

BARROWBY NEWS

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BARROWBY VILLAGE NEWS AND INFORMATION

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Celebrating the Barrowby Scarecrow Competition and Open Gardens

"A brilliant weekend...a real buzz in the village...great to see so many out and sharing the weekend with neighbours...extraordinary talent and creativity"

Many congratulations to the winner of the second annual Barrowby Scarecrow competition: the Collinson family and friends' with a life-size pirate complete with 'treasure chest': *Pirates in the Square* (pictured right).

The Cooleys came second with a Grantham Journal-reading scarecrow installed into an outside toilet made from old doors titled: *'Go away! I'm busy!'* (pictured left)



Thank you to all the scarecrow builders, the volunteers, visitors and everyone who had a hand in making the event such a success. Next year's event already promises to be even bigger and even better. Our thanks also go to all the

sponsors of the festival: - Skinners Butchers, L.A.C. Ground Works, the White Swan, Contour Specialist Fabrics, Hodgson Solutions and Living Health who all live or have their business in the village, Robert Holland, Helen's Flowers and Grantham Physiotherapy all of St Catherine's Road Grantham and Galaxy Fish Bar on Hornsby Road



whose scarecrows were seen on the Village Green. If you are able to help us build the sponsored scarecrows next year please let us know.

For more photos of the scarecrows and more winners turn to page 3 and the back page. And inside this month's double issue find out the winners at the Flower and Vegetable Show, read about the wonderful gardens and celebrate the success of the first Made-In-Barrowby event.


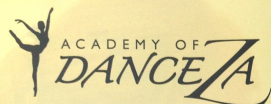
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Winners at the Annual Flower and Vegetable Show

Made in Barrowby

Open Gardens



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Jane Dawy, ex-professional dancer. Photograph at Saddle Wicks, London

News from the Parish Council

Best Kept Village

Unfortunately we did not reach the final: Nettleham and Washingborough are the two finalists. We have not yet had any feedback from the judges but our village was very smart, with many colourful gardens, tidy hedges and grassy areas and, with our litter picker Ian doing his rounds each week, we did well. We had plenty of colour – the borders and flower planters plus the hanging baskets at the Reading Room and on The White Swan. Many thanks to everyone. If you have ideas for next season please let me know.

Brian Inglis

Barrowby Parish Council Coffee Morning Saturday October 12th 10-12

The BIG report stated that **76%** of Barrowby residents **did not understand** how the Parish Council spends the Council Tax precept.

85% do not know the Council's spending priorities

82% wanted to know how the money is spent

73% wanted more consultation

Do you want to know more – possibly about planning in the village or about what we are doing about anti-social behaviour? Do you want to tell

the Parish Council about any issues in Barrowby?

If you want to know more or have a grumble this is your chance!

Meet the councillors Saturday 12th October 10-12 Reading Room

Do you want to complain about the potholes?

The Parish Council is happy to hear about any issues in your road, but if you want to complain about uneven pavements, potholes and moss on paths click on <http://www.fixmystreet.com> for another route to the County Council.

Superfast Broadband

More of us now have superfast speeds – some of us are still waiting. If you are unsure visit www.uswitch.com/broadband/speedtest and <http://tinyurl.com/l6zcha4> to see if you can receive high speed yet.

Can you help the Memorial Hall?

The Memorial Hall are looking for a volunteer to help them with some woodwork jobs. Do you have carpentry or joinery skills and would be willing to give some time to help? If you can help out please call Emma on 07709 450820

Dates for your Diary

Sep 27th–Oct 6th: Cask Ale Week, The White Swan

Sep 29th: Harvest Festival 4.30

Oct 6th: Quiz at The White Swan

Oct 7th: Parish Council

Oct 10th: Folk at The Swan

Oct 12th: Open Morning, Reading Room 10-12

Nov 23rd: Scouts Musical Night fundraiser

Dec 4th: Last day for donation to the Scout Foodbank collection

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There was a real buzz around the village (helped by the weather!) as the many visitors and local people who variously walked, cycled and were pushed around the village to find the 25 family-built and 10 sponsored scarecrows and visit the 7 open gardens. The sponsors supported the Barrowby News newsletter and the Open Gardens programme and refreshments were in support of Barrowby Church.

Overall Winner: Collinson Family and friends: *Pirates in the Square* (see Front page)

Second: The Cooley Family: *Go away! I'm busy!* (see Front page)



Third: Mrs. Bromley: *The Green Man* (pictured right)

Commended:

Poppy Stukins: *Wizard* (left); The Cupits: *Sodit The Gardener*; R. Muxlow: *The Family*; Mrs. Fox: *Men at Work* (all below)

All the winners received a rosette, a certificate and goody bags and as many families as possible also received goody bags.

The judge
s a i d :

‘Congratulations for organising this annual event which attracted events of extraordinary talent and creativity. Very special congratulations to the children who brought imagination and enthusiasm to many of the entries’. Thank you to everyone who took the time to create and build their scarecrows. It was a wonderful Scarecrow Festival.



In an English Country Garden...

All the garden 'openers' really enjoyed welcoming their visitors during the weekend, with the Church raising around £900 from programme sales. The Old Bakery shop on Casthorpe Road did a roaring trade in jams, cakes, chutneys and other produce made by Church members, whilst visitors to the Church were given the opportunity to learn about and try the art of bell-ringing.

Each of the gardens had its own fascinating story to tell and every owner was very welcoming to all the visitors. Silver Birches – complete with Pimms – had secret waterfalls and beautiful vistas; the 'Phoenix' garden, risen from the ashes of the fire, was created within just a few months with beautiful speedwells, fuschia and lavender, serenading all the senses with classical musical accompaniment; West Cottage was a wonderful surprise with hidden hideaways, a summerhouse and emerging plants; the 'Kitchen Garden' had ponds, peas, tomatoes and tranquillity; 'Redlands' not only offered the weary traveller delicious tea and cakes but also a beautifully designed environmentally friendly garden to relax in.

Every garden gave us all ideas for our own gardens. Thank you to everyone.

(To learn more about The Old Bakery turn to page 5)

Barrowby FC host 470 players in tournament

Over the weekend of August 31st and September 1st, Barrowby Football Club hosted its annual football tournament on the Low Field for over 30 teams from as far afield as Leicester, Nottingham, Lincoln, Holbeach and Boston participating in age groups from under 11 to under 16. Each age group played in a league type competition with the winners going through to the semi-finals and finals. Refreshments were served in the Pavilion by a hard working team of football club members and parents. Each day had a 'Respect Team of the Day' which was awarded for the team that displayed the most sporting behaviour and fair play. The Saturday award was won by Ernehale Colts U13 from Nottingham. The Sunday Respect Award was won by the Pinchbeck U14 team. Mark Jessop the Tournament Organiser said that 'Over 470 players plus Team Managers, Coaches, Parents and other spectators had two superb days of youth football which everyone enjoyed. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a success'. The club holds these annual football tournaments to help raise funds to assist in club annual operating costs.

John Young, Chair, Barrowby FC



Flowers and Vegetables Galore

The Barrowby Gardeners Association held a very successful Annual Vegetable and Flower Show on 7th September with entries more than doubled from last year across the 53 classes. Barrowby's allotment holders did well with local winners being:

Ron Thompson Challenge Cup (Members' most points): Krys Fisher

Arthur Pearson Rose Bowl (Ladies' most points): Krys Fisher

Barrowby Challenge Cup (Best other vegetable): Tanya Walton

The evening auction of the produce and flowers donated by the gardeners raised money for the Gardeners' Association funds and was much enjoyed by all who attended.

Pictured right: Marrow Faces and Wild Flowers



The Old Bakery on Casthorpe Road

If you didn't get the chance to visit the shop at the Old Bakery during the Open Gardens and Scarecrow weekend, you missed a wonderful opportunity to glimpse some of Barrowby's oldest history. Every village had a bakehouse and Barrowby was no exception.

The earliest written record of a building on the site dates from 1770, a bakehouse was mentioned in 1840 with the house being sold at auction in The (White) Swan in 1886 by a woman from Iowa! The Mussons, bakers, bought the property in 1896, having previously been in Malting Yard off Church Street in the 1870s. The house, along with West Cottage, remained in the Musson family until Geoffrey Musson sold West Cottage in 1997. The picture right shows the house after 1896 as the name on the baker's cart is J T Musson. It is also fascinating to see the old windmill behind the house.



The Cooleys now own the house and are thoroughly enjoying discovering about their beautiful home. There is still a trap door in the original kitchen ceiling, a plaster floor in the back bedroom and a well in the back yard. A 1797 cartwheel penny was found hidden in the reeds under one of the bedroom floor boards – the Cooleys will place a modern penny there after renovation with a short note for future owners to find.

Many thanks to Sarah and Graham Cooley for sharing their house's history with us. If you have a story to tell about Barrowby's history e-mail us at news@barrowby.org.uk

On the street where you live

By Barrovian

The newcomer to Barrowby could easily be forgiven for imagining that Wong Gardens had some connection with the Orient. Perhaps named after a local worthy of Chinese descent? An interesting theory but far from the truth. Wong is an Anglo-Saxon word for a field so the street echoes ancient usage. Before the building of the estate in the 1970's there had been allotments on this site referred to as the Wong Allotments. Very appropriate therefore that the street today is Wong Gardens.

The neighbouring Hedgefield Road also tells a tale. That a field might have a hedge may seem rather obvious but the Hedgefield was a rather special field in Barrowby's past. The Hedgefield dates back to medieval times and records suggest that the hedge was significant and proof against roaming livestock; the hedge acted rather like a fortified wall providing some defence to the village. There were gates in the hedge, patrolled at night.

The origin of Church Street is clear: look up and see All Saints steeple. Chapel Lane similarly got its name from the two Methodist Chapels that were built here in the 19th Century but now long disappeared.

Adamstile was another ancient field in the parish, as was The Knolls (or Knowles). Lawson Leas was yet another field though referred to as Lanson Lees in 1833.

Other streets have gained their names from personalities from the past. Hurst Crescent is named after the Rector of All Saints at the time of the Civil War. He was a strong supporter of the Royalist cause and was ejected from his post as a result. Thorold Road refers to the Thorold family who were major landowners in the parish. Dysart Road – and the western end is just within the parish boundary – is named after the Earl of Dysart. The Earlsfield is similarly named. The

Earldom was held by the Tollemache family and the Earl lived at Buckminster Park.

Debdale Road takes its name from the Debdale Plantation, woodland near Sedgebrook and formerly part of the Thorold Estate.

So the street names we take for granted actually preserve part of the village's past.

The White Swan



The white swan has been awarded a place in CAMRA's GoodBeer Guide 2014. CAMRA is an organisation that Campaigns for Real Ale and has been championing pubs and drinkers rights since 1971.

Next Issues

Although it is hard to believe, there will be only TWO more Barrowby Newsletter issue before Christmas. The next issue will highlight some of the events due to take place in the village as part of our pre-Christmas celebrations so please send your Christmas events in time to reach us.

Deadline for the next issues

November: 12th for November Issue and

December: 6th for December Issue

Please note the earlier date due to Christmas

E - mail us your events to
news@barrowby.org.uk

Around the Parish

Scouts

Members of Barrowby Scouts joined the Grantham contingent at Lincolnshire Poacher at the end of July (see photo). Poacher only occurs every 4 years and the Scouts had a fantastic week living under canvas, making new friends and taking part in activities including archery, water zorbes, fencing, micro machines and circus skills.

At the end of August there was a first for the Scouts, who took part in the village scarecrow competition: a scout making a promise in front of his proud father. Although not placed in the top 7 this year we will be entering again next year!

The Scouts have launched a collection in aid of Grantham Foodbank, anyone wishing to make a donation please contact Sara.

And, finally... put 23rd November in your diary for the Scouts' Musical Night in conjunction with Hi-Notes – details to follow.

If you are interested in finding out about the Scouts, call Sara on 07803 936455.

Barrowby WI News

Our luncheon group enjoyed a lovely meal this month at the Woodland Water restaurant in Ancaster, the menu suited all tastes at reasonable prices and the occasion gave us a good opportunity to socialise.

At our monthly meeting we enjoyed a talk by our speakers Dianah Richie and Mary Melder, who gave us a fascinating insight into the beautiful beaded jewellery that they make. We then had a



chance to make a bracelet ourselves under their instruction, something we all enjoyed immensely. We were pleased to welcome three visitors this month and look forward to seeing them and others in the future that are interested to find out about our monthly meetings and activities.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 16th October 13th at 7pm in the Memorial Hall, where our speaker will be Mrs Stuckey who will be explaining about Grantham Passage for the Homeless.



Vets4Pets Grantham now open

To celebrate the proud opening of our fabulous new practice, Vets4Pets Grantham are offering to **vaccinate your pet for just £15***

Please see back cover for voucher.

The friendly team at Grantham is led by Vet and Practice Partner James Cook VetMB MRCVS. James is running the practice with the support of his wife and Vet Karen Cook VetMB MRCVS.

Both James and Karen have a strong belief in returning veterinary care to its traditional values "We are overjoyed to be opening our new practice in Grantham.

We have long aspired to run our own family practice to get veterinary care back to its community roots and treating your pets as if they were our own. We look forward to meeting you" say James and Karen.



James and Karen Cook (VetMB MRCVS)

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All Saints' Church Barrowby
October Services

Sunday Sep 29th Note new date!
4.30p.m. Harvest Festival
and 'bring and share' tea

Sunday Oct 6th

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

Sunday Oct 13th

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Communion
and Sunday Clubs

Sunday Oct 20th

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Families Service

Sunday Oct 27th

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30 Morning Prayer

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

Rev Peter Hopkins 01476 565737

Barrowby Baptist Fellowship

We meet in the Memorial Hall.
All welcome

Sundays 10.15 Worship and
Sunday School

Monday 10.00 Cane and Able Coffee Morning
John 01400 250475 or Veronica 593317
Friday 6.30 Fantastic Friday Youth Group Phil 562856

Made In Barrowby

Following on from the
successful open garden
and scarecrow
competition weekend,
another positive first for
the village was a chance
for villagers to display
and take orders for their
homecrafts. A big thank you to all who supported the recent
Made In Barrowby event. We really are a talented village
and it was lovely to see the wide range of products that are
being handmade right here in Barrowby.



Pictured Right:
The Reading
Room with local
people displaying
their homecrafts.



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