON BUTTIES + TEA AND COFFEE
SERVED ALL MORNING**



BARFORD GREEN GARDEN CLUB **Notes from our Potting Shed – July 2023**

Note from Trevor Stevens, Chair:

I'm running out of words to say how much I appreciate the organisation by the Committee to give us yet another successful Plant Swap. Superb sandwiches, snacks and cakes were enjoyed by 29 members and although it was a bit unseasonably chilly, most of us got out into the village hall garden to pick up plants donated by other members, before heading back into the warmth for more sustenance and chat.

I took the opportunity to announce that Vicky and I will be moving on to pastures new in 6 to 9 months time. I anticipate my new home will have a much smaller garden so there will be gardening items, acquired over the last 40 years looking for new homes. I advised members to look out for emails offering things they might find useful. As part of this enforced review of my stuff, I've realised I have tools and equipment I use rarely, (for instance, I have everything needed for putting up fence posts) and things I may only use once a year, like a lawn aerator and a lightweight scarifier which I'll be more than willing to loan to Garden Club members.

I also pointed out that some of our Committee may have new commitments limiting their role, so we mustn't delay in enhancing the Committee with a couple of new members ready for the new year. I'm also aware that some people may not be prepared for the full commitment but perhaps a "helper" when we have an event in the hall, eg setting out chairs, serving refreshments and setting up the projector etc.

So, thanks to everyone who came along, donated plants, stayed to chat and turned the Plant Swap into another pleasant evening. If you'd like to join our Committee, do contact me - details at the end of this Report.

Nosy Gardens - Thursday June 29th, from 7pm

This event will be happening as you receive your July BN so we'll report back in the August issue.

Interesting opportunities at FarmEd

Recently we heard from Danielle Semple who works for FarmEd, a food and farming education centre and demonstration farm in Ascott-under-Wychwood. Danielle has informed us of a number of interesting activities during July including a compost clinic, a course on wildflower meadows (how to select and establish the seed mixtures) and another on predators and pollinators. Full details have been sent to members by email.

Visit to Chivel Farm Garden Janet Payne writes:

On Saturday 13th May, 19 members had the pleasure of a visit to Heythrop. Mrs Rosalind Sword has created the garden over more than forty years, with the aim of creating a garden of mainly large island beds full of unusual and interesting plants while benefitting from sweeping views across the farm and woodlands beyond, see photo opposite. The aspect of most of the gardens is a south to south east facing well drained slope so tender plants unknown to Barfordians flourish and even survived last winter with few losses. The front of the house is dominated by an enormous and impressive Wellingtonia, while to the side yellow scented coronilla were establishing themselves.



Everyone admired the actinidia kolomikta, (see above) a pink white and green New Zealand climber doing its spectacular stuff by the conservatory at the back of the house. Also near the house a white, rather than blue, veronica was much admired. From the house could be seen a rich variety of interesting trees with magnolias in bloom. A katsura tree looked fabulous with coin shaped leaves and promised the smell of toffee in the autumn, in front of a pond. Pink persicaria superba had freedom to spread at the other side of the pond before formal planting gave way to wilder planting towards the view.

The very interesting plants in this garden are of course too many to mention or even take in on our visit! We were able, over tea and cake, to discuss

the garden with our host and hostess, who have established this most impressive garden with very little help. Everyone agreed it had been a delightful visit.

Trip to Ball Colegrave, Adderbury, Thurs 20th July

We're looking forward to this long awaited trip. We'll contact members shortly with specific timings etc. An opportunity not to be missed.

Here are some jobs for July:

- Check clematis for signs of clematis wilt
- Organise care for houseplants while on holiday
- Water tubs/new plants if dry, but be water-wise
- Deadhead bedding plants and repeat flowering perennials, to ensure continuous flowering
- Pick courgettes before they become marrows
- Clear algae, blanket weeds and debris from ponds and keep them topped up
- Order catalogues for next year's spring flowering bulbs
- Give the lawn a quick-acting summer feed, especially if not given a spring feed

Take care - keep out of the sun and wear high factor suncream and drink lots of water.

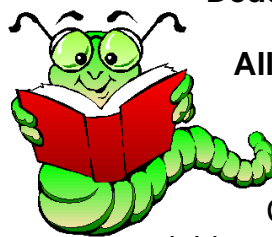
If you would like to join us or join our Committee, please contact Trevor on 338403, email: trevorstevens49@hotmail.com or Sue on 338900, email: sueandles45@hotmail.com We wish you lots of good gardening during July!



Spade and Fork



Deddington Bookworms



All Together Now by Gill Hornby follows the fortunes of the Bridgeford Community Choir as it rises from the

doldrums. There is some great observational comedy and wit throughout the book.

However, not all of the group enjoyed reading it. The ones who did found themselves drawn into the book very quickly finding the narrative, as it switches between the different characters, very compelling.

Our next book is **My Name is Lucy Barton** by Elizabeth Strout.

Deddingtonbookworms@gmail.com

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Join us

For a fun evening of

CROQUET



On Wednesday, 12th JULY

at 7.30pm

in the garden of

STRETFORD END,

Lower Street

Visitors invited to join us £5

RSVP to Christine 338659

barfordwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk



DEDDINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term 5 seemed to fly by quickly!

As a school, we celebrated the King's Coronation on Friday 12th May. The children wore clothes in red, white and blue brought in an extra snack to eat during that afternoon. Each class teacher organised a fun activity to remember this once in a lifetime event. Then, at the end of that day, everyone assembled on the top field to witness the planting of a tree, which had kindly been donated by our fantastic PTA.

On the 7th June, we held a final school service for Reverend Annie in church. We sang songs and had special readings for her and gave Annie cards and gifts from each class. It was an extremely emotional ceremony which was led by Mrs Barber. We hope Annie has a wonderful new life ahead of her being closer to her family, but here at Deddington she will be terribly missed by children and adults alike.

Our school fete took place in mid-June, and we had fabulous weather! We would like to thank our PTA once more for their INCREDIBLE hard work involved in the planning and organising of this most enjoyable event.

Year 1 went on their school trip to Compton Verney and had a brilliant day, Year 6 went to visit Coventry Cathedral and Year 5 went to the Black Country Living Museum in Birmingham. All trips added valuable information and enriched the learning of pupils, relating to the topics of work they have been focusing on.

In sport, Year 5 and Year 6 took part in a cricket tournament based at Sibford School. All pupils who took part played extremely. Our Year 5 and 6 children came 2nd which was a great achievement. Different classes have been having taster tennis lessons. KS2 have had these at The Windmill Centre, whilst KS1 have had theirs on the school playground.' The children have loved this experience and their skills in tennis have improved dramatically.

Our Sports Week is also coming up, during the week beginning 26th June. The whole school is looking forward to the events planned for this week, including Sports Day which will be taking place on Wednesday 28th June.

Rehearsals for our performance of 'Annie' are now well underway. As always, this promises to be a

brilliant show, taking place on the 12th, 13th and 14th July. We hope many of you in our community will be able to attend what promises to be a fantastic show, as always.

Until the next letter, we are sending our very best wishes to all of you, from everyone here at Deddington Primary School.

DENISE WELCH

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A Bit of a Giggle.....

"I used to go out with a girl from Amsterdam who wore inflatable footwear, I heard she recently popped her clogs"

"I just accidentally swallowed some Scrabble tiles. The next visit to the toilet could spell disaster".

from SAGA magazine, July 2023



200 CLUB DRAW JUNE

£50	218	J Morris
£25	119	Sinead Nicholls
£15	088	Chris Charman
£10	169	Bryn Williams
£5	175	John Langland

The draw took place at
Coffee Morning in the Hall

GREEN THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

BARFORD ENVIRONMENT NETWORK is a friendly, informal group that looks for ways of greener living in our villages. To join or learn more, contact **John O'Brien**: john@lcm.co.uk

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Open Day at Berry's Orchard: Several of us from the Barfords enjoyed visiting Janet and David Macey's lovely plot in Deddington, on a warm sunny Sunday. With apple trees, a pond, cider workshop, bantams and ducks, a vegetable plot, a lawn with tempting places to rest and a terrace complete with pizza oven and refreshments, there was much to see and learn. There's an emphasis on recycling and regeneration, with a pesticide-free approach, a 'dead hedge' which provides shelter for wildlife and harbours new growth, and wildflower areas left to flourish with paths mown through. If you missed it, and would like to know more, see Janet and David at our village market, where they sell their cider, apple juice and herbs.



Janet and David said: "We were really pleased so many people came and supported the event and enjoyed the orchard and garden. As many will have realised, we're not conventional gardeners - the bugs, bees and birds share the space and many of the plants grow where they choose. We raised £607.65 for Cancer Research UK thanks to the generosity of all the visitors."

Ludgershall Meadows, Berks, Bucks and Oxon Wildlife Trusts: It was another hot day for BBOWT's June event when members were given a tour of the meadow acquired two years ago through a fundraising appeal. This floodplain meadow extends the Upper Ray reserve east of Bicester, offering great possibilities for improvement for wildlife. At present it's rough grassland, good habitat for barn owls, kestrels, voles and a wide range of insects, but the management of the meadow will encourage more. Pockets of scrub will be allowed to develop and the ridge and furrow pattern will be exploited to create waterlogged areas and pools, likely to attract curlew and redshank. The hedges, at present neatly contained, will be encouraged to spill over into the meadow, providing shelter and berries for wintering birds and mammals, and habitats for the brown and black hairstreak butterflies which are found here. A return visit in two or more years' time should see significant changes and great diversity of bird, plant and insect life.



There's open access for visiting, though you're encouraged to keep to the paths. Find out more about this and other BBOWT reserves by visiting www.bbowl.org.uk. If you're not already a member, joining would provide you with seasonal wildlife information and advice, details of reserves to visit and offers of regular events for adults and children.



Colin Tudge talk for Great Big Green Week: Founder of the Oxford Real Farming Conference and author of *The Secret Life of Trees* and *The Big Rethink*, Colin Tudge spoke to an appreciative audience at Bloxham Mill, answering the question What is Biodiversity? Obviously that's too enormous a subject for a brief mention here, but his final point was: "Our knowledge is like a footpath hacked through a forest of unknown and unknowable, yet we behave with extreme arrogance." For more from this immensely knowledgeable and engaging writer and speaker, see his books as well as several interviews on YouTube.

Green Thought of the Month is edited by Linda Newbery. If you have a green idea to share, or would like to announce a local event, please email L.newbery@btinternet.com.



Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

Get active this summer with a FREE children's reading challenge at your local Oxfordshire library!

From 8 July to 9 September, children across Oxfordshire can collect stickers and rewards as they read library books.

This year's theme – 'Ready, Set, Read!' – is all about sports, games and play. Children who finish the challenge at an Oxfordshire Library will get a medal and certificate.

Under 4s can take part in a mini challenge with their own special card and stickers.

Look out for fantastic new books and activities at your library.

Find out more at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/summer-reading-challenge

Go to summerreadingchallenge.org.uk for more fun!

Shepherds & Bakehouse Charity

Barford St John and St Michael

Charity Commission Registration No: 309173

Grants are made annually at the Trustees discretion for villagers over the age of 16 years who are undertaking educational or vocational courses.

Applicants or their parents should be resident in the parish of Barford St John or St Michael for at least three years. Applicants should be aware that there is a lifetime limit on the amount an individual can receive so a maximum of three grants can be given, Applicants should consider at what stage of their education a grant would be most beneficial.

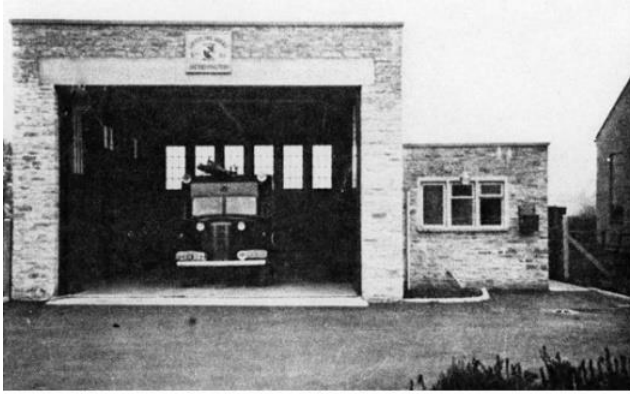
Please give the following information on your application:-

1. Your full name, age, address and length of residence
2. Full details of your course / qualification and where you are planning to study.
3. How you hope to use the grant.

Address your application to the clerk

carole.coppin@hotmail.co.uk

Applications must be received by 30th September



From DEDDINGTON FIRE STATION

Picture c. 1952

Somewhat busier this month with 19 shouts calling the Deddington crew out, the vast majority being daytime. I am on night duty so unable to add much detail, however, fires in the open and on the motorway occupied much of the crew's time.

The recent
Four Farms



Picture c. 2021

Challenge was very well supported and the ultra- warm weather didn't affect too many runners. Well done to all who helped organise this event, and well done to Ben Fenemore who completed the course in full fire kit and breathing apparatus, (carrying rather than using!), in aid of the local Air Ambulance.

This may be far too early to say this but apart from 2 days of thunderstorms, these last 2 months have been very dry. None of us want to see the multiple wild -fires of last year, so please be vigilant and careful with those camp fires and BBQs in the local area. We certainly don't want to be visiting Castle Grounds dousing those flames.

James Greenwood FFD, james@cyclogicalshop.co.uk

Barford St Michael & St John WI

If you have the impression that WI is all about 'Jam and Jerusalem' or that you're not old enough, then you'd be completely wrong. Barford WI is a group of lively, interesting ladies who will welcome you and your friends as visitors any month. We won't be singing Jerusalem and after some brief announcements the meeting is given over to our speaker or home grown activity, tea/coffee and biscuits and a chance to chat. Why not come along? Just look out for our advert each month in Barford News.

We have an interesting and wide ranging programme. In July we're playing croquet, a quiz and supper in September and speakers in the autumn. We also have social occasions such as our annual summer tea party, summer outing and a skittles evening in the autumn.

We meet in the Village Hall at 7:30pm on the second Wednesday of each month.

If you would like to know more, please call either president Kathryn (338221) or secretary Christine (338659) or email barfordwi@oxforshirewi.co.uk





1st DEDDINGTON SCOUT GROUP

Cubs

As the weather hots up we are thankfully able to spend more time outdoors. We spent one week working towards the Athletics badge with throwing, running and jumping competitions. Leaders even took part in the throwing! The cubs showed great application and a great display of sporting values. We have also been on a hike as it was the week following the 4 Farms Challenge, so we hiked the 5km route. The weather was perfect. We have also had a session where we worked towards the DIY badge. Cubs were shown different types of wood and different properties and some key uses were explained. They were also shown a vast array of DIY tools from Akela's shed and told about their different uses, how to maintain them and what the important safety measures were. They even got a chance to handle the tools, but not connected to power! At a future session we will put this knowledge to use and do a little, closely supervised woodwork.

Paul Honess deddingtoncubs@gmail.com

Scouts

Now summer is on us with a vengeance, we are enjoying being outside, fire-lighting practice, cooking at Daedas Wood (pigs in blankets & marshmallows – not a combination yet to be seen on MasterChef!) & plans for the summer camp at Horley. We have also dallied with popguns, making them from plastic pipe, doweling & corks, wow, some of them worked very well indeed – little brothers beware! The Scouts tried their hands at constructing Davinci's Bridge, look it up & have a go, fiddly but interesting.

Pete Churchyard deddingtonscouts@gmail.com

We are very happy to welcome, Jen, Juliet & Tony, who now have positions (mostly standing, sitting or leaning on the bar) on the groups Board of Trustees – looking forward to working alongside them.

Jo Churchyard deddingtongs@gmail.com



We have enjoyed being out of doors as much as possible with a variety of games and activities, including a hike on a lovely evening from Steeple Aston to Heyford, finishing at the Bell Inn for a well-deserved glass of lemonade.

Horley Scout campsite is always a favourite place to visit and the Guides had great fun building shelters in the woods.

Another favourite in the summer is Ready Steady Cook evening when each Patrol have cooked a pasta meal and pancakes on an open fire. Well done to all and thank you to the Fenemore family for their hospitality.

We look forward to continuing our adventures through the summer.

Maggie Rampley and Marian Trinder

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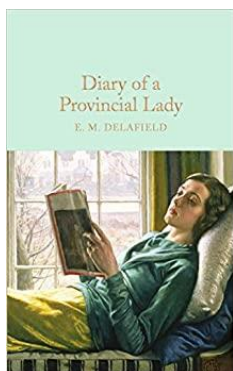
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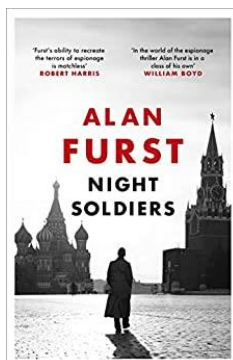
Diary of a Provincial Lady, by E M Delafield, is a wry account of a middle-class family presented as the mother's personal diary. A 35-ish woman living in rural Devon at the beginning of the 1930s, her main preoccupations are her children, Vicky and prep-school boarder Robin; her husband, the laconic Robert; and her Cook, irascible and constantly on the verge of handing in her notice. Despite conspicuous affluence, the family are financially at the mercy of their bank manager's approved overdraft and the narrator's unplanned spending on such 'essentials' as a London flat.

The whimsical attitude to domestic and social events is a source of the lightest humour. The lack of variety in pace and perspective gradually palls, but there's interest in this fictional diary of the period that included the depression. In addition to novels, Delafield wrote three

follow-up diaries. **Trevor Arrowsmith**



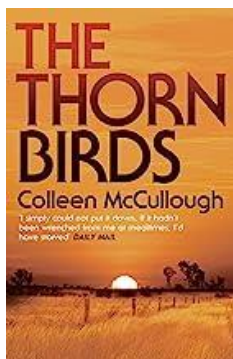
How Westminster Works: Ian Dunt, an experienced journalist, takes to task the way in which our political system works, or rather does not. With some racy prose, he takes apart our once venerable institutions. He shows how deep-seated long-lasting problems such as social care, productivity, and the NHS go "permanently unresolved", as he puts it. He puts under the microscope MPs, Ministers, the civil service, the press, the Commons, Lords and the law. I doubt whether his account of the disasters of Grayling's privatisation and the chaotic withdrawal from Afghanistan will be bettered. **John Bowers**



Night Soldiers by Alan Furst: for lovers of Somerset Maugham, Ambler and Le Carré, Furst is a welcome addition. His is a masterful and superbly researched body of work. No wonder he is a favourite of William Boyd and Robert Harris.

One could choose any one of his 15 linked novels which evoke pre-war and wartime Europe 1934-45, so best to start at the beginning. **Night Soldiers** opens in 1934 Bulgaria with the murder by local fascists of a young man. His brother, Khrista, is soon recruited into the Soviet NKVD, sent to the Spanish civil war before learning of his proposed death in a Stalinist purge and fleeing to Paris. It is here that Furst centres much of the intrigue in this book and its successors - the Nazi /Soviet battle for Eastern Europe, high and desperate diplomacy and intelligence against the backdrop of *beau monde* Paris and increasing Nazi terror. Imagine Le

Carré from a Russian perspective. **Christopher Murray**



The Thorn Birds by Colleen McCullough: I re-read this after 40 years and still loved it. It spans three generations of the Clearys, a large family who have migrated from New Zealand to the vast estate of Drogheda in the Australian outback, to manage Paddy's sister's sheep station. In the isolation of the outback, few relationships develop but a young priest takes the family under his wing and favours young Meggie, the only daughter in a family of boys.

This is a love story, one in which a man struggles with his identity as a priest versus his weakness as a man. The realisation and the strength Meggie had, to know that the one true love she has, belongs to the church.

"The thorn bird sings only once in its life before impaling itself. But the song is so sweet that even God smiles for its song comes at a great sacrifice: life". **Ishbel Freeman**

Reviews are compiled by Linda Newbery. For a book recommendation every Monday, all by writers or independent booksellers, follow **Writers Review**: www.reviewsbywriters.blogspot.com

BARFORD VILLAGE SHOW SCHEDULE			SATURDAY 9th SEPTEMBER 2023	
Vegetable & Produce Classes			Cut Flower Classes	
1	Three Beetroot, tops cut to 10cms (4ins) approx.		34	Three gladioli
2	Three Carrots, long, tops cut to 10cms (4ins) approx.		35	A Sunflower in a vase
3	Three Courgettes		36	Three Dahlias
4	Three Onions		37	Three Roses
5	Five Shallots		38	Four Fuchsia heads in water
6	Three Potatoes of one variety		39	Three Pelargoniums
7	Three Runner Beans with stalks		40	Five different flower stems from your garden
8	Five French Beans with stalks		41	A Single Rose
9	Five Cherry Tomatoes		Crafts	
10	Three Round Tomatoes		(NB Crafts must not have been entered previously)	
11	Three Peppers or Chillies (same variety)		42	An Item crafted from natural material (wood, bone, leather, etc)
12	A Pair of Vegetables (same variety) not in other classes		43	A hand knitted or crocheted article
13	Five Single Assorted Vegetables		44	A piece of needlecraft (embroidery, tapestry, patchwork, cross-stitch)
14	A Cucumber		45	You Made It, Let's See It (Handmade article not covered in other classes)
15	Three Apples of one variety, eating or cooking		46	Drawing or Painting: any subject, any medium (mount/frame optional)
16	Dish of one variety of soft or stoned fruit		Photography (unmounted)	
17	A Mis-shapen Vegetable		(13cm x 18cm or 5" x 7")	
18	3 Eggs (same size and colour)		47	A Common Object from an unusual angle
Cookery Classes			48	My Pet
19	A Bakewell Tart (shop bought pastry allowed)		49	An Aspect of my Garden
20	Six Pieces of Brownie		50	A Butterfly or Moth
21	Six Pieces of Flapjack		51	A Garden Gate
22	A Victoria Sponge, (Raspberry jam, no Cream)		Children's Classes	
23	A Carrot Cake (Men only) Recipe in August Barford News		7 Years and Under (age to be marked on all entries)	
24	A Carrot Cake (Ladies only) Recipe in August Barford News		52	A Colouring Picture (published in July's Barford News)
25	A Jar of Jam		53	4 Pieces of Rocky Road (Biscuit Confection)
26	A Jar of Marmalade		54	A Decorated Egg (Hardboiled)
27	A Jar of Chutney		55	A Lego House
28	A small pot of Lemon Curd		56	You Made It, Let's See It (Handmade article not covered in other classes)
29	A Homemade Alcoholic Beverage (small bottle)		8 - 15 Years (age to be marked on all entries)	
Flower Arranging Classes (flowers may be purchased)			57	A photograph (Any Subject, 13cm x 18cm or 5" x 7")
30	An arrangement using 5 flowers (of one type) & any foliage		58	An Origami (folded paper) creature
31	A foliage arrangement		59	A Carrot Cake (as classes 23 & 24) Recipe in August Barford News
32	A miniature arrangement (10cms/4" overall)		60	A drawing or painting (any subject, any medium)
33	A 'Memory' Arrangement (inspired by a toy or photo)		61	You Made It, Let's See It (Handmade article not covered in other classes)



Fruits of the Spirit



At our recent PCC meeting we discussed some ideas for our entry to the Barford News.

We decided upon the Fruits of the Spirit, which many of the children in our village may know about through lessons at school.

The bible verse can be found in the book of Galatians

5: 22-23.

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.”

We talk to the children about these being an important part of everyday life, regardless of the worldview that we have, and that along with our values, they are a good set of ‘rules’ or ‘ideals’ for us all to reflect on throughout our day.

In the Bible, the first set of rules was given to the people of Israel in the wilderness. Moses was given two stone tablets that held the Ten Commandments. Top tips if you like for how to lead a better life, to ensure that peace fell over His people as they travelled towards a better time and place. Each month, we will focus on one of the Fruits of the Spirit.

This month is **LOVE!** What a great place to start!

Love is a many splendored thing (Andy Williams)

What’s love got to do with it (Tina Turner)

How deep is your love (Bee Gees)

Endless Love (Lionel Richie)

We know so many songs, celebrating love, break up songs, when love comes to an end. We love our friends, our families, our neighbours. Love has many meanings.

The ancient Greek word for Love is **AGAPE**.

AGAPE is the love that people show to one another when they care for them very much and want them always to be safe. Love and friendship, love and fellowship, love and faith come hand in hand. There are many stories of love in the Bible.

A mother’s love: Old Testament story of Moses in the bulrushes.

A trusting love: Mary and Joseph’s trust in God.

Neighbourly love: Good Samaritan

A Father’s Love: Prodigal son

A love defined: 1 Corinthians 13

This is probably the most well-known reading about love.

LOVE is patient
is kind
it does not envy
it does not boast
it is not proud
it is not rude
it is not self seeking
it is not easily angered
it keeps no record of wrongs
never fails

As Christians, our love for each other and for God is so very important. Our journey of faith weaves an interesting path, with many twists and turns. What makes it easier to travel is knowing that God travels with us. He is our protector, our saviour, our refuge, our guide.

As we say good bye to Annie, we wish her safe travels on the next stage of her journey. May she know that wherever she may be that we, her church family, friends and neighbours are always with her. May she take comfort in knowing that God is her guide, the light that shines the way. The light that shines so brightly from within to show others His love for all.

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Regular Weekly/Monthly Events

Mondays	Beavers (Deddington) Boys Brigade Band Practice
Tuesdays	Guides (Deddington) Carpet Bowls (September-March)
Wednesdays	Brownies (Windmill, Deddington) Parish Council, 1 st Wednesday, Bi-Mthly WI, 2 nd Wednesday Boys' Brigade (Deddington)
Thursdays	Village Hall Post Office Open Cuppa Mornings Cubs (Deddington) Scouts (Deddington)
Fridays	
Saturdays	Village Market, 3 rd Saturday

JULY

5th Parish Council Meeting
 9th Sandford '750' Church Celebration
 12th WI Croquet Evening
 15th Barford Village Market
 19th Village Lunch at The George

AUGUST

27th Village BBQ

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