

Dear All,

This past month you will have seen wild fruit in abundance: blackberries and damsons in the overgrown hedgerows and on trees in the garden. Apples and pears in the remains of our old orchards.

Such fruit appears in the most unlikely places. From hedgerow to old flower pots. To be found as windfalls, overflowing in containers of all shapes and sizes by the road side, either being sold or given away. Fruit arising from nature, from the seasons, from the sun, rain all brought together and nurtured by faith and love in our local gardens.

Much of this fruit will have recently been captured and transformed into fruit pies, jams and bottled juice. Even the rejected fruit 'may enrich future harvests in the meadow or on a compost heap.

"He brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard – things like affection for others." That's a quotation from Paul (as in the Bible) to his friends in Galatia, a very long time ago.

Fruit isn't manufactured or earned, it is just simply there to be enjoyed. (even the windfalls). So is the time we have spent together this passing summer, just like the fruit of the Autumn hedgerow, 'it bears fruit in abundance in due season'.

Sometimes we experience the joys of them in one another, or simply enjoy them in ourselves. As we now share the end of Summer, and enter Autumn, at home or with the family or friends, enjoy the fruits that are there for the picking and for the enjoying.

Very best wishes Michael, Vicar

Church News

From the Registers:

Marriage September 25th Susannah Bond and Richard Evans

Churchyard clean-up Saturday 20th November

In the morning from around 9.30am. Please come and help us clean up the churchyard for the winter (there will be plenty of leaves to sweep up!)

It is helpful if each person would bring a garden tool eg. rake, secateurs, shears, or similar. Coffee and biscuits mid-morning.

Church Rotas

New Rotas for 2011 will shortly be drawn up and we would be pleased to hear from anyone who might like to be included in helping our parish church in these practical ways. The people to contact are:

Altar Flowers	Janet Ireland	263117
Church Cleaning	Rita Clarkson	263417
Coffee Making	Julia Stibbs	262527
Lesson Readers	Hugh Greenfield	262005

As always we are most grateful to everyone who helps us maintain our church life, church building and churchyard, but special thanks at the end of the mowing season to all who have cut the grass in the churchyard. *Anne Coulson*

Barton Baptist Church News

We also start the Advent Bible Studies this month. They will take place on Thursday afternoons starting at 2.30pm. The theme will be *Jesus Rediscovered*. The first study is 25th November with three more on 2nd, 9th and 16th December.

Brian West 264801

The next two months are action-packed: everyone is warmly invited to join in this month's various events/services.

Saturday, 13th November, 'The Afternoon Tea Sessions' present 'Spirit of the 40s'

Grab your gas mask & join us for a time of nostalgia, music, entertainment, & a jolly good old British high tea Party! A themed occasion celebrating the spirit of the 1940s, with all things 40s(except the food!) & some cracking good sing-along tunes. We're keen for people to get involved in the production of it all, so if you think you are prepared to dress up, or have musical/acting skills you would be prepared to share – give us a ring! We are keen to deck the place out with 1940s props, so if you've any suitable memorabilia we could borrow, we'd love to hear from you. This is a light-hearted, fun event for all. ***Admission Free* but donations towards The Royal British Legion warmly welcomed.** Please contact: Liz 07971204470; elizabeth@pashenden.orangehome.co.uk

Remembrance Sunday, 14th November, 10.30am A special service & tribute will take place. This year we are hoping to video people from Barton and surrounding area as they share their memories of the difficulties of war-time, and aim to include these in the service, as well as creating a valuable record for posterity. If you feel you can contribute, we would really appreciate your input. Video filming (with a small ordinary camera) can take place in your own home, or your preferred location – we will make it as easy as possible. Everyone is invited to this moving service.

Illumin8 Cafe



A Social Group for Young People (11 yrs+ Year 6 upwards) run by Young Parents in a Christian way. Every Fourth Sunday of the Month, Pizza, Games, just hanging around. Next Sunday 24th October 6 – 7.30pm. Harlton Village Hall. All Welcome to just drop by: *A Cool place 2 B*

Joint Ecumenical Service at Comberton Leisure Centre, 21st November, 10.30am

This year all the denominations once more join together for this special service, celebrating the theme of ‘Unity & God at work in this area’. All warmly welcomed. We are catering for children, too, both crèche facilities and a programme for school age children, so if you haven’t tried bringing the family to one of these special services, why not try this year?

Elizabeth (Minister-IT) (07971204470); elizabeth.pinder-ashenden@cantab.net

Barton Christian Fellowship

At our meeting on Wednesday November 10th at 2.30pm in the Village Hall our speaker will be Sue Nelms from Emmaus in Landbeach. All are welcome.

Mary West

Parish Jottings

County Councillor Report:

Fiona Whelan told us: Please note her new Email: fewhelan@gmail.com.

Budget: There will be deep cuts – as much as 25% in some areas – but no more details will be known until the end of November.

Comberton VC: At the last meeting the Parish Council raised concerns about local children losing out to children from Cambourne in relation to CVC places. She can't find any evidence of this at the County – and she has again asked about the date for constructing a new school at Cambourne. So far the reply is always the same – no money, but they are working on it. The construction of the 6th form is going well and the school has applied for Academy Status – she'd like to update the Parish Council on this at the November meeting, as Academy Status does have long-reaching consequences. N.B. We have also asked Fiona to liaise for safer cycling for students having to cycle on the road in Comberton.

Health: County Councillors have had several presentations now on the White Paper re GP consortiums. There are several already in the County – but there remain many questions as to what will happen for those who do not want to opt in to the service.

High Speed Broadband: She urges everyone to have a look at www.racetoinfinity.com – the five exchanges that get the most people requesting high speed broadband will go live. She will be leafleting the Village about this soon but it would be good to get in first.

District Councillor Report:

Francis Burkitt commented that most people were happy with the blue bin system on environmental grounds, but that some people had problems of space for placing bins. Comments were made about the small size of the paper caddy. He told us that permissive paths were being expanded in Grantchester parish.

Barton BeaVers & small works Work has continued on the car park in School Lane. Parking signs for the disabled have also been produced for use there.

Cycle Racks

Cycle Cambridge will be providing free racks for various locations in the village, a great asset for the future. Watch this space.

“Take the damned poo home”!

We respectfully request that those dog owners who leave plastic bags of dog mess on the Recreation Ground or local footpaths dispose of them at home. Again we realise culprits may be from elsewhere!

BT red box in High Street

The Council thanks Val Baines and Corney Thorne for the help offered with a possible book exchange in that box, so we will lobby BT for “adoption”.

Comberton Neighbourhood Panel

A public meeting where you have the chance to have your say about issues that affect you. This could include safety issues such as crime, anti-social behaviour, road safety and traffic management, as well as other matters that affect the quality of life in your neighbourhood.

Next meeting: Wednesday 24th November at Comberton Village College, 7.30pm

If you would like to email your Neighbourhood Policing Team directly, the address you need is: cambourne.npt@cambs.pnn.police.uk

The Village Energy Show 2010 is being held at Comberton VC. Sat 27th November from 1pm. Do get fuller details for this friendly, informative and fun event on <http://villageenergyshow.wordpress.com>.

Notice board and website

Official notices and full minutes of meetings can be seen on the notice board outside Conkers or on <http://www.barton-cambs.org.uk>

Next Council meetings: Tuesday 2nd November 7.30pm and
Tuesday 7th December 7.30pm in the Village Hall.
[Patrick De Backer 262577 bartonpcclerk@btinternet.com](mailto:Patrick.DeBacker.262577@btinternet.com)

Village News

Barton Lunch Club

Friday November 5th 12.30 for 1pm. In the village hall. For cancellations or reservations please contact Anne Coulson 262666. If anyone would like to assist with cooking at any time please let me know.

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The October open meeting was well attended to hear Mr Stephen Lester's talk *Antiques Road Show*. He gave us an insight into auctions, shared some amazing stories, and let us into some secrets about TV antiques shows, a very enjoyable evening, and he finished by casting his expert eye over some items brought in by members. There is a change to the November meeting as the speaker is unwell, so Mr Chris Hollick will talk to us on *Forensic Science*. It is also the Flint Rose Bowl Competition, which this year is a *Decorated Cupcake*. Sue Clemo

Barton CE School

Hello all! It was great to see some of you last Monday when our Maasai Warriors came to visit. Below are some of the comments from the children on what was a fantastic visit :

'I enjoyed watching the Maasai Warriors high jumping. They are best friends – they never argue. Their clothes are very colourful. They told us a story by dancing – they were being shepherds. They sing a song for a celebration. They are from Kenya and Kenya is very poor.'

Martha Class 2

'I learnt that the Maasai Warriors never fight and never argue. I enjoyed the Maasai doing the jumping because they jump very high. I learnt that the Maasai live in Africa and the country is called Kenya'

Tim Class 2

Sadly I was unable to see the performance as I was on a course that day, but the comments I have heard from those that did indicated that it had been wonderful. We were also delighted to be able to open the event up to our whole community and we look forward to being able to do this again.

Christmas Fayre

We are also looking forward to welcoming you to our Winter Fayre on 4th, December from 10am – 12. which will have all the elements of our usual

Christmas Fayre – with a Winter theme this year! We are very proud of our Church School status and enjoy this opportunity to celebrate Christmas. We will have all the usual Christmassy stalls, tea rooms and Father Christmas will be in his Grotto, so make sure the date is in your diary!

Reception 2011 intake – Open Morning

Will your child turn 4 between 1st September 2010 and 31st August 2011? If so you and your child are invited to come along to our Open Morning on Monday 8 November between 10 am and 11.30. Come along and join in activities in the classroom and share a cup of coffee with the staff. If you are able to join us, please email the School Office on office@barton.cambs.sch.uk.

Applications for September 2011 open on Monday 1st November. Booklets and information will be available on the day or by visiting the link to Cambridgeshire’s Admissions page on our website – www.bartonprimary.org.uk.

Sue Carpenter, Head Teacher

Barton Playgroup

Playgroup is always an exciting and eventful time in the run up to Christmas – as much for the children as well as the grown-ups. There have been or will be, various fundraising activities during this time to raise much needed funds to replace essential equipment. Please support us where possible.

Toddler Group (0-4 yrs) Every Monday

Calling all babies, toddlers and carers – from November, Barton Playgroup’s Toddler Group will be running every Monday 1.15pm to 3.15pm (term-time only). Bring your child along to play with a huge range of toys and soft play equipment. Entrance and refreshments costs £2 per family. Come and meet some new friends or catch up with old ones!

Jaszia Lindon

Christmas Shopping Evening Extravaganza

Wednesday 17th November 2010

7.30pm to 10pm, School Hall, Barton Primary

£3 entrance (includes refreshments)

All your Christmas shopping needs under one roof: Kitchenware, Jewellery, Children’s books, Crafts, Skincare plus much more!

Supporting Barton Playgroup

Drama Group

Barton Drama Group’s autumn production is “Plaza Suite” by Neil Simon, a comedy set in a hotel room in New York. The performances will take place in Barton Village Hall from Wednesday 24th to Saturday 27th of November at 8pm. Tickets are available from Norma Eaton (263561), price £7-50 with concessions at £5-50 (to include refreshments).

Barton Friendship Club

On the 2nd November John Page will talk to us about his Trip across Canada earlier this year. On the 16th of November you will have an opportunity to buy some Christmas presents as well as support the East Anglian Air Ambulance when our speaker is from that organisation.

Brian West

John Bowen Productions – January 2011

We have formed a new group **The Jay-Bees** and, as our very first production, we will be presenting an evening of fun, music and laughter with a **Pie, Mash and Peas Supper**. Come along to the Village Hall on either Thursday, Friday or Saturday 27th, 28th and 29th January and enjoy being entertained by old friends from our annual pantomimes and some new faces. Tickets at £11 per head will be available, from Monday 6th December onwards, from Judith Bowen, 11 Kings Grove, Barton. (262186). Vegetarians can be catered for (please inform us when booking) and fruit juice will be provided but please bring your own wine or beer. AS USUAL, WE SHALL BE DONATING ALL PROFITS TO THE N.S.P.C.C.

BRIG

The **BRIG stall at the Rock Festival** in August raised the sum of £365 with £105 from the BRIG stall at the festival & the rest from sales of donated tickets.

Thanks to all who gave items to sell. Unsold items are going to a car boot sale.

Donations Thanks to all private and business donors. Donations of any size continue to be welcomed to help us reach our target for the building & for items like chairs, tables and kitchen equipment.

BRIG Barton Calendar 2011: This is in process at the moment after a good selection of pictures have been submitted. Will be ready for Sale at the Autumn coffee morning, in the Village Shop & at other outlets in the village.

Autumn Coffee Morning Saturday 13th November 10am – 12noon Village Hall .

Entrance £1 to include coffee/tea & cake. We will be selling the BRIG Barton Calendar 2011, BRIG Christmas Quiz Sheet, 'Buy a Brick', & books. Do come to enjoy meeting friends & stock up on chutneys & preserves.

Christmas Quiz Sheet:- a quiz for all ages (8yrs to 80yrs) £1 a copy. A great way for the family to while away some time over Christmas. Prize is a bottle of Champagne. On Sale at the coffee morning & other outlets in the village.

Safari Supper

What a great evening! It was cold and windy but that didn't stop 43 people from moving around the village on foot, on bicycle or by car to sample the different courses in various houses. They shared meals with strangers and friends and all enjoyed the experience. Everyone hosted a course, so all were involved in

providing food and drink. We finished the evening in the Village Hall for coffee and mints. See you there next year? A bonus - £444 raised for BRIG funds.

Barton Gardeners continue to bring interesting speakers to the village. In September, Bryan Righton gave an informative and light-hearted insight into the benefits of a well-constructed compost heap. At our AGM, Robin Page entertained us with a very knowledgeable insight into the past and present state of our orchards, encouraging us all to get back the flavour of our fruit by buying locally and not through the limited choice offered by supermarkets.

Membership subscriptions have been held at £10 per household or £5 for single occupancy for another year. We would encourage any villagers who would like to support the BGs and the Horticultural Show held at the Village Day to join for the coming year. We have a full and varied programme for you to enjoy.

Our next event is on **23rd November** when **BG members** can attend a special **Christmas evening at Scotsdales**. Contact me to book a place. Our **Mince Pie morning** will be on **4th December**, where you can enjoy a seasonal get-together and browse the gift stalls.

Volunteer wanted! An Independent Examiner of the BG accounts is needed towards the end of September each year. If you have a financial background and would be willing to take this on, please contact Moira Gardiner

mg211@cam.ac.uk

Happy gardening! Sue Edwards 262479

Neighbourhood Watch

Reported crime has been low in Barton recently. There have, however, been several burglaries and other crimes in neighbouring villages.

As in previous months, the police are still concerned about Distraction Burglary. An unwanted caller distracts the victim whilst an accomplice enters the house to steal the victim's property. It is best to get rid of unwanted callers as quickly as possible, then check the house to ensure that all windows and doors are secure.

The police force is having some success in targeting Antisocial Behaviour and asks that all incidents of antisocial or rowdy behaviour are reported – the telephone number is on the back of this magazine.

Keep safe; Bev Edwards

Comberton Library – 0845 045 5225

5th November – Engage in the Morning - Talk on buying materials for libraries and bookshops

6th November – 50th Birthday Party – Events throughout the day

20th November – Storytime – 2-3pm Roald Dahl's Revolting Rhymes & Dirty Beasts, £2 Six years and above.