

***Dear Friends,***

Do join in and share in this summer's celebrations,

There is the Football, the Olympics, our Village Day, but especially those communal events to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee – honouring Queen Elizabeth's 60 years of service to the nation and the Commonwealth. All of these momentous events offer our Village a great opportunity to come together, as neighbours and friends; to celebrate and to show what being 'Christians living in community' is all about.

Through my chaplaincy at the Cathedral I've been involved with Churches in Ely who are putting on a 'Banquet Fit for a King or Queen'. It is a banquet with a difference – instead of inviting their usual friends; they are seeking to invite isolated or marginalised people who would otherwise not be invited to anything special for the jubilee. They are inspired by Isaiah 58, the church is working with support organisations and the care network in the area to invite people who are senior, vulnerable, homeless, lonely, or with special needs to come along. Church members are cooking, hosting a table or decorating and the church members are being waiters and waitresses. As churches and as people of God, in Barton, we are also doing more, together, in words and actions We will come together in our Celebrations, to run stalls, activities, share memorabilia, share memories, share teas and meals, and to make those who join us, to feel valued, and to be treated like Royalty themselves.

Our aim should be to share our joy, our love and our pride in being a valued member of our village with all around us this special month. That joy is the Grace of God, who brings about a lasting spiritual change in the lives of individuals, as communities are transformed by churches working together in mission with practical action and deeds, as well as words.

As we Celebrate, have Fun and Work together, we will be building and strengthening our village community and sharing Jesus. Have a great month to remember!

*With all best wishes,*

*Michael, Vicar*

## **Church News**

We hope as many people as possible will join us for the ecumenical service on 3<sup>rd</sup> June for the Queen's Jubilee. Arranged jointly by St. Peter's and Barton Baptist churches. There will be some splendid flower arrangements in the church celebrating the Queen's life so we hope you will come and view these on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>, when tea and coffee will be available all day, or Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

### **Barton Baptist Church News**

On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June we will be joining with the Parish Church in a Songs of Praise to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The service will be at 4pm in St Peter's. This will be followed by tea in the Village Hall.

We have ordered copies of the Diamond Jubilee edition New Testament to give out. It includes 8 pages of images from the coronation and the Queen's life, linking her 60 year reign and her Christian faith. Hopefully they will be available at our marquee on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June. You may reserve you a copy before that date.

As I mentioned last month, we have decided to go ahead and repair the Chapel. We are in the process of establishing exactly what we need to do and then getting quotes for the work which we ourselves cannot do. We expect to be required to raise at least £30,000 to do the minimum and probably near £60,000 if we do everything which has been suggested. We have launched an appeal for funds, many thanks to those who have already given. If you would like to contribute, donations should be made to Barton Baptist Church and sent either to me or our acting treasurer Roger Foster at Rectory Farm, Madingley Road, CB23 7PG.

On June 17<sup>th</sup> Baptist Churches in the Cambridge area move their preachers around so at present we do not know who will be leading the service at Barton that day.

*Brian West 264801*

### **Barton Christian Fellowship**

On Wednesday June 13<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm in the Village Hall Sylvia Divall from Comberton will be our speaker. All are welcome.

### **Tea and Chat for the Retired**

Tuesdays 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm – 4pm in Barton Baptist Church meeting room.

*Mary West*

### **Parish Jottings**

**County Councillor Fiona Whelan** reported to our last meeting by email

**Buses:** We're told that anything lost on June 10<sup>th</sup> will be looked at to see if a temporary measure can be put in place to ensure continuity of a service – but not the service!

**Neighbourhood Panels:** The County Councillor for Papworth (Mandy Smith) and I

are trying to get the Comberton Panel revamped as it only deals with Police issues and almost no one attends now. Do you have any suggestions for improvements /things you'd like to see? (Some Barton residents do in fact attend.)

**QTSQ – A fantastic meeting!** Congratulations to you all. I'll be passing on the info to other PCs this month. In particular Comberton are interested.

**Minor Highways Improvements** The Councillors – and I have to congratulate them – refused the Officers' offers to sift the 80 bids, including Barton's – and are doing it themselves over the next month. A mammoth task!

Any bids not successful will drop though. They can be resubmitted – probable submission date will be September.

**District Councillor Francis Burkitt** highlighted has been very busy putting together the final version of the Vision document for **the Quarter to Six Quadrant** working with the councillors of Barton, Coton, Grantchester and Madingley. All these councils have unanimously endorsed this document which was presented to South Cambs Councillors on 24<sup>th</sup> May. It was so encouraging to see so many people at the meeting in the School on 27<sup>th</sup> April. The support was overwhelming.

**Reduction of speed limits** Negotiations continue both on cost and implementation.

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

**Next Council meetings:** Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

[Patrick De Backer 262577 bartonpcclerk@btinternet.com](mailto:Patrick.DeBacker262577@btinternet.com)

## **Village News**

### **With Gratitude and Thanks**

On behalf of our family, I thank all our friends of Barton, and others who have been so kind and supportive during our continuing difficult time over the past months. It has been so helpful and good of you all to offer so much interest.

*Liz and Cornie*

### **Barton Lunch Club – Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> June 12.30 for 1pm in the Village Hall**

Please note the lunch this month is the **second** Friday to avoid clashing with the Jubilee celebrations. For reservations and cancellations please let Anne Coulson know 262666.

### **Diamond Jubilee**

A final invitation to the celebrations should have been delivered to every house in the village by now. If you have not received one please contact Anne Coulson. 262666

### ***Barton Tennis Club Open Tennis Afternoon and Family Barbecue***

Barton Tennis Club will be holding an open tennis afternoon on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June, starting at 2.30 pm. The courts and pavilion will be open to members, their guests and local residents, interested in learning more about the Club, there will be informal coaching for children, and matches, followed by a family barbecue at 4.30pm, with food and refreshments provided. All are welcome.

*David Ireland Tennis Club Chairman, 263991*

### ***Tea at Three – 3pm, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July, Village Hall***

Do come along to our next traditional Afternoon Tea in the Village Hall – Barton's Ritz – to enjoy an afternoon relaxing and chatting with friends over tea. To reserve a place, please contact one of us below, giving names, payment at £11 per head, and any dietary requirements. Profits will go to Cancer Research.

*Margaret Winterbourne,(262353) Ruth Bond,(262985) Alison Brock (264985)  
and Marjorie Pratt (262592)*

### ***Barton Friendship Club***

Our AGM was held on the 17<sup>th</sup> April, followed by a Games afternoon, of Hoy, which Members enjoy.

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May the Members of the Club enjoyed a most captivating afternoon with Bob Scott and his glass blowing demonstration, together with the option of purchasing items from his collection of work.

Flyers were distributed around parts of the Village in the hope that this would encourage new members to come and join us.

There will be no meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> June, as it is the Queen's Diamond Jubilee holiday. The 19<sup>th</sup> June will be our Cream Tea outing to the White Horse, Barton.

*Roma Patman-Wallis*

### ***Barton WI***

The June meeting of the WI will be on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June in the village hall, when Urzula Chojnacka will speak on the City Food Bank. Visitors are welcome.

*Julia Stibbs*

### ***Wednesday Women WI***

The aromas of Italian cooking filled the air, and lights twinkled in the marquee as nearly 30 members of Wednesday Women WI were transported to warmer climes on a dull, wet evening in May. Ursula Ferrigno shared her passion and culinary delights and tips with us as she prepared a meal with contagious bubbly enthusiasm. As she cooked, she told us anecdotes of her younger life in Italy.

After whetting our appetites with a fresh salad aperitif, she went on to bake delicious bread baguettes with wholemeal spelt flour, which we tasted warm, with butter. The dish of the evening was the most wonderful Italian Risotto – creamy,

with hints of subtle flavours and prepared like the waves of the sea. We tucked into bowls of warm deliciousness! For dessert, Ursula prepared chocolate mousse, topped with fresh berries – truly scrumptious! It was a superb evening, and Ursula was an inspiration, even I am sure to those whose pleasure is far from cooking. Do come along and meet us on the third Wednesday of the month, 6.30pm at The White Horse, to hear more about the WI and what we all get up to. All ages welcome! There really is something for everyone!

*Vanessa Bond*

### **BRIG**

Our AGM is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 7.30 for 8pm. We welcome you to join us for wine, coffee and nibbles and to hear reports on how the pavilion is used. This is open to all. Suggestions for new activities in the pavilion are always welcome.

### **BRIG Calendar 2013**

BRIG committee have decided to again do the popular village calendar for 2103. We are looking for pictures of the village and its activities, so get busy 'snapping'. Please submit to Margaret Penston (*details on back cover*) by 8<sup>th</sup> August as we wish to have the calendar ready by the end of September.

BRIG, with the Bowls Club, is providing Teas in the New Pavilion for the Jubilee day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

*Meta Greenfield 262005*

### **Barton Gardeners...**

First of all, a **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who helped to make the **Plant Sale and Bacon Butties** morning such an enjoyable event; to the stalwart gardeners who, despite the dreadful weather, managed to fill the tables with an array of plants; to the catering team, who produced **THE** most delicious Bacon Butties; to all the helpers and, not least, to all the members and visitors who came to have a good time.

A few seats are still available for the popular **BG Summer Outing to Beth Chatto Gardens** (nr Colchester) and **Harveys Garden Plants** (nr Bury St. Edmunds) on **Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> July**. Please call Sue Edwards (262479) for more information and booking: Members @ £25pp and Non-members @ £27pp.

*Sue Edwards 262479*

### **Barton Playgroup**

This half term the children have been enjoying activities based around Saint-Saëns' *Carnival of the Animals*. They've moved like the animals, made masks, experimented with musical instruments and made a large wall display. Outside, their favourite activity, taking advantage of the recent weather, is making mud pies!



We are looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with the rest of the village. Look out for our Bouncy Castle at the Jubilee Fair! We will also be having our own little party with special cakes and bunting.

For more information about Barton Playgroup or if you would like to see the fun things the children get up to, please have a look on our website

[www.bartonplaygroup.co.uk](http://www.bartonplaygroup.co.uk)

*Wendy Guest*

### **Neighbourhood Watch**

The Home Office crime statistics for March were encouraging – only one minor crime in Barton.

There has been a spate of car thefts in nearby villages, mainly high value cars such as Mercedes, Audi, VW Golf, BMW Z4 and also Ford Focus ST and a Ford Galaxy. Barton has been targeted by two men in a Mercedes Sport, claiming to be selling block paving but suspected of looking for cars to steal.

At least one burglary resulted in a car theft as a consequence of the car keys being easily available. The police recommend double-locking the front and back doors and storing car keys away from them and not on view. A burglar alarm set to active overnight may also help. UPVC doors are vulnerable and like all doors should be double locked.

Please be aware that this is the season for Nottingham Knockers, who have already been reported in Barton. Their ID badges show “Start Work programme” or “Keep Britain working”. The Police ask you to be vigilant and refuse politely when they come to your door.

*Keep safe, Bev Edwards*

### **Safari Supper – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July**

Don't forget to make your booking for the Safari Supper by 23<sup>rd</sup> June. The cost of tickets is £14 per person for those serving dessert or starter and £7 per person for those serving a main course. Booking forms or more information are available from Anne Coulson 262666 and Barbara Tomes 262692.

This has been a most enjoyable event for the past three years and we hope you will support it again. This year the proceeds are for St. Peter's Church.

### **Open Farm Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June, 11am – 4pm: Bread and Honey!**



At Burwash Manor, Open Farm Sunday means a chance to meet the farmer and his animals, tractor and trailer rides, farm walks, a visit from the RSPB barbeque, beer tent, and heaps of children's activities including pond-dipping and farm quizzes!

Their theme this year is bread and honey, so children will be able to mill some

flour, use it to make bread (don't worry, there will be an experienced chef on hand to help!) and once it's baked, eat it with some tasty local honey.

Bees have been having a hard time recently, so Burwash wants to tell you how to help our little buzzing buddies. They work hard to farm in a bee-friendly way and they're going to let you help them too – every child will receive a free packet of seeds, which will provide food for bees, who then pollinate more plants.

There will also be demonstrations of sheep shearing, spinning, willow weaving, ferreting and farm machinery (weather permitting they will be making silage).

For details, see [www.burwashmanor.com](http://www.burwashmanor.com)

### **Help, please!**

The Countryside Restoration Trust and The Wildlife Trust have joined forces to try to improve the wildlife and environmental conditions of the Bourn Brook, which flows through our parish.

Our biggest challenge this year is to tackle Himalayan Balsam, a garden escape that has run riot along the watercourse.

We'd love to hear from you if you can spare a few hours to help us rid Bourn Brook of Himalayan Balsam and work towards improving the habitat. If you can help please contact Vince Lea of the CRT on 262962 or [vincelea@btinternet.com](mailto:vincelea@btinternet.com)

### **Comberton Sports and Arts**

15 <sup>th</sup>	Custard Comedy	National comics come to Comberton <a href="http://www.combertonleisure.com">www.combertonleisure.com</a>	£8 adv / £10 door	8pm
16 <sup>th</sup>	Eversden Brass Band	<a href="http://www.the-eversdens.co.uk/banddetails11.htm">www.the-eversdens.co.uk/banddetails11.htm</a>	16+ £5	TBC
17 <sup>th</sup>	Red Cross Talent Show	Cambridgeshire heat of this prestigious national event	TBC	TBC
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Cambourne Eagles FC Trophy Night	See Cambourne Eagles for details	TBC	TBC
24 <sup>th</sup>	Rhubarb Cabaret	Mirth, music, magic and mayhem at our popular new night out	£10 adv/ £12 door	8pm
29 <sup>th</sup>	You Can't Stop the Beat	Students celebrate their love of musicals!	TBC	7.30pm

### **Eversden Brass Band Jubilee Concert – 16<sup>th</sup> June Comberton Sports & Arts**

The Eversden Brass Band is a training band for all ages. We have successfully taken children and adults who have never played before, lent them an instrument and taught them how to play it, all whilst having a lot of fun and very cheaply. We currently charge £15 per term which includes the loan of an instrument subject to availability. Our membership is drawn from local villages within the South Cambridgeshire area, including Barton, and was recently given an award by SCDC for promoting Music within the Community.

The Jubilee Concert is an excellent chance to hear the band, along with the City of Cambridge Brass Band, which is one of the more experienced bands in the area

and also has band members from Barton Both bands are keen to welcome players and new audience members. Tickets available from band members or at the door.

Alan Huddleston [Alan@huddleston.org.uk](mailto:Alan@huddleston.org.uk)

**COMBERTON PLAYERS present  
A Tomb with a View**

**A comedy thriller by Norman Robbins**

**Murder and mayhem abound as a weird and sinister family gathers for a will reading. Join us as the plot twists and turns hilariously to its surprising conclusion.**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> & Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> June 7.30**

**At Comberton Village Hall**

**Tickets £6/£4 from 01223 262505**

This is an amateur production by arrangement with Samuel French

**Diamond Jubilee Beacon, Red Meadow Hill**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June 9.30 pm – 10.30 pm**

Come to the top of Red Meadow Hill (by the rifle range) to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee with a traditional beacon, looking over Cambridge on a midsummer's evening. Bring a torch or lantern, light the beacon, and explore the reserve at night with the rangers. More details to come.



**Jubilee Concert with  
City of Cambridge Brass Band**

**8pm, Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June**

**in All Saints' Church, Haslingfield**

***Tickets from Haslingfield Village Shop, or on the door.***

***Adult £10, School Age £5***

***Refreshments available in the interval***

**Info: [friends@bgott.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:friends@bgott.orangehome.co.uk) or phone 01223 871002**

**Friends of Haslingfield Church**

