Barby and Onley Newsletter July/August 2021

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SWEETS WEIGHT OF THE CAKE WATER OR WINE TUG OF WAR COCONUT SHY BEVERACES We also have Asian food, a pizza cart, bouncy slide, amazing raffle prizes and a falconry display at 4.00pm on the village green.

Proceeds to be split between HMP Onley Mental Health Outdoor Gym and Onley Park Residents Community fund (to put on future events)



Wonderful Wild Flower Display in Barby

Parish Council News (Parish Clerk 01788 891184)

Parish Council Meetings – The next meeting of the Barby & Onley Parish Council will take place on **Monday 12th July** at 7.30pm in the **main hall** of Barby Village Hall. We do not usually hold a meeting in August, unless we receive planning applications for which we have to act as consultee. The September meeting has been moved a week forward to **Monday 6th September**, to reduce the gap slightly between July and September. Members of the Parish are welcome to attend the parish council meeting, and the first 20 minutes of the meeting will be open for public participation. If you have a concern which you would like to make the parish councillors aware of, then come along and let them know about it. It may not be possible to provide an answer immediately, but the matter can be put on the agenda for the following meeting.

<u>Councillors</u> - We are very pleased to be able to announce that there is now a full complement of 11 Councillors on the Barby & Onley Parish Council. We welcome Dr Gareth James who was co-opted to fill the vacant seat at the June meeting.

Environment - A couple of years ago, the Parish Council in response to increasing concerns over the plight of our natural environment, and the climate change that we are all experiencing, facilitated a series of meetings to try and make some differences in our own parish.

- We changed all the street lighting to LED lamps which greatly reduced the parish energy bill.
- We introduced a "Borrow a bag" scheme in Barby village shop with the support of Babs and his team.
- We planted some trees both in Barby and Onley from the Woodland Trust.
- Recently we were lucky to be gifted some cherry trees as part of a "Sakura cherry blossom project" where Japanese businesses in Britain fund and supply 6,500 cherry trees annually to various organisations throughout the UK.
- We installed fitness equipment in the play area to encouraging people to exercise outdoors.
- We changed the paper which is used to print this newsletter to recycled paper.
- The beautiful swathes of wildflowers that we can see flowering in Barby were planted to help boost bees and insects and lift everyone's spirits. It is great to hear so many positive comments about these wildflowers that the Parish Council has planted. Glad to see that they are helping to lift spirits and are being enjoyed. We hope that lots of parishioners will consider encouraging bees and insects by leaving wild areas in their gardens and planting wildflowers too.
- We have purchased 20 litter picking kits with pickers, hoops, hi-vis vests and bags to help the local community keep our area litter free. Anyone who wants to borrow any equipment to carry out a litter pick, please contact the Parish Clerk.

<u>Weedkilling</u> - There has also been concern raised about weedkilling of verges near Barby School. This was not carried out on the instruction of the Parish Council, and we are rather concerned that unauthorised weedkilling may have taken place.

The Parish Council do instruct the mowing contractors to spray The Derry and the garden next to the School in April, July and September. The mowing contractors hold spraying licences and public liability cover and use a weedkiller that is licenced for use in public areas. This has taken place for many years; however, dog owners are advised to take care if walking dogs in either of these locations.

Parish Path Warden - Alan Atkinson has kindly agreed to take on the role of Parish Path Warden. If you find a footpath that is difficult to access or find whilst you are out and about in the countryside, please let the Parish Clerk know and she will pass the details on to Mr Atkinson.

Policing - Our local Police Community Support Officer is

PCSO 7065 Craig Egdell, Neighbourhood Policing Team, Daventry Rural Officer,

Northamptonshire Police Tel 101 Ext 343879. Mobile 0755 777 8055 <u>craig.egdell@northants.pnn.police.uk</u> Daventry Police Station, Daventry Rural, NN11 4BS

PCSO Craig Egdell covers the Villages of Althorpe, Ashby St Ledgers, Barby, Braunston, Bringtons, Brockhall, Clay Coton, Coton, Crick, DIRFT, East Haddon, Flore, Guilsborough, Holdenby, Hollowell, Kilsby, Long Buckby, Nobottle, Onley, Ravensthorpe, Stanford-Upon Avon, Teeton, Watford, Welton, West Haddon, Whilton, Winwick and Yelvertoft, which is a huge area, but he is happy to help should you need to contact him.

To report a crime or incident, provide information or for advice, call 101 or visit www.northants.police.uk

In an emergency, when there is a crime in progress or a life at risk, always call **999**.

To contact the Daventry Neighbourhood Team please email:

NeighbourhoodTeamDaventry@northants.pnn.police.uk

You can also provide confidential information should you wish to remain anonymous. These calls can be made to the independent charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit <u>www.crimestoppers-uk.org</u>

Pilates at Barby Village Hall

Two classes every Tuesday 9.30am and 10.30am. Pilates is a gentle but effective exercise strengthening the core muscles to support the spine and joints. It also improves flexibility, posture and balance. Suitable for all ages and abilities. Fully qualified PEA/RSA/Pilates Inst. instructor. Still only £6. For more details phone Mary on 07876 502438

Clubs and Societies

Barby Cricket Club - The winners of the 100 Club in May draw were: N. Weston - £80.00, J. Lester - £50.00 and D. Gardner - £40.00

Barby Church Trust (Charity no 277482) - **"Taps & Toilet 100 Club"**. The June draw took place at The Arnold Arms on Sunday 20th June. The winners were Chris Slassor (No 71) who won £275 and Pat Webb (No 28) who won £80. The next draw will take place on Sunday 18th July.

We are planning to resume the "Breakfast Café" on the 3rd Sunday in every month hopefully starting on September 19th.

Barby Village Hall - It is hoped to start a small community café alongside a "Book and Jigsaw Swap" twice a month from September. The provisional days for this are the first Monday and third Saturday (2.00pm to 4.00pm) every month but watch out for confirmation of this in the September newsletter. For September the proposed days will be Monday 6th and Saturday 18th September.

If you have any books or jigsaws you are willing to donate these can be dropped off at:

7 Rectory Close (Cristine Smith)

- 17 Kilsby Road (Jan Middleton)
- 48 Rugby Road (Helen Johnson)
- 15 Almond Close (Mick Grange)

Barby Short Mat Bowls Club - The club will be running a second weekly session of short mat bowls on Tuesday afternoons between 2.00pm and 4.00pm at Barby Village Hall, starting on Tuesday, July 27th.

We would particularly welcome new players irrespective of their previous experience to come and join us. The cost is £2.00 per session and includes refreshments.

If you are interested and would like to come, please contact one of the following beforehand: -

Mike Leppard, Tel 01788 891091 Mike Harris, Tel 01788 891130 Bill Vasper, Tel 01788 891848 Mick Grange, Tel 01788 891555

WI – Members enjoyed a zoom meeting when Edward Evans spoke about the life of a "Community first responder". This is a voluntary role that relies on donations from the public to survive. We have a members afternoon tea in celebration of the NHS on Monday 5th July. Members are asked to be in the Village Hall for 4.00pm, masks to be worn until seated. There will be a collection box for the NHS. Our annual Boules/BBQ will be held on Tuesday 20th July in the Millennium orchard.

Would you like to know more about the WI? please give Chris a call on 01788 890963.

Evergreen Club – Our next meetings will be **on** Wednesday's 7th and 21st July and 4th and 18th August. 2.00pm to 4.00pm in Barby Village Hall

St Mary's Church - Services – I guess we all knew that really the June 21st deadline was not going to happen and that another month was inevitable, indeed sensible, as more people will be vaccinated come July 19th. It's been devastating news for lots of businesses though and frustrating for everyone wanting to make the most of the summer - which, looking out the window, seems to have come and gone! (As did our gazebo about an hour ago!) Hopefully, we'll have some more sunshine, yet church life is still somewhat hampered by restrictions too. However, both St Mary's in Barby and St Faith's in Kilsby are open each day for anyone to pop-in, to sit in the quiet, to pray, to just escape the hubbub of the world. Sunday services in Church have also resumed at 9.30am in Barby and 11.00am in Kilsby; social distancing and masks are still mandatory, but congregations have taken to singing outside at the end of the service when the weather is fine.

I have had my second jab a couple of weeks ago and so, as we are also past the temperatures of May, pastoral visits could resume. Some folk might not be comfortable about that yet though, so I don't plan just turning up unannounced. If you would like a visit please give me a ring, or drop me a text or email: Technology has been really useful in these lockdown times, but it is so much better to be able to meet up in person.

By the time of publication, Clare Glover will have been Ordained Deacon; at a service in Peterborough Cathedral on June 27th. As an Assistant Curate she will be serving her title at St Peter and St Paul and St Michael and All Angels in Kettering. We will be praying for her as she embarks on this next stage of ministerial training, and she looks to being Ordained Priest in 2022. Despite change and uncertainty, God is at work in the world and in all our lives. *Rev Nigel Fry 07854 810 588* enfrys@gmail.com

Celebrate St. Mary's Day with a Cream Tea on Sunday, August 15th -

Our congregation at St. Mary's Church in Barby is excited to announce the celebration of our new servery on St. Mary's Day with a Cream Tea and Scone Baking Contest. We have waited over one thousand years for a servery in the church with hot and cold water. Thank you to all who contributed to our Taps and Toilets campaign.

Cream Teas will be available from 1:00pm to 3:30pm on Sunday, August 15th. We will have fresh scones with clotted cream and jam along with unlimited tea or coffee for a cost of £5 per person. There will be seating at separate tables in the church and all appropriate Covid rules will be followed.

The Baking Contest - Please bring one dozen (or more) scones as your entry in the scone baking contest at 11:30 am on the morning of the cream tea. A team of "impartial" judges will discover the best scone baker(s) in Barby & Onley. There is no fee to enter the contest but your dozen (or more) scones will become a donation to St. Mary's Church. Certificates will be handed to the bakers and one baker will be announced as the 2021 Barby and Onley Scone Baker of the Year. The decision of the judges will be final. For further information please contact Mrs. Meriel Springer at 07845 575 249.

St Mary's Church Soup & Roll - It is hoped that we can restart Soup & Roll sometime in the Autumn but at present we are short of soup makers!!

If anybody is interested in providing about 5 litres of hot homemade soup usually on the first Saturday of the month, can they please contact Douglas Thompson on 07941 262 178. If necessary, I can transport the soup to the church.

Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust will again be organizing their annual Ride & Stride on Saturday 11th September. If you are interested in taking part or sponsoring someone, give Bart Springer a call on .07894 270 243. More details in the September issue.

Barby Tennis Court – this is located opposite to The Arnold Arms. It can be used by all parishioners (FREE OF CHARGE) to keep fit and active while being out in the fresh air and sometimes sunshine. Playing tennis can improve hand/eye coordination as well as decision making. For details please contact Brian and Eileen Thompson on 01788 890637

Other Notices



Cancelled Garage Sale – 11th July.

Sorry, but it has been decided to cancel this year's Garage Sale. It was felt that we should be cautious about inviting people into our village and gardens/driveways, who could potentially be carriers/spread the Coronavirus. Even though we could ask people to observe social distancing, in reality it's unlikely to happen. For the time being we think it would better to stay safe rather than sorry. We will try to re-arrange when it's safer to do so. *Karen & Chris*

Don't get scammed - A Covid vaccine passport scam email going around that purports to be from the NHS and informs recipients that they can apply for their "Digital Coronavirus Passports". Clicking on the link within the email, takes you to a convincing but fake NHS website that asks for personal and payment details (for an admin fee). Just to reiterate, your vaccination status is obtained FREE through the NHS App, website or by calling the NHS on 119. More information can be found on the gov.uk website;

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/demonstrating-your-covid-19-vaccination-statuswhen-travelling-abroad. Please note that any phishing scams can be reported to SERS (Suspicious Email Reporting Service) at <u>report@phishing.gov.uk</u>

Dance Style Keep Fit.

Over 50s class every Thursday 3.30pm to 4.30pm in Barby Village Hall. £5 per session. Contact Lorraine 01788 890846 for details

Your Current Parish Councillors

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Highway Problems		e.gov.uk/streetdoctor or call 0300 126

Dates for your Diary

July	5 th	WI Afternoon Tea Barby Village Hall 4.00pm	
	7 th	Evergreen Club - Barby Village Hall – 2.00pm	
	12 th	Parish Council Meeting – Barby Village Hall– 7.30pm	
	20 th	Wi Boules & BBQ evening – Millennium Orchard 4.00pm	
	20 th	Term 6 ends Barby Primary and Pre School	
	21 st	Evergreen Club - Barby Village Hall – 2.00pm	
August	4 th	Evergreen Club - Barby Village Hall – 2.00pm	
-	7 th	HMP Onley & Onley Park's Summer Fete 2.00pm	
	15 th	Cream Tea and Scone Baking Contest – St Mary's	
		Church 1.00pm	
	18 th	Evergreen Club - Barby Village Hall – 2.00pm	





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