

# Great Barton Newsletter

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Summer 2019

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### Village Event Diary

To avoid village functions clashing on a particular date a five year diary is held at the Post Office. If you are planning an event please check the diary to ensure that it does not clash with something else and also add your event to help others making their plans.

## Editorial

Hi Everyone,

I have very much enjoyed compiling my first full edition of the Newsletter. As you will see it is looking a bit different as I am using a different word-processing package and have taken the opportunity to re-shuffle a few things. I hope it is to your liking.

It would be lovely to be able to include some news from any clubs and societies in the village so if you have anything exciting happening or would like to tell everyone about something that has happened in your organisation, please drop me an email (address on page 2). If you have any other ideas of what you might like included, please also feel free to let me know.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sarah Bullen

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### **Councillors:** (The Parish Council currently has three vacancies)

Peter Fisk 01359 231382 Nicky Crouch 01284 788611

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## Great Barton Parish Council

[www.greatbarton.onesuffolk.net](http://www.greatbarton.onesuffolk.net)

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS** are held at the Community Room in the Village Hall, commencing at 7.15pm.

**Public Sessions** are available for Parishioners to raise matters in which they are interested.

**Notice of all Parish Council Meetings** and any other important Parish Council information is posted regularly on the Parish Council notice boards: outside the Post Office in The Street, by the Thurston Road mailbox, at the Mill Road/ Livermere Road crossroads, outside the Primary School on School Road and on the website.

**Copies of the minutes** of meetings of Great Barton Parish Council are available at a cost of 10p per page. Should you wish to avail yourself of this facility or, if you have any queries, please contact the Clerk to the Council.

If you would like to receive **updates on the activities of the Parish Council**, please email the Clerk to the Council.

**Clerk to the Council: Mrs Linda Harley,**

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### Parish Council Meeting Dates 2019

13th May

17th June

8th July

19th August (if required)

The full agenda for each meeting will be posted on the village notice board 3 days in advance.

Dates can also be found on the village website:

[greatbarton.suffolk.cloud/parish-council/meeting-dates/](http://greatbarton.suffolk.cloud/parish-council/meeting-dates/)

## **Parish Council Chairman's Report**

In this Spring edition of your Parish Newsletter, which is the second of 2019, it is customary to state the roles of the Councillors for the coming year. With deadlines for submissions to the Newsletter brought forward these will now be in the late summer/early Autumn edition.

A year on from my Spring 2018 edition I am staggered to state that our weather remains on track to repeat the 1975 -1976 pattern. As most of you know I often provide parameters of our recent weather with comparisons stretching back to 1910. Coming out of a dry Autumn and now with only 101mm of rainfall so far this year compares to 84mm in the first 4 months of 1976. At home we have started re-cycling any washing water (with very little detergent) to water sensitive and young plants. It is amazing the number of gallons that day to day cleaning can amount to.

### **Electoral Representations**

St Edmundsbury and Forest Heath councils have now gone after more than 40 years, making way for the new West Suffolk Council. This new authority will now have only 64 seats, down from 72, which will deliver electoral fairness for voters as well as reflecting community ties throughout West Suffolk. To ensure equal representation from Councillors it was necessary to combine The Fornhams (Fornham St Martin, Fornham St Genevieve and Fornham All Saints) with Great Barton.

Great Barton Parish which includes the "Severals" development remains with 11 Councillors and following an electoral review in 2017 has been divide into 2 wards. The north ward will represent the current electorate and has been designated 9 Councillors. The south ward will be the new housing development (Severals) and currently has 2 Councillors allocated. The ratio of Councillors between wards will change as the new development progresses to ensure there is equal representations from each ward.

As there are no homes in the Severals development Great Barton will have a maximum of 9 Councillors. The May Parish Council meeting will see the election of officers for the coming year and which Councillors will be serving on the numerous sub-committees; finance, planning, transport, Icepits Wood, Neighbourhood Plan, youth and village hall representatives.

I very much regret to inform you that Mrs Nicola Crouch has decided not to stand as a Parish Councillor for 2019/2020 due to many other commitments. On your behalf I sincerely thank Nicola for her contributions to the Parish over the last 3 years. However, I am delighted Nicola will remain on the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group and see your Plan through to fruition.

### **West Suffolk Operational Hub (WSOH):**

Now into the second year of construction of the West Suffolk Operational Hub the joint discussions between the three developers (SEBC and FHDC (now West Suffolk Council), and SCC) and the Community Liaison Group of The Fornhams and Great Barton is towards the final phases of construction (second fix and internal road surfacing).

Since March 11<sup>th</sup> the main electric feed cable has been installed passing under Fornham Road and coinciding with widening of this road. This will provide a central lane to facilitate turning into the House Waste Re-cycling Centre (HWRC) and the commercial entrance so as not to impede east bound traffic to Great Barton from the A134/Barton Hill area. This is a 12-week programme and the last 3-4 days will see Fornham Road closed to motorised traffic to facilitate final tarmac surfacing.

The liaison discussions have indicated a phased opening to the facilities, hopefully to effect a seamless change for operations transferred from other areas and for users of the facilities. An area that has had limited discussion is the opening days of the week for the HWRC.. The single discipline site currently at Rougham Hill which accepts our household waste will move to the Fornham Road site, and as other waste agencies will be working 7 days a week at the Hub the Parish Councils of The Fornhams and Great Barton would like to see the HWRC open 7 days a week especially as there will be a re-sale shop. The Parishes see this as a positive move to providing a useful service to taxpayers and would minimise fly tipping in the immediate vicinity by opening 7 days a week.

### **Hall Park**

May I congratulate the many residents in and around Hall Park who have tackled the understory surrounding the woodland areas to provide a much more pleasing landscape than an array of nettles thistles and brambles and to allow easy access to the two copses.

## **Neighbourhood Plan Update –**

As I reported in the last Newsletter the compilation of a draft Neighbourhood Plan is going through some final stages before it is debated with the whole Neighbourhood Plan Working Group level and with the Parish Council. An important area that is receiving attendance is the General Design and Character of the village which will cover the following:

- Settlement Pattern and layout including Open spaces
- Building Type, Scale (heights and roofline) and Forms including car parking
- Building Materials
- Architectural Details

Once these policies have been through the Neighbourhood Working Group, (no doubt to ensure they reflect the wishes from earlier consultations) they will then be available for consultation.

## **The Spring Litter Clean of the Village on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April**

Compared to the weather at Easter, last weekend for the litter pick was decidedly chilly. However, despite the single figure temperature and blustery conditions, the outpouring of help was excellent with the vast majority of roadside verges cleansed of anything you can imagine. There were around 30 bags of rubbish collected, and some larger items, and I would estimate around ¼ tonne of rubbish/waste.

**Rubbish awaiting collection by West Suffolk Council after the Village litter pick.**



## **Icepits Wood**

Following two independent arboricultural reviews of the trees in Icepits wood and further opinions from The Forestry Commission, there will be safety maintenance work in the coming week along the public footpath and the eastern boundary. A fortnight later in the middle of May, maintenance work will be carried out alongside the A143 where there will be the requirement for traffic management.

### **SCC Target Verge Cutting Dates:**

Suffolk County Council have just announced their verge cutting schedule and I have identified the A143 below.

Roads	1st Cut	2nd cut
	Target date (week commencing)	Target date (week commencing)
A143	13th May 2019	05 August 2019

There are two aspects around Great Barton that have come to my attention and have been mentioned on numerous occasions:

Could dog lovers who kindly pick up and wrap the excrement in a poly bag please take it home and place in the black refuse bin. I am dumbfounded to understand why poly bags with dog poo are then abandoned on the roadside or can be seen in the hedgerow.

The next topic is vehicles parking on pavements. Pavements are specifically in place to segregate foot traffic away from motorised vehicles, and too often you can see elderly people and young parents/grandparents with pushchairs having to navigate into the carriageway because a motorist has parked on the pavement. All too often the extra space gained on the carriageway cannot be utilised as two-way traffic cannot pass each other with a vehicle partially parked on the pavement and therefore oncoming vehicles have to give way to each other. Please think hard about pedestrian safety and avoid blocking any part of the pavement. This situation is exacerbated further as Suffolk Highways do not deem keeping footpaths fully clear of vegetation as a priority. I refer specifically to the pavement on the northside of the A143 as Suffolk Highways hierarchy of maintenance works sees this of low priority.

Let's make Great Barton an even more pretty and safer place to live.

Philip Reeve - Chairman - April 2019



Would you like to be the Local  
Recorder for: **GREAT BARTON**

The Suffolk Local History Council runs a  
Recorders Scheme throughout Suffolk.

We administer a network of volunteers to  
ensure that the '*present*' is adequately  
recorded at local level for the '*future*'.

A Recorder will note significant happenings in their parish and  
collect their local parish magazines, leaflets, election pamphlets  
and newspaper cuttings. At the end of each year, they are asked  
to submit a short report summarising the activities of their parish.  
The reports are deposited at the Suffolk Record Office and  
available to future researchers together with the collected items.

If you are interested, please look at the Recorders Pack by  
visiting [www.slhc.org.uk](http://www.slhc.org.uk) to acquaint yourself with the guidelines of  
the scheme. You do not need to be a historian; you do not need  
any qualifications other than an interest in your parish. In return  
you will receive a copy of the SLHC Newsletter and be invited to  
the annual conference specifically for Local Recorders.

To volunteer to help in this important work, please contact:  
[recorders@slhc.org.uk](mailto:recorders@slhc.org.uk).



## West Suffolk Dog Training Society

Kennel Club Registered - Established 1960



Pet Handling  
All Ages

Competitive Obedience  
to Advance Level



Kennel Club Good Citizen  
Dog Scheme

Pre-Course Puppy  
Socialisation

**Great Barton Village Hall**

Every Tuesday 7.00pm - 10.00pm

For further details please ring: 01359 230837 (Evenings only)

## Great Barton on Facebook

There are two active Great Barton groups on Facebook which are open to anyone with an interest in the village:

### **Great Barton Community**

Enter 'Great Barton' in the search box on your homepage or go to:

[www.facebook.com/gtbarntoninfo?fref=ts](http://www.facebook.com/gtbarntoninfo?fref=ts)

### **Great Barton Neighbourhood Watch**

[www.facebook.com/groups/391717411180942/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/391717411180942/)



## **Welcome to Great Barton**

New to the village?



If you or a neighbour have recently moved into the village you might like a free

### **'Village Welcome Pack'**

Please contact Richard and Mary Leveritt: 01284 787556

## **Village Hall Management Committee**

Would be delighted to hear from anyone who would be prepared to offer help with maintenance tasks, help with organisation of Car Boot Sales, etc

If you can help please contact Diana Silverstone:  
[diana.74@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:diana.74@hotmail.co.uk)

## VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Winter appears to be well and truly over and I'm sure we are all looking forward to a lovely summer. The first event on the Village Hall calendar is our first Car Boot Sale of the season which is on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 10.00 am – 1.00 pm.**

The Village Hall Management Committee is always hopeful that the Car Boot Sales are well attended and enjoyable. The charges which come to the Village Hall come solely from the rental charges for the pitches or tables and the Refreshments. This income is important in that there are many maintenance jobs – such as cleaning, etc – which are vital in keeping the Village Hall in a good state for our clients. Those who arrange the parking on the Fields, those who are responsible for the delicious smell coming from the kitchen and those who set up tables and chairs are all volunteers. It is thanks to these people that the running costs of the Car Boot Sales are kept to a minimum. So, please support the Village Hall Car Boot Sales.

One of our frequent problems concerns the Playing Fields and – here you might guess – the problem is solely down to dog walkers who are not prepared to take proper care of their dogs. It is a lovely sight to see your dog running free – but the owner should be vigilant in keeping an eye on what the lovely pet is up to. If the dog is behind you it really is vital that you look back every few seconds to make sure he is not poeing. Your duty is to clear up after your dog. And if you are walking your dog at night, you need to take a torch with you.

Not clearing up after your dog is a major offence and subject to a heavy fine. I am sure that the offenders are taking advantage of the fact that it is difficult to point a finger at the offender but if you want the pleasure of having a dog, you must take the responsibility for keeping the environment clean. We have our children (often our cubs and scouts) and our footballers to protect from disease or unpleasant slips and slides in an offensive substance. A few years ago one of the grass maintenance men had to return to base to wash and change his clothing as he had been sprayed by you-know-what. Please, please clear up after your dog.

The Village Hall Management Committee wishes you all a lovely summer and many visits to our Village Hall.

## **Holy Innocents' Choir**

We are excited to announce that we have a new choir leader at Holy Innocents and are looking to recruit new members to join our long serving current choir members.

The choir performs a very varied repertoire of music ranging from classic choral Anthems to modern worship songs. We lead the music in both traditional services such as evensong and Mattins and also more modern praise services.

We welcome both experienced singers looking for a new musical challenge and aspiring singers wanting to learn and improve.

Contact Ali Wakelin for more information:

O1359 233417 Mobile: 07717125743

[aliwakelin@aliwakelin.co.uk](mailto:aliwakelin@aliwakelin.co.uk)

## **Church Institute**

The Church Institute is a lovely venue available for private and regular club bookings. It is also available for parties, celebrations, wedding receptions, funeral wakes and other general use.

For prices and enquiries please contact:

Linda Scoles 01359 230392 or

Rev'd Manette Crossman 01284 787554

## **Montana Service Times**

Montana on East Barton Road has a Roman Catholic mass at the following times:

Sunday 10.30am      Weekdays (Mon - Fri) 8.15am

# Holy Innocents Parish Church

Find us on FACEBOOK or online at  
[www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk](http://www.greatbartonandthurston.org.uk)



**Vicar:** Rev'd Manette Crossman 01284 787554

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<b>Church Wardens:</b>	Tim Frost	01284 787442
	Angela Pearce	01359 230395
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Katherine Drakes	01284 787746
<b>Choir Leader:</b>	Ali Wakelin	07717125743
		01359 233417

## Services:

<b>8.00am</b>	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays
<b>10.30am</b>	Parish Communion Sung Common Worship 1st, 2nd and 4th Sundays
<b>9.00am</b>	Cafe Church at the Church Institute 3rd Sunday
<b>6.30pm</b>	Evensong (1st Sundays) At 3.30pm in November, December & January

## Wednesday

**10.00am** Holy Communion

1st Wednesday - All welcome, also Mothers' Union Corporate Service  
3rd Wednesday - All welcome, service in the Chapel at Montana

Any variations will be advertised in the weekly Pew Sheets, copies of which are displayed in the Church Porch.

Further details of Church activities and events are given on our website, on Facebook and in our monthly magazine, The Messenger.

Subscription enquiries to Allan Howell: 01284 787728



# FREEDOMCHURCH

Road, Great Barton, IP31 2RU

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## **We meet every Sunday morning at 10am**

Our services are informal and friendly with a contemporary style of worship and teaching that is centred on the presence of God and applicable to 21st Century life.

We'd love to meet you and welcome you at one of our church services or events in the future. Just come along with your friends and family and see what Freedom Church is all about!

## **Great Barton Allotments Association**

The allotments continue to thrive despite the best efforts of mother nature and we now have twenty-five permanent allotmenters. The decision to break some of the plots into smaller units seems to have gone down well with new and old members alike and offers those with busy lives the opportunity to work a manageable area. With this in mind we are extending the idea to include some 'nursery beds' of only a few square metres to introduce first time allotmenters to the concept of growing their own produce.

If you are interested in joining our allotments community please contact us at: [gballotments@gmail.com](mailto:gballotments@gmail.com), we would love to hear from you.

Many thanks,  
Lesley Linden (Secretary)

## **The Friday Coffee Morning**

Come and try the Friday Coffee Morning which meets in the Church Institute every Friday morning from 10.00 am to 11.15 am.



We would welcome a donation to cover the cost of the coffee or tea + biscuits (as little as 35p per cup would be welcome) and any excess, when essential expenses have been removed, goes to the Church Institute Refurbishment Fund.

We have a hardcore of regulars but we welcome new faces: as long as you enjoy a good chat about almost anything, we will be delighted to see you. And there is no obligation to come every Friday – but you will probably find that you want to!

If you are new to the Village, do come and give us a try. Or, if you have lived in the Village for years and haven't got round to joining us, you would still be very welcome.

## **Great Barton Luncheon Club**

We are a luncheon club who meet at Great Barton Village Hall on the second Friday of each month (except in August).



Members are welcomed with the choice of a glass of sherry or fruit juice and served a two course meal, followed by tea or coffee, at a cost of £5.00 per person (plus a small yearly membership fee).

If you are 55 years or over and live in Great Barton and would like to join us, we would be pleased to hear from you to put you on our waiting list.

Please contact:

Christine Johnson 01284 787687

Brenda Turner 01284 787654

## Great Barton Women's Institute



We meet in the Village Hall on the first Thursday of every month at 7.30pm and visitors are always welcome.

Our programme for the next 3 months is as follows:

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June: 'Batton Down Your Hatches - Rough Night Ahead' with Norma Chapman, a Deer Expert

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July: 'The Power of Colour' -  
Talk and Demonstration with Mandy Wild

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August: 'A Fat Bird & A Boat' –  
Talk about Sailing Around the World  
with Bridget Keevil

***We are always delighted to welcome new Members to enjoy our varied programme. As well as the topics listed above, we organize many outings to museums, stately homes and the theatre. And, as an enticement, you can come as a Visitor for three Meetings before being asked to commit (£3 per evening), so please do join us – and bring a friend! You will both be welcomed.***

Further information on any aspect of the W.I. can be obtained from:

Janet Wakerley (President) 01284 787 419  
or Kate Trevitt (Secretary) 01284 787 331



## Julia's Jottings



**The  
Children's  
Society**

It is some while since I updated you upon the happenings of The Children's Society. As you are no doubt aware I have not been so able to get out and about around Great Barton as much on account of health issues. It is good to have visitors and supporters who drop by for a chat and also help out with sorting through mountains of bric a brac, clothes, books etc for sale within the shop (which is not open as often as I would wish) or for onward transmission to other outlets. My thanks to you all. My "Money-man" with the assistance of other folk has also undertaken the mammoth task of processing the 100 or so collection boxes which you are filling so generously. He has been doing a "sterling job" no pun intended.

Talking of the finances the Shop Sales stand at around £150 excluding the sales of clothes etc where the funds go direct to HQ. These yield around £25 per fortnight. The house boxes total is circa £1900. There is still a small amount to be accounted for. A School Christingle Collection yielded £42 and an Autumnal Birthday Charity Collection yielded £195. Sundry sales of coin/old notes etc has yielded £95 so far. Foreign notes and coin are always welcome either direct or in the boxes. There have also been some sundry donations with the Christmas cards I received. My thanks to you all.

PS I would welcome assistance here at Woodstock if you have a few hours to spare with preparing goods for resale.

Julia Briggs MBE



## **Healthwatch Suffolk - Thurston Community College**

Thurston Community College's children will potentially benefit from changes in how their mental health and emotional wellbeing is supported, after taking part in a county-wide report focusing on the challenges young people face in and out of school.

Healthwatch Suffolk's "My Health, Our Future" project highlights troubling statistics surrounding body image, self-harm, exam stress, cyberbullying, and social media use, including the shocking revelation that a quarter of female students aged 16 say they have self-harmed.

Released this month, the full report, which over two years has gathered almost 14,000 responses from people aged 11 to 19, can be downloaded directly from the Healthwatch Suffolk website at [www.healthwatchesuffolk.co.uk](http://www.healthwatchesuffolk.co.uk)

With every participating school having received a tailored report detailing their student's responses, it is hoped that the findings will continue to drive vital changes in curriculum and policy.

If your child or family feel that they need support, you can get in touch with the Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing Hub on 0345 600 2090, or find further contact details for information and advice for young people in Suffolk by visiting The Source at: <http://www.thesource.me.uk>

Rob Chinnery, Communication & Information Services Officer

## Great Barton Scout Group Report

It is amazing where the time goes. It seems only yesterday, that I wrote about how the Scout Group looks after its money to enable it to function and plan the training for the “Scouts” be they Beavers, Cubs or Scouts.

Many of you will know we have for several years been looking to rebuild the Scout Building as it is fast coming to the end of its life, although we are always painting the outside. To this end there has been a number of matters that needed to be investigated to see if the plan we have will work, one being how the Soil Drainage works: it comes in from the main road and across the playing field (at the car park end it is over 3 metres deep). On investigation we have found we are able to alter the course of the underground pipes to enable us to proceed with planning the shape of a new building.

But coming back to the money it came at a cost of £600.00.

If you were about on the 6<sup>th</sup> April you would have seen young people of the Group having an “Easter Egg Hunt” in aid of funds, this time for general expenses, but we have a slow growing Building Fund which has been going on for four years, so we were well covered for this cost relating to the Drains, and no doubt a lot more to come, watch this space for updates.

Now to what has been happening with all the “Scouts” young and older, the Beavers have had the annual sleep over, run by the District, the Cubs have been exploring the Icept Woods as well as one of the Scout Troops, there has been a number of Chief Scout Wards, which I was very happy to present, as you know a mile stone in each section but getting harder as they grow in age.



**Scouts**

“Shrove Tuesday” brought out the frying pans for pancakes, an event much enjoyed by all including the Leaders and myself, great fun trying to toss them.

We hold regular Leaders meetings to discuss how things are going and forthcoming events, a week or so back the Vicar Manette Crossman came to discuss how the Remembrance Service had gone and to look at this year’s service, it’s a major time for the Scouts who place the 29 crosses at the War Memorial to remember from over a hundred years of lives lost in support of our country from Great Barton.

Now the Easter holiday is over a number of camps are planned, the first being the May Day weekend at Bures near Sudbury, and many more to follow. We are expecting the New Road Trailer to arrive in time to transport the Camping equipment. Thanks to grants from Mrs Sarah Broughton, Mr Paul Rainer, British Sugar, Howdens Joinery Co, and The Suffolk Community Foundation.

With planned expenditure on equipment over the last few years we are now well placed not to need only a few replacements of small item so we can concentrate on the Building Fund costs which will be a large one. That’s where we are now.

The Group has over one-hundred-members with four new Beavers joining this month.

If you would like to join us, we can find places at all ages just contact me on: [Gordon@thebidens.com](mailto:Gordon@thebidens.com) or Phone 01842 824631.

We can find a place for adult help as we have vacancies for the Management Committee nine meetings a year, third Thursday in the month. Let me know.

Regards Gordon Mr “B” Group Scout Leader.

## Great Barton Computer Club

Great Barton Computer Club is a friendly and sociable club that is for all abilities from beginners to the more experienced.

It is held in Great Barton Village Hall which is on the main road, the A143, opposite the garage (IP31 2NR).

**We meet on Mondays at 2.00pm.**

**The Main Club Meeting** is on the last Monday of the month, except when there is a Bank Holiday.

**The Drop In** which is on the first Monday of the month, except Bank Holidays, is as the name suggests, an opportunity to just drop in and gain some help from a team of helpers on a one to one basis for a project or something you are finding difficult to understand.

**Open Workshops** are held on the second and third Monday when various topics are explored.

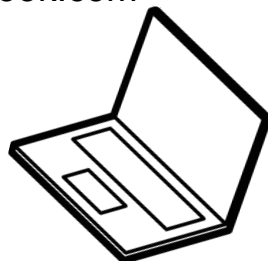
### **Apple Mac Group:**

This group meets once a month on a Thursday evening.

To learn more please visit <http://gbcc.onesuffolk.net>.

You can also Google us or contact our secretary:  
Jill Burlingham on: [secretary.gbcc@outlook.com](mailto:secretary.gbcc@outlook.com)

JANE BREAM: 01284 702336



## World Scout Jamboree - Emily Martin

Hello again,

Welcome back to my column about preparing for and attending the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia in July - it's nearly there!

Last time I was about to take part with my Unit in the Baden Powell Anniversary night hike organised by Norfolk Scouts. This involved walking around in the dark trying to find a series of bases loosely themed on the London Underground - we started at 7pm and finished at 6am, totally exhausted. We cooked a Chinese meal on an open-air wok, built a bridge out of scaffolding poles and - my favourite - re-enacted a key ceremony at the Tower of London, walking in procession and dressed in paper crowns. All very silly! My patrol focused more on having fun so we didn't win but other more competitive patrols from my Unit claimed the top spots.

As I write this I am preparing for a 5-day camp on the Isle of Wight over Easter weekend - over 400 scouts and leaders from across the UK, with lots of activities planned (such as skateboarding, quad bikes, hovercraft and climbing some seriously big trees) and a series of fancy-dress parties and campfires in the evenings. Our Unit has to perform a song from the Lion King so I'll be packing the face paint... We come from across Norfolk and Suffolk but that should get us bonded as a Unit.

It's a bit of a contrast from our next Unit outing - parading in uniform to the Cathedral for St George's Day on 28<sup>th</sup> April. I hope lots of you were able to come and support all the scouts and guides from across the District.

What's next? GCSEs. But after that, I have one final camp in June before I pack my bags and set off. In my next update I'll hopefully be able to share exactly where I'll be going and what I'll be doing.

Thank you as always to the many people in the village who have helped with my fundraising and other support. I am contactable on 01284 787655 or by mail to 2 Lodge Close.

Thank you,

Emily

**Barton**



**Players**

**Upcoming Events**



**Barton Players & Twisted  
Audrey Productions present  
a promenade performance of**

**Oliver Twist**

**Saturday 5th October 2019  
at Great Barton Village Hall  
Matinee & Evening**

**The Barton Players Pantomime**

**28th - 30th November 2019**

**at Great Barton Village Hall**

**Matinee on Saturday**

**Look out for our posters giving show details !!**

## Great Barton & District Flower Club



We look forward to seeing our members and visitors again. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in Great Barton Village Hall. We also have outings, workshops and open meetings. Visitors are always welcome.

Our Programme for the coming months is as follows:

15 May: Outing to Peter Beale's Rose Garden & Garden Centre

19 June: Demonstration by Terri Potter entitled "Attic Attack"

17 July: Demonstration by Anne Colby entitled "Memories"

21 Aug: Demonstration by 'Gardener's World' Barbara Collins

18 Sept: AGM and meal

16 Oct: Demonstration by Hazel McGregor

20 Nov: 'Christmas Cracker' Open Meeting by Gill McGregor

## Village Hall Sunday Car Boot Sales

These will be held on the Playing Fields on:

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June: 10.00am – 1.00pm**

No advance booking is required for pitches on the Playing Fields



**Booters: £5.00 Traders: £10.00 Payable on the day**

**Tables in the Village Hall must be pre-booked**

Refreshments available in the Village Hall

To pre-book a table or for any general enquiries please contact Peter Fisk on 01359 231382





# Great Barton Film Night



LOTTERY FUNDED

## Forthcoming Programme

**Saturday 15th June**

Stanley's War 2018 Cert 12A  
plus supporting programme

**Saturday 20th July**

Fisherman's Friends 2019 Cert 12A

**Saturday 21st September**

Stan and Ollie 2019 Cert PG

Public Admission £3.50

Children (Under 16) £2.00

Doors Open @ 6.45pm

Film Show Starts 7.30pm

[GBFN.OneSuffolk.net](http://GBFN.OneSuffolk.net)

Bar, Tea, Coffee and Ice-Creams available.

These shows are open to anyone and everyone - just turn up  
and pay on the door or to reserve tickets call:

Maggie Redshaw 01284 788397

## **Bury St Edmunds Mobile Library Service**

### **Route 1: Every 4 weeks on Tuesdays**

Oakhampton House 10.00 -10.20

School Lane 10.25 - 10.50



### **Route 12: Every 4 weeks on Thursdays**

Brand Road 10.35 -10.45

## **Great Barton Bowls Club** **East Barton Road**

The outdoor season runs from April to September.  
New members of all ages are welcome.

We have practice sessions Tuesday mornings with coffee and Wednesday evenings.

We play in competitive leagues on Monday afternoon and Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

In the winter we play in indoor leagues and have social events on Friday evenings.

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## **Calthorpe & Edwards Educational Foundation**

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The grant, which is usually limited to a maximum of 3 years, may be extended, at the discretion of the Trustees, by one year but to no person over the age of 25. To qualify the applicants must reside in one of 13 parishes:

Category A (known as the five Inner Parishes) includes Ampton, Ingham, Great & Little Livermere and Timworth.

Category B (known as the eight Outer Parishes) includes Culford, Fornham St. Genevieve, Fornham St. Martin, **Great Barton**, Ixworth, Troston, West Stow and Wordwell.

Should there be a waiting list, preference will be given to those from Category A. At present the annual grant, paid in three equal instalments, is:

**± £300 per annum**

However this amount may vary from year to year dependent on the number of applicants.

Application forms can be obtained from the Clerk:

Mrs. R.G. Boswell, Chegwidde, Beauford Road, Ingham, Bury St. Edmunds IP31 1NW

or by email to: [rgboswell@care4free.net](mailto:rgboswell@care4free.net)

Applications must reach the Clerk by

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# GREAT BARTON CE PRIMARY ACADEMY

This is my 2nd year as Head Teacher at Great Barton CE Primary Academy and I am thoroughly enjoying it. We have a great team of adults working in the school to support the children. I am grateful and privileged to spend my days at work surrounded by respectful, hardworking and happy children; they really are what makes the job worthwhile. I am also lucky to have supportive parents and an active PTFA, who really are an asset to the school. Without them we would not be able to have such a wide range of activities, resources and events as easily. Finally, we are lucky to be part of such a close-knit community and the relationship we've built with Holy Innocents', the Freedom Church and the Parish Council ensures that we can give back to the village community.

All the best,

Mrs Claire Ratley

## Music

We have a number of musical opportunities at Great Barton, including Whole Class Ensemble Teaching for year 4, who learn the clarinet and will be performing in a concert at The Apex in Bury St Edmunds later in the summer term, as well as provision for children to access violin tuition in year 3 onwards. A number of our pupils choose to continue playing until they leave the school in year 6 and hopefully beyond!

Our current year 6 class, Osprey, performed at Snape Maltings concert hall this term. They sang three songs as well as joining in with the finale amongst a number of other primary and secondary schools across Suffolk. They all agreed that it was a day to remember.

**Our five key values are:**

**#growth,**

**#respect,**

**#enjoy,**

**#achieve**

**#team**

**These key principles underpin all of the work we do at Great Barton and reflect what we think makes us 'great'! These values link to our Friday "Greatness" Worship, where we celebrate the achievements of all pupils.**

## **The Arts**

We are currently working towards our GOLD Artsmark award. This celebrates all of the opportunities for children to access the arts throughout the curriculum. In the autumn term our year 5 children performed Henry V at the Theatre Royal in Bury St Edmunds as part of a 'Shakespeare in Schools' initiative. They thoroughly enjoyed this and learnt a lot!

In the spring term we welcomed in West End in Schools where we performed dance and drama following the story "Where the Wild Things Are" by Maurice Sendak. Every child participated in these workshops.

We also raised funds for languages by running a French Café for the children to participate in a 'French Breakfast' whilst speaking French.

In the summer term we have some more theatre performances and workshops, as well as year 2 children being involved in the Theatre Royal's 200 year celebrations which will involve producing a mosaic as well as a visit to the Theatre to look behind the scenes and learn about the history.

In addition to this we have performed a dance at St Edmundsbury Cathedral and will be producing some artwork for the Pentecost celebration to be displayed alongside other schools, which will be open to the public.

## **Forest Schools**

Every child still enjoys Forest Schools, both in and around the school grounds and at Downing Wood in the village.

Miss Rutterford is our new Forest School Leader and will be taking over leading the sessions, as well as continuing to work towards her qualification this summer term.

You can contact us on: 01284 787353

Email: [admin@greatbarton.suffolk.sch.uk](mailto:admin@greatbarton.suffolk.sch.uk)

Website: [www.greatbartonprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.greatbartonprimaryschool.co.uk)

Twitter: [@GreatBartonPS](https://twitter.com/GreatBartonPS)

## Great Barton Badminton Club

Can you hit a shuttlecock?

Join us at the Village Hall for a game of badminton, with a cuppa and a chat.

We are a small friendly Badminton Club meeting every Tuesday (in term time) from 2 – 4pm.

Interested - Telephone Ann on 01284 788161.



## Websites

If your club or society has a website that you would like added to this list, please send details to the editor, Sarah Bullen:  
editorgbpcnewsletter@gmail.com

Parish Council	<a href="http://greatbarton.suffolk.cloud">greatbarton.suffolk.cloud</a>
Village Hall	<a href="http://greatbartonvh.onesuffolk.net">greatbartonvh.onesuffolk.net</a>
Pathways Pre-School	<a href="http://greatbartonpathways.co.uk">greatbartonpathways.co.uk</a>
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Community Woodland	<a href="http://gbcw.onesuffolk.net">gbcw.onesuffolk.net</a>
Computer Club	<a href="http://bcc.onesuffolk.net">bcc.onesuffolk.net</a>
Film Night	<a href="http://gbfn.onesuffolk.net">gbfn.onesuffolk.net</a>
Holy Innocents' Church	<a href="http://greatbartonandthurston.org.uk">greatbartonandthurston.org.uk</a>
Freedom Church	<a href="http://freedomchurchgb.org">freedomchurchgb.org</a>
Ballroom Dancing	<a href="http://ballroomexperience.co.uk">ballroomexperience.co.uk</a>
Allotment Association	<a href="http://www.gballotments.org">www.gballotments.org</a>
Great Barton Scouts	<a href="http://gtbartobscouts.co.uk">gtbartobscouts.co.uk</a>
Great Barton Bowls Club	<a href="http://greatbartonbowlsclub.btck.co.uk">greatbartonbowlsclub.btck.co.uk</a>
Second Chance Stroke Club	<a href="http://secondchancestrokeclub.co.uk">secondchancestrokeclub.co.uk</a>

## Great Barton Clubs and Societies

### Club/Society Details

### Telephone

#### **Badminton Club**

Mrs Ann Tee, 22 Downing Drive, Gt Barton, IP31 2RP

01284 788161

#### **Barton Players**

Mr Ken Sawyer, 4 Diomed Drive, Hall Park, Gt Barton, IP31 2TF  
barton.players@yahoo.co.uk

01284 787485

#### **Hand Bell Ringers**

Mrs J Hill, 38 Maltings Garth, Thurston, IP31 3PP

01359 230770

#### **Bowls Club (Outdoor)**

Mr Henry Van Holland, 32 Conyers Way, Gt Barton, IP31 2SW

01284 787242

#### **Children's Society**

Miss J Briggs, Woodstock, Livermere Rd, Gt Barton, IP31 2RZ

01284 787642

#### **Church Institute Bookings**

Linda Scoles

01359 230392

#### **Flower Club**

Wendy Jones                      Email: wendyevedio@gmail.com

01284 787701

#### **Freedom Church**

Sarah Bullen (Administrator), Mill Road, Gt Barton, IP31 2RU  
office@gbfc.org.uk

01284 788032

#### **Great Barton Allotment Association**

Lesley Linden                      Email: gballotments@gmail.com

#### **Great Barton Community Woodland**

Mr Mick Brabrook, 16 Downing Drive, Gt Barton, IP31 2RP

01284 788147

#### **Great Barton Computer Club**

Jill Burlingham                      Email: jill.burlingham@btinternet.com

01284 724530

#### **Great Barton Thanksgiving Fund Charity Shield (Football)**

Mr Ron Jarrold, 29 Bullen Close, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 3JP

01284 752361

#### **Great Barton Luncheon Club**

Mrs Chris Johnson

01284 787687

#### **Great Barton Thanksgiving Fund**

#### **(Village Hall Management Committee)**

Mr P Fisk, Blenheim, Thurston Road, Gt Barton, IP31 2PW

01359 231382



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<b>History Society</b> Jane Bream                                      Email: j.bream711@btinternet.com	01284 702336
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<b>Scout Group</b> Mr David Cooper (Chairman)	01284 767532
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<b>Village Hall Bookings</b> Diana Silverstone                              Email: diana.74@hotmail.co.uk	01284 750632
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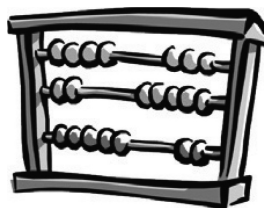
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