



# OurBus Bartons

**comes to the Barfords with a trial route**

**Travel in style and comfort to Deddington Farmers Market**

**Fourth Saturday in the month (starting 23/6/2018)**



**Outbound:**  
**Departs Townsend 10:05**  
**Arrives Deddington 10:15**

**Return:**  
**Departs Deddington 11:00**  
**Arrives Townsend 11:10**

**ADULTS: £6 Return**  
**CHILDREN: £3 Return**  
**Bus Passes are accepted**

## PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

A meeting of the Parish Council took place at 7.30pm on 6<sup>th</sup> June in Barford Village Hall and was attended by Cllrs Turner, Hobbs, Eden, Best, Cox, District Cllr Williams, County Cllr Fatemian and Mr Best (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer).

**Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> May were unanimously resolved as an accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

**Report from County Councillor Arash Fatemian:** None

**Report from District Councillor Bryn Williams:**

**District Elections** - In the recent district council elections, Cllr Mike Kerford-Byrnes was re-elected to represent the Deddington Ward. He continues to represent the ward with Cllrs Hugo Brown and Bryn Williams.

Cllr Maurice Billington will continue for a further year as Chairman of CDC and Cllr David Hughes is Vice Chairman. The council consists of 48 councillors, with Conservative (36), Independent (1), Labour (9) Liberal Democrat (1) and one vacancy. Cllr Barry Wood continues as Leader of the Council and also Leader of the Conservative Group, Cllr Sean Woodcock continues as Leader of the Labour Group and Cllr Les Sibley as Leader of the Independent Group.

Cllr Bryn Williams has been allocated to the Licencing Committee as Vice Chairman for the 2018/19 term and looks forward to continuing his work with the PC and representing the residents of Barford.

**GDPR** – In a recent training session I was informed that it is no longer a legal requirement for Parish Councils to have a Data Protection Officer. Also, Parish Councillors do not have to be registered with the ICO, the Information Commissioner's Office, only District Councillors and above are legally required to be registered.

**Joint Working** – Due to the demise of Northamptonshire County Council, proposals by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government regarding the structure of local government in Northamptonshire require the 'Joint Working' between Cherwell District Council and South Northants District Council to cease. As a consequence, CDC have reviewed a number of alternatives including Oxfordshire District Councils, Oxford City Council and

Oxfordshire County Council. The conclusion is that a joint working arrangement with Oxfordshire County Council will provide the residents of Cherwell with the most effective solution, with least change and cost savings residents. Both councils will remain independent but share back office solutions wherever possible in order to reduce costs and maintain efficiencies.

### Parish Matters:

**Our Bus Bartons** – A trial route to Deddington Market is commencing on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. The Bus will start stopping in Barford St Michael on Route 7 which is on the fourth Saturday of the month to coincide with the Deddington Farmers market. It will depart from Townsend at 10.05 and arrive in Deddington 10 minutes later. The return journey will depart from Deddington at 11.00 and arrive back in Barford St Michael at 11:10. This will allow 45minutes at the market. The Clerk has written a notice which will be published in the next edition of Barford News.

**Dangerous Parking in Horn Hill** – Two residents from Horn Hill attended the meeting to advise about cars parking near the junction with The Rock/ High Street. This forces cars exiting Horn Hill to move into oncoming traffic turning in to Horn Hill. District Cllr Bryn Williams advised that, earlier this year, CDC arranged for Police Community Support Officers to increase parking enforcement in villages. Residents of the Barfords with parking concerns should contact Thames Valley Police.

**Nuisance Noise in Barford St Michael** – A complaint about noise was received by the Parish Council. District Cllr Bryn Williams will take the matter up with CDC. Residents of the Barfords are reminded that noise complaints should be submitted to Cherwell District Council, if the problem cannot be solved by talking to neighbours, which has a duty to investigate any statutory nuisance.

**Collapsed wall in The Rock** – A section of the wall collapsed into the road. This was reported to Oxfordshire County Council and Thames Valley Police. The stones were cleared by residents. Drivers are asked to take care driving through The Rock in case further sections collapse.

**Waiving right to claim expenses** – Parish Councillors voted unanimously to waive their right to claim expenses on Parish Council Business.

**Payment to West Close Playground Fund** – The initial payment of £4,000 to the fund was agreed. A total payment of £8,000 had previously been agreed by the Parish Council.

**Planning Applications:** None

#### **Finance**

**Payments** – The Parish Council agreed payment of cheques totaling £488.

**Accounts for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018** – The accounts were reviewed and agreed.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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## **CORRECTION....**



**THE BARFORD DUCK RACE is on SUNDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JULY and NOT on SATURDAY**

**22<sup>ND</sup> (as advertised in June's Barford News) the first race starts at 2pm**

To be held in the usual location (yes, the river) behind the George Inn. Ducks will be on sale from 1pm and first race will be 2pm. We will have hot dogs for sale too.....

This event is to raise money for the Barford Playground and this year we will be working alongside the new playground committee that will be taking over this event in the future.

A big thank you to Dan & Vicky (owners of the field) for allowing us to keep up this Barford tradition.

THE PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

## **HELP NEEDED**

**can you spare a couple of hours  
once a month to help??**

**the VILLAGE MARKET needs two  
more volunteers to complete our  
team so we can continue to raise  
much needed funds for our village  
hall**

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**a booking clerk  
(to contact stallholders by email  
each month)**

**&**

**bread stall person  
(to order & sell bread)**

please get in touch with Mariann ☎  
338570, 07979 344722 or  
mariann.young@btinternet.com) if you  
would like to help

**theWI**  
INSPIRING WOMEN

**LIVING WITH MENTAL HEALTH**

**By  
Angharad Jones**

**on Wednesday, 11th July  
in the Village Hall  
at 7.30pm**

**Visitors most welcome £5**



### 1<sup>st</sup> Deddington Guides

Our usual good luck with the weather seems to have returned. We worked on our fire lighting techniques (and keep it going), one windy but dry evening and (fairly) successfully cooked pancakes – delicious if not always pretty to look at! Thank you again to George and Bryony Fenemore for accommodating us.

We also walked from Milton to Barford, one lovely May evening – enjoying our beautiful countryside and dealing with challenges along the way. These included observation, knotting, First Aid and showing our artistic flair!

After the bank holiday we'll practice our tent pitching, and we're looking forward to archery, ready steady cook, stream walking and a sausage sizzle with the Brownies.

Maggie Rampley – 01295 810069  
Marian Trinder – 01869 340806  
Catherine Blackburn – 01295 258008  
and Tilly Neal

### 200 CLUB RESULTS JUNE DRAW

£50, 083, Brian & Tessa Dodwell  
£25, 099, Di Burton  
£15, 052, Mitchell Family  
£10, 059, Preece Family  
£5, 194, Mariann Young

the draw took place at  
a cuppa morning



### CHARITY AFTERNOON TEA – THANK YOU

A huge thank you to everyone who came to my Afternoon Tea in April. Villagers came and enjoyed tea and cake with us throughout the afternoon and we raised an incredible £410 for Rosie's Rainbow Fund!!! The charity were so grateful, thank you to everyone who came and made my birthday so memorable.

Love Karen  
[www.rosiesrainbowfund.co.uk](http://www.rosiesrainbowfund.co.uk)

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### DEDDINGTON PFSU & VILLAGE NURSERY

The end of the summer term is always busy and we are enjoying sports days, trips out and end of term parties, before the long summer holiday.

Most of our children will be moving on to pastures new in September and we are working hard to make the transition as easy as possible for them, with familiarisation visits and opportunities to meet the new adults who will be working with them. There will be two open days for our new PFSU families on 3rd and 4th July between 3.30 and 4.30pm, when you can come for a look round and to ask any questions you may have. Holiday club will be running for the first two weeks of the summer holidays. Booking forms are available from both settings now.

We wish all our children and families an enjoyable summer and every success and happiness at their new schools and settings.

Lucy Squires  
☎ 337484



## **DON'T FORGET** the 3<sup>rd</sup> **BIG BARFORD BREAKFAST** on **SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY** from 9am – 12 noon.

As I mentioned last month, due to the popularity of this village event, it would be so helpful if you could let me know, where possible, what you would like to eat and which timeslot (see below) would suit.

### **FULL BARFORD BREAKFAST**

**£4.50**

bacon | sausage | egg | beans  
hash brown | fresh mushrooms  
tea or coffee \ orange or apple juice  
toast, butter & jam  
*(additional items 50p each)*

### **SEMI BARFORD BREAKFAST**

**£2.50**

toast, butter & jam | croissants  
tea or coffee \ orange or apple juice

**OR**

**TAKE-AWAYS & BACON, SAUSAGE OR EGG BUTTIES ALSO AVAILABLE**  
**IF YOU CAN, PLEASE BOOK A SLOT**

(09:00am - 10:00am OR 10:00am - 11:30am) at [lulu.norman@btinternet.com](mailto:lulu.norman@btinternet.com)  
or call me on ☎ 337678

## **OPENING HOURS AT DEDDINGTON LIBRARY**

**Following the recent consultation and the overwhelming support in favour of amending the opening hours at Deddington library, the opening hours will be amended as follows with effect from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018.**

**Please note this is only a reorganisation of the existing hours, there is no reduction in service, staffing or overall opening hours.**

**MONDAY.....2pm-7pm**  
**TUESDAY.....CLOSED**  
**WEDNESDAY....9:30am-1pm**  
**THURSDAY 1pm-5pm**  
**FRIDAY.....CLOSED**  
**SATURDAY.....9:30am-1pm**

**TOTAL HOURS: 16**

## **A Very Big Thank You**

What a wonderful surprise!

Thank you to all those who so kindly contributed to the present given to me at the APCM in April. It was extremely generous, and the vouchers will be burning a hole in my pocket to be happily spent in the very near future.

After 12 years as a churchwarden it was definitely time for the baton to be passed on to new blood. Tony Elvidge has been such an excellent co-churchwarden I couldn't have asked for better, and I know he and the new churchwarden, Sue Addison, along with the PCC will between them carry on to run a church with a bright future.

Thank you again for such a wonderful gift. It is very much appreciated.

**Cubby Brett**

*(apologies to Cubby, this should have been in June's edition – my fault...Ed)*



## DOWN ON THE FARM

Our tame chicken is no more, having been run over by an impatient driver. Her demise cast a bit of a shadow; she was one of those characters nature puts our way from time to time that provide great pleasure.

We also had a daylight visit from the fox, but he was so alarmed by the noise made by our Jack Russell that he dropped the chicken he had stolen and ran off. Apart from losing a lot of feathers she was, surprisingly, unharmed and has survived.

The growth this summer has been prodigious as plants, trees and shrubs enjoy the warm temperatures and draw on the vast reserves of moisture left by the wet spring. Soon enough it will be harvest time: it was thought it would be late this year after the cold wet spring, but nature has its own way of catching up.

Some of our heavier arable land is beginning to crack as it dries out, which is quite pleasing because it means the soggy mass underneath has dried out and the soil and its worms and insects can start to breathe again.

A field of grass was cut for hay in June but, after seeing the weather forecast on telly (which turned out to be inaccurate) it was decided to bale and wrap it as haylage. This describes conserved grass that has dried beyond the moisture level for silage but not enough to become hay. Both silage and haylage need to have air excluded during storage or the material will spoil; a bit like bottling plums.

I turned the sows and the boar out to a field that was left fallow last month so they can set about eating its weed burden. Having them outside suits everyone; they can roam and look for edible plants while we don't have to muck them out or use any straw and only feed them once a day. It's a win, win situation. It was a hot day when I turned them out and the field has no wet places. Next morning I found a sow that had turned a delicate shade of pink standing by the water trough and giving me a bit of a glare. After searching my brain for a while I tumbled to it.

'Ah, you want me to make a wallow'. She gave me the sort of look that schoolteachers reserve for dim witted children who finally grasp a basic piece of instruction and turned her back.



Well having acted as caterer, bed maker and lavatory attendant to dumb animals for half a century I know my place. So, after doing a few chores I finally returned clutching a spade to dig a shallow pit and a bucket to fill it with water. However, in the interval her patience had evidently expired; she had dug her own wallow, tipped over the water trough and was lying in that mixture of water and soil we humans describe as mud but pigs regard as sun tan lotion. Fortunately, the water trough was not connected to a pipe, so I didn't need to fetch the plumbing kit. Instead I dutifully re-filled it so she could have a nice cool drink after her bath.

**Tony Collier  
Iron Down Farm**



**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!!**

## A BIT OF AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY {and September} VILLAGE FUN.....

**BBQ & BAR**...village hall garden...Sunday 26 August...from 6pm  
~ *locally sourced burgers & sausages + a selection of  
delicious homemade salads* ~



**CHURCH FETE**...at The Manor House...Monday 27 August ...from 2pm  
More details to follow next month



**THE BARFORDS VILLAGE SHOW** .....Saturday 8 September  
in the village hall...the Cake Competition recipe will be in August's issue and  
the Show Schedule will appear in September's

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**PLEASE NOTE** there is NO VILLAGE MARKET in August but we'll be  
back on Saturday 15 September (hopefully) with a new bacon butty and  
bread-stall line-up



**BARFORD GREEN GARDEN CLUB  
NOTES FROM OUR POTTING SHED  
JULY 2018**

**TALKS AND VISITS** Twelve of us went to Fibrex Nurseries on **Saturday June 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Some of us had a light lunch at Alan Rouveure's Gallery on the way. It was a very hot day, but the guided tour of the fantastic National Collection of Pelargoniums was amazing. Over 1000 varieties of colours, patterns and sizes, to see and we learned about the history and methods of breeding. So many types exist and it was a real revelation. There were many polytunnels and also Ferns and Hederas, (ivies). To round off a fascinating afternoon we had tea and home-made cakes. Some of us also came away with a few plants! In one of the tunnels we saw watering...all by hand, no capillary matting as each type requires different amounts, deadheading being most important. A great visit.

On **Sunday July 15<sup>th</sup>** there will be a trip to **Bridewell Gardens**. "Bridewell Gardens are Social and Therapeutic Horticulture (STH) practitioners who use gardening as a familiar hands-on activity to help individuals transform aspects of their lives. It's goal-led and the focus is on overcoming barriers to recovery. We often work alongside other clinical services, such as counselling, psychological therapies and prescribed medication. Clinically-evidenced outcomes for STH include reduction in anxiety, depression and feelings of stress; increased self-esteem; increased attentional capacity and cognition; improved mood and psychological wellbeing; and building a sense of connection, belonging or social inclusion." If any of you saw any Chelsea programmes, Monty Don was talking about depression and how gardening can help. The Mind Trap Garden this year illustrated the problems of mental health. We were originally hoping that they might come to talk to us, but they are fully booked until next year! However, they have several open afternoons for us to visit. They are situated between Charlebury and Witney, at Wilcote. We will not have the gardens to ourselves, but nevertheless it should be very enlightening.

There will be a talk that afternoon and I am just waiting to hear what time. Have a look at their website it is full of interesting things. I have said that

a group of us will go. Please can you let me know if you are interested? Thank you. There is a £4 donation for their charity. We think that it will be a very worthwhile visit. **We should aim to arrive just before 2pm. This is a general open day so there will be other visitors.** We can of course share lifts. Please let Linda or Gunilla know if you intend to come.

On **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July**, Ball Colegrave seeds have their **Open Evening from 4pm until 6pm**. There is always lots to see and masses of colour and movement, with other attractions apart from plants. As it is just down the road it would be a great way to spend a summer evening?

We have organised a visit to **Burmington Grange, Cherington** on **September 1<sup>st</sup>**. This is the Saturday before they are open under the NGS scheme. The owner will provide teas as well as a tour of this garden, planted 15 years ago. We need to be able to give approximate numbers nearer the time. There will be a charge for both. Please put this date in your diary and contact Gunilla nearer the time.

**GARDEN JOBS FOR JULY:** Summer is progressing. . Keep plants looking good by regularly dead-heading, and you'll enjoy a longer display of blooms. Make sure you keep new plants well watered, using grey water where possible, and hoe off weeds, which thrive in the sunshine. Check clematis for signs of clematis wilt; Care for houseplants while on holiday; Water tubs and new plants if dry, but be water-wise; Deadhead bedding plants and repeat-flowering perennials, to ensure continuous flowering. Give the lawn a quick-acting summer feed, especially if not given a spring feed; Harvest apricots, peaches and nectarines if you are lucky enough to have them.. Autumn-flowering bulbs, such as autumn crocuses, Colchicum, Sternbergia, Amaryllis and Nerine, can be planted now. Cutting back plants in baskets followed by feeding can encourage new growth and help revive tired displays. Cut back delphiniums and geraniums after the first flush of flowers to encourage a second flowering period. Feed after cutting them back. Deadhead flower borders regularly to prolong flowering. Disbud and dead-head dahlias if growing for large blooms. Leave roses that produce attractive hips. Divide clumps of bearded iris.



**HAPPY GARDENING! SPADE AND FORK**



**TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB**  
**17<sup>th</sup> July 2018**  
**MENU**

**MAIN COURSE**

Sausage and leek plait and baked  
beans

or

Quiche Lorraine

or

Asparagus, red onion &  
goats cheese quiche

***both quiches served with salad,  
coleslaw and beetroot***

all mains served with  
cheese & potato pie

**DESSERTS**

Triple chocolate eclairs  
or

Mango and passion fruit cheese cake

**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> July.

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



**HUGE THANKS**

to all who supported  
the market and Cuppa Morning  
on Saturday 19th May

**This was a lovely morning and  
we managed to raise a fantastic**

**£550!!**

**for our wonderful Hospice**



**Thank You!**

**to all who supported  
Mariann's Plant Sale  
on 12th May  
we raised a grand total of  
£488.00!!**

**Donations have been sent to  
Katharine House Hospice,  
1st Deddington Guides,  
Shepherds & Bakehouse Charity  
and T-Shirt Dress charity**

**Cathy raised an additional £32 for  
T-Shirts from garden tours**



### **FESTIVAL OF GARDENS BEAUTIFUL LOCAL GARDENS OPEN THROUGHOUT JULY**

Our Festival of Gardens returns this summer with over 30 beautiful gardens open in your area. For more information on the gardens, please visit [www.khh.org.uk/festivalofgardens](http://www.khh.org.uk/festivalofgardens)

1 July: Middleton Cheney (6 gardens open)  
8 July: Adderbury (2 gardens open)  
14 July: Epwell (1 garden open)  
22 July: Bledington (1 garden open)  
22 July: Heyford Park (5 gardens open)

**ARE YOU BRAVE ENOUGH TO TAKE ON THE FIREWALK?** Are you ready for the most inspirational journey you'll ever undertake? On 12 October, you can take a bare foot walk over red-hot embers. No tricks or special effects, just you and the fire! If you'd like to be a part of this once in a lifetime experience, please drop us an email at [getinvolved@khh.org.uk](mailto:getinvolved@khh.org.uk) or call 01295 816 484.

### **COULD YOU BE A BEREAVEMENT VOLUNTEER?**

We're looking for caring people who are interested in training to become volunteer bereavement support workers. Our bereavement service provides support to anyone who has lost someone special to them by offering a trained person to talk to who is outside of the circle of family and close friends. You'll be helping to support bereaved people through a difficult time in their lives.

Our foundation training programme will start in September 2018. For more information, please contact Alison Mares, Volunteer Co-ordinator, on 01295 816 477 or [volunteering@khh.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@khh.org.uk)



### **RUBBISH & RECYCLING COLLECTION DATES** *{always a Thursday}*

5<sup>th</sup> July.....blue 'n' brown

12<sup>th</sup> July.....green

19<sup>th</sup> July.....blue 'n' brown

26<sup>th</sup> July.....green



**FIND OUT WHAT'S  
ON LOCALLY.....**  
keep up to date with  
what is happening in

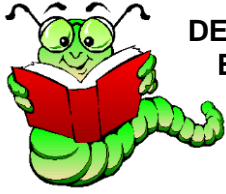
our surrounding villages  
using the links below:

[www.adderbury.org/whats-on](http://www.adderbury.org/whats-on)  
[www.bloxham.info/broadsheet](http://www.bloxham.info/broadsheet)  
[www.deddington.org.uk/news](http://www.deddington.org.uk/news)  
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**DEDDINGTON  
BOOKWORMS  
MONTHLY BOOK  
REVIEW**

This month Deddington Bookworms read **The Monogram Murders** by **Sophie Hannah**. The book divided the group as whilst we all felt it was a good and interesting read that left you wanting to finish it, the fact that it was billed as an Agatha Christie was a little confusing.

It is billed as a new Hercule Poirot mystery and written more in the style of David Suchet's Hercule, rather than Agatha's original character. For me, it was fabulous, and Hercule spoke pure Flemish off every page and Art Deco London shone through at every opportunity. Yes, there were some fussy details and slightly irrelevant facts – but that is Hercule! Mon ami....

Our next book is *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery – and looks a little more challenging.

We will be meeting at Deddington library on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 6.30pm if anyone would like to join us.

**Deddington Library  
01869 338391**

**The BARFORDS'  
VILLAGE SHOW  
Barford Village Hall  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September**

**Entries 9.00-10.30 am**

**Judging 11.00am**

**Viewing & Prize Giving  
2.30 for 3.00pm**

**Entry Forms in September's  
Barford News**

**BARFORD VILLAGE MARKET  
SATURDAY 21ST JULY  
10AM – 12PM**

**IN THE VILLAGE HALL**  
our last before the summer break  
and new management takes over  
{see Mariann's article on Page 3}

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**Joan's Very Affordable Plants**



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

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**Fairtrade items, hand knitted  
woollies and made-to-measure  
items.....and for the birds we  
have seeds, mealworms,  
sunflower hearts**

**Last chance to buy one of  
Angus & Lucy's bacon  
butties/bacon & egg  
butties/breakfast butties**



## HEDGEHOG MATTERS

The new hedgehog using the box in the hedge has moved on. I checked it the day after the huge storm and an explosion of electricity poles right next to the hedge line and box during a lightning strike. Hopefully it moved on before that. At least it wasn't frazzled in the box! It's unfortunate that the poles are right by the best bit of habitat often favoured by hogs. Western Power have been very sensitive in their ongoing work to restore the problem in that spot with as little disruption to the undergrowth as they can and checking underfoot. It's the season to look for mates so hopefully it's out and about and has been successful finding one. We don't know how many other ones are out there apart from the one of the opposite sex that came with it from the Wildlife Hospital. Pale bot hasn't been seen since being usurped from her box.

The weather has been dry for some time and is set to continue. **Please leave a shallow bowl of water out for hedgehogs and other wildlife and top up daily. The more the better. It could be a lifeline.** They can dehydrate if sheltering in hot areas during the daytime and can't find access to water at night. If you know you have a hedgehog visitor, consider leaving meat-based cat food out. It will be helpful during the dry weather when invertebrates will be harder to find.

If you are new to Barford, we have a good hedgehog population in our village and try to work together to help them. If your garden has a fence or wall, the most useful thing you can do is make a 13cm square gap in the bottom of it so that they can come in and out to look for food and increase the chances of finding a mate. Hedgehogs travel up to a mile at night, so the more gardens that are linked and the more links to open countryside, the better. If you look up Hedgehog Street on the internet it will give you many ideas how to do this. Once we have invited them into our gardens there may be many man-made perils for them that can just be avoided if we take a little care. Wildlife hospitals often see the aftermath of many of these things and they are fates that befall many a hedgehog. These are just some of them. The accompanying photos aren't as nice as usual and luckily these aren't Barford hedgehogs.

**Ponds and pools** - Hedgehogs can swim but they can't get out of steep sided ponds and commonly drown. Provide a gradual ramp to escape or half submerged stones or steps.

**Keep netting a foot above the ground**, whether storing it or using it. If hogs become entangled in it, they cannot escape, starve, dehydrate and die.



**Cover drains and holes and provide a ramp out of cattle grids.** The two hedgehogs found down an uncovered drain at Iron down Farm had a lucky escape when Tony Collier found them. **Avoid using pesticides and slug pellets in your garden if possible.** These can harm hedgehogs and also damage their food chain.

**Take care how you store old materials and where you leave it during renovation work or whilst waiting for a tip trip.** Rusty metal, broken glass, or discarded materials such as plaster, filler etc. can be potentially harmful to the hedgehogs that we know to be here, especially if they are on one of the hog's regular routes. Try and keep their regular routes clear of debris.

**Pick up rubber bands if you see them.** Pick up rubber bands if you see them. Hogs can be almost cut in two and suffer horrific injuries when their spines become entangled in these.

This week I went to the launch of the Hedge Ox campaign. This is the initiative of Hugh Warwick who is a national hedgehog expert who lives in Oxfordshire. He plans to do a lot of work in Oxon with communities and farmers etc to help us become a more hedgehog friendly county. More on that another month. Do look up Hedge OX to find out more about it.

As usual if you see a hedgehog it is always good to know via the Barford St Michael Hedgehog Facebook page or please ring 01869 337850. If you haven't seen one and hedgehogs do have access to your garden, then try sitting quietly in your garden after dusk/ dark and just listen. You may be surprised what you hear and see. A glass of your favourite tippie at the same time doesn't go amiss.

**Helen Taylor**

# THE BARFORD SHOW IS FAST APPROACHING

## Saturday 8 September in the village hall



**ATTENTION** all Barfordians.....You need to be taking photos of 'Your Sleeping Pet, a bird, a rose or even a Barford pot-hole!!! If photography isn't your thing why not try your hand at one of the cookery classes, maybe fabulous flapjacks or a cheeky 'homemade' alcoholic beverage....!!

There are many categories for everyone to enter from Childrens' Classes, Flower Arranging, Vegetable & Produce to Cut Flowers and Crafts. To see all of the categories, dig out May's Barford News or email 'The Editor' at [barfordnews@gmail.com](mailto:barfordnews@gmail.com) and I can email the schedule over.



And don't forget to look out for the 'Ladies *VERSUS* Gents' cake recipe in August's Barford News.



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Applications must be received by 14<sup>th</sup> September





## **DEDDINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

It's incredible to think we are in the final weeks of this term already. Recently we had our annual Sport's Day which took place during National School Sport Week. All children took part with enthusiasm and enjoyment.

The School Council organised a final fundraising event for this academic year, which was to raise money for Great Ormond Street Hospital. The whole school voted for an obstacle race and then classes paired up together to take part in it, except for Year 6 who raced on their own. We were able to raise the money by children bringing in £1 or more to take part in the race.

Patronal Festival celebrations took place on 29th June. The whole school had lunch on the playground and then children took part in activities and celebrated through a special assembly during the afternoon.

We would like to thank the PTA for the massive amount of hard work they have been put into raising money for the school again this year; the organisation and running of our school fete recently was fantastic. We all had a most fabulous afternoon.

We would ALL like to say an enormous 'THANK YOU' to Alicia Rumsby and Seb Heffer for their production of 'Guys and Dolls' with our pupils. Every year our children demonstrate massive talent through their exceptional singing, dancing and acting. They truly are incredible, with this being the result of extreme hard work, plus total inspiration and motivation which is created by Alicia and Seb.

Finally, we would like to wish our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck and happiness in the future, as they transfer into the next stage of

education, in their chosen Secondary Schools. We will miss them all hugely.

So, from all of us at Deddington Primary School, we would like to wish you all a warm (hopefully!) and happy summer ahead.

**Denise Welch**

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

#### **Cubs**

Running up to the end of term the Cubs have been finishing their Skills Challenge by learning some useful skills for camp. They have erected some tents, learned to knock wooden pegs into the ground & stuffed sleeping bags. This all came in very handy at the District Camp held at Horley where they had a go at archery, shooting, axe throwing & rope making plus the chance to talk to some re-enactment groups & they all enjoyed the dodgems & many & various inflatables.

Our two Duke of Edinburgh helpers ran an evening of food games & the Cubs made pizza straws & fruit salad. Coming up – Daedas Wood.

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

#### **Scouts**

Scouts have been out, as they should be, they have been for two hikes that they planned for themselves, one to Adderbury & then to Great Tew, nobody was eaten by a bear! They also put up the tents for the District Camp at Horley, this was a combined camp for all sections & a few Scouts came along. They joined in with all the activities at the site & also had the chance to canoe & sail at the reservoir. Next, trips down to Daedas Wood & car maintenance.

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



## Local Big Band joins Upton's Annual Jazz Night

Famous Jazz musician Louis Armstrong once said "There is two kinds of music, the good & the bad. I play the good kind." Well the same can be said of the Great Central Big Band. Local to Upton House we are delighted for them to be headlining our annual jazz concert this year.



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We also have the Cotswold Distillery on hand to showcase some master classes on making the perfect Gin cocktail. Why not bring a picnic, treat yourself to a drink from the bar and relax on the grass on a lovely summer evening?

The gardens will be open from 6pm for picnics and garden strolls so arrive in good time and settle in for a lovely evening. The event runs from 6.30-9pm.

Tickets are £15 for adults or £7.50 for children if booked in advance. When bought on the door adult tickets are £17.5, booking is advisable. There is also a special offer on groups: buy 10 tickets for the price of 9.

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**DEDDINGTON LIBRARY....**Summer is here and we're gearing up for our 2018 Summer Reading Challenge – Mischief Makers!

Get ready for an awesome reading challenge starting on 14<sup>th</sup> July at Deddington library! Eagle eyed children will need to find the mysterious buried treasure in Beantown and become ultimate mischief makers! Dennis, Gnasher and friends will help them solve clues and collect stickers, having lots of fun and adventures along the way! Complete the challenge to get your own wristband, medal and certificate too.



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Challenge is running again this year, with all sorts of fabulous prizes to be won. Look out for the "Oxfordshire Reads" postcards in the library to enter!

Our last Rhyme-time for under 5's and families before the Summer break is on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July, come along and join us at 2.30 for some Summer fun! We will commence again on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September!

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

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

**Stella O'Neill, Library Manager**

**☎ 01869 338 391**

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

Oxfordshire County Council would like to thank our volunteers and all volunteers across Oxfordshire for the difference they make every day!

Volunteering in Oxfordshire is thriving with one voluntary organisation for every 289 people in the county and around 4,500 voluntary and community organisations across Oxfordshire – that's significantly higher than the national average.

Oxfordshire County Council has approximately 3000 volunteers who do an amazing job in their communities - delivering books to people who can't get to libraries, teaching children how to code, organising activities for adults with disabilities, and much, much more!

The council also works with the voluntary sector to deliver local services and support thriving communities across Oxfordshire. This includes funding Oxfordshire Volunteers - a dedicated volunteering website for Oxfordshire.

Councillor Mark Gray, Oxfordshire County Council's Cabinet Member for Local Communities, said: "Volunteering is clearly something that goes to the very core of who we are in Oxfordshire and we should definitely be proud of it and sing it from the rooftops. "The message should go out loud and clear – thank you to Oxfordshire's volunteers, you do us proud." Miriam Chappell from the OCVA (Oxfordshire Community and Voluntary Action) added: "Volunteering is of great benefit to our communities, but what often goes unsaid is the benefit it also has for the individual. Volunteering can be a way to make friends, do something different, and add a fresh routine to your life. "Volunteering offers you the chance to gain new skills – whether you're hoping to improve your confidence, develop an interest, or even change career. The wellbeing benefits of volunteering, from increased self-esteem to improved social connections, cannot be overstated."

There are volunteering opportunities to suit everyone - from volunteering for the National Trust, to whipping up your favourite bakes to sell, to driving people to appointments, to helping teach digital skills at your local library!

Get involved - visit [OxonVolunteers.org](http://OxonVolunteers.org)



**With summer comes BBQs and below I have listed a few tips on safety for all the BARFORD BBQ BUFFS from the RoSPA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents)**

- **When choosing a barbecue, stability is essential - ensure the one you choose is strong and sturdy**
- **Check your barbecue is in good condition (particularly if you have not used it for some time) and look for loose or damaged parts that may need adjustment or repair**
- **Consider the location - level ground, away from fences, sheds and overhanging trees, which have been known to catch fire**
- **Never light a barbecue in an enclosed space**
- **Prepare the barbecue early to ensure it is at the right temperature by the time you want to cook**
- **Particular care should be taken in hot, dry weather to reduce the risk of starting a forest or grass fire**
- **Never pour petrol, meths or other accelerants on to a barbecue. Some of the most serious barbecue-related accidents happen when people do this and the barbecue 'explodes' in their face**
- **Use long-handled tools**
- **Be careful of steam when opening foil parcels**
- **Remember that the metal parts of a barbecue can become hot - don't try to move it until it has cooled down**
- **Don't leave children unsupervised near a barbecue**
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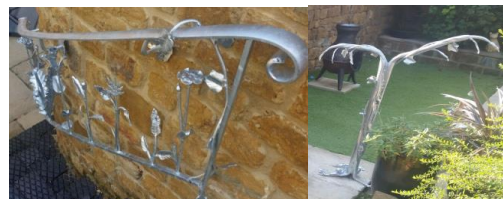
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# VILLAGE AND LOCAL EVENTS DIARY

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

## CHURCH SERVICES

### Church of England JULY

|                  |         |                |     |
|------------------|---------|----------------|-----|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | 10:30am | Holy Communion | BSM |
| 8 <sup>th</sup>  | 09:00am | Holy Communion | BSJ |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> | 10:30am | Family Service | BSM |
|                  | 6:30pm  | Evening Prayer | BSM |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> | 09:00am | Holy Communion | BSM |
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| <b>Mondays</b>       | Beavers (Deddington)<br>Boys Brigade band practice                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Tuesdays</b>      | Guides (Deddington)<br>Carpet bowls – Sept - Mar                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Wednesdays</b>    | Brownies (Windmill - Deddington)<br>Fernhill Club<br>1 <sup>st</sup> week parish council (not August)<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> week W.I. meeting<br>Boys Brigade (Deddington) |
| <b>Thursdays</b>     | Open cuppa mornings<br>Cubs (Deddington)<br>Scouts (Deddington)                                                                                                         |
| <b>Fridays</b>       | Rainbows<br>Whist alternate weeks                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Saturdays</b>     | Village Market 3 <sup>rd</sup> week<br>(except January or August)                                                                                                       |
| <b>3rd Wednesday</b> | Village Hall Management Committee                                                                                                                                       |

## DIARY DATES

### July

|                  |                                      |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Parish Council Meeting               |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Big Barford Breakfast – Village Hall |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Upton House Jazz Night               |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | WI – Mental Health Talk              |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> | Tuesday Lunch Club                   |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> | Ball Colegrove Open Evening          |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | Barford Village Market               |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Duck Race (behind The George)        |

### August – NO MARKET

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| 26 <sup>th</sup> | BBQ         |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> | Church Fete |

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