

Dates for your Diary

Jan

4 Jan Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall
 6 Jan Evergreens, 2.00pm at Barby Village Hall
 12 Jan Barby WI, 7.30pm at Barby Village Hall
 13 Jan Barby Local History Group, 7.45pm at Barby Village Hall
 20 Jan Evergreens, 2.00pm at Barby Village Hall
 24 Jan Barby Twinning Association Pre Lunch Drinks, 11.30am at Barby Village Hall

Feb

27 Feb Barby Twinning Association Pudding Evening, details TBA

Apr

24 Apr Barby Twinning Association Progressive Supper, details TBA

Your Parish Councillors

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Deadline for the February Newsletter is **Friday 22 January at 6.00 pm**
Send to: Mandy Green, 70 Kilsby Road, Barby, **or e-mail:** mmn170@tiscali.co.uk

Barby & Onley Village News

January 2010

Happy New Year!



*Barby & Onley Parish Council
would like to wish you
peace and happiness for 2010*

Parish Council News

The next meeting of Barby Parish Council will be held on **Monday 4 January** at 7.30pm in Barby Village Hall. All members of the public are welcome to attend, and the first 20 minutes of the meeting will be for public participation so that if you have an issue you wish to raise you can bring it to the attention of the Council. Minutes of the Parish Council Meetings can be found at <http://www.barbyandonleyparishcouncil.co.uk>.

Recycle your "real" Christmas Tree - the Parish Council hope that you had a lovely time over Christmas. If you would like the District Council to collect your "real" Christmas tree, please leave it behind the gate to the left of the Tennis Court in Barby, or by the Notice Board on Onley Park Estate, and they will be collected on **Friday 8 January**. – no artificial trees please as they don't make very good compost!

Street Lights – the Parish Council have just completed a huge project to replace 25+ year old concrete street light columns which had reached the end of their lives at Onley. 22 Street lights have been replaced with metal columns. By doing them in bulk, we have been able to negotiate a more favourable price for the work. If a street light near you is not working properly, please report it to the Parish Clerk, tel 01788 891184, who will pass it on to EONs maintenance team.

Dogs - please remember to clean up after your dog. NO DOGS allowed in the Childrens Play Area..

Windfarms - the Parish Council have recently been consulted on planning applications for Windfarms in the area. Construction of a Windfarm comprising 8 wind turbines up to 125m high at land adjacent to Gleave Farm, Hillmorton Lane, Yelvertoft, has been refused by Daventry District Council as they think it will affect the amenity and alter the surroundings around Stamford Hall.

DA/2009/0731 Construction of a Windfarm, comprising 8 wind turbine generators up to 125m high at Lilborne Fields Farm and Lilbourne Lodge Farm, Yelvertoft Rd, Lilborne, is currently being processed by Daventry District Council, who have yet to make a decision.

Parking in Church Walk - the Parish Council ask that Church Walk should only be used for parking by residents who live in Church Walk and their visitors. Church Walk is a private road, and the police will be asked to move vehicles that do not belong to residents that are being parked there.

Football Coaching Sessions and Camp - Barby Parish Council and Barby Townlands Charity have each agreed to fund £375 towards a Football Camp. Daventry District Council Sports Coordinator is going to run taster sessions in Welton, Barby and Kilsby Primary Schools leading up to a Football camp in the Spring. Keep an eye out for notices of when this will take place.

Any parents keen to help run a Junior Football Team would be welcomed. Contact the Clerk on 01788 891184 if you think you might be able to help out.

National Litter Pick - Barby is going to participate in the National Litter Pick in April 2010, and would ask as many people as possible to turn out in April and help tidy up our village. Bin Liners and gloves will be provided.

Parish Council Budget - the Parish Council Budget has been set for the year 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2011. It was agreed that Barby & Onley Parish Council will precept upon Daventry District Council in the sum of £37,532, to be paid in two instalments in April and September 2010. This represents an increase year on year of + 1.8%.

WI Commemorative Oak Tree

The WI have a Oak Tree sapling that will be planted on Ware Orchard, for the next generation to enjoy. It will be protected with a metal tree guard, but please keep an eye on it, and let the Clerk know if anything happens to it. Thanks.

1st Barby Beavers

There are presently spaces available at 1st Barby Beavers for boys aged 6 or 7. Or alternatively get your 4/5 yr olds on the waiting list!! Contact Gareth on 01788 891779 for more details.

1st Barby Brownie Pack

We welcome all girls ages 7 to 11 years. Lots of fun and interesting activities. For more info, please ring Karen on 891299.

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.

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

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!

FOCUS Tae Kwon Do

Classes held in Barby Village Hall every **Thursday 6.15-7.15pm**. Open to all ages from 4 years upwards. Children and adults welcome.

Why not come and give us a try - your first session is free. For more information please phone Adrian on 07808 295020. Spectators are most welcome.

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.

Miscellaneous

Thank You

Thanks to the residents of Holme Way and Rectory Close for donating £62.90 to the Poppy collection.

Charity work in Nepal – David Busfield

In the November newsletter I asked if you had any old mobile phones that I could re-cycle to help raise money for my trip to Nepal next summer. I would like to thank those people who passed on their old phones. Some people will have been lucky enough to get a new mobile phone for Christmas and will therefore have their old phone that I could re-cycle.

Just to refresh your memory on what I'm doing - my name is David Busfield and I am 17 years old. I am planning a 4 week trip to Nepal where I will be doing a 2 week period of charity work and a 2 week hike in the Himalayas. The trip is organised by an organisation called World Challenge and I am going as part of a group from Lawrence Sheriff School in Rugby. Previous groups have spent their charity efforts painting school rooms, digging ditches or similar work to help the local people. One of the ways I have been making money to meet my £4,000 target is the recycling of old mobile phones. If you find you have an old, unwanted phone please drop it into Barby Village Shop and I will recycle it. If you have any questions please email me at davbussy@hotmail.com. I would be very grateful if you can help me to achieve my goal in going to Nepal.

Barby Women's Institute

At the December meeting we celebrated Christmas with our party that included entertainment by several members and finished with carols accompanied by a keyboard played by Jean.

A copy of the programme for 2010 is on display on the Village Hall notice board. Why not make a resolution to come along to a meeting that would interest you. We have many social outings including theatre trips and meals out.

At the January meeting on **Tuesday 12 January**, Barby's very own Amy Barber will talk of 'Life & Laughter'. Later in January members are having their New Year meal and this year we are going to the Arnold Arms.

If you want to know more about the WI ring Margaret on 890110 or Chris on 890963.

Barby Cricket Club

100 Club Winners for November are as follows:-

£70.00 G Leppard
£50.00 R Westley
£40.00 J Middleton

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

Evergreens

Meetings this month are on **6 and 20 January** at 2.00pm in Barby Village Hall.

New members wanted - make your New Resolution to join the Evergreens. All enquiries to Jan 891968 or Gill 891091.

New Age Curling - Held in the Village Hall on Tuesdays at 2.00pm, cost £1.50, which includes tea and biscuits. All equipment provided. This new sport is open to persons of all ages and is a sport in which disabled persons can take part. All are welcome.

Table Tennis

Just a reminder that junior table tennis is held on a Monday night from 6.30 to 7.30pm, and all children from the age of 7 are welcome. Please come along and join us, and help increase our numbers. For further info, contact Sandy Tocher on 07800 922920.

Barby Twinning Association

Coming Events:-

24 January from 11.30am to 12.30pm - pre lunch drinks in Village Hall, for anyone interested in the Twinning Association.

27 February - Pudding Evening. A selection of puddings to try, tickets £4.00 each.

Details to follow.

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.

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. Excellent for stretching tight muscles, improving core strength, relieving back problems resulting in general relaxation and well being. £4 per session - qualified instructor.

For further details telephone 01788 890614.

News from our Councillors

As I write, we have recently returned from the trip of a lifetime in Antarctica, an amazing experience which will stay with us as long as we live. We saw two blue whales, the largest creatures on earth (about 200 tons each), of whom only about 1000 are left. We spent an hour in the ship watching a pack of about 50 killer whales, leaping and swimming around us, and saw countless seabirds and penguins of many varieties. They all looked happy, but their numbers are in decline.

We also saw literally millions of icebergs, large and small, floating in the sea. Just a few years ago, these were part of the solid pack-ice, which is melting daily. There were only a few short periods when the temperature dropped below zero during the daytime.

There will be very few trips to Antarctica by sea in the future, because the floating ice presents too many dangers to shipping.

The message is, to anyone who doubts that global warming is a reality – THERE IS NO DOUBT! The world leaders in Copenhagen owe it to us all and to every future generation to make a deal and stick to it. We watch the coal-fired power stations and foundries of China guzzling out carbon emissions, or the profligate use of cheap oil by the Americans. It is as if there was no tomorrow; and if they and rest of the world do not change these habits, there will be no tomorrow.

Bringing it all back home, we as individuals and communities all bear an equal responsibility to reduce our use of fossil fuels and generated power. Yes, we must protect our rural areas from urbanization and overdevelopment, but there are many places where windfarms and solar panels would not be a scar on the landscape. There are so many ways we could reduce our petrol consumption – observing optimum speeds, 'walking buses' to school, more car-sharing and use of public transport, to name but four.

We are glad to be back home and getting on with our work as Councillors, which will be enriched by our experience in Antarctica. Never hesitate to contact us over any matter of concern. And our warmest wishes to you all for the festive season.

Councillor Brian Lomax OBE,

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

News from Barby Primary School

Refurbishment work at the School is now drawing to a close and it should be fully completed by mid-January 2010. We are all very pleased with how good the school is now looking and there will be a grand re-opening late January/early February to which everyone is invited.

We are always looking for volunteers to help in School; if anyone would like to come and listen to readers, help with sewing, offer to start a club, or come in and talk about their job or hobbies, for example, please contact the School. We are keen to build new relationships with all members of the community and would really like everyone to get involved.

Merry Christmas to everyone from Barby CE Primary School!

Clubs & Societies Events & News

Barby Local History Group

Barby History Group will hold their first meeting of 2010 on **Wednesday 13 January** at 7.45pm. Our speaker will talk on the 'History of Northampton Newspapers'.

All visitors are welcome.

SOS!!!

BARBY CHURCH NEEDS YOU!!!

- We have to raise nearly £100,000 to do urgent repairs to the stonework of St Mary's Church, Barby's oldest and most beautiful building dating from 891 AD
- St Mary's PCC and Barby Church Trust have together pledged £40,000 (£20,000 each) to kick-start the appeal. A further £60,000 needs to be raised, or pledged, during the next few months to enable this vital work to begin (before the costs rise even further)
- The St Mary's "SOS" Appeal will be formally launched at the Christmas Eve Family Carol Service at 4.00pm, and the collection on that day will all be given to the Appeal Fund
- If you feel you could help co-ordinate the Appeal, please ring Robin Richter on 891023
- Let us all work together and give St Mary's its much needed 'facelift.'

Together we can do it – **THANK YOU!**

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What's on at The Arnold in January
Tel: 01788 891403

Friday 8 January – Jam Session at 8.30pm
Bring your instrument along and join in!

Monday 25 January – Burns Night Celebration
Keep your eye out for further details

Saturday 30 January – 9.00pm 'til late
Live music from The Draw – classic rock and pop covers

Ladies Evening for Valentine Presents to be arranged
Watch out ladies!

Just a reminder, Quiz Night is still held every Thursday, and the Sunday night General Knowledge Quiz will be starting again in the New Year