

# BARFORD NEWS

SEPTEMBER 2019

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## BARFORD PICTURE HOUSE

2019/20

OCTOBER 26th **WILD ROSE**  
NOVEMBER 16th **ENEMY AT THE GATES**  
DECEMBER 14th **PADDINGTON 2**  
JANUARY 11th **WOMAN AT WAR**  
FEBRUARY 8th **FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS**  
MARCH 7th **L.A. CONFIDENTIAL**  
APRIL 4th **BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY and  
ROCKET MAN (Double Bill with Supper)**

COME ALONG TO OUR VILLAGE HALL COSY CINEMA  
£4 on the Door, £20 Season Ticket

DOORS OPEN 7.15....FILM STARTS 7.45  
Tea and Coffee available or bring your own drinks

Films provided by Age UK.  
Contact Gunilla on 01295 720521

NEW SEASON.....

### BARFORD PICTURE HOUSE

Our new season starts on October  
26th and runs until April.

We have 8 films in total with the  
last session being a 'Double Bill'  
with food!! Please support our  
local cinema and our Village Hall.  
There is something for everyone.

Well, how busy are the Barfords  
over in the next few months....?  
See the back  
page for dates



**CARPET BOWLS  
RETURNS...!!!**



**DIARY DATE**....sorry for mentioning  
the 'C' word in September but RC Baker  
Ltd Agricultural Contractors have asked  
me to mention that the  
**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TRACTOR RUN**  
in aid of Katharine House Hospice will take  
place on  
**THURSDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**



**The Royal British Legion**  
**A Registered Charity – Number 219279**  
**Bloxham and District Branch**  
**Poppy Appeal 2018 – 2019**

Once more we wish to thank the residents of Bloxham, Barford St. John, Barford St. Michael, Chipping Norton, Milcombe South Newington, Swerford and Wiggington for their generous contributions towards our Poppy Appeal. The total collected by the branch from these villages for the period November 2018 until July of this year is-

**Yet another record of £14,000.00**

This sum was achieved by our amazing Poppy Appeal Organiser, Lynn Andersen, and her band of eager collectors to whom we also send our thanks for their hard work and dedication. All of the money collected will be spent on the physical and mental needs of members, and ex members of the armed services, who require our support over and above that provided by the State. The calls upon our assistance are now in demand more than ever due to the aftermath of recent conflicts. We must always remember that our service personnel always face a danger and some will suffer as a result.

If anyone has any information about any serving or ex-service personnel, or their dependants, who are needing of our assistance, please contact us. We would be pleased to receive this information, in confidence, so that we can try to help. Please contact any branch member, or our Branch Welfare Officer, Rod Wallington, on 01295 720385. Any person who supports the aims and purposes of the Legion and would like to join us we would be pleased to welcome you. We meet on the second Sunday of the month, excepting November, in the Elephant and Castle, Humber Street, Bloxham, at 11.00 am.



It is not necessary to have military experience to join the Legion. All it takes is an interest in our activities and support for our cause. The current membership fee is only £18.00 a year and for this we undertake to arrange events for our members and to participate in, and support, local events. So, if you would wish to join us, please contact any branch member.

**From the Officers and all members of the Bloxham & District Branch**

**BARFORD VILLAGE MARKET**  
**SATURDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 10AM – 12PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL**  
**~ open again after our short summer break ~**

**Come along to sample our wonderful butties with a filling of your choice**  
**bacon / bacon & egg / breakfast bacon, sausage & egg**

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**excellent selection of artisan Breads**



**Offering home reared**  
**meats & Free Range**  
**Hen & Duck eggs**



**Plus a good range of local producers selling cakes, bread, honey, preserves,**  
**greetings cards, wrapping paper & crafts, rape seed oils, Fairtrade items, hand**  
**knitted woollies....and treats for the birds**  
**or simply join us for a cuppa with friends and neighbours!!**

## VILLAGE HALL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Have you ever thought how fantastic it would be if you could book a beautifully decorated hall for your next party that had French doors opening out onto a lovely garden? Our village hall committee certainly have, so we have started to look into the possibilities of improving our hall and we would like to create an opening in the end wall with fully glazed



doors or windows. We would then decorate throughout and make it look outstanding!

The work would require planning permission so our first step will be to decide exactly what we want. We would welcome ideas and comments from villagers to help

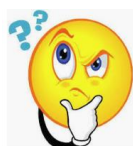
ensure we get things right. People attending the barbeque on August 25<sup>th</sup> will be able to add their views to a comment sheet, you can comment on the Barford Facebook page, or you can text 07768 378758.

If we do secure planning approval our next job will be to think about the funding. We are hoping to apply for grants to cover the majority of the work but we would need to raise a proportion of the money ourselves. All money raised at the village BBQ will go towards this project and we may need to do other activities later in the year.

One funder we are thinking about approaching is Viridor. They operate the fantastic Energy Recycling Facility at Ardley where all of our green bin contents go to be incinerated which provides enough electricity for a large town. Viridor is classed as a Landfill Operator as they maintain the historic landfill sites (and draw off lots of methane to produce even more electricity), but barely any waste is dumped in landfill locally. If we were lucky enough to secure funding from Viridor we would have to contribute just 10% of the total cost and they would give us the rest.

We would love to be able to make this happen before next summer so you may want to book next year's parties now before it gets fully booked!

## VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



theWI  
INSPIRING WOMEN

**QUIZ AND SUPPER**  
Hosted by our Committee

on  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> September  
at 7.30pm  
in the Village Hall

Visitors most welcome £5



**OFF-ROAD COVERED  
STORAGE** available near  
**Barford St Michael** for  
**caravan/motor homes**  
**etc.**

**Please call 07747 863 411 for  
further information.**

## HEDGEHOG MATTERS

Human matters have taken over from hedgehog matters in recent times and continue to, so hoggy affairs have had to take a back seat and have been missing from some issues of Barford News this year which means that they're well out of date by the time they get to print. Last month's bit was written but a bit too late for Lucy the editor which means that it's had to change again as things alter.

After losing at least two hedgehogs quite early in the season which were spotted by different people, the good news was that towards the end of June another hog was spotted at the Summer Ley end of the village. This was good news indeed. Sadly, Mariann got in touch a few weeks later to say that she had seen a dead one on the start of the track to the shop at Manor Farm, an adult of good size. This one wasn't shelled out, so with it being where it was there is a good chance that it was run over rather than predated on by something larger. It appeared to be a male so at least that means that no hoglets were left without their mother. As with other departed hogs let's hope that this was a different hog to the one seen on Summer Ley, though as we know they can travel up to a mile at night looking for a mate at that time of the year.

Gunilla also spotted two dead hogs at the other end of Chestnut Alley though I haven't had chance to ask her about these yet. It's great that there are hogs out there but if the mortality rate each year exceeds the number of new hogs being born then decline is inevitable and it's more important than ever that we give any remaining hogs as much help as possible in different ways.

HEDGEHOG MATTERS was started to raise awareness that we had hedgehogs in our midst and to talk about the things we could do to help and how to help keep them safe

from hazards. That, as well as telling the story of our local hogs when we know it. I'm still as passionate as ever about this but I think the main messages have reached many people in the village who are now more aware and hedgehog friendly. There are plenty of new and interesting things still to say about hogs but I have exhausted my limited knowledge without a bit more research and reading each month which there currently isn't time to do. Working in Yorkshire doesn't help. There are always newcomers to the village who need to know about our hogs but for the sake of too much repetition and keeping things fresh and interesting, Hoggy Matters will become occasional or much shorter unless there's anything special to say.

If you only ever do one single thing to help out the local hoggy population, link your garden with your neighbour or the field behind by a "hedgehog highway" a hole of a minimum 13cm wide or some hedgehog steps. The more linked gardens the more chance they have of meeting remaining hogs. The next thing is a bowl of water.



For anyone wanting more information The British Hedgehog Preservation Society has plenty of information in their leaflets and posters section. See the Hedgehog Street top tips leaflet for a good overview.

***As usual please let me know of any hoggy sightings, dead or alive. It helps us to monitor our local population. My details are available from Lucy the Editor.***

**Helen Taylor**

Dear Barfordians

It has proved somewhat tricky getting people to take part in the Barford News Quickfire Questions, therefore we will try something new.....The grubadvisor Restaurant Review.

So, I was thinking a restaurant or pub within, say, a 20 mile radius or a 30 minute drive and positive reviews only, let's keep it nice and fluffy. I will kick this off this month but please, please do send me some reviews otherwise I am going to have to eat out more often.



**grubadvisor**

review by lucy norman

**Where did you eat?**      **The Cinnamon Stick  
Middle Barton**

**Cuisine?**                      **Middle Eastern**

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

**Food**                              \* \* \* \* \*

**Service**                        \* \* \* \* \*

**Value**                            \* \* \* \* \*

**Atmosphere**                  \* \* \* \* \*

**COMMENTS:**

Highly recommend the Mixed Grill - Shish Taouk, Laham Mashwe & Kofta Kebab and the Osmalieh which is a dessert made of Lebanese cream (kashta) sandwiched between two layers of crispy, stringy dough, doused with sugar syrup and topped with pistachios – out of this world!!



**Welcome to  
Tim & Rachel Johnson  
and daughters Julia & Harriet  
who have just moved to Horn Hill,  
we wish them a happy time here  
in our lovely villages**



**WELCOME**

To Alex, Lewis, Nick & Winston who are the 4 young chaps working at The George and now sharing a home in Lower Street

We wish them all a happy and successful time here



The village would like to welcome Simon, Louise, Issy, Marcus and Oliver Dowson who have moved to The High Street We wish them every happiness and hope that they enjoy living in our beautiful villages.



## CHURCH MATTERS



In the Middle Ages our villages were known as Great Barford and Little Barford. Within living memory, they were still known colloquially as Barford and Little Barford. Some time in the past, the villages' 'official' names became Barford St Michael and Barford St John using the names of the churches.

Sunday September 29<sup>th</sup> is the Feast Day of Saint Michael, or as it is often known, Michaelmas. We are planning a special service in St Michael's church to celebrate this day.

So, who was St Michael? He was not of human form like many saints but is believed to be an archangel, coming from Greek *arche* (prince) and *angelos* (messenger), so a chief angel. He is thought to have banished the Devil from the Garden of Eden and will finally defeat the Devil at the end of time.

Michaelmas falls close to the Autumnal Equinox and is often associated with the start of autumn. In many universities the first term of the academic year is often called Michaelmas Term. In the legal profession there are 'quarter years' with the Michaelmas quarter running from September to December.

There are also four 'quarter days', Michaelmas (29<sup>th</sup> September), Christmas (25<sup>th</sup> December), Lady Day (25<sup>th</sup> March) and Midsummer (24<sup>th</sup> June). These were days on which servants were hired, land exchanged, debts were paid and rents were due. This tradition continues; the company I worked for leased offices and we paid our rents on the 'quarter days'.

Traditionally the harvest had to be completed by Michaelmas followed by a celebration. The custom of celebrating Michaelmas Day as the last day of harvest was stopped after Henry VIII broke with Rome and we now celebrate this with Harvest Festival, which will be Sunday October 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 in St Michael's church.

In old British folklore, Michaelmas Day is the last day you should eat blackberries. It is said that when the Devil was expelled from Heaven, he fell from the skies into a blackberry bush and cursed the

fruit with his fiery breath and stamped on them to make them unfit for consumption!

We also have Michaelmas daisies, the purple flower that comes out in late August through to early October, providing colour to the garden when the majority of other flowers are coming to an end.

In St Michael's church we have a painting of St Michael by Jan Gregoire (1887-1960), a Dutch artist, born in Maastricht. This painting was donated to the church by Susan Christie and her brother Michael Fearneyhough, whose parents are buried in St Michael's churchyard. The painting was a gift to Michael from Dr Johannes Petrus Kruiemel, a friend of Susan and Michael's father Neville, shortly after the end of WW2 when Michael was a little boy of 2. Dr Kruiemel, or 'Uncle Joe' as he was known to his wartime friends, was an art connoisseur and thought the artist may have been of some promise.

Uncle Joe (1900-1976) was a Dutch orthopaedic surgeon of Javanese heritage who was immensely brave during the Nazi occupation of Holland. He sheltered many allied airmen, including Neville Fearneyhough (Susan and Michael's father) and Jewish fugitives both in his bungalow in the forest near Garderen in the Veluwe national park and in other locations in the area. Uncle Joe was assisted by a number of ordinary but very brave Dutch people in the Veluwe. He was awarded the US Congressional Medal of Freedom in 1947. Uncle Joe was also a great philanthropist. After the war he gave medical treatment to local people at no cost, and on his death, he endowed sheltered housing for the elderly.

Tony Elvidge, Churchwarden

**BARFORD CARPET BOWLS CLUB**  
**re-starts on**  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September**  
**in the village hall at 7.15pm**

**New members are always welcome**

*From Carpet Bowls  
Committee*



## DOWN ON THE FARM

Harvest has been a catchy time this year. But we managed to get our winter wheat and spring sown barley harvested with an acceptable moisture content and decent yields for both crops. On both occasions – they were harvested about a week apart – it teemed with rain the following day. The crops were harvested by my contractor neighbour, Charles Baker, using a machine with a 30ft header and capable of some 20 acres an hour. Our old banger used to do about 15 acres a day! His machine and its huge capacity was the reason why we were able to get harvest done so quickly and avoid the constant showers.

Most of the straw was sold to a near neighbour and proved more difficult, but some raking about on dry days finally got it into bales. The rest of the straw was chopped behind the combine to introduce some organic matter into the soil. At the time of writing we still have a field of beans awaiting the combine. This is not a particularly profitable crop but it satisfies the 'three crop' rule demanded by Brussels and its straw leaves useful organic matter behind together with residual Nitrogen for a following crop.

We invested in some more 'fox grub' in July in the shape of 40 new chickens which are now in full lay.



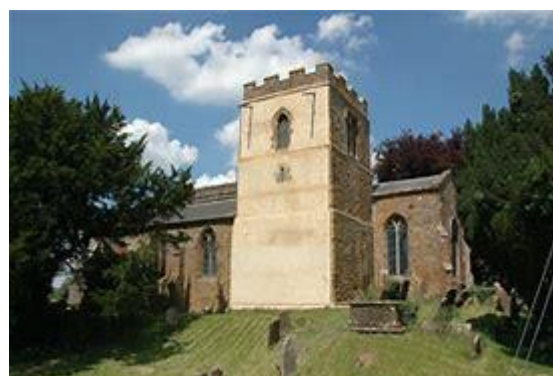
They join the remaining three hens that escaped the fox's constant attacks. One of them is now called 'Hopalong' having escaped from the fox which had caught her by a leg. A week in solitary confinement put her right aside from a slight limp. Chickens have a 'drunken sailor' walk at the best of times; hers is simply more pronounced. In an attempt to prevent further attacks we have confined the hens to a smaller area of the orchard behind a double fence one of which is electrified. It looks a bit like a prison camp but, so far so good.

There are various ways of finding out if an electric fence is working such as making it spark by leaning a metal rod against it or gradually easing a blade of grass across the wire until you feel a slight tingle in your fingers.

However, on this occasion our inquisitive terrier did the job for us and left the orchard at a speed that a hare would probably have been proud to achieve!

**Tony Collier**  
**Iron Down Farm**

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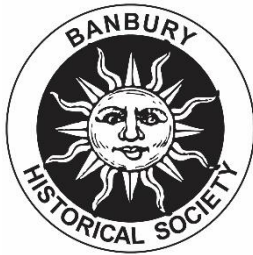
## NEW SERVICES PLANNED FOR THE FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

We are changing the way we run our 10:30 services on the first Sunday of the month. We will be replacing the communion service with the following:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> September - Prayer and Praise**
- 6<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest Festival**
- 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Presentation on the work of the Bible Society**
- 1<sup>st</sup> December - Christingle**

We do hope you will be able to come to these services

**Sue Addison & Tony Elvidge**  
**Churchwardens**



**PEOPLE'S PARK**  
*"one of the most  
acceptable and valued  
additional to the  
recreational side of the  
life of Banbury"*  
*William Potts, 1942*

Public parks were an innovation in Victorian towns and cities. The first, by general repute, was laid out by Sir Joseph Paxton in Birkenhead and opened in 1847 and by 1900 there were similar parks in most major cities. A Banbury chemist George Vincent Ball, whose shop was in Parson's Street, left a deferred legacy to the borough council to fund a park, to be called the People's Park. There were proposals to create the park on the north side of Dashwood Road but until the legacy matured little could be done but in 1912 Neithrop House and its surrounding grounds, sloping down to the Cuttle Brook, were offered for sale. They were purchased by a syndicate of local people and opened in June 1912 as a park, funded by public subscriptions. Five years later the legacy fell in and the council took on responsibility for the park which was officially opened as part of the Peace celebrations in 1919, the event which is commemorated today.

The park was subsequently extended in several directions. The memorial to Banbury men killed in the First World War was dedicated on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1922. On the Bath Road side the 20 tumbledown cottages comprising Lower and Upper Paradise were demolished and the land incorporated into the park. Major developments took place in 1931. Two new bridges were constructed over the Cuttle Brook and a new entrance from Warwick Road was opened. A new bandstand designed by Sidney Hilton, the borough surveyor and constructed by council workmen was built, replacing an earlier structure. It provided space for bands with up to 40 instrumentalists. A new bowling green and pavilion were opened, and by the end of the year there were also hard tennis courts, a putting green, a childrens' playground with swings and see-saws, an aviary and a paddling pool. On 4<sup>th</sup> July 1931 Neithrop House was formally opened as a childrens' clinic.

In the 1930s, 40s and early 50s, when there were few motor cars, the People's Park attracted families from all over the town to hear occasional band concerts, to play or picnic on the grass, play bowls or tennis, watch others play or simply to admire the flower beds. Many Banburians were weighed for the first time in Neithrop House, and some retain painful memories of the school dentist's clinic located there. As the town developed westwards from the 1950s, the park became an agreeable part of a walk into the town centre. It has seen many changes over the past century but continues to be a valued green space close to the town centre.

**Barrie Trinder**  
**Banbury Historical Society**

The above article was very kindly passed to me by Alan Maddison who writes.....

"together with all the celebrations this year for international events a memorial day for a local Banbury amenity probably passed with little publicity. Nevertheless, the town did its best to put on a show for the local people and visitors in the People's Park. The Park was filled with all manner of stalls with displays by Cherwell Council, the Horton hospital, a large area devoted to the shewing of dog training and behaviour, some owls and kestrels, The Red Cross and other local charities. The children were entertained with a roundabout and other amusements; food and ice creams were in plentiful supply for a lovely warm afternoon".

**A.M.**



**Address:** Bath Road, Banbury, OX16 0AD  
**Phone:** 01295 250340

[www.banburyshireinfo.co.uk/local-life/peoples-park-banbury](http://www.banburyshireinfo.co.uk/local-life/peoples-park-banbury)





**MUSIC NIGHT AT THE VILLAGE HALL - An evening not to be missed. Don't let this one getaway – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September @ 7:30pm**

These mighty musicians of the Folk Rock world have the following under their collective belts. Chris Leslie has played with Whipper Snapper, The Albion Band, Ian Anderson, Feast of Fiddles, St. Agnes Fountain and has been a member of Fairport Convention since 1997.

Ric Sanders has been a member of Fairport Convention since 1984 and has played with Rick Wakeman, Jethro Tull, Robert Plant, Roy Harper, The Mission, All about Eve and Soft Machine. Just mention a few. Vo Fletcher, I first saw Vo in Birmingham at the Bell and Pump folk club in the mid eighties. A guitarist / vocalist Vo, has been entertaining the public for most of his adult life. He has worked with such luminaries as Fairport Convention, Nigel Kennedy, Rik Mayall, Brent Ford & The Nylons, Catherine Howe and is a member of The Ric Sanders Trio. On solo gigs he exhibits a wide range of accomplished styles and a huge repertoire. Including, but by no means limited to: Beatles, Stones, Dylan, Paul Simon, Kinks, Van Morrison, Elvis, Dire Straits, Eric Clapton, Everlys, Country, Folk.

Our Support act is Dolly Mavies from Deddington. Mavies' debut EP 'Behind Closed Eyes' released in December 2015, climbed to #25 in the iTunes singer-songwriter chart with the track The Rain, placing as a Finalist in the Folk category of the John Lennon International Songwriting Competition (2016). Dolly has supported the US cult band Vesperteen on their European tour in London at The Courtyard Theatre, in addition she landed slots at Cropredy's Fairport Convention Fringe Festival, Common People Festival in Oxford, Jimmy's Farm Festival in Suffolk, Umbrella Fair in Northampton, Springtide Festival Oxford, Cornbury Music Festival in Great Tew, Eat and Drink Festival at London Olympia, Brecon Fringe Festival in Wales, and joined friends ZURICH to headline Riverside Festival in Charlbury.

**Tickets £15 per person, call 01869 338 061 - All proceeds to the Kathmandu kids home in Nepal**

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## PARISH PICNIC

**The Barford Churches organised the first Parish Picnic in July in West Close field. About 70-80 villagers came on a warm and dry day. Everyone seemed to have a good time and you never know, it might become a permanent fixture in the Barford calendar.**

***Photo below: Deddington Brass Band kept everyone entertained***



***Photo above: everyone enjoying the day***



**KATHARINE  
HOUSE  
HOSPICE**

**WINGWALKING 2020  
– THE ADVENTURE  
OF A LIFETIME!**

Join us on 21 May

2020 for this amazing experience with the world's most experienced wing-walking team.

It's something to strike off your bucket list and build memories that last a lifetime. Flown by one of the team's wing-walking display pilots, you'll take to the skies on the top wing of a Boeing Stearman bi-plane and experience an exciting series of flypasts, zoom climbs, steep dives and banks in front of the family and friends you bring along on the day. Find out more at [www.khh.org.uk/wingwalk](http://www.khh.org.uk/wingwalk)

**WEEKLY HEALTH WALKS – EVERY FRIDAY FROM THE HOSPICE**

We're delighted to launch our weekly Friday Health Walks in collaboration with South Northants and Cherwell District Council. Led by a friendly, specially trained volunteer, this is a wonderful opportunity to join an organised walk around the beautiful countryside around Katharine House. The walks provide the perfect opportunity to increase your activity levels and general wellbeing and also offers you the chance to make new friends and find a supportive network of like-minded people. The walks are open to families, carers, patients, supporters, and volunteers - generally, anyone who has an affiliation with Katharine House. A typical walk may last up to 60 minutes, although this may vary. No need to book, just turn up although it may be advisable to contact the hospice beforehand just to make sure it is going ahead. Please wear loose comfortable clothing and sturdy footwear. Refreshments will be available after the walk. For more information please contact [Hannah.Mozelewski@khh.org.uk](mailto:Hannah.Mozelewski@khh.org.uk)

**OXFORD HALF MARATHON - 13 OCTOBER 2019**

The Oxford Half Marathon course winds around Oxford's most iconic landmarks. Whether you're new to running and want to take on a challenge, or an experienced runner looking to smash your personal best, why not take on the Oxford Half Marathon for Katharine House this October? Secure your place on Team Katharine House and register for your place today for £40 – we'll support you throughout your fundraising! If you already have your own place, please register as an own place runner by emailing [getinvolved@khh.org.uk](mailto:getinvolved@khh.org.uk) to be part of Team Katharine, and you'll still receive all of the same support from our team.



**Deddington Bookworms  
Monthly Book Review**

August's book choice was the classic,

**A Passage to India** by

**E.M. Forster**, considered by many to be one of his finest works.

Most of us were familiar with David Lean's film that is generally faithful to the text and cleverly conveys the perplexing tensions that develop causing tragic consequences for some of the characters. We all agreed, however, that there was far more depth and insight in reading the book. The main struggle is between the educated Indian community seeking independence and the blinkered British ruling class unable to adapt to the changing society. There were also undercurrents of other issues that were discussed including religious misunderstandings and gender expectations. The main characters held different viewpoints some of which we found difficult to understand. The novel helped to us to see what a tight knit, all pervasive, community the British lived in where there was little room for non conformity of any description. The book is highly recommended as it challenges us to look at our own subconscious prejudices and how we handle political and cultural changes.

The next Bookworm's read is **The Good Liar** by **Nicholas Searle**, said to be "A thriller in the footsteps of Le Carre".

Bookworms meet on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 6.30 pm at the Library

**Deddington Library, ☎ 01869 338391**



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

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

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



## DEDDINGTON LIBRARY

We have had a fabulous Summer in the library! The

Summer Reading Challenge, Space Chase, has been very well supported which is excellent. The closing date for the challenge is Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September, so still plenty of time to finish. The Adults Summer Reading Challenge "Oxfordshire Reads" has been well supported too, so hurry and get your book recommendation post cards back to the library for your chance to enter the prize draw by Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September!

Rhyme-times for under 5's and families will start again after the summer break on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30, we look forward to seeing the little ones then and getting back into singing along on Monday afternoons with them!

Our Home Library Service goes from strength to strength and we continually strive to support the elderly, housebound and disabled with reading material in their own homes. We welcome Jill to the team this summer, she has completed her DBS and training and is now delivering to King Sutton area; we also deliver to many of the other villages around Deddington with our HLS team. So, whether you're temporarily indisposed due to accident or illness, or permanently housebound for whatever reason, we can provide a delivery service to meet your needs. Give me a call at the library for more information.

This is an extremely valuable service which helps to support the more vulnerable and socially isolated in our community by not only being able to continue reading for pleasure, but by having regular contact with their HLS volunteer too. If you'd like to sign up as a Home Library Service volunteer get in touch for more details or go online at [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/leisure-and-culture/libraries/volunteering-oxfordshire-libraries/home-library-service-volunteer](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/leisure-and-culture/libraries/volunteering-oxfordshire-libraries/home-library-service-volunteer) and see what its all about and how to sign up! You'd be made very welcome!

**Stella O'Neill**  
Library Manager  
01869 338 391

[Deddington.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:Deddington.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

## TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB 17<sup>th</sup> September 2019 12.30PM for 1PM

### MENU

#### MAIN COURSE

**steak, mushroom and guinness pie  
served with mashed potatoes  
or**

**fish pie**

**cod, smoked haddock and salmon topped  
with mashed potatoes  
both main courses served with seasonal  
vegetables**

#### DESSERTS

**apricot and white chocolate bread and  
butter pudding and cream  
or**

**chocolate mousse with bailey's cream  
and a macaroon biscuit**

#### Finally

**Coffee & Tea  
Price £5.00**

**As usual please bring your own drinks to  
have with your meal**

**Please ring Anne & Mick on 01869  
337074 or email**

**[mickpearson1@outlook.com](mailto:mickpearson1@outlook.com) by Tuesday  
10<sup>th</sup> September**

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

**PLEASE NOTE. WE REGRET WE ARE  
UNABLE TO CATER FOR ANYONE WITH  
FOOD ALLERGIES**



**BARFORD GREEN GARDEN CLUB  
NOTES FROM OUR POTTING SHED  
SEPTEMBER 2019**

**SEPTEMBER**

*The breezes taste of apple peel.*

*The air is full of smells to feel -*

*Ripe fruit, old footballs, burning brush,*

*New books, erasers, chalk, and such.*

*The bee, his hive, well-honeyed hum,*

*And Mother cuts chrysanthemums.*

*Like plates washed clean with suds, the days*

*Are polished with a morning haze.*

*by John Updike*

**VISITS**

Only a few of us went on the outing to **Broughton Grange**, though it's possible that others went independently, as it was open all day for the National Garden Scheme. Even for those who'd visited before, it was full of surprises and new projects, including a large fountain, formal sunken garden, developing arboretum, several wildflower areas, and new plantings and structures in the peat garden and stumpery. Head gardener Andrew Woodall was around to chat to visitors and answer questions, and he told us that more changes have taken place in the last year than in the last ten. Broughton Grange is a magnificent garden on the scale of Hidcote or Kiftsgate - and practically on our doorstep! If you didn't come on Sunday but would like to see for yourself, it's open on Tuesday and Wednesdays until September, and there's another NGS day on 15th September.

Our next visit, on Wednesday September 18<sup>th</sup>, is to **Avondale Nursery**. It's not only a great nursery but also a display garden, full of rare and interesting plants; they also have the National Collections of asters, anemones and sanguisorbas. The cost is only £3 per person for the introductory talk and tour, with light refreshments included. Also on the same site is Russell's Quarry Garden, and next door is John Gillies who grows and sells rare shrubs - so we can visit all three. Avondale's website is worth looking at: [www.avondalenursery.co.uk/](http://www.avondalenursery.co.uk/)

Avondale is on this side of Coventry, about 40 minutes' drive from Barford. Janet Morris will help arrange car-sharing, to arrive there at 1.45 pm. Please join us for an enjoyable afternoon!

The **Village Show** is on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September - a chance to impress us all with your produce, cut flowers and arrangements.

Trevor Stevens would like to organise an **Autumn Swap**, along the lines of our May Plant Swap but involving tools, equipment, books, magazines, etc as well as plants. This social event could be particularly useful for anyone just starting up and wanting to acquire tools and equipment without spending a fortune. More details to follow.

**Jobs for September**

- Keep containers well-watered, preferably with rainwater or grey water
- Collect seed from perennial plants and hardy annuals
- Dig up remaining potatoes
- Start to plant spring-flowering bulbs
- Divide herbaceous perennials



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**Applications must be received by 30<sup>th</sup> September**



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and Village  
Nursery

It's the start of a new school year and we look forward to getting to know all the new children and families who are joining us this term. We hope everyone settles in quickly - please ask us if you have any questions or need help to find things. Our numbers of children are at a record high this year and we are also offering before and after school care for the first time, so we are expecting a busy term. Our priorities will be to help everyone to settle in and to get to know one another, and to gradually introduce the children to our new routines and activities. Our first topic of the year is 'All About Me'.

Lucy Squires  
☎ 337484

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**£15, 087, Gemma Phillips**  
**£10, 203, Tim Bullard**  
**£5, 097, Leon Daly**

**The draw took place at a  
village Cuppa Morning.**





The team have received the new speed indication device. We have been approached by several Parishes who would like to set up speedwatch groups in their villages. Community Speedwatch is a traffic monitoring scheme that is conducted by volunteers who use a speed indication devices to record vehicles exceeding the speed limit. Volunteers record the details of speeding vehicles and a letter is generated and sent to the registered keeper of the vehicle. Locations for monitoring speed are selected from sites suggested by the community, based on where there is most local concern about speeding traffic, or the impact of speed. Community speedwatch can only be used in areas with a speed limit of up to 40mph. If you would like further information about speedwatch please email [ana.smith@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:ana.smith@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk)

There have been a number of reports of lambs being stolen and illegally butchered in Northamptonshire and Warwickshire and we have previously received reports of this on Banbury rural south. Many farmers cover large area's which are often in remote locations so as a community we need to keep an eye out for suspicious behaviour and report it on 999/101

- If you own livestock or live near fields with livestock in please be extra vigilant and report any concerns to police
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- Join the Rural Watch scheme
- Set up a Whatsapp group to share information
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The team have visited a number of residents that have been scammed, it is worth reminding yourselves of the different scams that are used by fraudsters:-

- Mail fraud: con artists use fake lotteries and prize draws, get-rich-quick schemes, bogus health cures and pyramid selling to get money from their victims
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Never give personal information and if you think you have been scammed please report this to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040

**The next rural community forum is Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 1830 at Deddington fire station, please come along to discuss local issues of importance to the community and ways to tackle them.**





**1<sup>st</sup> DEDDINGTON SCOUT  
GROUP**

### Cubs

The last few weeks of the summer term were spent at Daedas Wood, doing the sort of things that Cubs & Scouts are famous for, dens, fires ( using our recycled washing machine drum ) & lots of energetic games. We made 'camp donuts' - fried & battered jam sandwiches, sounds gross but they love them – with the Scouts & even invested a Scout up a tree!

Looking forward to the 11! New Cubs starting in September.

[Jo Churchyard deddingtoncubs@gmail.com](mailto:Jo.Churchyard@deddingtoncubs@gmail.com)

### Scouts

The highlight of the summer term had to be our camp at Rough Close in Coventry. It was hot! But we luckily had a pitch in the trees so managed to remain relatively cool if a bit bitten. It's a great campsite & the Scouts had a go at metal detecting ( they found lots of things we hadn't buried! ), shooting, pedal cars ( good job they weren't on the open road ) & the cave bus which was very tight, very dark & very, very, hot. All food was cooked on open fires & we all went home dirty & smelly – brilliant!

Peter Churchyard [deddingtonscouts@gmail.com](mailto:deddingtonscouts@gmail.com)

### Explorers

The report back on the cooking. Ooh the Long Horn burger was so delicious and fabulously presented along with the cake and reduced berry jus. It's amazing what can be produced over an open fire. The following week we all managed to make woggles using paracord. Some of us took longer than others to perfect the look but with a lot of patience by the explorers the leaders eventually produced a woggle they could wear.

Hosting the District Explorers was an evening of BBQ and games. Good to get to know one another better.

Finally this month we've been on trend by doing tie-dying. Everyone had a new neckerchief to take home after this meeting. Do go and look at the banner heading on our page on the website to see the fantastic results.

[www.deddingtonscouts.org.uk/explorers.html](http://www.deddingtonscouts.org.uk/explorers.html)

If you are interested in joining the Unit contact any of the leaders at [spartansexplorers@gmail.com](mailto:spartansexplorers@gmail.com)

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**Girlguiding UK**  
*girls in the lead*

**Just to round up the news from last term....**

**Unusually for us on a Tuesday night ( we're normally very lucky with weather ) we had to do a bit of organising, but we managed to fit all the planned events in.**

**Thank you to Janet and Brian Bond for welcoming us for our Ready, Steady, Cook! evening. The Guides have a variety of ingredients to choose from, then cook a meal on an open fire. There were some very tasty results. Everyone went for the same dessert Eton Mess!!**

**The "Incident Hike" had to be foreshortened but we still enjoyed a lovely walk, around the Barfords with fun activities on the way! We also enjoyed the comfort and space of Barford Village Hall.**

**It was lovely to meet up with the Brownies for our sausage sizzle. Always very hectic but great fun. Always pleased to meet Guides of the future. Thank you to Bex and Tim Catlin for their hospitality. More Cooking! This time Backwoodsman style – No Utensils – No pots and pans! So the guides needed to use all their outdoor skills. Thank you to Brian Fuller – our host. Lastly everyone's favourite – stream walking! Huge fun on a balmy evening – Apologies to the residents of Barford if squeals and screams (as all the Guides got soaked) disturbed your evening. We finished the term with an evening "picnic" and wished everyone a happy holiday. Thank you to the Wolfe family on this occasion.**

**We'll be raring to go again in September..... All girls 10 and over are welcome! Come along and join the fun!**

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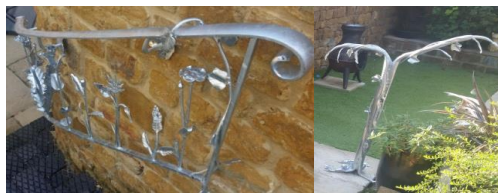
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Parish Council meetings in the Village Hall. 1st Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm  
This is an opportunity for parishioners to bring questions or concerns to the meeting in person  
CDC website: [www.cherwell-dc.gov.uk](http://www.cherwell-dc.gov.uk) – Parish Council minutes at [www.cherwell-local.com](http://www.cherwell-local.com)

# VILLAGE AND LOCAL EVENTS DIARY

Diary dates to the editor by 15<sup>th</sup> of each month please

## CHURCH SERVICES

### Church of England SEPTEMBER

**1<sup>st</sup> 10:30am Prayer & Praise BSM**

**8<sup>th</sup> 9:00am Holy Communion BSJ**

**15<sup>th</sup> 10:30am Family Service BSM**

**22<sup>nd</sup> 9:00am Holy Communion BSM**

**29<sup>th</sup> 9:00am Michaelmas Day BSM**

For details of Deddington and Hempton services  
phone Revd Annie Goldthorp, Vicar, Deddington  
with Barford, Clifton and Hempton on 01869 336880  
email [anngoldthorp@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:anngoldthorp@yahoo.co.uk)

## Methodist Chapel

For details of services contact:  
Mr Robbie Pilkington ☎ 01295 811367

## Roman Catholic

Holy Trinity Catholic Church,  
26 London Road, Chipping Norton, OX5 5AX  
Phone: 01608 642703  
Parish Priest: Father Tony Joyce  
Email: [holytrinityrcchippy@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinityrcchippy@gmail.com)  
On Call: Rev. Deacon Robert Hughes  
Tel: 01295 720869  
Mobile: 07766 711984

## Masses:

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

## Police contact numbers

In an emergency call 999

Non-emergencies call 101

Textphone 18000

Banbury office 01295 754 541

Thames Valley Crime-stoppers

0800 555 111



## Regular weekly/monthly events

**Mondays** Beavers (Deddington)  
Boys Brigade band practice

**Tuesdays** Guides (Deddington)  
Carpet bowls – Sept - Mar

**Wednesdays** Brownies (Windmill - Deddington)  
Fernhill Club  
1<sup>st</sup> week parish council (not August)  
2<sup>nd</sup> week W.I. meeting  
Boys Brigade (Deddington)

**Thursdays** Open cuppa mornings  
Cubs (Deddington)  
Scouts (Deddington)

**Fridays** Rainbows  
Whist alternate weeks

**Saturdays** Village Market 3<sup>rd</sup> week  
(except January or August)

**3rd Wednesday** Village Hall Management Committee

## DIARY DATES

### September

3<sup>rd</sup> Rural Community Forum – Deddington

4<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting

7<sup>th</sup> Barford Village Show

7<sup>th</sup> Kathmandu Charity Quiz Night – Village Hall

10<sup>th</sup> Carpet Bowls re-starts

11<sup>th</sup> WI – Quiz & Supper

14<sup>th</sup> Music Night – Village Hall

15<sup>th</sup> Patchwork & Quilt Workshop – Village Hall

17<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Lunch Club – Village Hall

18<sup>th</sup> Garden Club visit to Avondale Nursery

21<sup>st</sup> Village Market

30<sup>th</sup> Shepherds & Bakehouse Deadline

### October

2<sup>nd</sup> Parish Council Meeting

6<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival

19<sup>th</sup> Village Market

26<sup>th</sup> Picture House – Wild Rose – Village Hall

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