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BARROWBY VILLAGE NEWS AND INFORMATION

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BARROWBY SHOWCASE 2016 SATURDAY, 16TH APRIL 11AM-3PM

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE ALL THINGS...BARROWBY!

- Visit stands in The Reading Room and Memorial Hall with competition prizes, including coffee and cake for two at The Cakehole.
- Watch artists and crafters at work and have a go yourself at some of the activities on offer
- Meet village crafters and makers, clubs, societies, businesses and organisations on a day to celebrate and promote everything Barrowby has to offer.
- There will be a programme of displays and events throughout the day including a host of family fun activities.
 - The WI will be serving refreshments during the day.

So, if you run a small business from Barrowby or you want to promote your club or organisation to fellow villagers, e-mail showcase@barrowby.org.uk, call 07713 626172 or visit the Barrowby News Facebook page to book your place. A small donation is requested and tables will be available on a first- come first-served basis, so get in touch soon as places are filling up fast!

**Celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday with
the Lighting of a Beacon on the Village
Green and a drink of Cava!
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Parish News

Annual Parish Meeting

Barrowby's Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Monday 16th May at 7pm in The Reading Room. It is an opportunity for residents to find out more about the work of the Parish Council. All are welcome and tea/coffee and biscuits will be provided.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Toast the Queen's 90th Birthday

Barrowby is to be one of the 90th Birthday Beacon locations, linking with hundreds of other towns and villages across the UK to celebrate the official birthday of the Queen on Thursday 21st April. The Parish Council is inviting all Barrowby residents to enjoy a sparkling glass of cava to toast the Queen and to see the gas beacon being lit on the Village Green/Stephen's Gutter at 7.30pm.

Join us to celebrate the UK's longest-lived monarch.

Playground Forum Update

The closing date for the submission of tenders passed on the 14th March. There were ten major bidders, and the detailed analysis of every bid is now under way. The forum will be making its recommendations to the parish council in April.

It is hoped to mount a display of the successful bid at the forthcoming Barrowby Showcase on 16th April. Forum members will be present to explain the process and talk about the proposed play areas for the Village Green and Adamstiles.

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DIARY DATES

Sun 3rd April: Quiz at the White Swan

Mon 11th April: Parish Council 6.45pm Open Session

Tues 12th April: Barrowby News AGM

Sat 16th April: Barrowby Showcase, Reading Room and
Memorial Hall 11am-3pm

Wed 20th April: W.I. Memorial Hall 7pm

Thurs 21st April: Queen's 90th Birthday Beacon 7.30pm
The Green

Fri 29th April: Barrowby's Raised in Song, Walton
Girls, 7.30pm

Sun/Mon 1st/2nd May: Trips on the Canal

Mon 9th May: Parish Council, Open Session, 6.45pm

Sat/Sun 14th/15th May: Church Open Weekend

Mon 16th May: Annual Parish Council Meeting, 7pm,
Reading Room

Sat 21st May: Hi-Notes Scouts fundraiser, Reading
Room, 7.30pm

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Around the Parish



Support our Scouts

Barrowby Scouts are raising funds in different ways over the next two months and will be delighted if you can support them if possible. Hi-Notes will once more be regaling us with show-stopping songs from the musicals, including Joseph, Mary Poppins and Les Misérables.

The concert will be held at the Reading Room on Saturday 21 May from 7.30. Tickets cost £6.00 and are on sale from Houghtons Jewellers, Dysart Road, via 07803 936455 and on the door. There will be a raffle and refreshments.

And, please, remember to support the Scouts with your Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers.

Call Sara on 07803 936455 to arrange collection: leave a message and she will get back to you. Thank you.

Barrowby WI's Unexpected Garden Tales

Over 30 members of the Barrowby WI were enthralled by a lively talk by local garden designer and historian, Janette Merilion, on garden history and plant lore and legends. It was fitting that in their 'Inspiration' year Janette described the work of inspiring women garden designers, including Rosemary Verey, Gertrude Jekyll and the lesser known Norah Lindsay. Janette recommended visiting a number of gardens including Hidcote Manor, Westonbirt, Mannington Hall and also the Cascade at Chatsworth, where, apparently, the water tumbles over every step in a different musical key. Listen next time you go.

But it was her tales of plant lore and myth that were enjoyed the most. Did you know that washing men's clothes in lavender keeps them free from lice for at least a week? And that rosemary thrives in the garden where women rule the roost...

So, be further inspired and come to Barrowby WI, third Wednesday in every month at 7 p.m. at the Memorial Hall. Visitors are very welcome.

Barrowby School invited to sing at 25th Anniversary of the Performing Arts Festival

Barrowby School triumphed yet again at the Colsterworth Performing Arts Festival being placed first in Instrumental Ensemble School Orchestra, Key Stage 1 Choir (3rd consecutive year), Key Stage 2 Choir (5th consecutive year) and Choral Speaking (3rd consecutive year).

The school gained second places in Handbell Group and Recorder Ensemble and third place in Instrumental Ensemble with Vocals. The Key Stage 2 Choir won the Growler Shield for Best Overall Performance for the third year running. As always the children were a credit to the school and everyone was very proud.

As a result of Barrowby's continued success and commitment to the Performing Arts, our Key Stage 2 Choir have been invited to sing at a special concert to mark the 25th Anniversary of the Festival.

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All Saints' Church

Sunday 3rd April

8.00am Holy Communion
9.00am Prayer for Healing
9.30am Morning Praise

Sunday 10th April

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 17th April

8.00am Holy Communion
9.30am Families Service

Sunday 24th April

8.00am Morning Prayer
10.30am Morning Prayer and Sunday Club

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

Mondays:

10.00 Cane and Able Coffee Morning
John 01400 250475 or Veronica 593317

Fridays:

6.30 Fantastic Friday Youth Group
Phil 07904 492190

Get in Touch

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12th April for May issue

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Barrowby Bells will keep ringing... ...for at least another 25 years!

Following successful fund-raising efforts by the bellringers and villagers, at the beginning of March, Taylors Bell Foundry from Loughborough assisted by the Barrowby Bell Ringers carried out the work in the tower to strengthen the existing frame.

It took four days to complete and it will ensure the bells at Barrowby can be rung for at least another 25 years.

So what is the photograph on our front page? It shows one of the steel beams being hoisted into the belfry. Did you work it out?

If you would like to join Barrowby Bell Ringers, or are just interested in what goes on, just turn up at church Wednesday evening, 7.30pm or e-mail barrowby@sb.ldgcb.org.uk

-- Melissa Blanchard

Barrowby Helping Hands

Most of us need a helping hand from time to time, don't we? So where do we turn? If you don't have family or close friends in the village you could turn to "Barrowby Helping Hands".

Who's that?

It's a village initiative set up to meet this need. We've already helped out in lots of ways: we've given lifts to the doctors and to the shops, we've helped with simple DIY jobs, we've visited the elderly for a chat, brought a meal, and many other small jobs.

So, if you need a helping hand or would like to become involved as a helper... please call Simone on 077 16 96 11 96

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