

THE CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL RETURNS - SEE P12-13

Barton Bank Hub

Barton Town Council is delighted that Barton has been selected to be a location for a Shared Banking Hub. The town is the very first hub that will be created after the community requested the service, which is fantastic – Barton is ground breaking!

It's early days so far, but the Cash Access Group, the independent organisation that sets up the hubs, is working closely with Barton Town Council, and has already identified a couple of town centre locations that may be suitable venues for our Banking Hub. While the whole process can take some time, and there will be a gap between Lloyds closing and the Hub opening, everyone is working hard to get the Hub open as soon as possible. We need to ensure the venue is suitable, get it kitted out and train up staff – and this does take time. When there are updates, they will be posted on the Town Council Facebook page.

What happens in the meantime?

Barton Town Council and Martin Vickers MP, supported by local Parish Councils did make a formal request to the Lloyds CEO to defer closure of the Barton branch to reduce the gap between our last bank closing, and the Hub opening, but we are very disappointed that at the time of writing there has been no response to that request. Meanwhile, remember that Barton Post Office can help with everyday banking for customers of virtually any bank. After its branch closes Lloyds will have a community banker located in Baysgarth Leisure Centre on Wednesdays from 9am to 3pm to help any of their customers that need a bit of help and support – this



will commence on November 9 and remain in place until the Hub opens. The NatWest Mobile branch continues to visit the Old Mill car park on alternate Thursdays from 1.35pm to 2.05pm (next scheduled dates are November 10 and 24, and December 8 and 22). It would also really help the team who are implementing the Hub if local people could fill in an online survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8MW2W33>. This will help them ensure the Barton Hub is able to meet our local needs.

In addition, the team is looking for some local people to join a Focus Group. This is to explain in more detail about the Hub and give the opportunity to raise questions and concerns. Both personal and business customers are welcome, from any bank. Please email the Town Council at info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk if you are interested in joining this group. The meetings will be held online.

What is a banking hub?

A Banking Hub is a shared banking space, similar to a traditional bank branch but available to everyone. The hubs currently consist of a counter service that will be operated by Post Office staff, where customers of any bank can withdraw and deposit cash, make bill payments and can carry out regular banking transactions. In addition, there will be private spaces where customers can speak to someone from their own bank about more complex issues. The banks will be working on a rotating basis, so there will be staff from different banks available on different days.

Banks will ensure staff are available to work in the hubs on specific days of the week. So people will be able to check when their own bank staff will be in the branch and can go in and speak to them. Anyone will be able to use the staffed counter services any day that the Hub is open.

People using the hubs will be able to speak to fully trained and experienced staff from each bank who will be able to provide the same support and banking advice as you'd expect from a traditional branch.

Cllr Nigel Pinchbeck

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Christmas Message

Welcome to the Bartonian Christmas edition. Firstly, I would like to thank all those involved in the publication and delivery of the Bartonian. It's been a pleasure to see the community newspaper evolve and I've thoroughly enjoyed reading each edition. I know from my conversations with residents that many of you feel the same.



David Lee of David Lee Photography was on hand to capture this photograph of the late Queen Elizabeth II when she visited Barton after officially opening the Humber Bridge on July 17 1981. Here she is giving a radiant smile to members of the Barton Handicapped Society.

As Mayor of Barton I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the life of Queen Elizabeth II. A truly great monarch who many loved and respected. During the period of mourning the residents of Barton paid their respects in a quiet and dignified way. Many leaving flowers around the town and others reflecting on her life in our churches and places of worship. With King Charles III now proclaimed as the King we look forward to the future and to his Coronation next year.

Last year due to adverse weather conditions the Christmas Festival had to be cancelled at short notice. I'm writing this looking forward to this year's Christmas Festival. It will

be a fantastic day for all the family. There is further information on the Christmas Festival in this edition of the Bartonian. The Christmas lights have been extended and I'm looking forward to them being switched on. I'd like to finish by saying thank you to those who have supported our Mayoral charities so far this year, GEO - the military talking group and Barton Town Cricket Club. We will be attending the Christmas Festival this year where we will be selling my wife Tracy's renowned Christmas cookies to raise some much-needed funds for both GEO and the Cricket Club. Please come and see us and buy some otherwise I'll be eating cookies until next Christmas!

Thanks once again for your support. I wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year.

Paul Vickers
Mayor of Barton



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Buy Local

What you can't find here, you don't need!



Barton Town Council Members

If you think that they can help you with anything then please contact one of your Town Councillors. All email addresses are cllrname@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

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Barton Upon Humber Town Council Meetings

All meetings are held within the Assembly Rooms on Queen Street. Members of the public are welcome at all meetings and the council welcomes attendance. There are many different meetings covering a wide range of council services and projects. There is a designated time prior to the meeting commencing for members of the public to be able to address the councillors and the opportunity is there to remain at the meeting and listen to the councillors debate and decisions.

Barton Upon Humber Town Council Office opening hours

Barton Upon Humber Town Council office endeavours to open Monday to Friday 09:00 - 16:30 however if the office is closed, the Council staff can be contacted via telephone or by email. Telephone. 01652 633598 / Email. info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

Please keep up to date with meetings, town information, events and activities via our Town Council Website page www.bartontowncouncil.org.uk and Facebook page www.facebook.com/BartonTownCouncil

Barton Upon Humber Town Council forth-coming meeting dates

December 2022	
Full Council	Wednesday 7 7pm
Planning	Monday 12 6pm
Community	Monday 12 7pm
January 2023	
Finance & General Purposes	Monday 9 6pm
Planning	Monday 9 6.30pm
Environment	Wednesday 18 6pm
Full Council	Wednesday 18 7pm
February 2023	
Planning	Wednesday 1 6pm
Full Council	Wednesday 1 7pm
Planning	Monday 20t 6pm
Environment	Monday 20 7pm

It is with great sadness that the council have learned of the sad passing of Cllr Mrs Ann Clark and ex Cllr Mrs Jean Mason.

Both councillors have given up a huge amount of volunteer time to serve their communities and for which we are all very grateful. Our sincere condolences to their families at this very sad and difficult time.



Town Council updates

Saturday's Market on October 1 was a great success with many traders running out of stock. It was great to see additional and new traders here in the town as well as so many visitors to the market. At the time of writing there are even more traders booked in for the November and December Markets.

Improvements are on-going. New branded banners are being purchased with better signage and the aspiration is to save and purchase some additional gazebos as these are proving to be very popular. The intention is to continue with the location in the Market Place and the Butchery area. George Street will remain open to traffic. Markets will continue on the first Saturday of every month so please contact info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk / 01652 633598 to secure a stall.

The Council is continuing to explore options to locate some of the planter units on lamp posts as well as wall locations. These lamp posts will be structurally tested by a qualified engineer and the Council will then evaluate the costs and locations to bring some additional colour in the town centre next year. Meanwhile the town planters have been planted with autumn/winter bedding. The Council is looking for ideas and designs on how to improve the Forkedale/Ferriby Road roundabout so any comments or feedback would be gratefully received.

It has been agreed to purchase a memorial bench for Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II to be sited at the Humber Bridge Viewing Area. This is very much in the design stage at present and it is hoped to be completed early in the New Year.

There have been a number of reports to the Council regarding the progress of many road repairs. There are a number of ways to report issues such as pot holes and overhanging hedges. Ward Councillors, P Vickers, K Vickers and J Evison can take reports. There is also an online portal which can be found here Roads and footpaths - North Lincolnshire Council (northlincs.gov.uk) . On the North Lincolnshire Council website go to Transport and Streets then Roads and Footpaths that includes reporting problems. The Town Council staff is also happy to take reports and direct them to North Lincolnshire for anyone not able to do so.



Find Santa's Reindeers around the shop and business windows in Barton

Christmas is fast approaching and to get you into the festive spirit, the Town Council is once again launching a treasure trail around the town centre for the young and young-at-heart.

Twelve Reindeer have run away and are now hiding in shop windows around the High Street, King Street, George Street and Market Place! You can start searching high and low from Monday November 14 - can you find them all? All of the Reindeer are numbered to give you a helping hand. Visit our Facebook page www.facebook.com/BartonTownCouncil for clues.

To enter the competition all you need to do is download an entry form www.facebook.com/BartonTownCouncil or pick one up from the Town Council Office on Queen Street, write down all the shops which have one of our numbered reindeer in their window and return your entry form to the Town Council by 4pm on Monday December 5. Don't forget to include your name, age, address and contact number.

Good Luck.

Barton's Remembrance Day Parade and Service, November 13

The Parade will assemble, with standards, outside The Assembly Rooms, Queen Street, at 10.15am: before proceeding at 10.30am via High Street (between Queen Street and Burgate), Burgate, Whitecross Street (between Beck Hill and Barrow Road) and onto Barrow Road arriving at the War Memorial at 10.50am where there will be a short service and the two minutes silence observed at 11am and wreaths laid.

The Parade will follow the reverse route back to St Mary's Church for the Remembrance Day Service starting at 11.30am. At the service, standards will be laid and the names of the fallen read out.

Please note these timings and events may change and notices will be displayed on the Town Council Notice Boards, website and social media.

Coach Well Gardens



David Dent left is presented with the Barton Civic Society Annual Award 2022 by Society Chair Neil Jacques



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The Barton Civic Society Annual Award for 2022 has been presented to Dave Dent of David Dent Building Contractors for the Coach Well Gardens development by the Civic Society chairperson Neil Jacques writes Liz Bennet.

The prestigious award is only presented to projects that make a difference to the street scene of Barton and previous winners include the renovation of Wilderspin National School and The Ropewalk. The award is not made every year, only if a project is agreed to be significant enough by the Civic Society Executive Committee.

Dave took time out from his busy day to give some insight into the development. A builder in Barton for many decades he moved to Barton when he was 14 and started in the building trade at the age of 21 with Mick Trowsdale before moving to Tomlinson's, a large firm in Scunthorpe, where he learned his craft as a bricklayer.

After years of working on renovations and smaller builds in the area the first large development he took on was Cottingham Court which was completed in 2010. Work on the site of the old Coach and Horses pub was a natural development and in 2020 Phase I of Coach Well Gardens was completed with all properties sold. Phase II is due for completion next year, and only one property in this part of the development remains for sale.

Dave has a passion for the work, working with a small crew comprising of himself Andrew Marshall and Brian Colclough. Dave and Andrew do all the ground work and building with Brian completing all the joinery.



Andrew cutting bricks



Brick detail



Well discovery

It is easy to see why the houses have been snapped up so quickly. The pride in their craft is evident in the decorative brick work, stunning chimneys, curved walls and beautifully executed archways which involved hours of patient brick cutting. What people don't see is the amount of work that went into getting the ground prepared before building could start.

To complete the archaeological survey required the ground was taken down to a depth of 1.4metres. In addition to laying services several large attenuation tanks (large holes lined and filled with plastic crate structures) have been sunk under the site. Surface water run-off is stored in these during heavy rains and then it is released slowly

into the drain system to prevent flooding. During the work a well was discovered leading to the name of the road. This is now a feature in one of the properties.

Dave says that he has really enjoyed the challenges of the development and although elements have been stressful, he looks forward to working on it every day. What is next for Dave? Work will begin in 2023 on the former Coach and Horses public house building which will be converted into six spacious apartments. And after that? "Well," he said "my eldest daughter Melissa has now started work with us and she has plenty of ideas so we'll see!"

Liz Bennet



Site before clearance

Groundworks

Site investigation

Back on the Barton Stage

Some of you may remember Paul Tate from the Baysgarth School, Barton Drama Club, and BADAOS shows of the '70s and '80s before he became a professional Actor/Director.

A former resident of Barton with family still living here Paul decided in 2016 to form a Community Theatre group called Friends At Barton.

Paul says "I learnt so much doing the amateur shows and wanted to give something back to the town I grew up in. I was asked to visit the old Salvation Army building on Queen Street, a place I hadn't been inside for many years, to see if I thought upstairs would make a theatre. Well, I was blown away by it. It's just like a Music Hall up there and with it being a former Chapel, was built for the voice. Perfect!

"I decided to write and direct A Christmas Carol. Thankfully we sold out. The following year FAB put on The Snow Queen. Another sell-out! Thank you to all the audience for putting faith in us."

Alice in Wonderland was to be the next show in 2020. We all know what happened there.



Paul Tate

FAB were a couple of weeks away from performances when Lockdown happened. The show, sadly, had to be postponed. FAB then had to wait for building works in the Joseph Wright Hall to be undertaken, Paul to be free from his work commitments and a slight change of cast before they could restart.

"The cast are working so hard," Paul adds. "I am so proud of them all. We can't thank everyone enough for being patient and we are all looking forward to giving the audiences a show they deserve. We charge only £5 per ticket as I know people are struggling at the moment. You can't even get a take-away for that so I hope people think it's great value."



Grace Hobson

Castledyke flower tribute



To commemorate our wonderful monarch, Queen Elizabeth II and her 70 years on the throne, the children of Castledyke each made a flower. The children wrote their own messages of love and thanks for all she did on the flowers. We displayed them in our hall as a flower garden for everyone to be able to see and to remember the Queen.

Paul is also a seasoned Pantomime Dame and was recently part of Dame Nation on Britain's Got Talent who got through to the Live Semi-Finals. "It was a great experience but I had to keep quiet about it for two years. I'm quite gobby at times so that was hard."

Alice in Wonderland, although not a pantomime is a family show with songs and promises to be a colourful trip down the Rabbit Hole for all. Paul will also be playing the White Rabbit in it. "I am so happy to be back on the Barton stage." Paul says. "Back where it all began."



Ian Neve

One last message from Paul: "We have all gone through so much over the past couple of years. We all need a bit of escapism. I hope that this show will give you that. Every single one of you means so much to us. We really appreciate the bookings and can't wait to entertain you. Thank you also to all the local businesses who did the Alice in Wonderland window displays in 2020. It didn't feel right to ask them to do that all again but wow, what a truly magnificent effort they all put in. Barton became Barton in Wonderland for a brief moment. I am forever grateful. We are planning Pinocchio for March 2023 so please keep an eye out for that. I sincerely, from the bottom of my Heart hope you all enjoy Alice. It's great to be back."



Andrea Baker

The performances are Thursday November 17 to Sunday November 20. Full details on the Poster and on the Friends At Barton Facebook page. All tickets from 2020 are still valid.

Barton Area Food Bank

Since the last edition of the Bartonian, the demand for food and toiletries has steadily increased as the UK and the rest of Europe feels the knock-on effect of international events.

Prices have increased and people are possibly finding it harder to donate to our collection bins in Tesco, Heron and the Co-op and also in the churches and some schools. We are so grateful for everything anyone can spare and see such kindness in our communities, especially at the moment when many schools and churches are donating their Harvest Thanksgiving gifts to us.

The collection of surplus fresh food on Monday and Thursday evenings continues. We are now collecting fresh baguettes and sometimes pizzas from the Bakkavor factory off Falklands Way. So as not to waste any surplus, Bakkavor has kindly bought us a large freezer, which we hope to place in our new store once it is built.

Planning continues on our new store, but it does take time to get the requirements right and fit

for purpose. It will take several thousand pounds to build and install the electrics and security fencing. This will not affect our regular funds which we use to top up the gaps in our food and toiletries stocks, sometimes now up to £300 per week. This building money will be ring-fenced and we are hoping to approach some local companies for help. Any Gift Aid receipts (ie the additional 25% we are able to claim) from monetary donations are also going towards this fund.

Please support us at Tesco between December 1 and 3, when once again we shall be having an in-store Collection Day. Thank you for your continued support.

For further details please contact us on 07526 472683 or email bartonareafoodbank@gmail.com

Barton Churches Together

Someone observed that the five most comforting words in the Bible are, "And it came to pass..." because whatever "it" is did not come to stay. But while we are grateful for the passing of many things, the height of the pandemic being one, the Barton Churches Together marked the departure of Deacon Helen of Trinity Church from this parish and with her, a wealth of creative experience and ideas as well as many relationships between local organisations and the local congregations.

We thank God for all her input these past few years as she headed up the Barton Churches Together.

We are well into a pleasant autumn now, as summer has passed, and with it, many churches have been celebrating the harvest season. The Barton Area Foodbank has been blessed by many donations from congregations around the area...and would welcome any more still looking for a home. Harvest is a great time to acknowledge the power of gratitude. While autumn is that "season of mists and mellow fruitfulness" it is interesting to me that we only have one such seasonal celebration in our church calendar. The others are linked to significant parts of the Bible narrative. But autumn reminds us that one sows, another reaps but God

gives the increase. We can design favourable circumstances but we cannot create life. That has to come from outside of us.

And we are happy to be reminded of the great value that gratitude works in our heart and minds and, indeed, our bodies. Grateful people are happier people. And gratitude is a work, for some of us who do not find it naturally easy or are in trying times. But gratitude for what we have, will benefit all levels of our being. Try keeping a Gratitude Jar. When you notice something that you have, or have been given, or some kindness or kind person in your life, write it on a slip of paper and pop it in your Gratitude Jar. When things seem bleakest, you will have a reminder that there is still good and hope in the world. "Count your blessings, name them one by one" is not just an old hymn for harvest but is also sound advice for the 21st Century. In the coming season, your local churches will be hosting Christmas fairs, Carol services and continuing support to people in the community for what can be a trying season for some. Do be in touch with us if you see a need.

Your local churches will be taking part in the Remembrance Day Services at the War Memorial and St. Mary's Church on Sunday November 13 from 10.50am and 11.40am respectively.

Barton Churches Together currently comprise members of Trinity Methodist, St. Mary's, and the Salvation Army Corps here in Barton.

Goxhill and Barrow Scout Group



The Group is now fast approaching the half term break and it has been a busy time for the Scout Group both in terms of scouting activities and work on the new hut project.

Permission has been secured from the Diocese of Lincoln for the project and the architect has completed the drawings and plans. The process has also been started for obtaining planning permission from North Lincolnshire Council.

At the time of my last article, we didn't have an estimate for project cost, however having sought professional advice we are told that the project will cost somewhere in the region of £186,000. That's a whopping sum of money for a Scout Group to raise and I doubt it will happen overnight. Whilst we do have plans to approach some of the national charity funding streams, we are also keen to be seen to be helping ourselves too and we are planning some local fund-raising activities, the first of which will be a Horse Racing night in November - keep an eye out for the advert when it comes out.

Please also remember our Crowd Funding Page at: www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/andrew-oliver-2

The Page has seen a slow start but I'm hopeful after reading this article you will be moved to making a donation - however small - if every member of the communities our Scout Group serves just donated £1 each it would make a significant contribution towards meeting our target.

On the topic of fundraising, in September I was invited to Abor Forest Products Ltd in New Holland, where I presented with a cheque



for £235, as a donation towards our project. The money had been raised by staff members who had participated in a charity football competition. Great effort lads, a fantastic gesture and thank you for so much for your donation. (See photo attached)

During the last few months our young people have:

Beavers have been working towards an Aviation badge - how aircraft fly, designing their own planes, making paper airplanes and learning the phonetic alphabet and then practicing their new skills with each other. They have visited a Fire Station in Immingham for a tour round and got to clamber about a fire engine and have also participated in their first camp in more than three years, at our camp site in New Holland, the weather was brilliant and they all had a great time.

Cubs have been working towards their Faith and Craft badges, learning about different faiths their differences and similarities and carving a variety of religious symbols into soap. Following the death of HM Queen Elizabeth, the Cubs looked into her life and

many achievements, including her role as the bearer of the title of Defender of the Faith and Supreme Governor of the Church of England, a responsibility that has shaped her life. They also participated in the weekend camp at New Holland.

Scouts have been working towards their Artist badges, drawing self-portraits of themselves, making and decorating sourdough pumpkin faces, drawing their favourite scenery as well as cooking sausages on Trangia stoves outside (in the pitch darkness). At the end of this week, they will be taking part in a survival camp; learning how to make a camp, prepare food and cook outdoors as well as participate in a night hike, about knots and lashings and the skill of pioneering (making structures out of wood and rope), mapping skills and hiking, fire lighting and cooking (sometimes using only a metal can and a candle!!!)

Although we don't have an active Explorers Section at the moment (see below), some of our ex-Explorers and the ex- Explorer Leader came back for a couple of days and finished building a shelter which covers the fire pit area at our Scouting HQ in New Holland. This allows all the sections to get a much greater use of this outside area during inclement weather. Thanks guys much appreciated. (See photo attached)

We are always looking for new Warranted Leaders to come and join us (we would particularly like to see some more younger adults in our team) and at the moment there is a vacancy for an Explorer Leader. If you're interested, please contact me to have a chat on my email: andyoliver789@btinternet.com

Andy Oliver
Group Scout Leader

Friends of the Barton Line update

As we approach the first anniversary of East Midlands Railway taking over, performance of Barton Line trains remains at a high level, with few cancellations recorded.

The unfortunate, and well publicised exception to this being on days of industrial action, when there has been no rail service provided to Barton. On days of action by Network Rail staff, the first train the following day has also been cancelled as a result of night shift staff striking. At the time of publication, we will have been affected by approximately 16 days of strike action, the latest being Monday November 7. At this point, central government must step in to facilitate a deal that is satisfactory to both sides.

We are currently in autumn, traditionally a period of poor rail performance as a result of poor railhead conditions resulting from leaf fall - the effect being similar to that of black ice when you drive your car. Network Rail has been working hard to combat the problem - on our line the most visible operation is the visit three times a week of the railhead treatment train to the section between Habrough

and Grimsby, clearing the rails of leaf mulch through the use of high pressure water jets.

Network Rail has also recently installed improved fencing at New Clee station, in a bid to curb trespass incidents which cause disruption to train services in this area and on the whole Barton Line.

The Friends of the Barton Line has recently unveiled the renovated running in boards at Thornton Abbey station. The cast iron letters and brass screws on these signs are original and approaching 100 years old - the timber has been completely renewed and it is hoped will have a lifespan of 50 years. This project would not have been possible without the financial assistance of East Midlands Railway and the Barton Cleethorpes Community Rail Partnership. We are also grateful to the Barton Lions for their volunteer support. Thornton Abbey station provides access to the English Heritage owned Thornton Abbey



gatehouse and the Thornton Abbey mark the occasion, more will follow in the next article.

Our friends and colleagues at the Barton Cleethorpes Community Rail Partnership will, subject to industrial action, be holding the annual Santa train on Saturday December 10, leaving Barton at 9:50am. Normal fares apply, and there will be festive treats such as mince pies and chocolate on board.

A event was planned by FBL to



Have you ever overslept?

Or even slept badly worried that you won't wake up in time to for that vital deadline for work, bus, train or plane?

As we settle into darker mornings have you ever wondered how, before the days of mobile phone alarms, ticking alarm clocks or even the Town Clock on St Mary's tower, people got up in time for work?

Below is an extract from a booklet, Fragments Relating to Barton upon Humber by Thomas Tombleson dated 1905, from the archive of the late Geoff Bryant. The extract describes life 300 years ago and is taken from what Tombleson calls "our ancient laws".

"The Jury shall from time to time yearly appoint a man to call of all the neighbours throughout the town between the hours of three and five in the morning. The Caller is to begin at Michaelmas Day (29 September) and to continue calling until Lady Day (25 March), for which calling he is to have for every plowland fourpence and rateably for every oxgang yearly, and also five shillings to buy him a pair of boots and four pence for his festing penny which is five shillings, and fourpence is from time to time paid him from the Constable's account"

Tombleson continues: "What is the state of affairs here set before us? No watches or clocks in working

men's homes, no church clock with its friendly voice, no lucifer matches and very few candles, the men losing hours of sleep in their anxiety to be right, and then dropping off towards morning and being late after all, until the trouble was beyond endurance and the Caller was appointed. Happy and envied individual! Holder of so important a parish office! Behold him setting off at three in the morning, fortified against frost, snow or mud, by his pair of strong parish boots valued at five shillings when new, and rejoicing in the thought that for six months winter mornings from three o'clock to five, he should not only get the aforesaid boots but fifteen fourpences from the town and £1 1s 2d from the farmers!"

Later in the booklet Tombleson gives more detail. The farm labourers were called at 3am followed by the brewers, bakers and tradesmen. The brewers and bakers were not allowed by parish law to start work before 5am, so they were called on his second round.

It does beg the question of course how the Caller knew what time to get up, but we are not told that.

Neil Jacques

Water's Edge Visitor Centre

Water's Edge Visitor Centre and Country Park are hosting a wide variety of Christmas activities to get you in the festive mood this season.

Visual art also features in our events programme in the Water's Edge Visitor Centre. Village Art is hosting its annual Art Exhibition on November 19 and 20 when wonderful watercolour paintings and cards for sale will be featured.

Workshops include the ever-popular pottery for both adults and children, willow weaving sessions, as well as our new art classes by Wendy Bruce. Wendy is an experienced workshop leader, who has more than 20 years experience as an art teacher and Head of Art at a high school. All this just in time to get your homes decorated for the festivities.

Supporting local businesses is the way forward when thinking about gift giving for loved ones this Christmas. Our pop-up shops on November 26 and 27 and December 10 and 11 are hosting five large stalls full of homemade gifts and crafts by local artisan crafters.



As always, full details for all events and activities can be found at the Facebook page for Water's Edge Visitor Centre and Country Park, by calling the Visitor Centre on 01652 631500 or by dropping into the Visitor Centre in person.

The Salvation Army Barton upon Humber Corps is holding a Christmas Fair Coffee Morning at the Salvation Army Hall, 114 Tofts Road DN18 5NG on Saturday November 19 from 10am until 2pm.

Christmas Fair Coffee Morning

There will be crafted goods, games with prizes, Christmas Present ideas and refreshments. Tables may be available for a donation. Contact Major Alan Norton on 07468 728266 for further details.

Join us for carols at the Christmas Light switch-on on Saturday November 26 at the town's Christmas Tree on High Street from 5.30pm.

News from the South Bank Players



After a successful start to the Ghost Walk season on Halloween, the South Bank Players has a further four walks to perform. The dates for these are all Fridays - November 25, January 27, February 24 and March 17.

The walks starts from Baysgarth House Museum at 7.30pm and it is recommended you wear sensible footwear for walking and wrap up warm. All tickets cost £5 and can be booked in advance on www.sbplayers.weebly.com or bought on the night. Unbelievably the Barton Ghost Walk is now 20 years old! If you haven't been yet, maybe this is the year to try it out! Even if you've been before you might hear a new story or spot a new spooky effect as we are always adding things in. The Ghost Walk is quite different to many others as we don't just have one person leading the group around town, there are a number of actors who come out along the

way to tell tales about long-dead Barton residents. Last month we performed a murder mystery, Body of the Play at the Nelthorpe Arms in South Ferriby. It was great fun and the audience enjoyed trying to work out 'whodunnit'. The Players would welcome the opportunity to perform this again so if you know of a venue, or a group that might like the group to put on a murder mystery evening for them get in touch. **The South Bank Players is always looking for new members so if you fancy getting involved contact Liz Drury on 07539 755531**

Doing More With Less

The Wilderspin School Museum has decided to mitigate the high winter running costs by opening less but providing more!

The Old School Canteen coffee shop will continue to open Thursday to Sunday between 10am and 4pm but the Museum is now open on the first and third weekend each month only, between 11am and 3pm, until the warmer weather of April.

The Museum is, however, scheduling more family events, exhibitions, guided tours and talks throughout the winter to enhance visitors' experience.

"A guided tour is the best way to discover the Wilderspin Story whether as part of the growing number of school visits we get or tours we run for adult groups," Jean Cannon, Chair of the Queen Street School Preservation Trust, said. "Although it's a fairly small site it has a big story to tell and it's best shared by people who know it best, so we want to extend our group visit experience with family visitors to the Museum."

The winter programme includes Show & Tell pop up displays by crafters, hobbyists and charities in the Museum's Chatty Café - and this space can still be booked for



families and by care groups to delve into the Museum's memory boxes. Full details are being posted on the Museum's website wilderspinschool.org.uk and on Facebook. From November, a small admission charge will be introduced so that visitors can contribute towards the

running costs of the museum and the continued restoration of the historic school.

The former Church School building is a Grade II* listed building, described by English Heritage as "one of the most important schools in England". Nevertheless, the Queen Street School Preservation Trust charity, which runs the Museum, receives no regular public funding so relies on visitor income and hundreds of hours of volunteers' time to safeguard the old school and chapel buildings and run the Museum.

School visits and group tours will carry on as normal - and, of course, we will be open for the Christmas Festival when the Museum will have its usual Christmas Crafts fair. Stall bookings can be made by telephoning (01652) 635172.

Hire of function and community rooms at Wilderspin is also not affected, and they are still available for business, community and family any time.

Recognition for Barton Volunteer



Paul Thornton and Carol Thornton were founder members of The Ted Lewis Group. Sadly, Paul has since died but Carol, now a Barton Town Councillor, has become a Trustee of The Ted Lewis Centre, presently also serving as Membership Secretary. Including recognition of Paul's enthusiastic support, the Centre has now honoured Carol with an award of Honorary Lifetime Member.

Other Lifetime Members are Mike Hodges (the Director of Get Carter) and former Centre Chair and past North Lincolnshire Arts Volunteer of the Year, Nick Turner. Constituency MP, Martin Vickers attended the Ted Lewis Centre to present Carol with the award.

Workers' Educational Association

The Barton Branch of the Workers' Educational Association (WEA), was given the go ahead to run an afternoon course on "Early Anglo-Saxon Lincolnshire and its Germanic Connections" starting from mid-October.

It is a trial to see if courses can run with sufficient numbers, to cover costs and survive without grant funding. At the first session, tutor Simon Tomson spoke to a good number, in the Community Hall, of the Joseph Wright Hall, on Queen Street.

This course ends on November 23 and it is hoped to run a further course after Christmas. For more information see posters or ring WEA Volunteer Ursula, on 01652 632739.

Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust

The Barton upon Humber Area Group invites you to come and join us and learn more about our local area and the wildlife in it.

You do not have to be a member of the Trust to attend any of our events and its free! For any information please contact Vernon Chapman or Maureen Douglass as below. Look forward to seeing you!

- Saturday Field Trips - 2022**
- Nov 12 9.00am** Half Day Alkborough Flats Staying local at Alkborough Flats Nature Reserve for winter waders and wildfowl. Leader / Contact Details Maureen Douglass 01469 530143
- Dec 3 9.00am** Half Day Cleethorpes/Tetney Marshes Annual trip to look for winter waders and Snow Buntings along the Humber coast. Leader / Contact Details Vernon Chapman 01652 660957/07939 347373
- Indoor meetings** - Ness End Farm, Barton - 7.30pm start
- Nov 16** "Cyprus in Spring" - Graham Catley

email vernonchapman2@gmail.com or mdouglass6@hotmail.com





Barton Town Cricket Club

Barton Town Cricket Club Honorary Secretary Oliver Mussett reflects on the 2022 season at the Club that will go down as one of the most successful in the club's modern history, having secured two Senior Side league Titles, a cup win and a further promotion all whilst growing our junior section and for the first time in our history fielding a Women's and Girls' XI in a softball tournament held at Broughton CC.

Our 1st XI made it back to back League and Cup wins securing promotion back to the Lincolnshire County Cricket League's Premier Division and winning the Bob Welton Cup final for the second time in two seasons. Our 2nd XI finished runners up in the Third Division to secure promotion into the Second Division and our Sunday First XI secured its first league title at just the second time of asking!

Our end of season presentation night was a storming success with so much to celebrate, and that doesn't just include the on-field success but the success of the club as a whole. Volunteers make us great and we wanted to take this opportunity to thank all volunteers at the club no matter how large or small the role you may have had.

As the winter comes, the work at the ground doesn't stop, and the Executive Committee has already begun work on the ground to make sure it is at its best for the 2023 season which gets underway in less than five months time. The closed season is always a time for the club to get better, and we regularly need help from volunteers for projects and jobs around the club. So if you think you can spare some time to help us, please don't hesitate to get in touch via email admin@bartontowccc.co.uk or through the usual social media channels.

Our junior training sessions will commence indoors once the new year comes and our coaches and volunteers have had the opportunity to have a well-earned break.

Looking to the future the Club has recently announced that four of its Juniors have been selected to represent Lincolnshire County Cricket in the 2022/2023 season. They are Ben Andrew, Lily Andrew, Annela Watson and Megan Bradley. The Club couldn't be more proud of them as they represent Barton around the UK

Keep an eye on our Social Media pages for the latest updates, and we look forward to welcoming you all down to the club in the 2023 season.

Thank you!
Oliver Mussett

Barton Brigg Road Bowls Club

What a great season we have had at our club with many new members who have very quickly made themselves available to play in matches and I think have enjoyed the experience. *Thank you to them all.*

We finished once again with the finals of our internal competition with the same finalists as last year but a different winner- seems fair! Then we all enjoyed a whistle stop game of bowls and finished the afternoon with a BBQ. The forecast was not good but the rain held off till we had finished - the sun shines on the righteous!!

Although the season has ended, work still goes on. We have had

the green tended by our expert so that things will be ready for next year. New doors are about to be fitted to the clubhouse and lots of other (often unseen) work goes on to keep the place tidy.

Anyone interested in our club, please contact the secretary at jillbowling@talktalk.net



Justin Elliott RAF Veteran - High Kicking & Going4Gold

Justin Elliott is a local RAF Veteran who served between 2001 and 2012 as a Corporal and later in his career as a Commissioned Officer serving his country and completing three tours of Iraq in a Force Protection role. After leaving the military Justin joined an electricity distribution company and in 2019 started to use his weekends to practice his favourite hobby - Karting.

After three years Justin was competing in four Rental Championships around the country ranging from Kent to Dorset to Sunderland and has been invited to compete in the annual Kart Race of Champions four times. Justin has had 2nd and 3rd places at the end of Championships since starting and this year secured his first Championship win!

Whilst on his quest to be champion and requiring some financial assistance to fund an expensive hobby, Justin saw the opportunity to secure sponsorship by helping promoting products and companies on his race suit and through social media. His first sponsorship in the early years was from Chartered Certified Grimsby Accountants, Appleleaf Accountancy.

This year Justin has secured three new sponsors: Brigg Wado Ryu Karate and Kickboxing Academy - a local club which Justin and his six-year-old son have been training at together for nearly two years. The club has a fantastic dojo to train in and a friendly environment. With a choice of Karate, Kickboxing and Boxercise, for aspiring little ninjas, kids, families and adults for ages four and above, you can train up to six days a week.



Justin's second sponsor is a local plumbing and heating specialist - Alan Robinson who covers Barton and the surrounding local area

His third sponsor is Heroes Drinks Company founded by Chris Gillan, one of his ex-military friends who he served in Iraq with. Chris had to leave the military due to injury and went on to establish Heroes Drinks, a non-profit organisation producing award winning products, to give something back to the men and women who have served our country and the military charities that helped him in his darkest hour.

The company pledges a minimum of 20% of its profits to Forces and Veterans Charities with the remaining profit supporting business

development, creating jobs for veterans nationwide and work placement programmes aimed at helping veterans get back into work. With the support of his friends, family and sponsors along with all the practice he has been putting in, Justin secured his first Rental Championship victory in four stroke karts. He is now striving to achieve another championship title in a two stroke championship.

If you are interested in sponsoring opportunity to advertise your business or product, please email elliott.justin79@gmail.com

Bartonian Volunteers Christmas Shopping



Mark and Karen: Falkland Way
We'll be buying more Christmas decorations from the beautiful display at Rosy & Tilly to add to our somewhat sparsely decorated tree!



Carol: Fleetgate/Castledyke West.

I buy most of my food from Crisp & Fresh because I'm vegan, but this year I will also buy from the Market at the beginning of December there have been some great stalls so far. Rather than gifts, I think my friends and I will go to a restaurant in town, at least once. We particularly like Bengal Village and The Surma, but for the festive season we may warm up in other hostellers!



Chris: Deepdale.

My favourite shop in Barton is Rosy and Tilly, there is always something to buy for birthdays and Christmas and really any time of the year.



Marian: Various rounds

I enjoy shopping at Rosy and Tilly. They have a beautiful range of scarves, hats, socks, gloves, candles, quirky items for gardeners, throws and blankets to save on heating bills, clocks, jewellery and much more. A new room has opened upstairs which looks as if it will display Christmas items once Halloween is over.



Lorraine: Bottom of Eastfield Road and it's off-shoots.

I bought lovely jolly Christmas fabric from Boyes to make reusable bags and wraps for our parcels to save all that waste wrapping paper! Hopefully I will see it coming backwards and forwards every Christmas and no glitter to Hoover up for weeks after.



Julie: Westfield Road/Regency Court.

Crisp n fresh...always such a friendly welcome with the freshest produce, but their Christmas trees are the best we've ever had. Fat and fragrant like I remember them!

Clarke's shoes. Always ordered in my mother in law's Christmas slippers specially. Nothing is too much trouble. Ropewalk Christmas market. Always puts you in the Christmas spirit, with individual and local gifts. Usually come away with more for me than for others!



Mark: I fill-in for the rounds when people are on holiday, so get to see all of Barton!

We always get our Christmas fruit & veg from Karen and Troy in Crisp and Fresh - always good quality, packaging-free and top banter guaranteed, but remember: a greengrocer is not just for Christmas!



Monty: Brigg Road/Millfields/Lunns crescent.

Monty is a volunteer at The Ted Lewis Centre Bookstore, where entertaining and local novels are on sale each Sunday. He recommends Sheriff on Barton High Street for gents' hairstyling and friendly banter.



Ursula: Queen Street

Barton Shopping Centre for gifts for Children, toys, cards and paper. For adults in Barton Rosy & Tilly has a good range of good quality gifts. For gifts with a local theme, the Ropewalk heritage section and the shop at Wilderspin School have a range of gifts; kits, toys, mugs, tea towels, books and more.



Dave & Chris: Tofts Road.

We like to shop locally for some Christmas gifts. Our favourites are Sally Anna's and Boyes. At Sally Anna's there are bargains to be had and the money goes to a good cause. Boyes is always good value, we often come out with items we didn't know we wanted!



Monica: Town Centre round.

I'll be shopping at Heartsease on the High Street for a wide range of cruelty free and plant-based products - for Christmas gifts that don't cost the earth.



Neil: Overton Court round.

I'll be shopping at Barton Building Supplies on Fleetgate for a great choice of DIY products and tools. (hint to my family here!)



Veronica: Priestgate / Whitecross St/Burgate/St Marys Lane round.

I love to shop at The Ropewalk for their beautiful range of gifts, at Crisp N Fresh for their delicious produce and friendly chats, at Benson's for their super sausages and at Boyes because they sell everything you can think of at really good prices.



Michaela: I help out with various rounds.

I'll be shopping at The Pet Shop - everything the pet lover needs and an excellent delivery service.



Alison: Maltkiln Road area.

At Christmas time or any time I want to buy a gift but I'm not sure what I want, I go to Rosy and Tilly, they have a fab selection of really good gifts and lovely cards too.



Neil: Writer/Editorial Team

I like to get unique gifts for people, so my first port of call is the Ropewalk - handmade ties, cufflinks, and hand-printed scarves always go down well - then it's off to Five Fathoms Gin at the Tile Yard for a bottle of festive spirit!



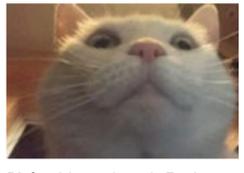
Jane: Writer, Researcher, Proof Reader/Editorial Team

First port of call is The Ropewalk's Craft Gallery where you can be guaranteed to find such individual and special gifts and then Best Wishes for their wide range of Christmas cards as well as cards throughout the year. Barton Shopping Centre also for its wide range of children's toys and games.

Katy (usually with children on the round): Dam Road
Teasdales for Manchester Tarts for guests who call and Vienna rolls for the Christmas sandwiches Sunflower for when I'm fed up of cooking (and when I'm not!) Heart Sense for cinnamon essential oil and bath salts to relax Best Wishes for specific cards for close family and friends Couplands because it isn't Christmas until I've had their brandy butter mince pies.

As the festive season approaches it seemed like an appropriate time to shine a light on the volunteers who work to get the Bartonian through your door every two months.

The volunteers were asked to say which round they deliver and where they like to spend their money in Barton at this time of year. Some were too shy to respond and we think one volunteer might be in disguise, never the less they all deserve our thanks for keeping Barton residents informed.



Pinky: My territory is Far Ings and Waterside road.

I'm looking forward to Christmas shopping in Barton. First stop The Pet Shop for some fabulous fodder for felines, on to Benson's the butchers hoping for some tender turkey titbits. Barton shopping centre next, to be mesmerised by spangly streamers and shimmering tree lights before pouncing on Christmas felt mice from Rosy and Tilly.



Liz: Layout & Content Management/Editorial Team & Marsh Lane

I like to buy cards from Lindsey Lodge Hospice Shop or Red Cross, the last few years they have had some lovely Christmas Cards. Apart from books I manage to find all the presents I need in Barton, we really have a great variety of shops and goods on sale. A gift to myself is a log delivery from Barton Building Supplies ready for the New Year and whatever weather gets thrown at us.



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Richard: Photography & Marsh Lane/Butts Road

I tend to avoid shopping at all costs. Although I do get my Sunday paper from McColls. I have no complaints.



Doretta: Barrow Road

I was thrilled to get the Barrow Road round and find plants for sale en route! With Christmas coming I will be heading to Heartsease to find something scented and soothing for my sightless mum



Festive Brass Band Concert

The Barton Community Band is ending its 150th anniversary year with a special concert at St. Mary's Church.

The band's Christmas concert is on Saturday, December 17, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

The concert will feature performances from the Barton Community adult and youth bands and, as always, provides an atmospheric opening to the festive season. Tickets for the event are available from sbplayers.co.uk or at the door. Tickets are priced at £8 with under fives free of charge.

Refreshments, raffle tickets and merchandise, will be available on the evening.

The Community Band has had several successes on the contest platform. It regularly performs throughout the country, holding concerts with celebrity guest soloists and choirs. On two occasions, the band also visited Barton's twin town, Feyzin.

In 2010 Barton Town Band started a new project, the Barton Community Band.

The Community Band was developed so players retiring from the Barton Brass Band would still have somewhere to play as it progressed through the sections.

As well as performing in its own right, the Barton Community Band branched out into encouraging young people to learn instruments and become part of the band.

Part of the band's mission is to provide music education for the local community. Today, it partners with Hull Music Hub, which encourages young people to participate in music. It is hoped that a scheme to offer music tuition can be developed.

Recently, the band's youth members participated in the Grimethorpe Colliery Band youth workshop in



Hull. Some of them were invited to play with the world-famous band in the evening concert, which proved to be an inspiring experience.

The Barton Community Band is an intrinsic part of the community of Barton. As well as performing in various projects, such as playing for elderly residents in care homes at Christmas and supporting Armistice Day. The band members have also put together an Oompah Band that has performed at the Beer Festival.

The Community Band is keen to develop new players. It is open to complete beginners (including adult beginners) and more experienced players.

It really lives up to its name and if you would like to become involved with a great bunch of people and get to blow your own trumpet twice a week, contact Stuart Ross, the Secretary on secretary.bartoncommunityband@gmail.com

Performances by Barton Community Adult and Youth Bands

Christmas Concert

Saturday 17th December 2022
St Mary's Church
Barton-upon-Humber
6:30pm

Tickets £8.00/£6.00
Available on the door (cash only)
Children under 5 free

Also available online via www.sbplayers.co.uk

www.bartoncommunityband.com
 @BartonCmntyBand

Bartonian What's On

November & December 2022



Saturday November 5
Barton Market
 Market Place 8.30am - 2pm
 A range of craft and fresh produce stalls
Free

Saturday November 5
Barton Lions Fireworks display
 Baysgarth Park 6.30pm
Adults £3, Under 16s Free

Saturday & Sunday November 5/6
Christmas Craft & Gift Fair
 Water's Edge Visitors Centre 10am - 4pm
 A varied selection of locally made crafts and pick up gifts.
 01652 631500 or waters.edge@northlincs.gov.uk
Free

Thursday November 10
A Pleasing Terror
 Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk, Maltkiln Road 7.30pm
 R M Lloyd Parry performs two ghost stories by M R James.
www.the-ropewalk.co.uk
 01652 660380
£13 in advance £15 on the door

Saturday & Sunday November 12/13
Christmas Craft & Gift Fair
 Water's Edge Visitors Centre 10am - 4pm
 A varied selection of locally made crafts and pick up gifts.
 01652 631500 or waters.edge@northlincs.gov.uk
Free

Thursday November 17
Twigs and Sprigs Willow Stag Head
 Water's Edge Visitors Centre 10am - 4pm
 Weaving your own willow stag for the home or garden. Suitable both for beginners and those with some weaving experience.
 Book with Wendy on www.twigsandsprigs.co.uk
£65 per person. Booking Essential

Saturday & Sunday November 19/20
Art Exhibition: Village Art
 Water's Edge Visitors Centre 10am - 4pm
 Exhibition and sale of original paintings, prints and greetings cards.
 01652 631500 or waters.edge@northlincs.gov.uk
Free

Wednesday November 23
Elvis
 Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 7.30pm
 £4 on the door
 Barton Film Group present Baz Luhrmann's acclaimed film exploring the life and music of Elvis Presley. Stars Austin Butler & Tom Hanks (12a)
www.the-ropewalk.co.uk

Friday November 25
Barnstormers Comedy Club
 Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 8pm
 Three comedians and a compare from the national circuit
£10 in advance £12 on the door

Saturday November 26
Barton Christmas Festival 2022
 12pm - 4pm
 Wilderspin National School, Queen Street
 Christmas Crafts & Gifts Fair
 Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke
 Open for refreshments, sales of craft items and toy tombola.

Saturday 26th November
Craft Fair
 Assembly Rooms, Queen Street 11am - 5.30pm
 There will be handmade crafts, adult's and children's tombola, raffle, prizes to win
 All proceeds go to the local Young Carers
Free entry

Saturday December 3
Barton Market
 Market Place 8.30am - 2pm
 A range of craft and fresh produce stalls
Free

Saturday & Sunday December 3 /4
The Ropewalk Christmas Art Market
 The Ropewalk 10am to 4pm
 Over 50 artists and craft makers selling original handmade work to the public.

Saturday & Sunday December 11/12
Christmas pop up shop
 Water's Edge Visitor Centre 10am - 4pm
 A varied selection of locally made crafts and pick up gifts.

Free Admission

Sunday December 11
Adult Painting Workshop: Lovely Pheasant
 Water's Edge Visitors Centre 10.30am - 3pm
 All materials provided.
 Booking Essential through the centre on 01652 631500.

£28 per person.
Saturday December 17
Christmas Concert by Barton Community Adult and Youth Bands
 St Mary's Church, Burgate 6.30pm
 Tickets online via www.sbplayers.co.uk or cash on the door

www.bartoncommunityband.com
Tickets £8.00/£6.00 children under 5 free available on the door



Barton Rotary Club

At Barton Christmas Festival on November 26, Barton Rotary's "Photos with Santa" event is being held at Trinity Church Lecture Hall from 2pm until 4.30pm with Trinity Church will be providing refreshments, a "Soft Toy Tombola" and craft stall.

On Sunday December 4, again in Trinity Church Lecture Hall, at 3.30pm, Barton Rotary Club is once again providing a free Christmas Afternoon Tea with entertainment by Poppy Frary, a young competition winning singer and the Barton Ukulele Band. There will be a raffle and the free event is open to all senior citizens.

Barton Rotary Club is again cooking and delivering free Christmas Day dinners to Senior Citizens who may be on their own or have difficulty preparing a meal. Please contact us and we will deliver one to your home on Christmas Day. Just phone Ted Treasure on 01469 531117 with your name and address and telephone number by Sunday December 11, so that a club member can contact you to make the delivery arrangements.

Santa will again be touring some Barton Streets helped by Barton Rotary Club members.

We will not be knocking on doors but helpers will have collection buckets for donations.

On Monday December 5 he will visit Ramsden Avenue, Grange Avenue, Bowmandale, Tofts Road and Providence Crescent

Tuesday December 6 Appleyard Drive, Summerdale, Harvest Rise and Fox's Fold.

Thursday December 8 the Chartdale Estate off Ferry Road

All of our events are subject to any Covid precautions.

Regular Activities

Monday
Pilates
 Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke 10.30am - 11.30am

Enjoy an hour of Pilates exercises, led by instructor Stef. Build your fitness, improve your posture and release tension, for people aged 60+, as part of the Living Later Life Well project. Booking is essential.
 Jo Marwood, 07821 900623, jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com
£2.00 suggested donation

Wednesday
Film, Food and Craft
 Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 10.30 am to 3.30pm

Watch a film, enjoy a meal and a craft activity all included in the price. No booking required just pay on the door.
 01652 660380
£5

Wednesday
Coffee Morning
 Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke 10.30am - 12.00pm

Come and enjoy a cuppa, have a chat and make new friends at our weekly coffee morning for people aged 60+, as part of the Living Later Life Well project.
 Jo Marwood, 07821 900623, jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com
Free

Wednesday
Games Afternoon
 Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Brief Description: Table tennis and a range of board games, plus refreshments, for people aged 60+, as part of the Living Later Life Well project. No need to book, just turn up!
 Contact details: Jo Marwood, 07821 900623, jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com
Free

4th Tuesday of the Month

What is Barrow Ladies Probus Group?

The Haven Inn, Ferry Road, Barrow Haven DN19 7EX. 12noon for 12-30. We are a small group of Ladies who meet once a month for lunch. We occasionally have speakers. New Members are always welcome. Want to know more? Ring Julie on 01469 530071.

Wishing all our readers a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Christmas Celebrations Return for 2022

A packed festive programme will bring some Christmas cheer to Barton Upon Humber on Saturday November 26.

High Street, King Street and George Street will once again be lit-up and full of festive attractions and performances for all the family to enjoy.

Street stalls will again be present in the town centre to sell food and drinks as well as gifts and crafts. There will be fun-fair children's rides on King Street and a number of shops and businesses will be staying open until 6pm.

Stage performers will be entertaining on the High Street from noon until 6pm and included in the full line up of stage acts are Lincolnshire's talented Common Faults and Peace Keeperz bands along with community group stage performances that includes the North Lincolnshire Youth Folk Ensemble and Duck Egg Theatre. There will also be a variety of acts roaming the streets including a Snow Queen and Santa's Airforce and local artists.

The Lights switch-on will be led by the Mayor, Cllr Paul Vickers, who will be joined by this year's School Christmas Card Winners at 5:30pm. The festivities will draw to a close at 6pm with a finale performance by the Salvation Army Band.

The Council is delighted to bring back the festive programme and hopes everyone has a fabulous time.

Christmas Lights Switch On & Salvation Army Carol Service
featuring Castledyke School
High Street stage



BARTON TOWN CENTRE

2022 Barton Christmas Festival

Saturday 26th November 1-6pm



Father Christmas at Cobblers Sandwich & Coffee Shop

STAGE ACTS

- Common Faults Band
- Peace Keeperz Band
- Roberts Theatre School
- Salvation Army Carol Singers
- Castledyke Primary School Carol Singers
- North Lincolnshire Youth Folk Ensemble
- The Duck Egg Theatre

ROAMING ACTS

- Feet First Entertainment
- Santa's AirForce
- Snow Queen Bubble Act / LED Wings
- The Grinnigogs
- Beverley Garland Dancers

Please note road closures will be in place along the High Street, George Street and King Street from 8am until 10pm.



TRADERS

- Baysgarth School Thailand Expedition Team
- Gourmet Burgers, German Sausage and Roast Meats
- Scunthorpe Samaritans
- The Giddy Up Box
- Fresh & Delicious Catering
- Eleanor Rogerson Enamel and Copper
- The Little White Shop
- Nurtured By Nature
- The Wildlife Trust
- Cafe2u
- Hull 4 Heroes
- Bespoke House Scents
- Firehouse Pizzas
- Glows for All
- Wilson Confectionary
- Just Bake It
- Brian's Balloon Magic
- Bargains Galore
- Sausage Dog Coffee Company
- Heather's Purple Pantry
- Cherry Bomb Face Painting & Glitter Bar
- Beau
- Barton Lions Hot Dogs & Burgers
- Tim's Socks & Hats

LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

- Age UK Lindsey
- Heartsease Herbal Apothecary
- Bloomie Nails
- The Fig Tree
- Cooplunds Bakery
- The Gallery
- Gigi Boutique
- S&S Boutique
- British Red Cross Shop
- Best Wishes of Barton
- Café 20
- Rosy & Tilly

SUNDAY LUNCH AT THE GEORGE SUNDAYS 12-7PM

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3 COURSES: £19.50
2 COURSES: £16.00
1 COURSE: £12.50
CHILDREN'S MENU FROM: £ 6.00

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2 WEEKLY CHANGING MEATS
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CHRISTMAS ART MARKET
DECEMBER 3 & 4, 10AM - 4PM

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www.the-ropewalk.co.uk | www.roperyhall.co.uk

Bygones

Once one of Barton's main streets or courts, the Butchery contained small houses and shops, some with bay windows. In the centre of the access from the Market Place was Lincoln House. The Queen Inn, built on the site of Barton's old Moot Hall, is still on the western side and is now home to the Barton Evangelical Church.

The north end of the Butchery in around 1960, showing the back of Lee's warehouse (centre), and the original butcher's shop (right). The building was used as an iron store (Neave), a salt warehouse (J.C.Lee) and is now a warehouse.

All of the houses on the eastern side were bought by a plumbing business and used for storage and workshops. They were later sold to a Doncaster developer and demolished in 1974, the site being left empty and overgrown. This was later bought by surrounding businesses and became car parks. The original buildings could have been retained and developed into a tourist attraction of little shops and possibly a cafe, the roadway under the tarmac is cobbled.

J.C.Lee (right) had a chemist's shop in George Street and also used this warehouse across the street where he stocked salt, oils for lighting and cooking and groceries, which he distributed to local shops in the town, surrounding villages and farms. The warehouseman on the left is George Metcalf. Mr Lee was the first to import petrol into Barton. This picture was taken in 1903. The building had been a whitesmiths and then used by Henry Neave who was an engineer and millwright. It became unsafe and was demolished in 1972, replaced by a photographic studio, it now the offices of DDM, estate agents.

Lincoln House was in the middle of the road into the Butchery from the Market Place and was near the Queen Inn (right). It was demolished in 1966. The site of the house was given to the Council and became part of the highway. On the north end of the Butchery was the warehouse of J.C.Lee.

Hungate c 1963 before the demolition of the cottages

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New faces at the Volunteer Arms

One of Barton's oldest pubs, the Volunteer Arms on Whitecross Street, has welcomed new landlords.

Alfie Newland and Ben Lovelace have recently taken on the lease of the Vols, and we were keen to learn what they are planning for its future.

The duo took control of the pub in June 2022, following a period of instability due to temporary managers and sporadic opening times.

The Volunteer Arms was called the Bay Horse until 1864. It is most likely that the pub was re-named after the mid-19th century volunteer forces formed all around the country in 1859-60. The 12th Company of the Lincolnshire Artillery Volunteers was formed at Barton around 1860; and from that date onwards, the inn sign almost always depicted a Napoleonic period volunteer.

Alfie & Ben are military veterans with a combined length of service of 24 years, having served in military operations across the Middle East and Europe.

Before taking control of The Volunteer Arms, Alfie was an Operations Manager for a haulage and plant company, and Ben was an Engineering Project Manager for Bentley Motors.

Alfie and Ben both moved to Barton to spend more time with their children, who live in Barton and Hull.

Since opening the pub, they have been pleased to welcome the return of long-term customers and new customers alike.

Customers can now rely on regular opening hours every day, and the return of pool teams, a darts team and Sky and BT Sports.

Ben and Alfie have also developed an intriguing new project centred around men's mental health, which they call the "Man Cave". The aim is to help men of all ages cope with their struggles.

Landlord Ben suffers from PTSD after touring Afghanistan and wants to help others who may be in a similar situation and Alfie, as he explains, wants to help his friend and others who feel the same to talk more freely about their problems.

The Volunteer Arms hopes to offer everyone a safe space to talk about their problems, big or small.

Ben said: "We have a lot of customers, mainly young men, who have mental health issues. We know a few people locally who have sadly committed suicide. We realised there weren't many resources for people with these health issues and wanted to do something ourselves."

He went on: "Men can find it difficult to talk in formal settings or in a large group. We created the Man Cave to encourage people to speak a



bit more openly - as they often do when they've had a pint or are in the pub with friends.

"People can come to talk or just to get advice about anything. Being veterans and knowing how much mental health affects others in the profession, it's special to us, so we knew we wanted to do something like this."

The group is held at the pub on Whitecross Street every Wednesday from 7pm, with attendees welcome to stay or leave whenever they want.

An 1863 report in the Lincolnshire Chronicle noted:

'ANN JENNINGS of the Bay Horse, Barton, was charged with keeping her house open for the sale of excisable liquors on Sunday, the 13th of September, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. Police-constable Clay was visiting public houses on the morning in question and found four men drinking. A pint of ale was on the table - Sarah Beeley, the wife of a lodger in the house, said the pint of ale had been ordered for her husband instead of breakfast.'

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Obituaries

Stephen Walton

Football Crazy and For Whom Life Was Often a Glorious Game

Bartonians like Stephen Walton are inspirational and mould our distinctive town. Irrepressible, instinctive, energetic and often irreverent, he will be particularly remembered for kick-starting Barton United Football Club and managing the subsequently successful George Hotel team. He was later to be the dynamo behind plans for a football pitch down Far Ings, which gave work and hope for so many but which ultimately had to be discontinued for environmental reasons.

Stephen Walton, who sadly died on July 31 2022 aged 78, will be remembered as a committed and inspirational family man as well as for his energy and optimistic disposition. A non-drinker and non-smoker, he was an unlikely comrade of barflies and rarely sporting locals but he encouraged many of them to revisit or exercise existing footballing skills and they respected him. His unconventional team selection process brooked no opposition and when it achieved results, he was a hero.

Steve was born on November 10 1944 but his start in life as an orphan was inauspicious. However, salvation came in the form of Bob and Cis Walton, licensees of the Red Lion Hotel in Barton and later the Victory Club. He was greatly loved and cared for. The atmosphere of hospitality and warmth within that upbringing was reflected in his later friendliness, quick wit and optimism.

Stephen became an exceptional footballer from an early age and was sometimes tipped for a professional career. Extremely fit, legend has it that on the pitch he could outwit all defenders but refuse the kudos of scoring himself, instead passing the ball back to others so they could succeed. He retained those skills and fitness until illness prevented all sporting activities.

After leaving school, Steve had taken a variety of jobs but it was as driver and go-to-man for successful civil engineer entrepreneur, Peter Birse, that he excelled. Nothing was too much trouble, no driving too far, no time limit too fanciful. If Stephen had an appointment in Barton, he could dash in, sockless as was his wont, recounting swashbuckling events or journeys the length and breadth of the country. However, he would always leave time for family, football training or maybe a kickabout with his grandson, Brody.

When Steve found love with wife, Maggie, a partner of 42 years to whom he was devoted, as usual he put his heart and soul into the extended family. In return he was loved and respected by all of them. He has been described as "an example to be followed and an inspiration to all with gifts to his children of self-confidence, punctuality, tidiness and honesty", above all, a best friend.

Steve was firm of decision but also biddable yet determined when confident; never malicious. He had an enquiring mind and always ensured he understood difficult issues which he dealt with in his own inimitable, sometimes irreverent way.

Steve's irrepressible thirst for life and travel, took him and Maggie on many foreign holidays, often including visits to prestigious restaurants as he appreciated exceptional food. He even got to meet Pope John Paul II, something of an experience for both of them! Generous to a fault, Steve rarely allowed anyone to buy a drink and was abidingly generous to those he loved and others, if down on their luck, whom he might barely know.

It was seven years ago that Steve was diagnosed with cancer and, although he fought it with determination, even his own special Duracell batteries were unable to win that race. His funeral service at St Mary's Parish Church was crowded and a very real celebration of a life well lived.

Steve loved and is survived by wife, Margaret, son Daniel, grandson Brody and extended family, children Jon, Michael and Martin.

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Our team of volunteers keep everything running smoothly, from leading classes to making endless cups of tea, and always being available for a chat. If you'd like to join us, please get in touch. Most people volunteer for an hour a week, and you get to join in our activities too which is always fun!

Many sessions book up quickly, but we currently have spaces on our Pilates sessions every Monday from 10.30am - 11.30am (£2.00 suggested donation, booking essential). You don't have to be particularly flexible or athletic, and our instructor Stef will guide you through the exercises.

Looking ahead to 2023, we're planning pottery classes making a different item every week, needle felting and other craft sessions, digital skills masterclasses, befriending and much more including opportunities for young children to spend time being creative with older people, and a "So you've retired...what now?" group.

Our activities take place at Trinity Methodist Church on Holydyke, and are open to people aged 60 years and over. We are a small and oversubscribed project, and due to the volume of interest we have to restrict numbers, or ask people to prioritise what they'd like to do, to ensure fairness and give everybody equal opportunity to take part.

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My Mayoral term began in May this year and one of my first engagements was celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

We were blessed with great events and weather over this special Bank Holiday weekend. I personally enjoyed watching the Trooping of the Colour in Baysgarth Park. I would like to thank all the volunteers and groups who all contributed to a fantastic few days to celebrate such a historic event. I'm also glad we could light the beacon at the Viewing Area in conjunction with hundreds of other beacons which were lit throughout the Commonwealth. It was good to see the community come together for this prestigious event and I was pleased to see the hundreds of people lined up on the riverbank, something many of us will remember for a long time.

I would like to thank the churches for coming together to help offer comfort and support to residents in these early days of mourning. The churches were open and a Book of Condolence was available to sign in St Mary's Church giving residents a place to go and express their sadness on the Queen's death. It was also nice to see residents leave flowers at the Church and the Chad Varah Garden in Baysgarth Park. As Mayor of Barton, I attended three church services and it was an honour to read the Proclamation in St Mary's Church. Speaking with Father David, he said it may have been the first time the Proclamation has been read in the Church for 1,000 years.

With the sad news of the death of Queen Elizabeth II on September 8 2022 my role as Mayor was to assist with the official period of mourning and Proclamation of the King. The Queen has been the only monarch most of us have known and has always been there to guide us through both happy and difficult times. I'm pleased we were able to play a small part in the official mourning period for the Queen and be able to pay our respects as a community.

I look forward to the future and the King's official Coronation next May.

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Barton Town Going Green Thanks To Help From Flame UK

Barton Town Football Club is taking steps to be more considerate of the environment, the first of which is to have designated recycling bins placed around the Easy Buy Stadium on Marsh Lane.



The club sought the help of Flame UK for these bins that are made specifically to separate general waste from recyclable materials such as paper, cardboard, plastics etc.. Flame UK is one of the UK's leading independent waste management companies, and a proud sponsor of the club. The bins are located around the stadium and mean supporters can also do their bit by recycling their waste properly.

The club is committed to doing its part for the environment, and with the help of forward-thinking companies such as Flame UK, we are confident we can reduce the amount of waste and increase the amount of recycling the club generates on matchdays.

Dan Pegram, Director of Flame UK, added: "Flame UK is delighted that it is able to support Barton Town Football Club with its efforts towards being more sustainable. We were more than happy to provide the additional recycling bins to help the club increase the amount that gets recycled. Flame UK wish the Club the best both in its recycling and for the rest of the season!"

Club Chairman Mark Gregory commented: "These bins are the first step in our journey to be greener, and to think more about the environment. We have some big plans in the pipeline, ideas in which we can reduce our carbon footprint and ensure as a club that we are more eco-friendly. I'd like to personally thank Flame UK for their help and guidance."

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