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NEWSLINK

Keeping you in touch with Barrow cum Denham

Autumn 2015



The Parish Council are grateful for the support of Hopkins Homes and Pigeon Investment Management Ltd for sponsoring this publication.

Welcome to this issue of Newlink, the Barrow cum Denham quarterly newsletter delivered free to every house in the Parish. I would particularly like to welcome those of you new to the Parish and suggest you collect a Welcome Pack from the Post Office, if you have not already done so. The pack contains information on village activities, local businesses, the church and services generally.

In our last issue I used this space to appeal for donations towards a new heating system for the village hall. I am pleased to say that, to date I have raised just over £3000 and I would like to say a huge Thank You to those individuals who made a donation, and brought a new system one step closer. The appeal is still open and should you feel able to make a contribution, could you please send a cheque, made payable to **Barrow Village Hall to 16 Stoney Lane, Barrow, IP29 5DD.** Other fund raising efforts also continue, including our annual **Beer Festival on Saturday 3 October.** There is also the annual **Firework Display on Saturday 7 November** and if I could make a polite request to those who like to watch the display from Ley Road: think about the community, and pay the entrance fee!

Sadly, this edition of Newlink is tinged with sadness, as we report the death of Roy Banks who served the Parish Council with distinction for over 10 years before standing down in April this year. Roy was also heavily involved in setting up the Barrow Good Neighbours scheme, and Community Speedwatch. Our condolences go to his family and friends.

We are always grateful for those, like Roy, who make a significant contribution to the community and our congratulations go to Jean Evans who was awarded the British Empire Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honours list. Jean's award was for services to the West Suffolk Group of Riding for the Disabled and to the community in Barrow, especially her work with the Luncheon Club. This was the second award of the year for Jean, who was the first recipient of the Parish Council's own Community Award. Well done Jean!

Finally, can I remind you that the Parish Council meets on the first Monday of each month (except January and August) at 7.15pm in the Village Hall. We welcome members of the public to our meetings and individuals do have an opportunity to raise matters of community interest before we begin the formal business of the meeting. If you do wish to raise an issue, please contact the Parish Clerk in advance.

Graham Judge
Chairman

Barrow Tennis Club

The Open Day held on the courts on Sunday 5th July proved to be a most enjoyable time for all those involved, despite a rainy start in the morning! Wrist bands and souvenir pens were given to those who participated. It was wonderful that a number of new members were recruited by the club - both individuals and families. There is now a keen group of youngsters using the courts after school in the afternoons.

The courts have been improved and had professional attention which has been managed by careful stewardship and without the need to seek outside funding. The future of the club can however only be ensured by an active and growing membership.

New members are always welcome and joining details are shown below.

Membership fees are low in comparison to many other clubs and the courts are available for use for the whole year.

Fees are as follows: Adult £50, Junior £20, Family £90, Senior citizen/ Student £35.

A key to the courts is issued for a deposit of £5 which is returnable when club membership ceases.

More information can be requested by contacting the club secretary, Joey Winsor, at joey_mike.winsor@hotmail.co.uk or by phone at 01284 787638.

Club sessions for members are held on Wednesdays from 5pm and on Sundays from 10.30am. Further details can be obtained from members at these sessions.



Barrow & Denham Wildlife Conservation Group

- *Do you have any concerns or comments about wildlife in your area?*
- *Do you know of any potential wildlife projects our group could get involved in locally?*

Our group aims to promote wildlife and conservation in accordance with Suffolk Wildlife Trust guidelines, to involve the community and to deal with local wildlife and conservation concerns.

We are developing our new village nature reserve called St Mary's Nature Reserve (adjacent to St Mary's church in Denham Road). We have had 4 successful monthly work parties there, mainly in clearing pathways and party of the pond. We recently held our first educational 'Walk and Talk' there on the subject of spiders and other insects - further talks are planned, so watch this space!

Any suggestions for wildlife projects/ events or any volunteers to help us will be most welcome. Please contact **Derek Woodhead on 01284 811120 or derek.1@virgin.net.**

Newslink

Submissions for the next issue should be emailed to the Parish Clerk by **Monday 30 November.** The Newslink will be delivered week commencing 14 December.

Deadline for the Spring issue is **Monday 29 February** for delivery week commencing 14 March.

Items should be approximately 200 words maximum but editorial rights remain with the Parish Clerk.

Suffolk Police

Our Safer Neighbourhood Team has advised that our dedicated officer for Barrow and Denham is now **PCSO 3232 Ken Ruston.**

You can contact him via email at **kenneth.ruston@suffolk.pnn.police.uk.**

In light of government cuts to policing budgets, a survey is being conducted with University Campus Suffolk as part of evidence based policing approach to ask the public about their opinion on crime and anti-social behaviour, and their experiences with Police. The results from this survey will feed into the Police change programmes in Norfolk and Suffolk. They would be grateful if the public could follow the link below to add their thoughts:

**[www.ucs.ac.uk/
communitysafetysurvey](http://www.ucs.ac.uk/communitysafetysurvey)**



The Safer Neighbourhood Team are seeking members of the public to set up a Neighbourhood Watch group in our area. If you think you have the time to help them with this, please contact Cheryl Peace on 01284 774041 or email her at **cheryl.peace@suffolk.pnn.police.uk.**



Barrow Beer Festival

Autumn is soon to be upon us and with it our desperate wishes for a much needed Indian Summer and the certainty of the Barrow Beer Festival to raise funds for the Barrow Village Hall.

This year's event will be held in the Village Hall on **Saturday 3rd October** from 2pm until well into the evening, with live music courtesy of Molly Maguires band, and Phil will once more offer a lovely hog roast from 3pm. We will be featuring a new line-up of 20 beers and ciders from the region's finest artisan producers, and wine will also be on offer, along with soft drinks. Don't miss out on this annual festival of fun. Drink beer, eat hog, have a dance and make some new friends. It doesn't get better than this!

As in previous years, all proceeds are going to a great cause and if anyone would like to offer their time and support towards the smooth running of the event on the day, please contact either:

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Barrow Scarecrow Festival

26 and 27 September 10.30-4

Raising money for the renovation of the Town Estate Rooms

To include:

- ◆ Teas, craft stalls children's craft and more in the village hall
- ◆ Food & trade stalls, bouncy castle and more on the village green
- ◆ 12+ Garage sales
- ◆ Events at the school
- ◆ 60+ Scarecrows!

Programmes (£3) showing where you can find the scarecrows and sites for garage sales available on the green and near the village car parks.

£50 prize draw entry form with every programme purchase, Look out for special offers and competitions at The Three Horseshoes and try your hand at archery at The Academy on Saturday.

Bucket raffle both days.

Come along and join the fun!



Barrow & District Local History Society

Meets in Barrow Village Hall in the 2nd Tuesday of each month (unless otherwise stated) at 7.30pm. Visitors are always welcome, £2 per meeting. Annual subscriptions are still only £10, due September. All enquiries to Sylvia Greening 01284 810270

13 Oct - Death, Sex and Drugs
(*The Story of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood*)

10 Nov - Mary Tudor
(*The story of Bury's own Queen and how her family influenced England*)

Dec - No meeting in Hall

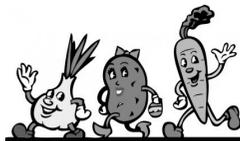
Allotments

There are still plenty of Allotments for rent, especially on the Mill Lane site, and with the addition of a new tap, it will now be much easier to keep your plot in tip top condition!

Rents have not been increased for several seasons and with the addition of a new tap, the Parish Council felt it was time to address this. New fees for the year from October are £25 for a full plot, £15 for half, and a new quarter plot size for £10 is now available, to encourage those not so green-fingered among us to give it a go.

Invoices for existing plots will be issued in the coming weeks and any enquiries regarding taking a new plot on should be made to the Parish Clerk on 01284 810183.

Happy
Growing!



Planning Permission

The Parish Council have recently been asked about the possible need for Planning Permission when an extension or home improvement is planned.

Each case is looked at individually and by referring to the St Edmundsbury website at www.westsuffolk.gov.uk and accessing their Planning section, you will find a link to an interactive house. By hovering over the area of the 'house' you would like information about, you will be able to access the full Planning Regulations to see if your proposed development would require permission. The site will then give details of where to go for further information and the right procedure to follow to move your project forward.

Dog Mess

In previous issues of Newslink we have appealed to dog owners to take a responsible attitude and **PICK UP** their dog's mess.

Sadly, for some people, this appeal has fallen on deaf ears, and the Parish Council receive constant complaints about dog mess on the pavements and footpaths around the village.

So, if you are one of those people who think that leaving dog mess for other people to step on is acceptable. **THINK AGAIN!**

The Parish Council will not hesitate to take enforcement action against those who believe that the rules do not apply to them.

All Saints Church

Teddy Bears, flowers, lunches, make-up demonstrations, dog shows, cake stalls, tombolas, raffles, youth group and graffiti artists!! WOW! Where?

Friendship, laughter and great community spirit are on offer from many of the groups and societies in the village, but nowhere is it more evident than in the congregation of All Saints Church. We try our utmost to welcome you all - old 'Barrowites', and new, the very young, nearly grown up and the senior grown ups - to share with you a Christian way of life. To develop that life together, each learning from the other - we are only human so don't always get it right, but bear with us, and we will keep on trying, that's a promise!

We hope our Sunday services offer something for everyone:

Holy Communion and Family service start at 10.45am

Evensong once a month at 4pm

Do come and join us, we would love to see you!

Reverend Dr Barbara Sherlock
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Barrow & Denham Good Neighbours Scheme

The Scheme provides occasional services, such as lifts to the West Suffolk Hospital, the surgery, post office, hairdresser etc, minor DIY jobs/repairs or help to fill in forms, to people in need in our community.

Please volunteer to help - especially for jobs during the day, or to hold the phone - by contacting us via the Helpline number below.

If you would like assistance, ring the Helpline number and leave a message. The phone holder will get back to you to take details and arrange the assistance. Please allow at least 3 days notice.

Good
Neighbours
Helpline



07 930 328 930