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## BARROWBY SHOWCASE 2016

### WE CELEBRATED ALL THINGS...BARROWBY!

Circus skills, kettle bells, church bells, cupcakes, massages, face painting, bread-making...all these and more created a real buzz at the first ever Barrowby Showcase.

Designed to encourage local village organisations, businesses, arts and crafters to come together and demonstrate Barrowby's local talent and the range of volunteering that takes place in our community, at least 200 people came through the doors of the Memorial Hall and the Reading Room on Saturday 16th April to see what happens in our village.



The organisers were delighted with the response and, with promises of 'see you next year', we closed the doors, tired but happy after a highly successful day. Local businesses and organisations met, talked with visitors and were delighted with the interest from families, older residents and other stall holders, all fortified by delicious cakes from the W.I. and buoyed by an energetic "hubbub" of noise.

We would like to thank everyone who helped with publicising the event, took a stall, helped on the day and came to visit us. And finally thanks to Kirk at the Cakehole who supplied the competition prize of Tea and Cake for Two, won after a random draw of completed sticker sheets by Jo Foster.

#### What was on show...

In the Reading Room there were stalls demonstrating a wide variety of local skills and talent:

Rag rugging by Jo Beet; painting by Jan Hill; vinyl cutting by Becky Warren; jam and chutneys by Krys Fisher, supplier to the Cakehole; Handmade gifts by Elaine Carthew from Glow Gifts; and Papercraft and Cards by Sarah Harper from Custom Cards Cabin.

Jan Hill offered visitors the opportunity to watch her complete a painting during the event and also to sign up for a potential new art group in the village.

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### Roll up, roll up...the circus is in town!

Barrowby will be welcoming its first family circus to Lowfield from Wednesday 18th to Sunday 22nd May.

Turn to page 2 to read more about Circus Tyanna, their clowns, acrobatics and fund-raising for cystic fibrosis.

## Barrowby Showcase (continued...)

In the Memorial Hall, there were a number of village organisations, including the Playground Forum, which attracted much admiration for the proposed playground equipment on the Green and Adamstiles; the Church with their Heritage Lottery bid; the Barrowby Gardeners Association sold rhubarb and pot leeks (the odour of the leeks reminded many of the growing of their fathers and grandfathers); the Royal British Legion and Grantham Canal attracted a large number of interested visitors; Helping Hands and Cane and Abel were also there and the Grantham Astronomers, who meet in the White Swan every Friday. A group of like-minded people, fascinated by the sheer scale of the night skies and the infinite distances of the stars and galaxies, the photographs taken through the telescope were stunningly beautiful.

There were demonstrations on stage by the Kettlercisers, who meet every Tuesday at the Memorial Hall at 7.30 and by the Scouts with their knots and circus skills. The Scouts also put up their tent outside, part-provided from donations of Sainsbury Active Kids Vouchers by village residents. And the hubbub was occasionally broken by the sound of the church's mini-bell!

We met Barrowby's own Paul Hollywood, master baker and university teacher on baking in London, Leslie Gadd, giving away his mouth-watering shortbread biscuits. Leslie, 'Lovely Loaves', offers baking classes in the Reading Room and baking parties to help us create consistently excellent breads and cakes. Visit him on Facebook for more details.

John Ferguson, from Space Design and Extend, who showed everyone his skill as an AutoCad technician in creating bright spaces as part of people's homes, found the day to have been 'well spent' and Wendy of PetPals was delighted with the interest shown in her pet-sitting franchise. She has looked after alpacas, piranhas, and the more traditional cats and dogs and (occasionally) husbands...her biggest challenge was trying to climb a high electric gate without letting out a flock of hens and having to negotiate the 8 foot drop on the other side...

Visitors could enjoy a head massage from trained therapist and masseuse, Eva Simova. Originally from Slovakia, Eva has worked in Germany, France and now the UK and offers massages in your own home.

Next to Eva was Caroline Arthur, who runs yoga classes, with gentle stretching exercises, helping us to de-stress, relax and cope with the busyness of our everyday lives.

And finally, after relaxing, exercising, eating...we can have a makeover from Lyndsay Sadler, who not only runs the Coco cupcake workshops, but also sells Arbonne products.

### 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.

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## DIARY DATES

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

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

Sun 1st May: Quiz at The Swan

Mon 9th May : Parish Council 6.45pm Open Session

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

Wed 11th May: 10am-12pm Memorial Hall, Lincolnshire Red Cross coffee morning. £2.50 for refreshments, with tombola, book stall, bric-a-brac, call Christine on 567164

Thurs 12th May: Royal British Legion Barrowby, 8.30 Reading Room. Join the national RBL for £16 then pay 50p for our Barrowby club

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

Wed 18th – Sun 22nd May: Circus Tyanna, Lowfield

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

Mon 23rd May - White Swan Singers Night, 8pm

## Around the Parish



### Scouts' Night Hike

During February half term the Barrowby Scouts were invited to take part in a night hike with another local Scout group. With slight apprehension that it was going to be a bitterly cold experience as the day time temperatures had been very cold, to our surprise the night hike turned out to be perfect. We started out at quite a pace along paths and fields, reaching our half way point in good time. At this point we refuelled with hot dogs and hot chocolate. We then started our return journey back to the other group's Scout Hut making it back about 1am. Dirty walking boots left outside, Scouts soon settled into sleeping bags and eventually ..... silence!! Breakfast next morning included a camp favourite: bacon butties and it has to be with tomato sauce mmmm...

Remember to give your last few Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers to Brian who will hand them over to the Scouts. Call him on 07793 198948 and help the Scouts with their annual fund-raiser with Hi-Notes at the Reading Room on Saturday 21st May at 7.30.

### Barrowby News reaches 50 in July!

Barrowby News held its AGM recently and re-elected Brian Inglis as Chair, Julia Miller as Editor, Stephen Hunt as finance and Jon Nix as compiler, Jo Beet and Jane Cupit as Vice Editor. It was another successful year with our finances showing a small surplus. The committee would like to thank the Parish Council for contributing towards the costs of distribution, all our Scarecrow Festival sponsors, helpers and supporters, all our advertisers and all our readers. We have now been in print for 4 years and we will be celebrating our Golden 50th Issue in July!

### Local author wins award

Local children's author, Sarah Hindmarsh, scooped a silver medal in the 2015 Wishing Shelf book awards with '*The Mouse Who Howled at the Moon*'. The awards are run by People's Choice Book Award winner, Billy Bob Buttons, for books published by independent authors and publishers. The finalists are selected by groups of children and teachers and the winners are then picked by a reading group panel. Sarah is not only an author and tutor, but she is also working on a project to engage children with reading. Visit her at [creatingwithkohla.com](http://creatingwithkohla.com).

### Visit the Big Top of Circus Tyanna on Lowfield 18th – 22nd May

Named after their daughter, small child-friendly Circus Tyanna opened in 2008 and has been enjoyed by small towns and villages across the UK ever since. The circus is run by Todd and Clair Christian, the son of Billy Smart's ringmaster, Chris Christian, immortalised as the ringmaster in the 1960 Donald Pleasance film, *Circus of Horrors*. It is a small family show, much appreciated by children and Barrowby is fortunate to be on its 2016 tour. The Circus is supporting the Cystic Fibrosis charity this year and proceeds from the raffle will go towards helping children with this incurable illness.

Watch out for posters with times and prices nearer the event!

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## All Saints' Church

### Sunday 1st May

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

### Sunday 8th May

8.00am Morning Prayer  
10.30am Holy Communion and Sunday Club

### Sunday 15th May: Pentecost

8.00am Holy Communion  
9.30am Families Service

### Sunday 22nd May: Trinity

8.00am Morning Prayer  
10.30am Morning Prayer and Sunday Club

### Sunday 29th May

9.30am Holy Communion

*For more information, or if you need a lift to any service, just ask. Rev Peter Hopkins 01476 565737*

### Best Kept Village Competition

Barrowby is entering this year's competition, the first round of which starts from 28th May. We're hoping for summer displays of flowers with a red, white, and blue theme for the Queen's Birthday, but also ask residents to trim back hedges and overhanging shrubs to help us to look our best!

## Get in Touch

### Deadlines for forthcoming issues:

12th May for June issue

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## 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

## Our street lights

Lincolnshire County Council is advising all county residents that, through the recent LCC budget process, they can no longer afford to continue to operate the street lights in the way that we do. It currently costs the county council around £5m per year to operate and maintain the county council's street lights, with almost £3m of this spent on electricity. The Council is therefore transforming the way they provide street lighting in Lincolnshire to save over £1.7m per year, starting from April 2016 and is due to deliver the full benefits by the end of March 2017.

It is not clear whether this will have an impact within Barrowby but it will certainly have an impact on other areas across the county. Visit LCC's web site at this address: <http://bit.ly/1SC6EJj> to learn more.

LCC are also working with the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership to determine if it is safe to switch off up to 3,000 street lights on rural roads. They will let us know if these changes affect us. If you have any other queries, please contact [streetlighting@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:streetlighting@lincolnshire.gov.uk).

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