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Celebrate Christmas in Barrowby

*Meet Santa at Santa's Grotto
Barrowby Family Christmas Party
Saturday 15th December 1-4 pm
Memorial Hall*

Bring the children along to the Memorial Hall for our village Christmas event. Complete with Santa's Grotto, tree decoration painting, cake decorating, refreshments, tombola and much more...



£5 per child which includes a present from Santa and their crafted items. Look out for posters around the village for full details or call Emma Roberts on 07709450820.

Barrowby Christmas Tree Festival Friday 14th – 16th December at All Saints Church

Friday 14th 7.30pm: Carols, Hand Bells and Christmas Music Preview Evening, food and wine will be served. Tickets £7.50. To reserve a ticket call Grantham 561919.

Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th: 12- 4pm Tombola, hot chestnuts, homemade sweet stall, cake stall, teas and cakes, Victorian Christmas theme. Entertainment on both days. Free entry.

Enjoy the Church Bells over Christmas and the New Year

The church bells are normally rung for half an hour before the main weekly Sunday Service, but over Christmas you will hear them at different times! On the Sunday before Christmas they will ring for the 6.00pm service; on Christmas Eve they will be rung for the midnight service which starts at 11.30pm, and again on Christmas Day for the 10.30am service. The New Year is rung in, starting with the bells half muffled at 11.30pm and continuing unmuffled from midnight for 15 minutes after tolling the tenor bell (the heaviest at half a ton) for 12 blows. No drinking for the bell ringers on New Year's Eve then! If anyone wants to see what is going on, just turn up (before the ringing starts) and ask if you can watch. Better still, go to one of the practices which are every Wednesday at 7.30pm and learn for yourself how it's done!



A very Happy Christmas from the Barrowby Newsletter Editorial Committee

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Parish Council News

Barrowby PC held another open morning on Saturday November 17th. The idea of the open morning is to give an opportunity for residents of the village to share their views and concerns with the Parish Councillors, as well as being given information on the role of the council and some of the current issues in the village.

One area for discussion raised by many of the attendees was the proposal to install a knee-rail around the village green to potentially act as a deterrent to vehicular trespass. The majority of the attendees could see the reason for the proposal but were not sure that it was required – these views will be reflected when the Parish Council next meets to discuss the rail. Also on the discussion list was parking in the village with one or two interesting ideas put forward for the PC to consider. Overall the sentiment was that anti-social behaviour issues had diminished recently and that the efforts to keep the village tidy and the work and effort spent on the flower beds and grassed areas was much appreciated. The PC will hold another open morning in early 2013.

Richard Cross, Chair

The Tree Planting: A Community comes together to create a Living Legacy for Barrowby

All ages turned out in force on a cold grey day to plant over one hundred trees in Barrowby as part of the Woodland Trust's Jubilee Woods project. Donations in aid of the village newsletter were invited with participants receiving a documented and numbered tree for posterity. Trees were sponsored for loved ones, for brand new great-grandchildren and for entire families. The location of each tree will be mapped, placed on the Barrowby web site and a printed record will be held in the Parish Council archive.

Children from Barrowby School will be involved in planting the remainder of the trees - a range of birch, cherry, hazel and rowan - which will provide cover around the Low Field in the village.

Thank you to everyone who participated and those who helped on the day.

Interested in the environment of the village? See page 3 for a new group that is being set up.



The Cakehole

Barrowby Store, Deli and Café

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Build your own or select from our fabulous range of pre-filled luxurious Christmas hampers starting from around £10 or browse through our wonderful array of gift ideas for the home and the 'foodie' in your life.

Orders taken for Christmas collection

Local produce, cheese, Scrimshaws' pork pies, meats, pâté, fresh baked bread daily from the Hambleton Bakery, cakes and other treats from the deli can be ordered for Christmas collection. Forms available in store or from our website.

Seasonal specials now on the café menu

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Spotlight on...Barrowby Scouts

Barrowby Scouts have been busy recently, visiting the local Community Radio Station Gravity FM, (*photo on right*) with each having a go on the mike. Plenty of questions were asked and a good evening was had by all. They also recorded material which will be played soon on the Station. Listen out for them promoting the Scout Christmas Stamps for 2012. They have also been collecting for the Rotary shoebox appeal and earlier in the autumn went on a big litter-pick around the village. (*Photo below right*).

Use the Scout Post: where you can buy your Scout stamps locally

G Skinner & Sons Butchers, Barrowby.
Barrowbygate Pharmacy, 176 Winchester Road.

There will be collection boxes there as well. The Scouts deliver throughout the NG31 areas of Grantham and Barrowby, Harlaxton, Normanton, Caythorpe, Carlton Scroop, Ancaster, Colsterworth and Bottesford.

Stamps cost 20 pence for a letter and 40 pence for a large letter or calendar. There will be three collections: 6th 13th and 20th December 2012 with guaranteed delivery by Christmas Eve. "Please support your local Scouts", says Sara Mathieson of Barrowby Scouts.

The Scouts meet every Wednesday from 7.30 to 8.45 at the Scout Hut and are always delighted to have new members.

Thanks to Sara. Let us know about your group so we can spotlight what you do in the village. E-mail us at news@barrowby.org.uk

Conservation/environment group:

Are you interested in any areas of conservation or interested in our environment? We are seeking like-minded people in the village who would like to get involved in a group possibly with bees, walks, looking at birds, trees, insects etc, hedgehogs – possibly placing a GPS on one and tracking it, planting selective plants to support our insects and bees etc. Ring Brian on 561617 with your interest or ideas so we can meet as a group.



Deadlines for next Publication

Jan Issue: 10 December 2012

Feb Issue: 14 Jan 2013

Contact us at news@barrowby.org.uk

Dates for Your Diary

December 2: Pub Quiz, The White Swan
December 5: Parish Council
December 13: Folk at The Swan
December 14: - Barrowby Christmas Tree -
December 16: Festival at the Church
December 15: Family Christmas Party, Memorial Hall
December 16: Carol Singing at Christmas and Prize Draw, The White Swan
December 23: Disco and Karaoke with Perioke, The White Swan
December 28: Ceilidh

All Saints' Church Barrowby November Services

Sunday December 2nd

8.00am Holy Communion
9.00am Prayer for Healing.
9.30am Morning Prayer and Sunday Clubs

Sunday December 9th

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.45am Holy Communion and Sunday Clubs

Sunday December 16th

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Families Carol Service

Sunday December 23rd

8.00am Morning Prayer
6 p.m. Traditional Carol Service

Christmas Eve

10.30am Children's Christmas Party
11.30pm Holy Communion (Midnight Service)

Christmas Day

10.30am Christmas Day Service

Sunday December 30th

9.30am Quiet, Meditational Service

For more information, or if you need a lift to any service, just ask.

Rev Peter Hopkins 01476 565737

An Appeal to Dog Walkers who use Low Field

Living in Barrowby has many benefits. We are very lucky to have a superb open space at Low Field, for football and cricket, for leisure walkers and, of course, for dog walkers. However, it is the behaviour of some irresponsible dog owners that is spoiling the Low Field for other users. The Barrowby Pavilion Committee on behalf of the Parish Council installed dog waste bins during the summer. The bins are very well used by dog walkers, however not by all.

Please remember that if a dog fouls in a public place, by law the owner or person in charge of the dog at the time must clean up after it and put the mess in a bag tied tightly and place it in a public refuse bin. It is the responsibility of the dog owner or the person in charge of the dog to clear up any dog mess left by their dog. Being unaware that the dog has fouled, or not having suitable means of removing the mess is not a reasonable excuse for failing to clean up after a dog.

Dog waste presents health risks to everyone but in particular children who are at risk of contracting toxicariasis which can cause blindness. The actions of a small number of irresponsible dog owners is putting everyone at risk. The Low Field is patrolled by SKDC Enforcement Officers and anyone allowing their dog to foul and not clean up may be liable to prosecution with a maximum fine of £1000.

It is in everyone's interest to keep the Low Field clean so please clean up after your dog.

We would also ask dog walkers if they could discourage their dogs from straying too near the new trees until they have been established, many thanks.

A Busy Christmas Fayre

The Barrowby Sporting Community Fundraising Group for Cancer Research UK would like to thank everyone who contributed to a successful Christmas Fayre at Lowfield Pavilion on Sunday 18th November: those who supported us on the day, stall holders, raffle prize givers and, of course, our own Barrowby Prince and Princess Alfie Curry and Vesper Lee for opening the Fayre.

The Committee



B.I.G. Update

The Steering Group is delighted to tell villagers that the final report is nearing completion. Look out for more in the next newsletter.