

BARROWBY NEWS

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BARROWBY VILLAGE NEWS AND INFORMATION

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Barrowby is promised a Royal British Legion presence for many years to come, but it needs YOUR help NOW



New premises are on the drawing board and, after consultation with all of you, will hopefully be started soon. We intend that the Royal British Legion will have a presence in Barrowby for years to come. But to keep the Branch going we need your help NOW.

If you can help with the following volunteer posts please contact Steve Carter (Branch Treasurer) on 01476 591937. Thank you.

Branch Secretary - secretarial duties and take/produce Branch meeting notes.

Poppy Appeal Organizer (PAO) - oversee all duties required for the RBL Poppy Appeal, including:

- Maintaining the Poppy Appeal stock, collection boxes and jars
- Delivery and collection of the boxes/collection jars from pre-arranged locations in Barrowby and nearby areas during October/November (some help can be given)
- Individual accounting and overall totalling of collection monies, prior to banking into the RBL Poppy Appeal fund (minimum of 2 Branch personnel involved in counting up)
- Minimal letter writing duties for the RBL Poppy Appeal.

Branch Committee members – We are also looking for more members to join the Branch Committee. So please contact Steve Carter (Branch Treasurer) on 01476 591937 for further details or to let us know of your interest in one of the above positions. Thank you.

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Parish News

May 7th is not just the National Election – it's Parish Council elections too...so why become a Parish Councillor?

The forthcoming May election is an excellent opportunity to put yourself forward for election to become a Parish Councillor. Barrowby has eleven councillors and needs new residents to step forward to stand in the election and play a role in the future of the village.

If you've never been to a monthly Parish Council meeting before, you may be forgiven for thinking that Parish Councillors are a group of (probably older) people who meet now and then in a draughty village hall. Some of that is true, but becoming a Parish Councillor gives you a chance to become someone that the village will look to for help, guidance and support, participating in an activity with the power to influence decisions for the benefit of the people in the village. Seeing your community change for the better, as a result of decisions you have helped make, is something that gives a sense of achievement and pride.

What decisions do Parish Councils make?

Parish Councils make all kinds of decisions on issues that affect the local community. Probably the most common topics that Parish Councils get involved with are planning matters, crime prevention, managing open spaces and campaigning for and delivering better services and facilities for the whole community.

So if you are interested and would like to know more about what is involved please contact me

on 07836 276770 or email on

rcrossfamily@fsmail.net.

*Richard Cross, Barrowby Parish Council
(Chairman)*

Defibrillator update

The third defibrillator is now in position at Westry Corner and is operational.

Support the Barrowby Belltower at the Burns Night Supper

Proceeds from the annual Burns Night Supper with Charlies Ant will this year go to the Belltower Fund for the church. The supper will take place on Saturday 7th February 7.15 – 11.30 at the Memorial Hall. Tickets cost £20 and will include a traditional meal. There will also be a bar and raffle. Contact Charlie at cpj.charlton@tiscali.co.uk or 594803 to buy your ticket.

Book your place now for the Indoor Market.

Barrowby Memorial Hall Indoor Market, Saturday 28th March, booking 01476 567360 or on line at the Memorial Hall web site.

Fun with Barrowby Ploughboys



Dates for the Diary

- ★ Sun 1st Feb: Quiz at the White Swan
- ★ Mon 2nd Feb: Parish Council open session 6.15 pm.
- ★ Thurs 5th Feb: 7 pm Kings School, pre-season cricket training starts
- ★ Sat 7th Feb: Burns Night Supper and Ceilidh, 7.15 Memorial Hall
- ★ Thurs 12th Feb: Folk at the Swan

Around the Parish

Barrowby Scouts bagged up the litter

November 2014 saw Barrowby Scouts raising funds for the group by undertaking a sponsored Litter Pick in the village. Unfortunately due to other commitments not all the group could make it, so a young lady from the Guide Unit stood in for her brother. For those who could come, it was a very successful 2 hours despite the cold and foggy day. We cleared the footpath on both sides of the bridge leading back into Grantham and collected the usual crisp wrappers, drinks cans and glass bottles, fast food containers and wrappers along with car wheel rims. We also kept an eye out for any graffiti or damage that may have been done. As a result of this we also came across some broken glass that needed to be cleared away. We collected far more than we anticipated and with the aid of Ben and his bike (which turned out to be very useful) we were able to transport rubbish back to the Scout Hut and continue collecting more (see photo below).



Want to get involved in village cricket?

The 2015 cricket season is just around the corner and we are looking for anyone who wants to play for their village team. Having gained promotion last season, we are looking to stay competitive in the league this year and enjoy every moment of it!

Pre-season training sessions will begin on **Thursday 5th February at 19:00 to 20:00 at the Kings School**. These will continue through till the start of the new season in April, and the cost will be £5 each session. If you are interested or have any questions, then get in touch with Oliver at oliverkeeling@hotmail.com or 07872 508400.

Barrowby WI: a year to come of double celebrations

2015 is a great time to join us to celebrate the W.I. Centenary in June and our own W.I's 50th Birthday.

In December, members of Barrowby W.I. enjoyed a Christmas Lunch at the Farriers in Grantham - with Christmas crackers and Santa hats, hooters and flying balloons, much fun was had by all! This year we have some very stimulating speakers at our monthly meetings and would like to welcome interested visitors to come along. It costs just £3.50 for an evening and is held at the Barrowby Memorial Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

'Go on give it a try, you may even enjoy yourself and want to join our friendly group. We don't bite'. Jardine Ferne, WI President

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All Saints' Church Barrowby Services

Sunday 1st February

8.00am Holy Communion

9.00am Prayer for healing

9.30am Morning Prayer and Sunday Clubs

Sunday 8th February

8.00am Morning Prayer

10.30am Holy Communion and Sunday Clubs

Sunday 15th February

8.00am Holy Communion

9.30 Families Service

Sunday 22nd February

8.00am Morning Prayer

10.30am Morning Prayer followed by lunch

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 07904 492190 or 01476 562865**

Rag Rug Memories

Mention rag rugs to anyone over a certain age and it immediately evokes fond memories of evenings spent as a family snipping up strips of old worn - out clothing and blankets. These strips would be attached to an opened-out hessian sack and eventually, after many hours, be transformed into a practical and hard-wearing rug. I can remember such a rug in front of my grandparents' hearth.

These rag rugs were originally born out of necessity as carpets were out of the reach of poor families and so floor coverings had to be created from anything to hand. In the days of "Make Do and Mend", nothing was thrown away if it could be transformed into something for the home.

This way of thinking sadly fell out of fashion as the population grew more prosperous, but is happily making a comeback, thanks in part to TV personalities such as Kirstie Allsopp.

I enjoy many forms of craft and a couple of years ago spent a very productive day at The National Design Centre in Sleaford, being instructed in the art of proddy rugging. I was provided with a piece of hessian, strips of various fabrics and a modified clothes peg (a dolly peg with one leg cut off and the other sharpened to a point). I was hooked!

As well as rugs you can make wall hangings, brooches, cushion covers, bags; just use your imagination. I have made several items for friends and family and have created bespoke rugs (I like to call them "Memory Rugs") for people who have provided me with outgrown baby clothes that they can't bear to part with.

You can buy hessian from good craft shops and could fashion your own proddy peg, so what's stopping you? Get rag rugging and start to make some memories. *Jo Beet*



Deadline for the next issues

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March: 12th

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