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Keeping you in touch with Barrow cum
Denham

Autumn 2018



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

As we move from Summer into Autumn, the changing seasons also bring a change to our local Church. The Revd Dr Barbara Sherlock, who has been rector for the Barrow Benefice since March 2011, will be retiring very shortly, and moving to pastures new. At her final service on Sunday the 2nd September, presided over by the Suffragan Bishop of Dunwich, The Right Revd Dr Mike Harrison, a very full Church had an opportunity to thank Barbara, and husband David, for their contribution to our community.

The next step will be for the Diocese to declare a 'Vacancy', which cannot happen until Barbara's official retirement date has passed. Once a 'Vacancy' is declared, the process of recruiting a replacement begins. This could take many months, and in the interim, church services will be conducted by visiting clergy.

Still on the topic of changing seasons, in this case sporting ones, Autumn brings the close of the cricket season, and the start of the football season. On the #cricketing front, our Barrow team have had a very successful season, which included an unbeaten tour to the delightful county of Lincolnshire, so well done to them. On the footballing front I am delighted to note that the Barrow Football Club is up and running again, and we wish them every success in their forthcoming fixtures. The fact that we have so much interest in sport within the village only strengthens the Parish Councils desire to improved sporting facilities for all those who want to participate.

The Summer months are generally very quiet on the Parish Council front, and 2018 has been no exception except for the inconvenience caused to many residents by unannounced road closures by BT and Anglia Water. And, while we all want better 'Broadband' we would have expected that the community would have been given adequate notice of road closures. Particularly where these required diversionary routes to be put in place; diversions that were, in some cases, completely inappropriate. Hopefully, this work is now nearing completion, but the Parish Council have been notified of some road closures due to take place during the October half term week. This is in respect of further work in the Symonds Farm area, and part of the planned diversion route will bring traffic through the village. Following a request from the Parish Council, the County Council Highways department have promised that the diversion route will not involve either Burthorpe Green, Sharpes Hill, or Church Road.

Finally, as always, 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, and we welcome members of the public to our meetings. So that individuals and groups have an opportunity to raise matters of community interest before we begin the formal business of the meeting, we have an item 'public forum' on our agenda. If you do wish to raise an issue, it is helpful if you can contact the Parish Clerk in advance, so we can make sure we allocate appropriate time for discussion. However, I recognise that prior notification is not always possible. If you feel there is something we need to be aware of, then come along and have your say.

**Graham Judge,
Chairman
Barrow cum Denham Parish Council**

September 2018: Barrow Book Exchange Out of Use

Ann Kronbergs

Thanks to a generous grant by Hopkins Homes of £450, renovation work on the telephone box at the corner of the car park on Britton's Road is now ready to begin. Barrow Book Exchange will therefore be out of use throughout September.

Last painted in 2011 when the kiosk was bought by the Parish Council from BT for £1 under the Adopt-A-Kiosk scheme, the kiosk was cleaned and paintwork repaired in 2015 when it became a Book Exchange. Lately the red panels and old plastic panes have been in need of a facelift, but renovating K6 telephone boxes is costly and a job for the specialist; materials alone add up to £400 at least.

This particular K6 kiosk is the model commissioned by the Post Office and designed by the architect Sir Giles Gilbert Scott to mark the Silver Jubilee of King George V, first appearing in the streets in 1936; it has played a fascinating part in local and national history.

Those of us involved with the BBE have felt especially proud of the way in which local people have supported, and enjoyed, the Book Exchange in its early years and we hope to attract more interest from all groups in the community, from mothers and toddlers, early readers at the Primary School to all the other bookish people out there who enjoy a bit of thinking time inside this box!

We need volunteers to store books and to help with rubbing down and painting the kiosk in September. Please contact Ann Kronbergs (ann.kronbergs@gmail.com.) if you can spare some time.

Barrow & District Local History Society

The Barrow & District Local History Society meets in Barrow Village hall on the second Tuesday of each month (*unless otherwise stated*) at 7. 30 pm. Visitors welcome £3 per meeting. Annual subscription £10, due in September.

Throughout the year we have extremely interesting speakers on a diverse range of topics, outing/s, August Social and Christmas lunch. We also have a library of books of both historical and local interest available at each meeting for members to borrow.

Programme:

11th Sept. John Clare, a rural poet – Mark Mitchells, followed by AGM.
9th Oct. The Lost Aerodrome of Elmswell – Peter McGee & Graham Mack
13th Nov. St Edmund – King , Martyr, Saint - Ron Murrell
11th Dec. Members' Christmas lunch. *No meeting in hall this month.*
2019;
8th Jan. Not Just Gardens of Remembrance, also other Memorials in Suffolk – Caroline Holmes

Barrow Cricket Club

September is upon us and the cricket season soon draws to a close but what a season we have enjoyed at the Barrow Cricket Club.

In the seven action-packed years of our being, never has a season been so successful and full of fun. In the 13 games played so far this glorious summer Barrow CC have been victorious in 8 and lost in only 4 (one match was abandoned owing to rain and recorded as a draw), including a 100% winning record on our hugely enjoyable Lincolnshire tour way back in June. Whilst retaining all our traditions of inclusive, mixed-ability cricket the team has truly "gelled" into a close-knit band, playing some great, competitive cricket.

As the season sadly comes to an end I would like to thank everyone involved with the club for all their hard work and participation and offer a special debt of gratitude to our sponsors, The Weeping Willow pub and restaurant in

The season will end but soon on Monday evenings in Bury St Edmunds the winter nets will start in November and we can keep the dream alive until next May.

If you are interested to get involved in the Barrow Cricket Club this coming winter and into next season please get in touch and contact either Richard Ford on 02184 811897 or email richard@northstarcreation.com or Ralph Rawlings on 01284 811844 or email ralph.rawlings@btinternet.com.

THE CHURCH

The whole benefice came together at All Saints Church Barrow on Sunday 2nd September for Reverend Barbara's last service before her retirement. The service was led by Bishop Mike, and Annie Throssell was commissioned as Benefice Lay Elder. A presentation was made to Barbara and David of a Holiday Cottage voucher for them to enjoy some time away, and various other gifts. Afterwards, a farewell reception was held at the Town Estate Room, both Barbara and David being most instrumental in its renovation and current usage as a popular village community centre. We wish them a long and happy retirement.

Please continue to support our fundraising events. Sunday 23rd September is our annual gift day, please bring donations to our Harvest service at 10.45am on that day, or send donations to me before that date. Saturday 3rd November is our Church Bazaar at the village hall from 12pm to 3:30pm. Steve Pettitt, Church Treasurer,

Newslink

Submissions for the next issue should be emailed to the Parish Clerk by **Monday 26th November**. The Newslink will be delivered week commencing 10th December. Please remember the maximum word count is **200 words** per article.

COMING UP IN THE TOWN ESTATE ROOM

NEW!!! GAMES AFTERNOON

STARTING MONDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, THEN EVERY 3RD MONDAY
2PM-4PM

PLEASE NOTE, THE DATE IN THE STILE IS INCORRECT

Enjoy an afternoon playing Scrabble, Rummikub, Mahjong or any game you'd like to bring.

£2.00, includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

POP-UP-GALLERY

SATURDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2PM-5PM

SUNDAY 18TH 10AM-4PM

EXHIBITION AND SALE OF LOCAL ARTS
AND CRAFTS
FREE ENTRY
REFRESHMENTS AND RAFFLE

POP-UP-PIZZA

NOW 1ST AND 3RD FRIDAY OF EVERY
MONTH

VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK— 5PM-8PM
TO PRE-ORDER, OR TO BOOK CLINT
FOR AN EVENT—RING 07982427483
Clint donates to the Town Estate
Room every time he visits, so your
continued support is much
appreciated

Village Craft

An informal gathering of "crafters".

Meets every second and fourth Wednesday morning **10:45am to 12:15pm**.

In the newly refurbished **Town Estate rooms**. Bring your knitting, crochet, embroidery, painting or other portable handcraft projects and enjoy the company of other creative amateurs, share your knowledge, your joy and enthusiasm, with likeminded souls.

Cost £3 per person to cover room hire and refreshments.

For further information contact Kirstie Ford: 01284 811897.

West Suffolk Hospital Friends

are looking for more volunteer helpers and have let us know there are some new volunteering roles now available. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Michelle Boor, the Community Volunteers Coordinator, on 01284 713206 (ext. 3206) or by e-mail at michelle.boor@wsh.nhs.uk. Further details will appear in the next issue of Newslink.

Friends of Barrow School Presents: Barrow Autumn Festival

Fun for the whole village!

Zumba, Bouncy Castle, Candyfloss, Scentzy candles, Dee Bee Crafts, Laser Bounce, BBQ, Pizza, Local Art, Face painting and much more

Sunday 23rd September

11am-3pm

Barrow School

BARROW & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

The Barrow Garden Club meet mostly on the second Friday of the month at Barrow Village Hall at 7.30pm. We have a varied line-up of speakers followed by tea and cake and gardening banter.

Come and join Barrow Garden Club, membership is only £10 a year.

If you require any further information please contact Kirstie Ford, 01284 811897. Happy Growing!

Barrow and District WI

The Barrow and District WI meets on the first Tuesday of every month, 7.30 at the Village Hall. The brief delivery of 'WI business' is followed by varied and interesting speakers who keep us amused until tea time. Home made refreshments and a chat complete the evening.

Visitors are welcomed at any of our meetings, with the exception of the January meeting when we will be out for our seasonal meal. If you'd like further information, please ring Angela Christopher on 01284 811127 or June Bunn on 01284 810743.

Carpet Bowls

Every Monday in the Village Hall - 2.15 for a 2.30 start until approx.4.30.

Beginners made welcome, why not come and join us for an enjoyable afternoon. For further information telephone Marilyn 01284 811565 or Carole 01284 810582 or just pop in to see us.

Update on the orchids in Denham by David Holmes

It's official! The small grass triangle at the corner of Brockley Lane and Barrow Road has now been listed by the Suffolk Ecology Department in Ipswich as a 'Roadside Nature Reserve'. Of course, this is because this little triangle with its oak tree is home to a colony of bee orchids in the early summer. It gets better, the experts have now measured this triangle and, at the moment, it is the smallest roadside reserve in Suffolk. The Suffolk Highways Department will now give it special care and attention within its cutting programme. This year we were delighted to spot new common orchids growing opposite the main colony near the entrance to The Denham Estate.

Now on another tack with regards to the beautiful Brockley Lane, it is a pleasant place to cycle, ride or walk your dog. I know that almost all of you take your dog waste bags back to the special bins that the Parish Council provide in the village. Unfortunately some waste bags are left on the verges, hanging in the hedges and even in water courses. They were not left there by the fairies ...

As autumn approaches, let's turn our attention to hedgehogs who roam over a wide area at night. They rejoice in a fence with a broken panel which they will soon find and it helps them extend their range in search of food and friends. If you have been building up garden waste for a bonfire, before burning don't forget to sift through carefully to check that there are no hedgehogs in residence within its leafy domain.

FIREWORK DISPLAY & BONFIRE

Saturday 3rd November 2018

Barrow Playing Field

Gates open at 6:15pm,

Fireworks at 7pm

Barrow Beer Festival 2018

I am sorry to report that as a result of a number of circumstances beyond our control, this year's Barrow Beer Festival has had to be cancelled.

It is certainly not the intention that the beer festival will disappear, and we look forward to staging the event again in all its glory next Autumn.

One of the issues we faced this year was an anticipated shortage of helping hands in the organising of the event and I would like to take this opportunity to invite anyone who thinks they might offer their time and services in the organising and running of next year's festival to please get in touch with either Richard Ford on 02184 811897 or email richard@northstarcreation.com or Mike Bannister 01284 811570 or email mwbannister@btinternet.com

Any offer of help will be gratefully received. Thank you

Barrow & Denham

Good Neighbours Scheme

The Good Neighbours are a group of volunteers who provide occasional services, such as lifts to the West Suffolk Hospital, the surgery, the post office, the hairdresser, and minor DIY jobs/repairs, or help to fill in forms, etc., to people in need in our community.

All these services are free except when a lift is involved, then 40p per mile (present rate) is charged, to cover the driver's costs.

We also hold regular coffee mornings so that both helpers and users can meet for a chat, so if you think you may want to use our service at any point, or would like to meet people who do, you are welcome to come along!

Future dates for the coffee mornings are:

Wed 10th Oct

Wed 28th Nov

Thurs 20th Dec - all at 10.00am in the Old Cowshed

Mon 21st Jan 2019 - 10.00am in the Town Estate Room.

If you think you would like to join the group, especially if you are available to carry out jobs during the day or to hold the group phone, please contact us via the helpline number and one of us will get back to you with more information.

If you'd like our 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 of your need.

Keep this number handy:

Good Neighbours HELPLINE

07930 328930