

Dates for your Diary

Mar

1 Mar Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall
 3 Mar Evergreens, 2.00pm at Barby Village Hall
 4 Mar Barby Cricket Club AGM, 7.30pm at the Sports Pavilion
 9 Mar Barby WI, 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall
 10 Mar Barby Local History Group, 7.45pm at Barby Village Hall
 16 Mar Barby Gardening Club, 7.45pm at Barby Village Hall
 17 Mar Evergreens, 2.00pm at Barby Village Hall
 20 Mar Barby Church Trust Barn Dance, 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall
 29 Mar Village Hall AGM, 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall
 31 Mar Evergreens, 2.00pm at Barby Village Hall

Apr

10 Apr Coffee to be served at St Mary's Church
 23 Apr Bingo Night at Barby Village Hall, details TBA
 24 Apr Barby Twinning Association Progressive Supper, details TBA

May

1-3 May Spring Art Exhibition, daily from 10.00am to 5.00pm at Barby Village Hall
 9 May Quiz Night, 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall
 29 May- Exchange Visit to Vulaines s Seine and Hericy
 1 Jun

Jun

5/6 Jun Weekend event to include sponsored walk around Barby and a BBQ
 27 Jun Barby Church Fete

Your Parish Councillors

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Deadline for the April Newsletter is **Friday 19 March at 6.00 pm**

Send to: Mandy Green, 70 Kilsby Road, Barby, or e-mail: MMNL@GREEN70.CO.UK

Barby & Onley Village News

March 2010

The Pancake Flip and Run! Kindly sponsored by the Arnold Arms



Results:

**The most flips, at a staggering 550,
went to Nathan Green**

**The winner of the best pancake to return
to the Arnold Arms was Ann Maiden**

**Well done to all those who took part
and thanks to the Arnold Arms!**

Parish Council News

The next meeting of Barby Parish Council will be held on **Monday 1 March** at 7.30pm in Barby Village Hall. All members of the public are welcome to attend. The first 20 minutes will be open for public participation.

Website - Barby and Onley Parish Council are pleased to remind you that the Parish has a website. To have a look please go to www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk.

Important - New Email Address – please note that the Editor, Mandy Green, has a new email address: MMNL@GREEN70.PLUS.COM.

Parking – a polite reminder to residents that when parking your car on the pavement, please leave room for walkers to pass by without having to tread on grassy verges.

Overhanging Branches - please can residents have a look at their shrubs and trees that overhang the pavement, and make sure that they are trimmed back so that passers by do not get wet or pricked as they pass. Thanks.

Barby Townlands Charity Allotments – renewal forms have been sent out and should be returned to Sally Robbins by 28 February by current allotment holders. If you are keen to take on an allotment, please contact Sally on 890202.

Grants from Barby Townlands Charity – Barby Townlands Charity will meet to distribute grants to village organisations on 17 March. Any organisation wishing to apply for a grant should write to the Secretary, Catherine Camp, Hopthorne Cottage, 16 Kilsby Road, Barby **before 12 March**. Please state what you require a grant for, how much it will cost and whether you have been able to raise any other money towards it. Thanks.

News from our Councillors

Over the last few weeks, attention at the District Council has concentrated upon Planning issues, in particular the proposed invasion of the open countryside by applications for housing development.

Our ward of Barby and Kilsby stands next to the county boundary between Warwickshire and Northamptonshire. This is also the regional boundary between West Midlands and East Midlands. There is little or no communication between the two, with the result that there is a pincer movement of housing and industrial development on either side of our villages, pushed by Central Government.

Figures given to me by Daventry District Council indicate that the total number of new houses and flats to be built in the District is 28,378 between now and 2026, covering an area of Daventry and over 70 villages. Yet because we are adjacent to Warwickshire, over 17,000 new houses and flats are scheduled to be built surrounding our five villages, threatening the future of our rural environment for ever.

Several extensions of DIRFT are proposed within Warwickshire, along with 6,200 houses on the old radio mast site. At the same time, over 11,000 houses are proposed to be built outside Daventry, most on our side of the town, up to the Grand Union Canal.

If this is allowed to go forward, our villages will become suburbs, like Bilton and Hillmorton. Yet these decisions have been taken out of the hands of your local District Council, and put in the hands of unelected members of the West Northamptonshire Development Corporation; once again by Central Government.

I pledge that I will fight for our rights to remain rural communities, with protection for our village boundaries against invasive development.

Councillor Brian Lomax OBE,

Tel: 01788 890939, e-mail: blomax@daventrydc.gov.uk

New Age Curling - Held in the Village Hall on Tuesdays at 2.00pm, cost £1.50, which includes tea and biscuits. All equipment provided. All are welcome.

Barby's Mums and Tots Group

We meet in Barby Village Hall on a Wednesday morning from 9.30-11.30am. The cost is £1.50 and includes a drink and biscuit!

Barby Pre-School

Barby Pre-School runs in the village hall on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9.15-11.45am and Thursday afternoon from 12.30-3.00pm. Contact Philippa Price on 01327 703214 or by e-mail: info@barbypreschool.co.uk

FOCUS Tae Kwon Do

Classes held in Barby Village Hall every **Thursday 6.15-7.15pm**. Open to all ages from 4 years upwards. First session free. Call Adrian on 07808 295020 for more info.

Puppy & Dog Training Classes

Following the Kennel Club Good Citizen Dog Scheme - Puppy Foundation, Bronze, Silver & Gold. Held from 6.00pm on a Tuesday evening at Barby Village Hall. Please contact Avril on 01327 700018 for more information.

Forthcoming Events

SOS Appeal - Saturday 10 April - Coffee to be served in the Church, all are invited.

Spring Art Exhibition 1-3 May - Rugby & District Art Society invite all art lovers to their Spring Exhibition at Barby Village Hall, open daily from 10am to 5pm, with a coffee morning viewing at 10am on 1 May. For more info, contact David Judd 07854 863789.

SOS Appeal - Weekend Event

We are planning a weekend event on **5 and 6 June** to include a sponsored walk around Barby and a BBQ. So keep that date free for an exciting time on your doorstep.

Barby Church Fete - Sunday 27 June - mark the date in your diary now!

If you would like to be involved, on the day with a stall, or in the preparations beforehand, please contact Sarah Park on 01788 891874.

Miscellaneous

The Royal British Legion

The Braunston branch, which includes Barby, is seeking new members. Any ex-service man or woman is eligible. Whether long service, national service or hostilities only, you will be made very welcome. Contact Don Livesey on 890394 for further information.

Message from Barby Friends of Cancer Research UK

Dear friends of Barby and surrounding areas,
Members of the above Group would like you all to know how much, over the past 30 years, we have valued your support and help in raising the princely sum of £278,136 for the above organisation and Imperial Cancer Research Fund.
We feel the time has now come to discontinue the official Group but to continue our support on a more informal basis. Pop-ins will continue at 41 Brackendale Drive and a link will be kept with our Local Representative for Cancer Research UK.
Thank you Barby and all concerned for a superb effort.

Muriel and Peter Farley and the Committee

Apologies to those who did not receive their newsletter last month. Normal service should be resumed this month.

Barby Cricket Club

100 Club Winners for January are as follows:-

£70.00 P Beagley

£50.00 P Turrell

£40.00 T Peach

Remember there are still spaces available if you know of anyone who would like to join.

Indoor Nets

Seniors: Sundays from 3.00-5.00pm at **Harris School Sports Centre, Mellish Road,**

Rugby until **28 March.** £3.00 per session, £1.50 for students.

Under 13's: 21 March until **18 April** at **Harris School Sports Centre** from 2.00-3.00pm.

£1.00 per session.

Barby Cricket Club AGM

To be held on **4 March** at the Sports Pavilion, commencing at **7.30pm.**

Barby Twinning Association

Forthcoming Events:-

24 April - Progressive Supper. Great annual event. Numbers will be limited, so make a note now!

29 May to 1 June - Exchange Visit to Vulaines s Seine and Hericy. Coach travel proposed subject to numbers. If interested let Sue Busfield 890520, or Brian Thompson 890637, know asap please.

Midsummer Madness - Boules competition versus Kilsby. Get into practice NOW!

Details to follow.

Barby Gardening Club

Our next meeting will be on **16 March** at **7.45pm** when Derrick Ford will give a talk on "Vegetables for Eating and Showing". We might pick up some tips ready for the Show in September. There will be the usual raffle and tea, coffee and biscuits.

Non-members and visitors are always welcome.

Reading, Reading, Reading

Barby Reading Group has been meeting for 6 years on a monthly basis. A number of members have left the village, so we are now open to welcome new readers to join us.

If you enjoy reading and welcome the opportunity to share your ideas/views on the current book with other readers, then our Group may be just what you are looking for.

Obviously, most months we all read the same book, otherwise there would be little worthwhile interaction. We don't all enjoy the same reading matter but that is what makes the evening so enjoyable and interesting.

If you are interested and would like to know more, please contact Frances on 890971.

PS: we are not some high brow intellectual group, but we do want READERS.

Evergreens

Meetings this month are on **3, 17 and 31 March** from 2.00-4.00pm in Barby Village Hall. All enquiries to Jan 891968 or Gill 891091.

Table Tennis

Junior table tennis is held on a Monday night from 6.30-7.30pm, and all children from the age of 7 are welcome. For further info, contact Sandy Tocher on 07800 922920.

Shuttle Cock Bashing - Every Wednesday we meet in Barby Village Hall from 8.00-10.00pm. If you would like a game come along and join us.

Pilates

New Pilates class starting for Beginners to Intermediate in Barby Village Hall from **Tuesday 5 January 2010 at 10.30am** and each Tuesday thereafter. £4 per session - qualified instructor. For further details telephone 01788 890614.

SOS Appeal

St Mary's is Barby's Church. She is here to support the whole village. Not just on high days and holidays but also throughout all life experiences and now she needs your support to help her with her own ageing process.

The SOS Appeal Team would like to thank all who have sent generous donations via the Church, Village Store and The Arnold Arms, or adopting a stone to aid this appeal for vital renovation work to be carried out to stop further deterioration of St Mary's. Although we have been very pleased with the initial enthusiasm in this project there is still a long way to go to get the hundred thousand pounds needed.

Adoption certificates have been posted out to all concerned and the record is available to be seen in St. Mary's. Further adoptions are still available: this is a perfect way to celebrate or mark any occasion. Forms and further details can be found on

www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk.

Village Hall News

The Village Hall AGM is planned for **29 March 2010** at the Village Hall, commencing at **7.30pm**. The AGM is open to the villagers for the election of a Committee for the Village Hall, and an opportunity to air any problems.

News from Barby CE Primary School

We are pleased to report that all the building work has now been completed. So that everyone has an opportunity to see the results, we will be announcing the date of our Open Day shortly. Everybody is welcome to attend. Do come along and see our new modern school.

Unfortunately, on the evening of 18 February 2010 (during half term), a window was broken at School and some paint thrown at the building. Incriminating CCTV footage has been collected and handed over to the police. Meanwhile, we would greatly appreciate the help of everyone in the village in keeping an eye on the School and reporting anything suspicious seen on site. We would also like to remind people that being on School premises after hours without a valid reason is a criminal offence.

We still have vacancies in most year groups, so if you know of anyone who is looking for a small, friendly rural primary school for their children, please ask them to get in touch or to visit the School at any time (no appointment necessary).

Clubs & Societies Events & News

Barby Women's Institute

Anyone walking past the Village Hall during our February meeting could be forgiven for thinking they could hear 'angels' singing. Our speaker 'songstress' Natasha Thompson had us singing beautiful harmonies – next step 'The X Factor'.

The skittles team is doing very well and we wish them success in their remaining matches – do remember if you are in the Arnold Arms on a games night, cheer them on. At our next meeting on **Tuesday 9 March**, Mr Michael Boyce will tell us about one of the highlight Northamptonshire tourist spots 'Rockingham Castle' and the Watson family. Anyone wanting to know more about WI, contact Margaret on 890110 or Chris on 890963.

Barby Local History Group

Barby History Group next meets on **Wednesday 10 March** at 7.45pm in the Village Hall for our AGM. Members, do please try and attend.



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What's on at the Arnold

Fri 5 March – Jam Session 8.30pm
Bring your instrument along and join in!

Sun 7 March from midday – Phoenix
Cards will be showing a selection of
cards and stationery

Sat 13 March – from 8.30pm
celebrate St Patrick's Day with live
Irish folk music from Paul & Glen Elliott

Sun 14 March – Mother's Day Carvery
Early booking recommended

Fri 26 March – Wine Tasting
Hosted by
Vicompt Bernard De Romanay:
fine wines available to sample and order
to adorn your wine rack

Sun 28 March
General Knowledge Quiz from 8.00pm
Don't forget the Music Quiz every
Thursday from 9.00pm

NOTE!! Change of Dates

Bingo Night
Barby Village Hall
Friday 23 April
Details TBA
Further details from
Jan on 891968

Village Hall Quiz Night
Barby Village Hall
at 7.30pm
Sunday 9 May
Further details from
Gill on 891091

Barby Church Trust Barn Dance

Saturday 20 March
7.30pm at
Barby Village Hall

Dancing to
Jam and Crumpets!

Bar and
Ploughman's Supper

Tickets **£9.00** available from:
Ros on 890777
Helen on 891483

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