

QUEEN ELIZABETH II 1926 - 2022



Thank you, Ma'am

PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

A meeting of the Parish Council took place at 7.30pm on 7th September 2022 at the Village Hall and was attended by Cllrs Sandi Turner (Chairman), Rodney Hobbs (Vice Chairman), Ray Cox, Maureen Appleby, Tom Lovell District Councillors Bryn Williams, County Councillor Arash Fatemian and David Best, (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer). Three members of the public attended the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting: It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2022 were a true and accurate record (unanimous).

Allotments: The following points were given in the update:

- There are currently some spare allotments. Residents interested in taking on an allotment should contact the Clerk
- ii. The income and expenditure was reviewed and it was decided to keep the allotment rents the same as the expenses are covered.
- iii. The clerk continues to submit water meter readings to Castle Water monthly.
- iv. The new agreements and rent requests will be issued following the agreement not to increase the rents.

Parish Matters:

Playground Sub-committee - Following the independent annual playground inspections carried out by Playsafety Ltd, 3 members of the playground subcommittee reviewed the playgrounds with the Parish Council. The following points were agreed:

- Thomas Fox will be asked not to strim around the posts to prevent damage. The clerk and/or other volunteers will trim the grass round the bottom of the posts with shears.
- ii. The Monkeys bars that were rusting have been painted
- iii. There are several splits in the wood which are wider than recommended and these will be filled.
- iv. The clerk will replace the rotting wood on the toddler equipment in the Village Hall garden.
- v. A fundraising duck race will be held next year in the field owned by the Lovells.
- vi. A resident has requested a zip wire. The subcommittee will obtain quotes and this will be reviewed by the Parish Council when quotes have been obtained.

vii. New members with younger children will be recruited when the current team wish to stand down.

Defibrillators – It was agreed to install a defibrillator at the Village Hall in Barford St Michael. Ideally, defibrillators would also be located in Townsend and also Barford St John but this will be reviewed at a later date.

New Code of Conduct for Councillors – It was agreed to implement the new code of conduct issued by OCC earlier in the year.

Dog bin in Barford St John – A resident in Barford St John has requested that a dog bin be installed. It was agreed that this would be installed by the noticeboard in the centre of the village.

Footpaths - The damage to two footpaths has been reported to OCC and the damaged footbridge along the path from the end of Horn Hill is due to be repaired on 8th September. It is hoped that the damage to the footbridge at The Mill, B St M will be repaired soon.

Vegetation by the road bridge obscuring view – This has been reported to OCC Highways.

Bishops Close sign – This is at an angle. It was agreed that the Clerk would try to repair or report it to CDC if a repair is not possible.

Murreys Lane verge vegetation – It was agreed that the Clerk will add this to the areas of verge to be cut by Thomas Fox in future, but it will be cut down by the Clerk in the meantime.

Style on the footpath from West Close to Lower Street – Cllr Ray Cox agreed to take this down.

Speed limit along South Newington Road – A resident has asked if the speed limit could be extended along South Newington Road. OCC Highways has advised that the cost of this would be £3,000 - £5,000. It was agreed to install 20s Plenty signs by the bend where a mini recently drove off the road.

Bridge repairs - With further deterioration to the structure of the bridge over the River Swere, the regular ignoring of the weight restriction and with further deterioration possible with the impending onset of winter,

Cllr Hobbs suggested that we contact County Council Highways requesting more information on when repairs were likely to commence. We need to keep up the pressure on Highways to get the repairs done as soon as possible. The clerk agreed to write to Highways.

District Councillor Report

The District Councillor report is displayed in the Parish Council noticeboard in Barford St Michael.

Planning:

22/02623/TCA – Stonehaven, B St M – Prune trees – PC supports.

Finance:

Payments - The Clerk gained approval for payments totalling £2,240.75. The combined bank balances are £14,056.13 after the payments that were approved.

Bank Mandate – It was agreed that Cllr Ray Cox and the Clerk will be added to the bank mandate.

Next Meeting:

Parish Council Meeting – Wednesday 2nd November 2022 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Please note that this is a summary of the minutes from the meeting. The full minutes can be viewed in the Parish Council noticeboards or at

<u>www.thebarfordvillages.co.uk</u> in the Parish Council meetings page.



Military Exercise at St. John

Just to make the community of St Michael and St John aware, that for three days in November, there will be joint training exercises between armed MOD and armed Northants Police officers on the aerodrome. You may hear periods of intense gun fire, and possible explosive use. I can assure you that there will be no cause for concern. Over the three days you will see increased Police presence, which in turn will help the area in further crime prevention.

Thank you, Darren Hall



"As you get older, you don't get wiser. You get irritable."

Doris Lessing quoted in the The Browser





WILD FLOWERS IN THE BARFORDS By Margaret Murdin & Janet Payne



White Clover: trifolium repens.

White clover with its round white heads has been known as 'sheepy- maas', 'bee-bread', 'milky globs' and 'honey stalks' because children as well as bees enjoyed the nectar in the past. Woodmice also collect it. Like all clovers (except the 'lucky' ones) it has three leaflets often with white markings, liking heavy soils along which it can spread, fixing nitrogen as it goes. Part of the bean family, it is valued and cultivated across the world as forage and also as green manure because of its soil improving qualities. Plants contain a surprising amount of protein available to humans only after hard boiling, but have been used in times of food shortage. The flowers have also been used for herbal cigarettes.

The flower head of white clover is really a collection of small florets each of which must be pollinated individually. When a bee (and it's usually a honey bee) put their proboscis into a floret to collect nectar it passes pollen on from a different floret and pollination takes place. The bee's reward for pollinating the plant is the nectar. Once pollinated the floret turns brown and droops. This communicates to the next bee "I'm pollinated so no more nectar. Don't bother visiting me, go elsewhere". And the bee receives the message and moves on.



grubadvisor

review by Linda Newbery

Where did Pavement Coffee Co. at you eat? Banbury Museum and Gallery

OX16 2PQ

www.banburymuseum.org/pavement-

coffee-co/

Cuisine? Mixed, informal – breakfast and brunch,

lunch dishes, cakes.

RATINGS Out of 5 stars.....
Food *****

Service ****

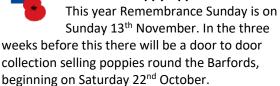
Value ****

Atmosphere *****

COMMENTS:

Pavement Coffee Co. is downstairs at the museum, close to the new canalside development. You can enter either by crossing the museum bridge, or by walking along the canal on the cinema side. There's a tempting range of breakfast and lunch dishes, with daily specials. Proprietors Callum and Jane are friendly and helpful; there are toys for children, unobtrusive music and big windows looking out to the canal, making for a relaxed atmosphere. The food is fresh and deliciously plant-based – I especially recommend the breakfast pancakes. It's not usually too busy here, so a great place to meet friends or take a break from shopping. The museum is worth a visit, too, with its permanent displays, changing exhibitions and attractive shop.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2022



Thank you..

Angus & Lucy Norman Poppy Delivery Co-ordinators



Deddington Health Centre 2022 Flu Vaccinations Saturday morning flu clinics will take place in October and November

You can book your flu jab

now by:

- Booking online using Patient Access at https://www.patientaccess.com/
- Calling us on 01869 338611

Seasonal flu is a highly infectious illness caused by a flu virus. The virus infects your lungs and upper airways, causing a sudden high temperature and general aches and pains. You could also lose your appetite, feel nauseous and have a dry cough. Symptoms can last for up to a week. We offer 'at risk' groups the flu vaccine at a certain time each year to protect you against the flu virus.

You may be invited for a flu jab if you are:

- over 65 years of age
- pregnant or have:
 - a serious heart or chest complaint, including asthma
 - o serious kidney disease
 - diabetes
 - lowered immunity due to disease or treatment such as steroid medication or cancer treatment
 - o if you have ever had a stroke

ALL healthy children who are aged 2, 3 and 4 years old are invited to receive a new flu vaccine this year. This is in the form of a nasal spray.



RBL POPPY APPEAL FUND RAISER

'The Falklands

Remembered' The Deddington RBL Branch will be holding a Poppy Appeal fundraising event in the church on **Saturday 5 November**. Two then, 19 year old paratroopers, Mark Hunt and Yanto Evans (now a Banbury resident), who became lifelong friends after being buddies in the Falklands War, will recall their experiences, answer questions and talk about how RBL has supported them. Fifth of November is a very appropriate night – gunpowder! Get it? So, if you are not involved with bonfires and all that, please come along for a glass (or more) of wine and a very interesting evening. Full details will be in the advertising sections of the October Deddington News.

Rob Forsyth, RBL Branch Chairman



Yes folks....we are back!!

We are planning a quiz night on

12th November 2022

in the Barford Village Hall

Doors open 7pm for a 7:30 start

Teams of 8 people max

Bring your own booze
Supper of sausage, mash and beans
will be laid on

Veggie option also available. There will also be a raffle, so bring some change

Entrance fee: £10 per person

All profits will go to the Kathmandu kids home

We will have an update as to the status of the kids by quiz night, so will be able to keep you informed as to how many there currently are, how they are getting on in their new home etc.

To book your team in - please call a 338061 with numbers, you can pay for the team on the night.

T'committee

...and yes, the heating will be on...!!

travel counsellors



Win a £1,000 holiday Voucher

How it works.....

From the 1st Aug 2022 to 1st Feb 2023 I will award points to you as set out below for referrals and bookings.

Points will be awarded as follows:-25 points - if you refer someone and they make a booking. (You will need to be in my marketable contacts list).

50 points - if you make a booking for yourself!





All important terms and conditions.....

- 1. Incentive valid for referrals and bookings made by the 31 Jan 2023.
- 2. In the event of a tie the voucher will be split equally.
- 3. Voucher valid for 2023 travel.
- 4. Voucher must be redeemed through myself.
- 5. If you already use a Travel Counsellor, they must provide their permission for you to book your own holiday through me.
- 6. League tables will be published monthly.

01295 880030

Rebecca Smith, Travel Counsellor

https://www.travelcounsellors.co.uk/rebecca.smith/

With us...it's personal

BYGONE BARFORD BABY and a GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY...? Last

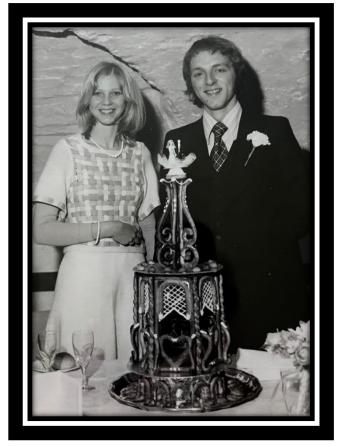
month's picture was...wait for it..... Mr Nick Belson, Allotment Holder Extraordinaire and thoroughly lovely chap from High Street.

So, who is October's baby, quite artistic by the looks of it.....and the same lady a few years later on her wedding day BUT who are the lovely, and, dare I say, mighty-fine looking couple who will be celebrating 50 years of marriage on the 14th October? Please

email me at <u>barfordnews@gmail.com</u>, all correct answers will get a mention in Barford News.

CLUE: May I ask the members of the "jewellery" if they think the cake is of Scandinavian design...??









ANOTHER Barford Baby..... you may not get this one quite so easily as she looks so cute and adorable...a little poppet...

CLUE: No clue needed for this lady, what she doesn't know about The Barfords aint worth knowing so I will not Teazle you with such silliness....!!!



UPCOMING DATES FOR YOUR DAIRIES

26th **September – 2**nd **October 4**th **October**7pm Pub Quiz with Louis

20th **October** Our next Supper Club - A Five Course Oktoberfest Taster Menu

including wine/beer pairing £65pp. Booking Essential (please see the

menu on page 9)

1st **November** 7pm Pub Quiz with Louis

3rd November Cheese & Wine Night with Eric our Cheese Expert (£pp TBC, please

ask in house for more details)

16th **November** Village Lunch Club 1230 arrival for 1pm sit down. Pre-order essential.

17th **November** Supper Club – Jura, Bordeaux. Five Course Taster Menu

Staff Vacancies

We are hiring front of house, kitchen porters and housekeepers – Please contact either Val or Claire if interested in further details of the positions, <u>01869 338160</u>.



DEDDINGTON FIRE STATION - Pleasantly at the tail end of summer with a crispy lawn and wilting plants we find ourselves busy with more than 60 shouts over the last two months comprising a number of stand-by's and fires, RTCs and humanitarian assistances. For those two hottest days, and being told by the media how to apply suntan lotion and sit in the shade, we were called out to a couple of fires in the open and burning stubble – but certainly weren't rushed off our feet. However, for the following two weeks we found ourselves attending more field and wild fires than we usually would!

Several incidents saw us fire fighting for extended time periods. Field and straw bale stack fires need constant watching and monitoring. Field fires find us damping down and beating the flare up areas, often working in conjunction with the farmer ploughing fire breaks to prevent the flames spreading to surrounding areas and buildings. Stacks of straw bales, due to their size and intensity, often require damping down of the immediate area and a "watching brief", followed by mechanical assistance – whereby the stack is slowly pulled apart to allow the fire to be treated in smaller portions and allows the dry unburnt fuel to be safely removed before it ignites. In all cases, such fires will often take several days to burn out and have to be constantly monitored. Crews are therefore rotated, but this does obviously lead to a tying up of precious resources. Not all these fires are accidental, so please be careful with naked flames and make sure all incendiaries are fully out before disposing of them.

For one day we did need to cover Bicester station on 5 separate occasions in a 24hour period, which taxed our usual good humour, but managed to provide valuable assistance to the ambulance service in helping move a poorly casualty from their front room into the waiting ambulance.

The crew attended a familiarisation visit to Oxford London Airport, in case we are called to provided support at an emergency there. This allowed close inspection of fuel depots, roads, RVP points and aircraft hangers. However, as we are always available at drill or training, the visit was cut short by responding to a RTC involving leaking fuel just outside of Hopcrofts Holt – working with TVP to mop up the spill! Our visit was therefore cut slightly short....

- Oktoberfest -German Supper Club

A 5 course tasting menu @The George celebrating Traditional Bavarian cuisine. £65pp including wine pairing to each course.

APERITIF

Nordhessisiche Salami Sourdough Paired with: Weihenstephaner Hefe-Weissbeir

FIRST COURSE

Bavarian Spaetzle Speck | Peas | Herbs Paired with: Kendermann Dry Riesling Kalkstein, Pfalz

SECOND COURSE

Braised Duck Sauerkraut | New Potatoes Paired with: Früh Kolsch

OR

Wurst Selection Bratwurst & Bockwurst | Frites | Currywurst Ketchup Paired with: Villa Wolf Pinot Noir

THIRD COURSE

*Sharing between 2 *

Schweinshaxe - Roasted Pork Knuckle Potato Dumpling | Braised Onion | Greens Paired with: Erdinger Dunkell Wheat Beer

DESSERT

Apple Strudel Cinnamon| Sultanas | Madagascan Vanilla Ice Cream Paired with: Hoffman'Urmeer'Weisser Burgunder Trocken

Please see a member of staff if you have any dietary or allergen concerns



to the lovely couple who use to live in Broad Close who gave us a really kind donaton of £5.

The BN Team

Thank you to the Barfords

Sarah and Elizabeth would like to thank the village of Barford St Michael for their support after the death of their father, Alan Maddison, and thank you for attending the church service and tea afterwards.

Your friendship and support to both of Alan and Gill after they moved in, and the kind words and thoughts you left both of us with will be remembered.

Sarah & Elizabeth



Paddock / Field Topping

RC Baker Ltd at Spring Hill Farm, Barford St Michael is pleased to offer a topping service.

If you are in need of your field or paddock topped please get in touch. Access required – 8ft gateway minimum.

RC Baker Ltd, Agricultural Contractors 01869 338307 / mail@rcbaker.co.uk



'WHY FARMING MATTERS'



Emma Hamer NFU County Adviser Team

Emma joined the NFU West Midlands team at the start of 2020 having previously worked for four years as NFU senior plant health adviser.

Wednesday, 12th OCTOBER in the Village Hall at 7.30pm Visitors most welcome £5

Please contact Christine 338659

barfordwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk



Welcome to

Sophie and Alex Nicholls with Ivy and Maeve

who have recently moved to
Townsend. We hope that you will be
very happy living in your new home
and look forward to meeting
you at village events

Tuesday Lunch Club News

We are sure you are all aware that the September Lunch Club was our last one. In many respects we are sorry we will no longer be providing these but, at the same time, we feel this is the right time for us to stop. However, we are very pleased to announce that Claire, from The George, has kindly offered to take on the lunch club. This will start on **Wednesday 16th November 2022**.

There will be some changes to the way this is run and these are highlighted below:

- The lunches will take place at The George and will normally be held on the third Wednesday of each month
- 2. The cost will be £10 per person for two courses and will include tea and coffee afterwards. The meals may be paid for by cash or card directly after the meal
- 3. Soft drinks specified on each month's menu will be included with the meal, however, as you will understand, you can no longer bring your own drink to the lunch, be it alcoholic or non-alcoholic. Of course, drinks may be bought at the bar

What will remain the same is:

- a) Bookings are to go to Anne and Mick on 01869 337074, or emailed to <u>mickpearson1@outlook.com</u>, by the <u>Friday before the lunch</u>. However, any cancellations, amendments or additions after Friday will need to be notified to The George directly, either by phone, 01869 338160 or email, <u>info@thegeorgebarford.co.uk</u>;
- b) The menu will appear in the Barford News the month of the lunch club
- c) A menu and tick list for the next month's lunch will be passed around at the lunch.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our helpers over the years, in particular our mainstays; Ray Cox, Sue Lane, Gunilla Treen and Kathryn Wheeler. Thanks also to Mariann Young who was very encouraging when we first ran this idea by her. A big thank you also to The Barford News for their support. We would also like to thank all of you who supported the lunch club, some of whom were at the first lunch as well as the last one, and most of the others in between, and hope you will support The George as we certainly intend to do. Claire has also stated that she wants the lunch club to be open to Barford residents, their families and friends as well as friends of Barford.

Anne & Mick Pearson

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SATURDAY, 15TH OCTOBER | 10.00 – 12.00 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Lovas Bakery from Hempton, with their artisan breads

Ellie's very Popular Greek Pastries and Pasties

Berrys Orchard from Deddington with a great selection of potted herbs,

<u>Plus</u> an excellent range of local producers selling savouries, cakes, preserves, hand knitted woollies and
made-to-measure items

Greetings cards, Locally grown plants

<u>Barford Environment Network</u> – Offering refills of household products.

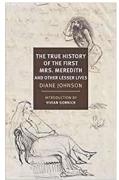
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.....and for the birds we have seeds, mealworms, sunflower hearts, fat balls bacon /bacon & egg/breakfast butties at bargain prices!!

TEA AND COFFEE SERVED ALL MORNING

Reading recommendations from **BARFORD BOOKCHAT**



The True History of the First Mrs Meredith and Other Lesser Lives, by Diane Johnson. This is a reissued biography of Mary Ellen Peacock Meredith, the daughter of famous artist Thomas Love Peacock and the first wife of the poet George Meredith. But it is so much more than this as it elevates the life of Mary Ellen when previously she was a barely-considered footnote to the lives of her illustrious peers.

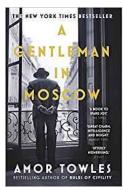
Diane Johnson's message is that 'A lesser life does not seem lesser to the person who leads one.' Johnson's second innovation is to approach her subject through a rich, creative painting of the Victorian social context which was the milieu Mary Ellen shaped and was influenced by. As a consequence of this biography, several other 'lesser lives' have been brought to life by different feminist and other writers. *Trevor Arrowsmith*



The Accomplice by Steve Cavanagh: the Sandman killings have been solved. Daniel Miller murdered fourteen people before he vanished. His wife, Carrie, now faces trial as his accomplice. Everyone in America believe she knew and helped cover up her husband's crimes. Eddie Flynn must prove to a jury, and the entire world, that Carrie Miller was just another victim of the Sandman; that she didn't know her husband's dark side and she had no part in the murders. Gabriel Lake used to be a federal agent who believes that he's the only one who can catch the Sandman, because he believes that everything the FBI knows about serial killers is wrong. With his wife on trial, the Sandman is forced to come out of hiding to save her from a life sentence. He will kill to protect her and everyone involved in the case is a target in this scalpel-sharp thriller. **Paul Freeman**



The Magician by Colm Tóibín: this author has produced many wonderful novels, and his most recent work is a fictionalised biography of one of the twentieth century's outstanding writers, Thomas Mann. The title is Mann's family nickname, linked of course to his novel The Magic Mountain. This sweeping account serves almost as a biography of the century itself, telling the story of Mann's life in Germany where he produced his first bestselling work as a young man and went on to win the Nobel prize. It recounts his fervent patriotism in 1914 and increasing disenchantment with his homeland and eventual forced exile in 1933. The narrative then moves to the US, where he eventually found himself at odds with anti-Communist sentiment. Mann, father to six children and with complicated sexual tastes, is a fascinating character and his life provides a gripping narrative. *Suzanne Franks*



A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles: armed with a few precious salvaged possessions, including a copy of Montaigne's essays, Count Aexander Rostov faces up to life under indefinite house-arrest. If he leaves Moscow's Hotel Metropol, he will be shot.

The years pass, and what unfolds is proof that a man's character can turn a prison into a sanctuary, if he braves the hammer-blows of fate with wit and courage. Rostov opens his heart, mind and soul to the flow of humanity passing through the hotel's doors. Despite his diminished circumstances, he can lead a rich, full life of friendship, love and even surrogate fatherhood. The clever, satisfying ending lays the beloved ghosts of the past, and suggests a hopeful future. *Jenny Greeves*

Book reviews are compiled by Linda Newbery. For a book recommendation every Monday, all by writers or independent booksellers, follow **Writers Review:** <u>www.reviewsbywriters.blogspot.com</u>



Barford St Michael & St John WI - The village WI is a lively group of ladies, who meet on the second Wednesday of each month with an interesting and varied programme. All ages are very welcome. In October we will be having a talk entitled 'Why Farming Matters' and in November it will be former resident Mike Horth and his 'Life in Music'.

We also have social occasions such as our annual summer tea party; this year with a Jubilee theme. Members, family and friends recently enjoyed a treasure hunt around Deddington and we will all be looking forward to the skittles evening in the autumn.

Each month's meeting is advertised in Barford News and visitors are always welcome. If you would like to know more, please call either president Kathryn Wheeler (338221) or secretary Christine Hall (338659) or email barfordwi@oxforshirewi.co.uk



President, Kathryn embraces the Jubilee theme



Members and friends enjoying afternoon tea with Pimms



Treasure Hunt Winners Maggie & Lyn with Question Setter Sue



1st DEDDINGTON SCOUT GROUP A message from the Chief Scout Bear Grylls

As Scouts we are united in sorrow for the loss of our Patron, HM The Queen. She leaves a bright legacy of hope and promise for future generations.

We will remember her, and give thanks for her kindness, her service, and the unwavering support she showed our movement over many decades. She was truly a friend to Scouts everywhere. For seventy years, HM The Queen has stood at our side, encouraging our volunteers and inspiring our young people to learn new skills, help others and shine brightly. Her sense of duty was an outstanding example to every single Scout.

We couldn't have put it better., thank you Ma'am.

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Sue Addison



Thank You

...to everyone who supported the Barford Churches Fete on Bank Holiday Monday.

We raised around £1500, which will be used



OUR VILLAGE BBQ 28 AUGUST 2022



Helped by some wonderful, balmy weather, the event went off without a hitch and was well attended as you can see from the pictures. It was great to see people tucking in to the delicious burgers, sausages, and salads with great enthusiasm. Finishing with fruit crumble, ice cream and custard - what more could you ask for?

The total raised for the village hall was just over £440.00. Huge thanks to all of you for joining us and making the evening such an enjoyable event.

Thanks also to all who helped. Our chefs David, Paul, Andy and Chris, working hard to get the burgers and sausages ready for the first guests coming through the doors promptly at 6pm; Anne P in the kitchen, Jess and Carole serving, not forgetting Sandi our pudding chef and Les the cashier, Mick P for keeping us all entertained with a very enjoyable selection of recorded and live music, also Maureen and Harry on the Raffle, Simon on furniture shifting before and after the event. Thanks also to Jill and Sheila who ran the bar. Finally, a huge thank you to all those that came to the BBQ and made it such a success. See you all next year.

Village Hall Management Committee.

The Barfords' Village Show

Well, What a result!!! What a difference a year makes!! After disappointing results Last year, we asked you for more support and you answered the call and came up trumps!!. The number of people entering more than doubled from last year's figures, 55 adults (26) and 17 children (6) with the total number of entries at 235, our best figures for some time.

A big 'thank you' to all who entered and to those who came along to support the show. Thanks also to Sandi and her dedicated team, who put the show together - Jess and Harry Romain, Maureen Appleby and Mariann Young.

A really enjoyable show day with some excellent entries in both adult and children's classes. Cookery and Cut Flower numbers were well up on previous years and despite a very 'difficult' growing season (aren't they all?) the vegetable classes had some impressive entries.

We would like to encourage even more of you to have a go next year – why not try? Children win cash and adults win cups. With 61 classes to choose from, there really is something for everybody!!











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@lcmb.co.ukf

See us at the market every month selling **SESI refills** — washing-up liquid, general-purpose cleaner and more. Also, zero-waste shopping from **Nothing But Footprints** is delivered to the market free of charge. Order online from www.refillnotlandfill.co.uk by Friday lunchtime before a market day.

This month we feature a guest: Tammy Marrett of the Deddington Environment Network, from which our group grew. Tammy and her group have made great progress with their biodiversity projects. Could we do as well in the Barfords?



Yes, you can make a difference!

I was asked to join the Deddington Environment Network a few years back now and have to say I was hesitant. Had I really got time to volunteer? What would it involve? and would my actions make a difference?

Well, I'm truly glad I gave it a go! Since, I've been working with a fantastic group of fellow nature lovers to improve green spaces around the parish for both people and wildlife.

One of the first things we did was to explore the idea of

planting a community orchard in the parish. A consultation showed huge support for the project. Working in partnership with Deddington Parish Council we managed to secure funding from the Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment.

Last year all our hard work paid off when we planted a heritage orchard at Welford's Piece, Clifton, with over 50 local people joining us. On a lovely sunny morning in October 2021, we planted 15 heritage fruit trees including apples (two local to this parish: the Deddington Golden and the Deddington Pippen), pears, plums and a medlar. Local children also planted 900 crocus bulbs at the site, providing a wonderful show of colour in the Spring.

We have a merry band of 15 regular volunteers to maintain the site, who have been trained in fruit pruning and maintenance by a local fruit expert. The volunteers did a fabulous job watering the trees over the very dry summer. Our orchard committee is currently busy organising signage for the site, a bug hotel making session with the Brownies and an event to bring people together at the orchard next March.

We've also provided opportunities for local people to learn more about wildlife with swift walks, talks about wildlife-friendly gardening and how to set up a hedgehog super highway! The talks have been relatively easy to organise and very well received.

Our work has been a real source of positivity, bringing people together over what has undoubtedly been a difficult time for everyone. I've met some wonderful and inspiring people. Although inevitably there have been bumps along the road there's also been plenty of laughs. I feel certain that yes, our work is making a difference - improving local habitats for wildlife and creating something for us and future generations to enjoy.

I would urge anyone who wants to play their part in fighting climate change and protecting nature to join BEN and be part of something positive on your own doorstep! *Tammy Marrett*

BARFORD GREEN GARDEN CLUB Notes from our Potting Shed – October 2022

"In the garden, Autumn is indeed the crowning glory of the year, bringing us the fruition of months of thought and care and toil. And at no season, save perhaps in daffodil time, do we get such superb colour effects as from August to November."

Rose G. Kingsley

Well, what a difference a week or two makes! So much rain to help our gardens and allotments look fresh and nourished once again. We hope you didn't lose too many plants and vegetables with the drought.

Annual Barford Show, 10 September



Despite the lack of rain in August, the Show was a wonderful event. There were masses of entries in lots of classes (see photos) with a good natured queue forming outside the Hall in the morning, with villagers clutching all sorts of wonderful vegetables and floral designs. Congratulations to all our members who exhibited and won prizes.



Our thanks go to Sandi Turner, her Committee and the judges for all their hard work putting on this much loved annual event. It was nice to see so many children taking part too.

Autumn Plant Swap, 10 October, Village Hall We're delighted to invite members to our Autumn Swap on Monday 10 October. As well as plants and seeds, please can you look along your bookcase for any garden related books and magazines, search in the shed for absolutely any tools and equipment that you no longer (or never have) used and look for a friend or neighbour to bring along.

Damaged tools are welcome as anything that isn't re-homed on the night is sent to a charity that repairs things and redistributes them. Anything to do with water conservation and distribution will be especially welcome. This is also a social event and the Committee will supply tea, coffee and cake and you're welcome to bring along a bottle of something to share. It's important to note this isn't essentially a "swap" as you can bring something and not take anything away and you can definitely take whatever you like without bringing anything!

Linda Newbery will show a selection of photos from past and present Photo Competitions and there will be a fun quiz based around seeds and newspapers. Lots to enjoy, so we look forward to seeing you.

November Talk, 10 November, Village Hall Chris Day from Buckingham Garden Centre will present a Talk entitled: 'An A to Z of fool-proof gardening'. Chris will share his tips on how to get the best from your garden and plants. A seasonal gallop through 26 letters featuring plants and props along the way, including a special section on minimum watering. We've asked Chris to consider giving us a full talk on plants and methods of water conservation and low use next Spring.

December Quiz/Social

A social with seasonal snacks and a fun gardening quiz is planned and members will receive more information including dates/timings, by email.

Some jobs for October:

- Divide established rhubarb crowns to create new plants.
- · Cut back perennials that have died down.

- Divide herbaceous perennials.
- Move tender plants, including aquatic ones, into a greenhouse or conservatory.
- Plant out spring cabbages.
 Harvest apples, pears, grapes and nuts.
- •
- Prune climbing roses.
- Finish collecting seeds from the garden to sow next year.
- Last chance to mow lawns and trim hedges in mild areas; renovate old lawns or create new grass areas by laying turf.

If you would like to join our Club, please contact Trevor on 01869 338403, or email: trevorstevens49@hotmail.com or Sue on 01869 338900, email: sueandles45@hotmail.com

We wish you many happy gardening hours during October.



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The school year has started well and we are delighted that the new children have settled in so quickly. This term's activities will include

introducing the children to their new settings, getting to know one another, and thinking about Autumn. At the PFSU we will be holding a short parents' information evening to explain our approach to teaching numeracy and phonics, as well as giving you a chance for an informal discussion about how your child is settling in. This will be held from 7 to 8pm on Tuesday 11th October at the PFSU. Nursery will be holding a dress-up week for Halloween in the last week of term.



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| £50 | 027 | Paul Evans |
|------|-----|--------------|
| £25 | 076 | J Morris |
| £15 | 080 | Andrew Hall |
| £210 | 129 | Lisa Goldner |
| £5 | 187 | Kate Barker |

The draw took place at Coffee Morning in the Hall

VILLAGE SHOW 2022 - RESULTS

| Vegetables & Fruit | First Place | Second Place | Third Place | Cup Winners |
|--|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Three beetroot | Kathryn Wheeler | Mike Boyd | Kim Hobday | Cup williers |
| Three carrots | Trevor Stevens | Trish Field | Mariann Young | |
| Three Courgettes | Kathryn Wheeler | Mike Boyd | | Vegetable & Fruit Classes |
| Three Onions | Mike Boyd | | | 1 |
| Five Shallots | Margaret Murdin | | | Mike Boyd |
| Three potatoes | Mike Boyd | Mary Holden | Ian Hobday | 1 |
| Three Runner beans | Mike Boyd | Maggie Eden | Mary Baker |] |
| Five French beans | Mike Boyd | Sophie Gannon | | Allotment Cup |
| Five cherry toms | Jan Elvidge | Jess Romain | Sandi Turner | |
| Three round toms | Mike Boyd | Sandi Turner | Maggie Eden | 1st Nick & Caroline Belson |
| Three peppers/chillies | Margaret Murdin | Cathy Peacock | Mariann Young | 2nd Jeff Elliott |
| Pair of vegetables | Margaret Murdin | Ben Fryer | Maggie Eden | 3rd Cathy Alsworth |
| Five assorted veg | Mike Boyd | Kathryn Wheeler | Margaret Murdin | 1 |
| Cucumber | Sandi Turner | lan Hobday | Mariann Young | 1 |
| Three Apples | Mary Holden | Mary Baker | Steph Collier | 1 |
| Soft /stoned Fruit | Sophie Cameron | | | 1 |
| Longest Runner Bean | Ben Fryer | Jess Romain | Mike Boyd | 4 |
| 3 Eggs | Mary Holden | Jerome Dowland | Gill Boyd | |
| Cookery | M-I P-I- | In First | Constab Constant | Contract Contract |
| Coffee & Walnut Cake | Mel Doyle | Jan Elvidge | Carrick Cameron | Cookery & Preserves |
| 6 Shortbread | Jan Elvidge | Rachel Gruber | Marian Maria | Jan Elvidge |
| 6 Flapjack | Jan Elvidge | Kim Hobday | Mariann Young | Jan Elviuge |
| Victoria Sponge | Jill Hopcraft | Sue Lane | Charlie Gruber | 4 |
| Lemon Drizzle, men | No entries Kim Hobday | Christine Hall | Lunctieleses | 1 |
| Lemon Drizzle, Ladies Jam | | Gunilla Treen | Lucy Holmes | 4 |
| Marmalade | Jan Elvidge Jan Elvidge | Kathryn Wheeler | Angus Norman Margaret Murdin | 1 |
| Chutney | Mariann Young | Margaret Murdin | Kathryn Wheeler | 1 |
| Lemon Curd | Kim Hobday | margaret morum | Racin yii Willecrei | 1 |
| Alcoholic drink | Derek Parker | Sophie Cameron | Sam Brown | 1 |
| Flower Arranging | Derek Parker | Jopine Cameron | Jam Drown | |
| Arr.of 5 blooms | Cathy Peacock | Sue Lane | Gunilla Treen | Flower Arranging |
| Foliage arr. | Anne Linsey | Gunilla Treen | Cathy Peacock | Sue Lane |
| Miniature | Jane Gannon | Jess Romain | Sue Lane | 1 |
| Jubilee arrangement | Sue Lane | Milly Jackson | Trish Field | 1 |
| Cut Flowers | | , | | |
| 6 Sweet Peas | No entries | | | Cut Flowers |
| Sunflower | Maggie Eden | Lawrence Fyfe | | 1 |
| 3 Dahlias | Tony Elvidge | Naomi Light | Mariann Young | Trish Field |
| 3 Roses | Anne Linsey | Trish Field | Steph Collier | 1 |
| 4 Fuchsia heads | Sandi Turner | Jess Romain | Lilian Stephens | Photography |
| 5 Perennials | Trish Field | Sophie Cameron | | |
| 3 Annuals | Trish Field | _ | | Kathryn Wheeler |
| Single Rose | Jane Gannon | Steph Collier | Sue Lane | |
| CRAFTS / Photography | | | | |
| A Collage | No entries | | | Crafts |
| Origami animal | Margot Cameron | Nellie Cameron | Finlay Gruber | |
| Knitted/crocheted | Maureen Appleby | Jil Hopcraft | Vicky Stevens | Vicky Stevens |
| Needlecraft | Vicky Stevens | Sandra Lees | Christine Hall | |
| You made it | Kathryn Wheeler | Vicky Stevens | Sandra Lees | W.I. Cup |
| Drawing/painting | Christine Hall | Meredith Blee | Lucy Holmes | Kathryn Wheeler |
| Photo an Insect | Martin Gannon | Jane Gannon | Kathryn Wheeler | Victor Ludonum |
| The George | Kathryn Wheeler | Sue Lane | | Victor Ludorum Mike Boyd |
| A Wild Flower | No entries | | | wike boyu |
| Interesting Leaf | No entries | | | hundre Com |
| Age 7 and under | Danny Marray Lane | Laurence Cofe | | Junior Cup (Most points) |
| 4 Decorated biscuits | Poppy Morgan-Lane | Lawrence Fyfe | - | (most points) |
| | Lawrence Fyfe | | | Neille Cameron |
| Decorated Mask | Olive Jackson | Lauragea Bufa | Olive technon | The Connection |
| Lego House | Elsie Blee | Lawrence Fyfe Jerome Dowland | Olive Jackson Elsie Dowland | Best Entry for Age |
| | Roppy Mossan-Lane | | Eisie Dowianu | |
| You made it | Poppy Morgan-Lane | Jerome Dowland | | Poppy Morgan-Lane |
| You made it 8 – 15 years old | | | Orla Brown | Poppy Morgan-Lane |
| You made it 8 – 15 years old A photo any subject | Nellie Cameron | Sophie Edgington | Orla Brown | Outstanding Effort |
| You made it 8 – 15 years old A photo any subject Decorated mask | Nellie Cameron Charlie Gruber | Sophie Edgington | | - |
| You made it 8 – 15 years old A photo any subject Decorated mask Lemon Drizzle Cake | Nellie Cameron Charlie Gruber Sophie Edgington | Sophie Edgington Charlie Gruber | Margot Cameron | Outstanding Effort |
| You made it 8 – 15 years old A photo any subject Decorated mask | Nellie Cameron Charlie Gruber | Sophie Edgington | | Outstanding Effort |

DEDDINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL - We hope you enjoyed the summer and the warm, dry weather.

We are now back in school and enjoying the beginning of Term 1. The Year 6s from July are now starting their next stage of education in their new secondary schools. They will be missed by us all and we wish them every success in the future, as they begin the next part of their school journey.

At the same time, we are welcoming in our new F1 children, who are beginning their school life with us here at Deddington. It is always so refreshing every September, when we gain our new 4 and 5 year old pupils. They are already getting used to daily routines and are making us all smile as they settle into school life so quickly and positively.

All classes are starting new, exciting topics of work and the pupils are enthusiastic and fresh, in their approach to new learning.

The children have been enjoying playing on the playground and different parts of the school field, with all year groups now back together playing outside at the same time. This is so wonderful to see. We are now looking forward to these very special autumn terms ahead, with our Harvest Service taking place in church very soon.

Until the next letter, we send best wishes from all of us here at the Primary School, to all of you in our community.

Denise Welch



We start the term with a birthday celebration ... we are 51 years old! Hurrah!!..... cake called for of course so we're back in action, plenty of games and challenges and time to learn new skills.

We paid tribute to Her Majesty the Queen and talked about her being a Brownie and a Guide and going on to be our Patron. We all signed a card of condolence for King Charles and other members of the Royal Family. The out of doors beckons and we get outside as much as we can.

Of all the indoor activities so far this term, I think Armpit Fudge has to be mentioned, very tasty and not as messy as it sounds!!

New Patrols and badges being planned and we're looking forward to the next Guides being the first to address the King in their Promise ceremony.

Maggie 07957 600755 and Marian 07786 001641



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Many thanks



Dear Ed

Barford St Michael has a fine musical history. Many musicians, both well-known and not so well-known, have lived, and continue to live here. I count myself among the latter. All of us have freely given our time and efforts to support musical events in the village over the last twenty years or more. Who could forget the Biker Bash, the many pantomimes, village hall events to raise money for the Kathmandu Kids' Fund, the Jubilees, the Barley Cross the Swere CD and concert, live music on the Green when the market was held there, Carols Night in the George, or Fairport Convention playing in the church and in the village hall garden.

There is not much live music in the George these days but the one age-old tradition that still continues is the post-Cropredy Festival chill out gig by Freeway Jam which is always much anticipated not only by those of us who attend or work at the Festival but by many villagers and visitors too. So I can only add my voice to Leon's in expressing profound disappointment that someone would have anonymously complained about the gig this year. It certainly put a damper on the second half. I hope Freeway won't be discouraged and will return next year (and maybe sooner) with their amps turned right up to eleven!

Tony Ecclestone
The Church Street Bass Player



Dear Ed

I would like to take this opportunity to mention the wonderful support given by management and staff of The George during recent village events. In particular their donation of food towards the Jubilee Celebrations in June and the very generous prizes given to raffles at the BBQ and the Church Fete in August.

Many thanks to all concerned.

Mariann Young, Lower Street



Dear Editor

We would like to pass on our thanks to our VHMC Committee for the brilliant village BBQ on Bank Holiday Sunday.

Thanks also to so many people working hard to make it such a special event, which is just what it was. Perfect weather, delicious food, lots of drinks, brilliant music and lovely people.

We are so fortunate to have an active Village Hall. We hope it helped to raise money for the upkeep of such a great facility.

Thanks once again to everyone concerned.



From Grand-daughter Poppy

Sue and Les Lane Stretford End, Lower Street



ANOTHER GB SUCCESS STORY....Over the August Bank

Holiday I set off to Chantilly just north of Paris, not for the famous cream, but for a triathlon event.

Due to the very hot weather over the summer months the swim element of the event had to be changed to a run thus changing the whole mindset for the race.

It was an international field of 53 athletes with 6 Brits, 1 American

and the rest French. The race started at 11am with a mere 29c so incredibly hot!

The runs took us around the château's parkland and the cycle through numerous villages and the beautiful French countryside.



I finished 25th overall but the 1st British lady and the winner of the Vet 60 category and was joined by a fellow Brit who was 2nd in the Vet 60 category. I was super pleased to make the podium!

On Sunday, I helped the English organisers being bilingual French/English with the registration of athletes which made for a smooth process. Later I was handing out very necessary energy gels and drinks at one of the drinks/refuelling stations as it was even hotter than on the Saturday.

So overall a fantastic trip and lots of great memories.

Veronique Semple



The arrival of autumn and winter is no reason to slow down. There are some brilliant events and plenty of ways to support our hospice in the next few months. We know that Christmas can be a busy time, so we're letting you know nice and early so you can get ahead of the

game and head into the festive season with a smile. Your support helps us to keep making every moment matter for local families living with a life-limiting illness. Here are just a few things that are coming up...

Santa Fun Run – 4 December

Forget mince pies and mulled wine, if you truly want to feel festive this Christmas then make sure to sign up to our Santa Fun Run. This much-loved event is taking place on Sunday 4 December at Spiceball Park, Banbury, and you have a choice of the 1.5km route or the full 5km - kitted out in a stylish Santa suit, of course. Tickets are available to buy online now! www.khh.org.uk/santa

Schools Santa Run

Back by popular demand! We can't wait to see the return of the Schools and Tots Santa Run. Last year, more than 10,000 tots, school pupils and staff took part in our festive fun run at school – and we'd love to make it even bigger and better this year. So if you know of a nursery, primary or secondary school who might like to take part, then let them know. www.khh.org.uk/schoolssanta

Lights of Love - 8 December

We will be holding our annual Lights of Love event on Thursday 8 December at St Mary's Church, Banbury. We'd love you to join us for a special gathering where we come together to remember and celebrate the lives of those we have loved and lost. Find out more www.khh.org.uk/lights.

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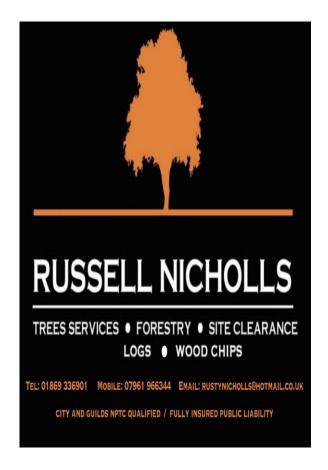


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Sunday 9th October -HC 9am St John Sunday 16th October - Family Service 10.30am St Michael Sunday 23rd October - HC 9am St John

Methodist Chapel

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Masses:

Saturday - 6pm Vigil Mass Sunday - 11.00am Mass Weekdays Normally 9.15am, can be subject to change

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Non-emergencies call 101
Textphone 18000
Banbury office 01295 754 541
Thames Valley Crime-stoppers

0800 555 111

DIARY DATES OCTOBER

3rd The George re-opens 4th Quiz at The George

10th Garden Swap

12th WI, NFU County Adviser Team – Village Hall

15th Barford Village Market – Village Hall

20th Supper Club at The George

NOVEMBER

1st Quiz at The George

3rd Cheese & Wine Event at The George

5th RBL Poppy Fundraiser – Deddington Church 10th Garden Club Talk – VH – See Potting Shed

12th Kathmandu Kids Home Charity Quiz – VH

16th Village Lunch Club at The George

17th Supper Club at The George

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Regular weekly/monthly events

Mondays Beavers (Deddington)

Boys Brigade band practice Tuesdays Guides (Deddington)

Carpet bowls – Sept - Mar

Wednesdays Brownies (Windmill – Deddington)

1st week, Bi-monthly Parish Council

2nd Week W.I. meeting Boys Brigade (Deddington)

Thursdays Village Hall Post Office

Open cuppa mornings Cubs (Deddington) Scouts (Deddington)

Fridays Rainbows

Saturdays Village Market 3rd week

(except January or August)