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Coming soon to a verge near you?

The planting of the wild flower verge on Butts Road adjacent to Barton Town Cricket Club's field has proved to be such a huge success that more areas are being sought within the town to extend the scheme.

As a result of all the positive comments received for the colourful Butts Road verge, Barton Town Council is taking the next step by consulting with the town's residents as to where they would like to see more wild flower verges.

The Mayor of Barton, Cllr Ben Troop said: "We all know the importance of wild flowers for bees and other insects, but they also make the town look much more attractive as well. I look forward to seeing more of these verges next year".

The initiative for the Butts Road scheme was led by the Town Council with practical support from North Lincolnshire Council and the local volunteers who helped sow the seed supplied by North Lincolnshire. The initiative has received huge support from residents across the town so it needs to find out where else these verges can be developed. The Butts Road verge got a positive mention by the judges for the Best Kept Town competition, helping to us to win the "Most Improved" accolade in the Best Kept Village/Town Competition run by the CPRE the Countryside Charity.

The town was commended for its first class facilities such as Baysgarth Park, Barton Museum at Baysgarth Park, the Leisure Centre and Library as well as the wonderful planters and baskets in the town centre. Other comments include many residential properties



where flowers, planters and gardens have attractive displays and lots of colour outside of their properties. The judges also commended the town on the absence of litter.

If you would like the Town Council

to look into sowing a wild flower verge elsewhere in the town please fill in the form on Page 2 and return it to the Town Council or email the required information to the Town Clerk on info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk or put it on the Town Council Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/BartonTownCouncil>

Once all the responses have been collated the Council will then consult with North Lincolnshire Council Highways and Environment Teams to ensure they have no problems with the suggested sites. A list of approved sites will be published in the January edition of the Bartonian,

giving residents a final say before the sowing goes ahead in March. It may not be possible to do all the sites at once so there will be a priority list.

As well as the Butts Road verge a wild flower meadow was created in Baysgarth Park.

Of course it's not just about sowing wild flowers, there are also places where existing flowers and orchids grow which could be removed from the early cutting schedule to allow them to flower, seed and propagate for future years. The Council would be interested to know these sites too.

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Barton Town Council Meetings

All Statutory Council meetings are now face to face.

Although restrictions have been completely lifted responsibility of the Council is to remain as Covid-19 safe as possible. This is to ensure that all members and members of the public attending have a safe place to meet and to participate in Council meetings.

It is intended to Live Stream on YouTube all Statutory Council meetings from September 2021 with a facility for members of the public to comment on the meeting as it happens. Also members of the public can attend the meeting via the Council's Teams facility. There is no need for the app as a link can be emailed and this will facilitate direct entry to the meeting.

Members of the public can address members of the council without being in the building. The Council can provide some public access if a member of the public wishes to attend and this access will need to be booked prior to the meeting starting.

Barton Town Council Meeting dates

September 2021		
Planning	Monday 27th	6pm
F&GP	Monday 27th	7pm

October 2021		
Full Council	Wednesday 6th	7pm
Planning	Monday 18th	6pm
F&GP	Monday 18th	7pm

November 2021		
Full Council	Wednesday 3rd	7pm
Planning	Monday 8th	6pm
Environment	Monday 8th	7pm

Barton Town Council Office opening hours

The Barton Town Council office opening hours are Monday to Friday 10am - 12pm.

The Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk can be contacted via telephone and email Monday to Thursday 9am - 5.00pm and Friday 9am - 4.30pm on 01652 633598 and info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk.

Feedback and Comments

Feedback and comments about this edition of The Bartonian or ideas and articles for future publications can be posted to Barton Town Council at The Assembly Rooms, Queen Street, Barton upon Humber DN18 5QP or emailed to: deputyclerk@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

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New Councillor



I am Christine Patterson and I moved into Barton in 1974 and joined the Town Council later on in the 1970s.

I worked at the Chapel Lane Playgroup for several years and then at the underground storage caverns for the duration of the project and came back to work in Barton in 1985. In 1996 my husband went to work in Massachusetts and I joined him for two years. When we came back I ran our farm and was Chairman of the Cleethorpes Conservative Association. I joined the Barton Support Group of the Lindsey Lodge Hospice and for the last 15 years have, with my friends, raised money for the Hospice. I now look forward to serving the people of Barton as it is a place that I am passionate about.

BARTON-UPON-HUMBER Remembrance Day/Armistice Sunday 14 November 2021

The Remembrance Day Parade and Services will take place on Sunday 14 November 2021

The order of the day is as follows:

- 10.15am The Assembly Rooms, Queen Street
- 10.30am Depart Queen Street
- 10.50am Arrive at the War Memorial on Barrow Road
- 11.00am Silence observed
- 11.30am Service at St. Mary's Church on Burgate

Wreaths will be laid at the Memorial Service at The Cenotaph. Standards will be laid in the Church and the names of the fallen read out. A Service will be held at 5.30 p.m. at the Salvation Army Community Church, 114 Tofts Road, Barton.

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

Barton Upon Humber Neighbourhood Plan

The development of a Neighbourhood Plan is well underway in Barton Upon Humber giving the community the chance to shape and develop the way in which the community grows.

A Neighbourhood Plan gives communities the tools to influence where new homes should be built, identify the need for new and improved infrastructure as well as the ability to write in policies that cover a wide range of subjects such as accessibility, sustainability and preservation.

The Barton Upon Humber Neighbourhood Plan will be undertaking community engagement over the next few months and areas covered are infrastructure and business, community services, leisure, housing, environment and culture and tourism.

Volunteers are warmly welcome. Please email info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

With the recent success of grant funding for this project specialized planning consultants have been engaged to advise on consultation and to assist with the writing of the policies and the preparation of the final document.

The final document will then go through several more consultations before the town has a chance to vote on accepting it. If agreed by the community it then becomes a statutory Planning Document which all developers and North Lincolnshire Council must follow in future planning applications for the town.

Wild Flower Verge/Reduced Cut Suggestions

Location	<input type="text"/>
Wild flower verge/reduced cut (please state which)	<input type="text"/>
Your name	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>
Contact details if you would like to help sow the seeds: tel/email	<input type="text"/>

Any personal information you provide (such as name, address, email address, phone number and organisation) will be processed and stored to enable Barton Upon Humber Town Council to contact you and respond to your correspondence, provide information and/or access our facilities and services. Your personal information will be not shared or provided to any other

third party. Barton Upon Humber Town Council has a duty to ensure the security of personal data. We make sure that your information is protected from unauthorised access, loss, manipulation, falsification, destruction or unauthorised disclosure. This is done through appropriate technical measures and appropriate policies. Copies of these policies can be requested.

Barton Upon Humber Town Council will only keep your data for the purpose it was collected and only for as long as is necessary. After which it will be deleted. (You may request the deletion of your data held by Barton upon Humber Town Council at any time).

SPOTLIGHT ON

As revealed in the last edition of the Bartonian, Waterside is swiftly developing into a go-to area of the town. As well as the new community initiatives and businesses, both local hostellers the Sloop Inn and the White Swan, have been re-inventing themselves as Neil King discovers.

It's all happening on Waterside



The Sloop Inn

After managing the Wheatsheaf in Barton as tenants for six years, on January 18 this year, Gee and Debbie purchased the Sloop Inn on Waterside Road during the lockdown.

The Sloop is one of Barton's older pubs, with records showing that it was around as far back as 1875

Since the purchase, the Sloop has had a significant refurbishment and is now resplendent in its new look. As well as a complete refurbishment, the pub has invested in new plumbing and electricals. The chimneys have been opened up, and new stoves installed, ensuring that the Sloop will be as welcoming in winter as it is in summer. With summer in mind, Gee has developed the rear courtyard of the pub as a beer garden - ideal for families on a hot day.

I asked the landlord Gee Koshy about the new look Sloop. "It was a much bigger job than we first anticipated and took us longer than expected, but it's been worth it in the end."

Gee was keen to use local businesses wherever possible and asked the Bartonian to pass on his thanks to the many people who helped them and provided excellent service. These include Stuart and Lucy Elliott for their time and hard work, Elite Stoves, Richard Farrow, R T F Home Improvements for just about everything. Julie Shields, The Gallery, Barton, for all the fantastic Frenchic Paints. Wayne Coulam of

Barton Upholstery for all the fixed seating and chairs reupholstered. Nathan Green, Rae's Rustic Reclaims, Hull, for all the handmade tables, bar stools and chairs. Caroline Hickman for all the wallpapering and decorating, Colin Finnis for the tiling, Alan and Stuart Oldridge plumbers, M D Signs for the new signage, Humber Carpets and of course all the staff, friends and family without whom the doors wouldn't be open.

The Sloop offers a wide range of real ales, beers and ciders including Batemans Yellow Belly, Theakston's Best Bitter, Timothy Taylor's Boltmaker, a weekly guest ale, Theakston's Dark Mild, John Smith's, Guinness, Birra Morretti, Carling, Fosters, Strongbow cider and Westons Stowford Press Mixed Berries.

Home-cooked pub grub and Sunday lunches are also offered, and booking is advisable. Please ring 01652 637287

Food is served

Mon & Tues 4pm to 8pm
Wed to Sat 12 noon to 2pm and 4pm to 8pm
Sunday Lunches 12 noon to 7pm

The White Swan

The White Swan is one of Bartons oldest surviving pubs, as evidenced by an advertisement in the Stamford Mercury on March 15 1733.

"The ancient and well-accustom'd Swan Inn at Barton upon Humber in Lincolnshire, is now in the Tenure or Occupation of William Hudson, where there is very good Entertainment for Man and Horse, with a very good Coach House; and also thirty single Standings for Horses in the Stables".

During its heyday in the late Victorian period, The Swan was advertised as a "posting and commercial house providing first-class stabling, a bowling-green and quoit grounds" and in 1889 "the best house for travellers, no fees, horses and traps for hire, first-class bowling green."

Greg and Lisa have been in charge for almost eight years and based the Swan's development on it becoming a place where they would want to drink

Over this period, they have slowly built a range of real ales and a wide range of ciders. The key to the pub's success has been developing customer relationships and making it a comfortable place to drink and chat

The Swan hosts a variety of community groups and a popular book group that started seven years ago. Lisa and Greg decided on reopening that the environment that they operate in had radically changed. Instead of being restricted to set menus and food times, they



would have a brunch service on Saturdays and Sundays. They have also started to create a range of impromptu special evenings and new events.

Since the lockdown, Greg and Lisa have improved the outside areas of the pub. This has proven very popular

- whatever the weather (even in the snow!), and there is an on-going effort to continue developing and improving to make it an excellent experience for everyone.

Lisa and Greg have got lots of new ideas for the pub. They are constantly improving the experiences of their

customers. Lisa told us: "We never know what will happen in the future, but we do know that we love the town, our pub and the way the area continues to develop" and you can't say fairer than that.

Barton Great Big Green Week

Organised by the social enterprise Slow Circular Earth UK and local environmental advocates, the Barton Great Big Green Week is taking place between Saturday, September 18 and Sunday, September 26.

More than 30 events are planned during this community festival to raise awareness for the 26th UN Climate Change Conference being held in Glasgow in the autumn and climate change.

This family friendly, creative, sustainable, educational festival features nature and wildlife trails with Water's Edge Country Park and the Far Ings National Nature Reserve, litter picking in the company of the Barton Baggers, and a Wild Eco Weekend Retreat with Slow Circular Earth UK.

Other activities include making macrame herb hangers, a zero waste café, a harvest, soup and natter with St Mary's Church and a Repair and So Sew café.

More events are being added all the time and these can be found on www.bartongreatbiggreenweek.co.uk as well as contact details for the host of any event. Festival programmes are also available to download.

www.bartongreatbiggreenweek.co.uk

Eco Mindset Journey Try & learn, repair, recycle. Live & learn sustainability. A week for you.

Press Release
Barton Great Big Green Week (BGGW) is a community festival organised by the social enterprise Slow Circular Earth UK and local environmental activists. Our coordinating committee are working together to compile lists of events right now!

Brought to you by Slow Circular Earth UK
Tag us: #bartongreenweek21
www.bartongreatbiggreenweek.co.uk

Small but essential Wildlife



Far Ings Solitary wasp

Late summer is a great time of year for spotting insects.

Many butterflies are busy laying eggs so that caterpillars can eat as much as possible before becoming dormant or spending the winter as chrysalises. Dragonflies that may have spent several years living as fearsome nymphs under the water have emerged in all their colourful winged glory for a few short weeks to mate and lay eggs before the onset of winter. Also emerging from under the water are clouds of midges and mayflies which enjoy an even shorter life as winged adults.



Far Ings Episyrphus balteatus

The nests of social insects, ants, wasps and bees are also at their largest and busiest. The queen has been laying eggs since the spring creating workers to increase the size of the colony until, at this time of year, the males develop to mate with new queens that will start nests next year. There are days when clouds of flying ants can be seen emerging from underground nests and the wasps' nest in the roof of our visitor centre at Far Ings is humming with activity.



Far Ings: Cardinal beetle



Far Ings: Mullein moth caterpillar

Sometimes this abundance of insects can seem an inconvenience to us. Who has not complained about wasps trying to muscle in on a picnic, ants in the house or midges spoiling an evening walk. However these small

creatures are vital to the survival of many species including us. The clouds of midges at Far Ings have been attracting flocks of martins and swallows to feast on them. At night bats also benefit from an abundance of insects. The dragonflies are eaten by hobbies which visit this country in the summer and make the long trek south in the autumn. Those annoying flying ants provide food for many birds and other animals.

As well as providing food sources for other birds and animals insects also provide the vital pollination services we depend on for much of our food. It is not just bees that do this; beetles, wasps, hoverflies and many other insects moving from flower to flower carry the pollen that enables plants to produce seeds, fruit and nuts that we depend on for food. Wasps and other predatory insects help to control the numbers of other small creatures that can damage crops.

Insects can be weird, fascinating or beautiful. They may be small and seem a nuisance sometimes but now is the time to celebrate these small creatures, to acknowledge how much we depend on them and to encourage many more to make their homes in our countryside and gardens.

Leanne Smart



Time to take care of our soil

September is when thoughts on the plots turn to the next growing season, not only what we want to grow, but also how we can improve our soil. This is equally important for allotments and gardens.

Well-rotted animal manure is the traditional soil improver, and we are lucky to have a local supply which is delivered to the allotments. Over the winter is also a good time to empty your compost bin onto the soil especially if you are trying the no dig method of growing.

Increasingly though, people are turning to Green Manures - seeds of particular species that are sown at this time of year to do a variety of things to improve the soil. Some fix nitrogen for next year, such as Alfalfa and Crimson Clover which also suppresses weeds, others improve soil structure with deep roots, such as Winter Rye or White Mustard or prevent the winter rain washing nutrients out of the soil. Some perform one or more functions, and for all of them soil gets the extra benefit of added organic matter when you dig them in next spring before planting your crops.

Phacelia Tanacetifolia is particularly good at this, and depending on when you sow it, produces stunning blue flowers which the bees seem to love. As mentioned in a previous article, Caliente Mustard is a good one to sow where you plan to plant your onions next year.

Most seed catalogues now include Green Manures and September is the ideal time to sow many.

One quirky new addition to the seed catalogues is a grow your own pan scourer or bath sponge. Yes, Luffa seeds are now on offer. Sown early in the new year, they grow like climbing courgettes, best in a greenhouse or warm windowsill, and can produce five to six fruits per plant. You wait until the skin turns brown, before picking them and then submerge them until the skin can be peeled away. Wash away any remaining flesh and then shake them when dry to remove any seeds and off to the kitchen or bathroom.

You can't get much more eco-friendly than that, and it would be a fun thing for youngsters to try out - perhaps a new category for the Horticultural Show which after a gap of two years, we hope to be holding next summer. More details of that will follow.

Finally, we do normally have a bit of turnover in plots at this time of year, so if you are interested in having a plot, it's a good time to get onto the waiting list. Just drop me a line and I'll send you an application form.

Neil Jacques
secretarybartonallotments@hotmail.com or 01652 632438.

Latest news from Barton FM



Barton FM is the town's very own online community radio station and streaming service, broadcasting since May 2019. Barton FM is on the airwaves 14 hours a day on five days of the week and 24 hours a day on two days of the week.

The station is run entirely by volunteers and quite often volunteers with no previous broadcasting experience. Most of these volunteers are Barton based, but because of modern technology, volunteers can come from further afield. Our most significant recent development has been to start broadcasting on Alexa. To access Barton FM, ask Alexa to play the Barton FM Skill.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS
As the station has developed we have been able to add lots of new features - the latest of which is that we now have the National News at the top of the hour.
An exciting new project for us is developing Barton FM TV on YouTube and Daily Motion.

SPORT
We have recently widened our coverage and are pleased to be the only radio station in the county to do live commentary on Lincolnshire County Cricket. We also started a cricket show which covers Barton Town CC and Lincolnshire cricket.

We have expanded our coverage of Barton Town FC - The Swans, offering live commentary on all games - both

home and away - and filming all of the home games and some away games. Highlights of these matches are shown on Barton TV.

MUSIC
Due to increased demand, we have several presenters who produce two music shows a week specifically for the station. Neil King (Alternative Music Mix and Classic Rock Show), David Barnett (50 Years of Hits and The Song Book) and Chris Rowntree (The Chris Rowntree Show and the '60s and '80s show).

BIG BARTON FILM SHOW
One of the more unusual issues caused by Covid-19 for Barton FM is the lack of films made during lockdown!

Sudip Bhaduri presents The Big Barton Film Show and, of course, has been starved of new material. This hasn't stopped the show, and Sudip has seen it go from strength to strength as he broadcasts a series of programmes focussing on individual film actors.

NEW SHOWS NOW ON AIR
Scott Warren is producing the Personal Money Management Show. Barton FM can now offer a new Business Show that includes

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contributions from Forrester Boyd and The Small Business Big Network Podcast by Liz Drury.

COMING SOON
Now that we are returning to "normal life", we will re-launch Barton Live (a weekly programme for Friday early evening). This is a music and magazine show that will be presented from various locations and include a Barton What's On Guide, The Barton Good Food Guide, what's been on Barton Social Media this week, and the Barton Sports bulletin. We would welcome new volunteers to help with this programme. No experience is necessary, and you could become a part of the Barton FM family.

Future plans include expanding Barton FM TV so that we can start covering events in the town.

GET INVOLVED
We are always looking for new volunteers to present programmes, ideas for programmes, production, and sound editing for radio and TV. If you are interested in getting involved, contact the station Manager - Richard Watts bartonfmradio@gmail.com

www.bartonfmradio.co.uk

Welcome to Wilderspin National School Museum

The new look Wilderspin National School Museum has reopened its doors after the Covid lockdowns. The school staff and volunteers have been busy during the COVID period and the whole site has been re-interpreted.

You can explore the world's only reconstruction of a Samuel Wilderspin school, the founder of infant education and learning through fun as well as experience school life through the eyes of your parents, grandparents and their parents.

"We wanted to refresh the museum, give people something new to see and help people to understand the story of Wilderspin," said Ali Bodley, the Get Involved Project Manager. "We have extended our story of learning from Wilderspin's time in the 1840s to more recent times with the opening of our new Victorian and World War Two classrooms."

The formal launch is to take place in September, but over the summer

the public was able to have a sneak preview on what has been happening during COVID restrictions..

During the summer there was a range of family focused events from costumed tours through to experiencing a real Victorian or War time classroom session.

The Museum is open from Thursday through to Sunday from 10am to 4pm and entrance is free, but donations are encouraged and booking not required.

The Wilderspin National School opened in Barton in 1845 and included a model Infant School, run by Samuel Wilderspin. At a time when access to school was only for the rich, Wilderspin is credited with inventing infant education for all. He based his techniques on

learning through fun. The Barton school was in operation in some form until 1978 when it was left to become derelict. The importance of the school was recognised and a trust, the Queen Street School Preservation Trust, was set up in 1993 to save it. A successful lottery bid provided the resources to restore the school, recreating the 19th century school, a Victorian classroom and an exhibition room and temporary exhibition space.

The Museum opened in 2009 and is accredited under the Arts Council Accreditation Scheme.

For more information on events go to: www.wilderspinschool.org.uk

Tools Wanted!

Unwanted and old tools no longer need to be thrown onto the scrap heap thanks to an initiative supported by the Barrow Meridian Rotary Club.

Tools With A Mission, or TWAM for short, sees old tools collected and then re-furnished by young offenders before they are sent on to developing countries.

The tools can be anything from electric drills, spanners and wrenches, saws and planes to sewing machines. Any tools offered will be

accepted. Last year TWAM sent a total of 8225 life-changing tool kits out to the Democratic Republic of Congo, Zambia, Zimbabwe, and Uganda as well as other areas of the world where there is a need.

In all 17 countries have benefitted from TWAM over the years. Tools With A Mission was launched in

1984 and for the first five years operated out of a double garage and shed in Bexleyheath before more space was required, firstly in barns in the Ipswich before relocating to the Hadleigh Road Industrial Estate in Ipswich.

Anyone wanting to donate old tools contact Stuart Leyland on sleyland13@gmail.com or ring John on 07456 88512 for drop-off times, locations and dates.





Fertiliser Friends

Born in Barton upon Humber **Stuart Garfoot** worked as a chemist and plant operator at BritAg, formerly ACC, from 1969 to 1988 when the factory closed having previously been a Laboratory Technician at Beretun School.

His recently published book, *Fertiliser Friends*, chronicles the story of the factory, its many employees and their lives.

Over the years Stuart has collected hundreds of photographs from many sources and put them together to create his story of the factory, its many employees and their lives. There are many photographs of the plants and employees involved in fertiliser production, transportation and plant maintenance as well as the Agrochemical plant which was a later addition to the site.

He explained that he had seen books published about the Elswick-Hopper Cycle Works and Hall's Barton Ropery and it seemed to him it would be such a shame if the characters from the BritAg site were forgotten. "There were some wonderful people

who both worked and socialised together over many generations, I fondly remember them all," he recalled. "This is not just my story but of my many friends and colleagues employed there over many years and is meant to be a tribute to them".

Maybe your great-grandfather, grandfather, father, husband or son worked there, perhaps even your grandma, mum or sister too - they are all important parts of my tale".

There was a strong social life connected to working at the factory with the ACC social club just a stone's throw away on the then Chemical Lane, now re-named Chemical Road.

There were many dinner dances and social occasions at the club which was also a place for work colleagues to meet to enjoy the friendships

formed, the music and the laughs. (not to mention the beer!).

The factory dated back to 1874 by the Farmers Company before becoming known as A.C.C. (Associated Chemical Companies) and later Albright and Wilson and then finally as Britag. The factory produced both granulated and "Prilled" NPK Fertilisers.

The site was bought by Glanford Borough Council and it was inherited in 1996 by North Lincolnshire Council and work soon began to convert the site to a country park.

Stuart's book costs just £10 and can be purchased by contacting Stuart directly on 07446910633, emailing spgarfoot123@gmail.com or via Stuart's Facebook page.



Anyone for a bit of culture?

The Ropewalk has a packed autumn season of shows and plenty of opportunities to get creative.

The Wednesday films restart on September 8 with morning matinees at 10.30am and the evening films at 7.30pm.

There are some great hard hitting and, in some cases, strange contemporary films showing in the evenings that you might have missed liked *White Riot*, *Jojo Rabbit*, *Nomadland* and *Mank*.

The matinees have a mixture of historical dramas, and some nostalgic golden oldies. We follow the highly acclaimed documentary 'Audrey' with one of Audrey Hepburn's box office smashers the 1953 film *Roman Holiday* co-starring Gregory Peck.

The latest remake of *Little Women* and *Radio Active* charts the interesting life and ground breaking work of Marie Curie. The morning films are followed by lunch and then a two hour art and craft session for anyone who is interested. There will be drawing, origami, willow weaving and textile workshops to name but a few all led by local artists.

The new Singing for Pleasure sessions start on Thursday September 9 with musical director Jenny Trattles coaxing out participants' inner songbird. No experience is necessary, it is an opportunity to meet people, develop your voice and have fun. The 10-week term costs £30 payable on the first night.

Have a look at our website www.the-ropewalk.co.uk to see if any of our new classes take your fancy, whether that's the weekly jewellery class, a monthly upholstery class or creating your very own masterpiece in one of our Saturday classes.

If you would like to find out more about what we do in the building then drop in on our open weekend on September 25 and 26 when all our studio artists will be in and working between 10am and 4pm on both days. They will be happy to chat to you about their work. On the same days we will be holding a second-hand book sale featuring a large collection of pre-loved art and heritage books.



Audrey - Sep 15



Little Women - Sep 19



Tenet - Sep 22



White Riot - Oct 6

We look forward to seeing you soon in our cultural quarter of a mile.

Celebrating 50 years of Get Carter

Fifty years of the iconic film *Get Carter* will be celebrated at Hull Truck Theatre on Wednesday, November 10.

Acclaimed pianist and Hammond player, Wendy Kirkland, presents fresh, live arrangements of Roy Budd's iconic music score for the Ted Lewis inspired *Get Carter*, probably the most influential gangster movie ever. This world premiere has been commissioned by the Ted Lewis society to mark the film's 50th anniversary.

The ever-versatile Wendy will be leading her trio of regular collaborators Pat Sprakes (guitar) and Steve Wyndham (drums) with jazz funk trombonist Dennis Rollins MBE as special guest. The work will be interspersed with dialogue from *Get Carter* read by Monty Martin, Ted Lewis Society founder.

Tickets for the premiere cost £16.50 (students & under-26s £6)

There will be a lunchtime screening of *Get Carter*, starring Michael Caine (1hr 52 m) at 12.30pm free to ticket holders (guide 18+) and a *Get Carter* Exhibition.



Ahead of the performance with the Wendy Kirkland Trio and Dennis Rollins, there will also be an additional screening of probably the most influential gangster movie ever made starring Michael Caine starting at 5pm. Tickets for this screening cost just £3.

Tickets are available from Hull Truck Theatre box office online, in person at the box office or by calling 01482 323638



Barton upon Humber Lions Club CIO



A big thank you to everyone who took part and sponsored the Wobbly Wheelers Bike Ride last month and special thanks go to the White Swan for hosting the start and finish and to our joint organisers, the Barrow Meridan Rotary Club.

We raised nearly £1,000 on the day with a lot more to follow towards a great charity, the Lindsey Lodge Hospice.

We are always looking for volunteers to help us at events, so if you have some spare time and wish to lend a hand, please do get in touch. Who knows, you may even fancy becoming a Lion!

We are planning to hold an Oktoberfest type event in next two months, so keep visiting our Facebook page for updates on



this. The town's Annual Bonfire and Fireworks Night is planned for Friday, November 5, 2021 and is sponsored by Wren Kitchens and Barton Town Council. Admission is £3 with hot food available as well as children's rides. Gates open at 5.30pm. We will be following local authority guidelines, and again more details will be posted on Facebook.

We will be on the Barton to Cleethorpes Line sometime in September. It's a great night visiting local pubs for a jar of ale or two, or just a great social evening.

Santa's Sleigh is in the planning, although he may be a bit rusty as he's had a year off. Look out for more details in the next issue of the Bartonian.

We plan to get busy again now we are able to, but rest assured we take this pandemic business seriously and all events will have measures in place for ours and your safety.

We can be contacted by email info@bartonlions.co.uk or find us on Facebook.



Barton Rotary Club

Barton Rotary Club presented a Scientific Calculator to Year Six pupils at the three primary Barton schools at the end of the summer term.

The calculators will be needed when they move to their secondary schools. A total of 247 calculators were presented at all 11 schools in Barton and the surrounding villages. To avoid confusion at school, each calculator has the pupil's name engraved on the back.



ABOVE: Pupils of Barton St Peter's School with their calculators.

RIGHT: Some of the Bowmandale school pupils who received the calculators.

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ST-ART to start again



Children's activity charity ST-ART has just resumed its weekly craft sessions in the Headway Centre of Baysgarth School.

Managed by lead artist Ailie Clark, ST-ART is the ideal opportunity for young people to enjoy art and craft activities led by professional artists. Aimed at those aged between

seven and 15 years all tutors have enhanced DBS checks, their own public liability insurance, and are experienced in working with young people.

The sessions run from 6.30pm to 8.30pm on Wednesdays during term time and each session costs £1.50 with the option of paying £15 for the entire 10 week block or for each individual session.

This term some of the craft activities will focus on making individual lanterns for the Lantern Parade which is part of the annual Barton Town Council Christmas Festival for which the Town Council has made a grant.

As well as the usual Wednesday evening sessions there will be additional Saturday workshops for lantern making.

For more information or to book a place email startactivities@gmail.com

Barton Senior Alliance

It is with regret that the Barton Senior Alliance Service and Tea will not take place in September 2021. It is very much hoped that it can go ahead in Spring 2022.

We look forward to seeing you all then.

Barton Brigg Road Bowls Club

We are now at the end of our first season back playing competitive league games since the start of the lock downs some 17 month ago.

This year we continued with our Tuesday afternoon triples league (three players, three rinks and three bowls each). We also joined the Scunthorpe Mixed triples league where the matches are played at night. At the time of writing, we are doing well in both leagues being above half way up.

We have also been running extra practice sessions (roll ups) to encourage new players into the sport. This has been very successful with several new members some of whom had never even bowled a bowl before. The new members range from the early 20s to the retired. We have been very surprised at just how well these new members have done with many taking part in the league games. So no matter what age you are why not give it a try?

If you are at all interested then give John a ring on 07770440114 and he will let you know when we plan to re-start and when our roll ups will be.

As well as new members we also welcome people to just pop in and watch at both the roll ups and the matches. If you happen to be out for a walk and see us playing as you pass the gate on Park Avenue please pop in and say hello and watch (it's not as dull as you may think), you will be sure of a warm welcome.

As ever there have also been many jobs around the green and the clubhouse to keep us occupied over the spring and summer. One of the main jobs has been to replace all the wood windows in the club house with UPVC windows. These should now last for many, many years. Our

green (the grass) has benefited from the lack of regular play last year and so has been in very good condition. This though has been helped enormously by the special care it receives from Will our green keeper. It is not just a case of keeping the grass cut. It needs to be scarified, sanded, fertilised and treated for weeds, all at just the right time.

Once we have had our meetings early next year, we should have organised the dates when the green will be ready for regular play. We will publish this in the Bartonian and so why not consider taking up a new sport that only requires quite gentle exercise and is a lot of fun.

John Pullen

Living Later Life Well

A new project has launched through the Trinity Methodist Church, focussing on engaging our elderly community through a vibrant programme of activities to provide physical, mental and spiritual enrichment.

The Living Later Life Well project is led by Jo Marwood, Community Outreach Worker, who will be supporting elderly residents in Barton and the surrounding villages, as well as working alongside local services to identify those in need.

The project aims to reduce loneliness and social isolation so acutely felt by many of our vulnerable elderly community. Jo will be consulting people on the activities they'd like to see on offer (all suggestions are very welcome), and then working to put together a sustainable and inclusive programme that will bring people together for fun and friendship.

Suggestions so far have included line dancing, cooking demonstrations, pet therapy, hand massage, Pilates and local history talks, which demonstrates the potential breadth of the project! But of course, we need people, and this is where you come in! If you are an elderly member of our community, or have a neighbour, friend or family member that is

elderly and feeling isolated, then please get in touch for a chat. Jo is happy to speak on the phone or meet in your home to talk about the project, what you'd like to see and any restrictions you might face (transport is currently being considered to help people get to the Church).

Alternatively, if you'd like to get involved and volunteer your time to lead an activity, then we also want to hear from you! Projects such as these thrive on volunteer support, so if you have a passion or specialism that you'd like to share, then let us know. Please contact Jo on 07821 900623 or email jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com





Brassed off in Barton

Barton has a tradition of brass bands going back more than 140 years. The bands have had many high points over the years, not least playing at the National Brass Band Finals at the Royal Albert Hall in 2012.

The earliest band in Barton was the Hall's Ropery Band which operated from the early 1880s. All we really know of this band is that it was founded by the Ropery

On August 13 1880, Barton Brass Band was mentioned in the Hull Packet (a local newspaper). The article reports that they headed a procession from the Pelham Inn, in New Holland, to the Chapel of Ease.

The first mention of the Barton Ropery Band came in the Hull Packet of January 28 1881 entitled "George Altoft's Entertainment" and reported:

"An entertainment for the benefit of G. Altoft, who is blind through a kick from a horse when working at Chapel Farm some years ago, was given at the Odd Fellows' Hall last week."

On March 18 1883, the Hull Packet reported on the Temperance Brass Band of Barton parading the streets of Ulceby, adding yet another brass band to the history of Barton.

Barton Ropery Band were still in existence at this time. In the Hull Packet of May 23 1884, they were reported marching through the principal streets of Barton on the anniversary of the Good Intent Lodge 612, afterwards dining at the Red Lion Hotel.

In 1904 Mr F Hopper Snr formed the Barton Cycle Works Silver Band.



This Edwardian band had many successes in competitions, the most notable being the contest held at the Crystal Palace in London. They gained 3rd and 4th place in the years around 1907.

Unfortunately, on another occasion, they had a few too many trips to the Public Bar. They acted with an "unfortunate lack of sobriety", disgracing themselves on the contest platform. This caused their sponsor, F. Hopper, to gather them in the Cycle Works yard confiscating their instruments and ritually burning their uniforms before them - what a way to go out, though!

This was not the end of banding (or boozing) in Barton. Another band

was formed called Barton Town Prize Subscription Brass Band and again had several successes. In 1938 this band competed at the Belle Vue contest held in Manchester, playing alongside other such bands as the Fodens Motor Works and the Black Dyke Mills Colliery band. They won the contest and found themselves at the Railway station at 11.30pm on their return to Barton. Not wanting to go home with a feeling of anti-climax, the band formed up and marched through the town!

This impromptu performance was greeted by a large part of the community turning out to cheer them. After the war, the band's



success continued. This Band thankfully shortened its name to Barton Town Prize Band. In the 1950s, it had competition successes winning the 4th section area finals and gaining 2nd place in the finals when they competed in the 2nd Section.

Following a short amalgamation in the 1960s with Barrow Britannia Band, the present name began to be used.

This band concentrated on introducing young people to Brass Banding and, in the 1970s, had many successes on the contest platform. This youth policy continued and in the 1980s and early '90s the band had a large membership boasting both a Community Band and Youth Band.

The Community Band has had several successes on the contest platform. The band rose through the rankings from the 4th Section to the 2nd Section. On two occasions, they also paid visits to Barton's twin town Feyzin and regularly performed throughout the country, holding concerts with celebrity guest soloists and choirs.

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

The Community Band was developed so that players who were 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 their band.

The Barton Community Band can boast celebrity connections! A former band member, Rochenda Sandall, went on to play a role in the BBC's Line of Duty

Part of the mission of the band is to provide music education for the local community. Today, they partner with Hull Music Hub that encourages young people to get involved in music. The band is working on new partnerships, one with a local choir and another with Baysgarth School. It is hoped that a scheme to offer music tuition during school holidays can be developed.

The Barton Community Band is an intrinsic part of the community of Barton. As well as performing in concerts, they get involved in a range of projects such as playing for elderly residents in care homes at Christmas and supporting Armistice Day. Members of the band 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. In September, there will be an open session where people can learn more about the band and meet the members.

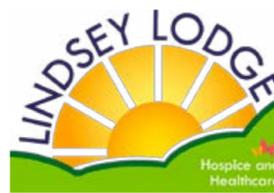
The current pandemic has severely curtailed the Bands ability to perform. Still, they are rehearsing every Tuesday and Thursday evening at the Corn Exchange in Market Place with full precautions in place.

The Barton Community Band 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 at secretary.bartoncommunityband@gmail.com

Oh - and if you are a drummer, cornet, horn or bass player, you would be particularly welcome!

Lindsey Lodge Hospice Week

Lindsey Lodge is urging local people to "go yellow" and take part in our first Hospice Action Week in October.



Lindsey Lodge Hospice and Healthcare has a whole host of fundraising events and activities planned during this special week, coinciding with the national Hospice Care Week (October 4 - 10), which aims to raise awareness of the work of the hospice movement across the UK.

Lindsey Lodge Senior Manager for Income Generation Tom Moody said: "Hospice Action Week is a great opportunity to show support for Lindsey Lodge.

"Whether it's you, your friends and family, or your organisation - there are so many ways to roll up your sleeves and get involved - all we ask is you wear something yellow while you're doing it!"

"You can grab your golf clubs and sign up for our Golf Day, put your general knowledge to the test with our Big Quiz, or buy a yellow outfit from our shops to wear it yellow at work. You can also reach Hospice Hero status by planning your very own fundraising project for us."

The 29-year-old Hospice has seen a 98% rise in the number of admissions to its vital Inpatient palliative care services in the last five years.

Tom added: "As well as providing vital end of life care, we're now delivering a variety of innovative services and interventions, which provide much-needed support to people living with life limiting conditions in the community.

"So, however you choose to show your support, you'll be helping us to continue to provide hospice and healthcare services for our local community. So let's turn North Lincolnshire yellow!"

Full details on Hospice Action Week can be found online at: www.lindseylodgehospice.org.uk or by phoning the fundraising team on 01724 270835.

For more information about Lindsey Lodge please visit its website at www.lindseylodgehospice.org.uk, email llh.enquiries@nhs.net or phone 01724 270835.

Yorkshire Three Peaks Dusk till Dawn

Complete the Yorkshire Three Peaks challenge - at night and help support Lindsey Lodge Hospice! Join the team and set off as the sun begins to set, hiking by head torch throughout the night, completing the final peak as the sun rises.

The night time version is graded as extreme, perfect for participants who have taken part in other trekking challenges and now wish to put themselves to the test at night.

This challenge is fully supported by the expert team from Exped adventures, with check points, walking leaders and support vehicles. The walk takes place on Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 November 2021

and registration is £20 with a t-shirt and medal included. The suggested minimum sponsorship £300 and those taking part must be 16 years old or over.

Please get in touch with the Fundraising team if you wish to discuss further - 01724 270835

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South Bank Players

The South Bank Players was very pleased to receive £740 from North Lincolnshire Council's FUELLED project to run a summer school for local children aged eight to 16 years.

For four days in the summer holidays the Players organised workshops in acting, dancing, singing, drumming and more, and also provided lunches for the young people and volunteers. If you would like to be kept informed of future workshops for young people, please let the group know.

All being well the Players will be starting its Ghost Walk season on Halloween, followed by more walks on the last Fridays of November, January, February, and March. The walk costs £5 per person (children and adults) and tickets can be booked in advance on our website, www.sbplayers.co.uk or on the night. All walks start at 7.30pm from Baysgarth House Museum, and booking is highly recommended - especially for Halloween.

A pantomime is planned - oh it is! This will hopefully be in early December at the Joseph Wright Hall in Barton - keep an eye on the group's Facebook

page and website for further details nearer the time. At the moment it might be Jack and the Beanstalk. If you fancy being involved with this the group is always looking for new members who would like to act, or help out backstage/front of house.

Something else in the pipeline is a 1920s themed murder mystery, and if you know of a venue that would be suitable then do get in touch with the group. Again keep an eye on the website and Facebook page for details of where it is being performed if you'd like to come along and try out your sleuthing skills.

If you would like to join the Players, you're welcome to one of our rehearsal nights which are on Sunday evenings at the Joseph Wright Hall.

For further details please contact Jeanine Guy on admin@sbplayers.co.uk



Ready for a new challenge?

The Barton upon Humber Branch of the Workers' Educational Association has a good variety of classes for adults.

If you want more variety, and have access to modern technology many other classes are available to you provided by the WEA, on line with a laptop or other suitable device. From September 2021, face to face classes for adults will be run by the WEA in Wilderspin National School, Queen Street, Barton and also in Clare House Scunthorpe near the Central Bus Station, Grimsby and elsewhere. For more details see the WEA website www.wea.org.uk

There will be a new Monday afternoon weekly 'Artist Focus' course starting on 13 September 1-3 pm at Wilderspin National School, Barton. Tutor Mandy Fenton will improve students' knowledge of a different well-known artist each week by considering their work, style, design, techniques, format and media used. There will also be an opportunity to get creative yourself. Course Ref C3679761

On Wednesday afternoons weekly 'Archaeological Air Photography' classes start on 15 September 3-5 pm also at Wilderspin National School, Barton. Simon Tomson, tutor will introduce students to the subject, origins and techniques with slides of many local Lincolnshire examples shared. The course promises to be fascinating. Course Ref C3679850

As a follow up Simon Tomson has also agreed to do a six-week course from Wednesday 27 October 2021, 3-5 pm for 6 sessions on The

Archaeology of Lincolnshire at the same venue. C 3679849

The Wilderspin National School Museum site has good access and free parking for students off the road with use of one of the excellent rear block classrooms.

If interested you need to pre enrol on line, www.enrolonline.wea.org.uk OR by telephone by ringing in working hours, 0300 303 3464. For most adults the classes fees are £ 38 for 5 weeks, or £ 44.40 for 6 weeks. As you enrol on line or via telephone all details are confidential. Those who are on benefits, claimant or live in a household with low income may be entitled to a free course.

The WEA was formed over 100 years ago by working people who had missed out on a full education due to economic pressures to leave school as soon as possible and work. Classes therefore were generally put on in evenings and at weekends to allow all over 18 to benefit. This ethos is still true today, the WEA nationally is the biggest charity, provider of adult education in England. Look out for posters, see WEA Yorkshire & Humber Facebook pages, or our website www.wea.org.uk for many opportunities for adults to learn more this autumn alongside their other day to day activities.

Barton-upon-Humber Branch of the WEA part of registered charity 1112775 E&W

Baysgarth Park Diary

from the Friends of

What a busy summer it's been in Baysgarth Park. It has been fantastic to see the large number of people continuing to enjoy the space - walking, meeting up with friends, having family picnics, bike riding and simply contemplating in the Chad Varah Garden.



Baysgarth Park

Since the last issue of the Bartonian the wildflower bank has changed colour from its very patriotic red, white and blue of poppies, cornflowers and daisies to an explosion of yellow and red. At the time of going to print we are waiting to hear if the Park has been awarded the prestigious Green Flag again for the fourth consecutive year. We hope that the judges appreciated all the work that has gone into maintaining and developing this wonderful amenity.

The bench created in July in memory of George Ellis was installed at the Redoubt Copse at the southern edge of the Park and a dedication ceremony was held on 16 August in the early evening with Father Robert leading proceedings. We have also supported the Barton Park Bowls Club to install two new memorial benches in their ground.

The very eye-catching sponsorship boards for the seven wooden multi use bins were installed by MD Signs and they have generated a lot of interest. Six additional bins will be installed shortly and we already have sponsors for three of them.

The Lindsey Relay sponsored flower bed at the Preston Lane entrance is looking splendid. Created by Andrew Robinson, a member of the Friends group and retired landscape gardener, it really has established itself quickly in the Euronics colours. If any other company in Barton

would like to sponsor one of the new beds being planted this autumn please get in touch! Andrew loves dahlias and grew far too many this year so he donated a number of plants to fill a gap in a bed next to Baysgarth House.

The Performance in the Park shows organised by the Barton Tourism Partnership were very popular this year with people enjoying productions of Treasure Island, The Cameraman, The Tempest, Railway Children, Pride and Prejudice and Wind in the Willows. Audience numbers ranged from 70 to 250 and people came prepared for the English summer weather! Thanks go to Barton Town Council and Barton Lions for financial support and to the many people who came to the shows and put money in the donation bucket. Barton Tourism Partnership have had more donations this year than in any other. A special thanks goes to the volunteers, for many of whom this was their first time stewarding at one of these events. We hope that they will join us again next year.

Finally, it is a shame to end on a sour note but it has to be said. Unfortunately, the Park has suffered a great deal of vandalism over the last few months. The Friends has been in contact with Humberside

Police who have been very helpful and have increased the number of visits to the Park but they cannot be there all the time. Please can you help?

If you see any behaviour which causes damage to the Park and for that matter anywhere in Barton, please report it to the police. You can use 101 or complete the form on the Humberside Police website, it only takes a few minutes. The more reports the Police get the more likely it is they will be able to identify patterns which might lead to them being in the right place at the right time.

The Park is a wonderful asset for all of the community and it is a shame if all the hard work to get it to this point is for nothing because of a few inconsiderate individuals.





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Dr James Robertson driving his Amphicar, which could travel both on roads and water. Here it is being used on the Water Ski Club lake. Dr Robertson was the Medical Officer of Health for the northern area of Lincolnshire and lived in Barton.

Bygones



Built on the former grass tennis courts in Baysgarth Park, this Miniature Railway was operated by the Barton Model Engineering Society. They had three locomotives, all built by John Bott, who is seen here driving the front train. Each engine pulled a carriage seating four or five passengers. Mr Bott was the Barton Urban District Council Town Clerk and based in the old Council offices in High Street. The building is now St Peter's Court

The 2nd Barton Scout group at camp on September 3 1972, held in a field at the farm next to Thornton Abbey. The Scoutmaster is the long serving Hector Lawtey. He joined the 1st Barton Scouts in 1926, aged eight as a Cub Scout and became the Scout Leader at the age of 18, of the renamed 2nd Barton Scout Troop at their headquarters on Beck Hill.

He left Barton to join the Lincolnshire Regiment when war began in 1939 returning as Manager of Potts Grocery Shop in the Market Place and immediately took over the helm at the 2nd Barton Scout Troop.

A lifetime of service to the Scouting movement followed with Hector becoming Group Scout Leader. He was awarded the Medal of Merit in 1964, and in 1982 the highest award in Scouting, the Silver Wolf. "Skip" retired from Scouting in 1986.



William Oldridge operated a boot-making and cobblers business from his High Street shop. When this picture was taken in 1966, he had been in business for 62 years.



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The east coast of Lincolnshire has always been prone to high tide floods, especially when driven in to low-lying areas by strong east winds. Fortunately, the effects have been much alleviated by many projects over many years to improve our sea defences through such things as raised banks and in Barton the erection of high flood walls along the Haven.

The flood of 1935 is well recorded and there are numerous photographs of the impact along the Humber but the flood of 1921 came to light from some photographs that belonged to Brian Peeps and these were marked simply: 'December 17th 1921'. The photographs were most likely taken on the following day, or on the Monday and the location was not recorded.

One of the buildings shown bore the names of the owners and with this information and the appearance of the windmill, John French quickly identified the site as that of the whiting mill that occupied the site of the Silver Birch Park on the west side of Waterside Road.

The first photograph tells us that the mill was owned by M. H. Fisher, successors to H. O. Knight and all three show the devastation that occurred due to the extremely high tide.

The tide affected the estuary on both sides and severe flooding occurred in Hull. A search on the British Newspaper Archive website brought up a page from the Hull Daily Mail of Monday, December 19, which covered the Saturday night floods on both north and south banks. The main title was highly descriptive:

Barton Poverty Stricken

From Our Own Correspondent

Not since 1868 has Barton been visited with such an overflow of water as that which came on Saturday night.

The enormous amount of damage sustained by manufacturing firms and householders cannot be estimated at the time of writing, and it is no exaggeration to state that many a home in the Waterside district today has been rendered almost poverty stricken by the catastrophe. The first intimation to the inhabitants of the town-end was the curtailment of the gas supply and enquiries elicited the information that a serious overflow of the Humber was in course of process, and that its extent had even reached the gasworks, which are situated in Dam-road, nearly a quarter of a mile from the coast. Our representative was early on the scene and found that the water had actually flowed past the Great Central Railway station and culminated opposite the establishment of Mr Arthur Hotham, butcher, of Fleetgate.

Speaking to Mr Robert Clapson the senior partner of the shipbuilding firm of Messrs Clapson and Sons, whose premises lie by the coast, he learnt that the tide gradually flowed to the land, and that with some suddenness the terrific force of waters rushed forward, taking everything in front of it. Shipyard, brickyards, the chemical works, the ropery, gas works, the hall, all in turn were soon inundated.

At the chemical works a large quantity of valuable manure was lying in the lower rooms, and was almost reduced to waste, the houses adjacent to the works were swamped, furniture and effects being considerably damaged. 36 chickens and 20 rabbits belonging to Mr Merwood Windle were drowned. The fires at the malkilns were extinguished but we understand that the produce of the firm was not seriously affected. The full force of the tide appears to have dealt very seriously with the extensive buildings of the Ropery Company, which are situated along the east side of the waterway known as the Haven. A recently erected building, called the spinning shed, collapsed under the contact. It was at first conjectured that a portion of the bank had broken, but daylight revealed that such was not the case. All the departments, including engine and hemp houses were



flooded, and what the result will mean to the Ropery Company cannot be stated at the present.

A kiln in the brickyard belonging to Mr J. J. Greenwood, was entirely submerged, and the place looks a wreck.

The Hall, the residence of Henry Wilson J.P., which lies further east of the Haven, did not escape the tide. The well-kept gardens present a sorry spectacle, being practically all under water. Fortunately, the tide did not penetrate to any alarming extent into the Hall, although access was gained to the drawing, dining, and smoke rooms. Speaking to our representative, Mr Wilson stated that the former occupant of the Hall, the late Mr John Edward Hall, once told him that the abnormal tides had never reached beyond the steps of the doors.

Cottagers Suffer

But a terrible state of affairs was to be found on the west side the Haven, where the houses are all low lying. Most of the living rooms were

completely flooded, and whilst the flood was taking place, refuge to the upper rooms had to be resorted to.

Barraclough's-lane, a block of cottage property, suffered probably more than any other in the district. The party wall dividing Florence-terrace from the coalyard owned by Mr G. E. Towle, was swept away, as was a gable end. The water reached as far as the oven in most of the cottages, rising to a height of three feet. The unfortunate side of the situation can be better imagined than described.

A most distressing issue of the dreadful episode was the escape from the Haven of the sewerage which has its outlet to the Humber from the waterway. It was forced backward, and along with water and mud went rushing into the houses of the terrified occupants. On Sunday morning J. C. Stevenson, the Sanitary Inspector and Surveyor, visited the locality, and is already doing all that lays in his power to obviate any unpleasant or serious result. Six sheep belonging, we understand, to Herbert Woodcock, J.P., of Barton

Hill Farm, which were in a field near the Humber side, were drowned, and it was only with the utmost difficulty that the others were rescued.

At the claypits of Messrs G. and T. Earle, Ltd., in the East Marsh, the bank has collapsed in two places to the length of about 50 and 30 yards respectively. The claypits and land all adjoining are under water and will have a tendency to affect the unemployment question. On the west side the cliffs or quarries are flooded, and a portion of the bank here has also collapsed and is adjacent to the Cement works. As far as can be gathered at present the railway in the district has not been disturbed to any large extent.

It was heart-breaking to perceive the concern of some of the victims as they glanced at the wreck - once their prized possessions. Dam-road and lngs-lane also suffered and other districts in the town which lie along the Humber side. The sympathy of the population is directed to the Waterside area, and it is hoped that something will be done in the near

future to alleviate the financial loss sustained, which many of the victims will experience. The Gas Company were not in the position to supply gas on Sunday, and consequently some of the places of worship did not hold the usual services. Seafaring men, of which there are many in Barton, attribute the overflow to what termed a 'blown-tide'. It is stated that the height of the water reached to nearly 35 feet.

If readers have photographs or family stories about the 1921 flood that they are willing to share, I hope they will get in touch (ndland@btinternet.com) as such stories are important to record and share with future generations.

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Hong Kong Style

The owners of the Sunflower, Man and Tse Yau Mui Cheong left Hong Kong in the 1960s to, "make a better life for themselves" and with a view to, "opening their own business". They spotted a gap in the market in Barton and in 1972 they opened the first Chinese restaurant on the High Street, which they called Sunrise. Ten years later they moved to what was the premises of The Singing Kettle in the Market Place. This was repeated across the UK, Chinese restaurants stayed open beyond pub closing times after the fish and chip shops had shut, tempting the discerning British public palate away from bread and butter towards sweet and sour chicken with rice.

The tastes were new and unrecognisable. Tse Yau Mui laughed as she recalled how she asked my Dad if he wanted extra garlic on his prawns, to which he replied "No, I don't like garlic", unaware that he had been eating it there for years. These small additions...the spices, oils and sauces are added in precise amounts in each dish, Man and Tse Yau Mui listen to ensure the dishes sizzle for the right amount of time, that the aroma is right. The pans are rarely still, bags are shaken open and the orders moved from one board to another as the extractors whirl above. Two or three people work in perfect sync with one another, punctuated only by the ring of the phone and the click of the door. The orders are relentless, and time passes in what seems like seconds.

Much preparation is done in the day when every vegetable is chopped, the curry paste

is created, eggs are whisked, and the rice is washed. Each and every prawn is shelled, and deveined and untold potatoes are cut in preparation for being fried twice in rapeseed oil. Man and Tse Yau Mui put their continued success down to changing their recipes to suit the customers. In one example, they found customers were not keen on the spring onions, so they removed it from the dishes. (If you prefer your dishes with spring onions, ask for it "old style")

When asked what they enjoy about being in Barton, Man and Tse Yau Mui say they find it friendlier than other places. My Dad became a friend, doing the odd paid, electrical job. Every Christmas Day, he was invited to the Sunflower to collect a gift of delicious food, including the best garlic prawns ever tasted and I can picture him now, patiently shelling and then devouring each one over Christmas, watching Only Fools and Horses. This Christmas gift is an act of kindness they extend to our family still, 13 years after my Dad died. Tse Yau Mui refers to her week as "work, work, work...every day is no different" and what has been produced, both quantity and quality in their tiny kitchen for the past 50 years is a testament to a skilled craft coupled with intense labour. Their generosity, skill, hard work and attention to detail have made their business the success they hoped for in the 1960s.

K. Snell (salt & pepper prawns, sweet & sour chicken balls, mushroom curry, chips, rice and prawn toast).

Whenever I hear the Match of the Day theme, I am taken straight back to being seven years old. It's the late 80s, my bedroom light is on and there is an expanse of darkness between where I am and downstairs. Breaching that gap is the smell of a Sunflower takeaway; my Dad is home from the pub so I creep into the kitchen and share in the joy with a bowl of chips, a smattering of soy sauce and a few prawn crackers.

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Obituaries

Steve Brailsford

Poet, Writer, Troubadour.

Bartonians will certainly miss Steve, strolling or pedalling around the area, always with time to chat.

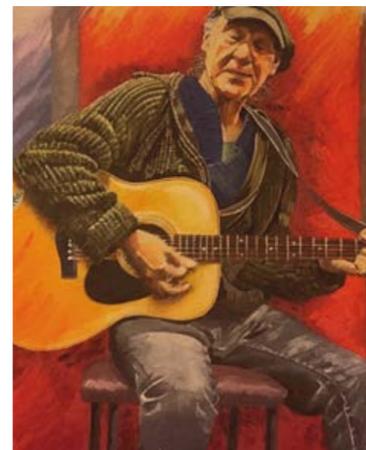
Born Stephen Frederick Brailsford on September 20 1949, his family arrived in Barton when he was six years old as his grandfather lived at Winship Flags.

He attended the Church School, excelling in English and Music, often reading lessons in St Mary's Church. At Barton Grammar School he wrote and performed in plays. Eschewing an academic career, following years in London, he became well known locally for his endurance as a contractor during much of his working life.

Steve's first love, was writing, including insightful poetry. At 21 he penned a sensitive, lyrical, four-page article about the Humber Bank, immediately published in Lincolnshire Life.

Learning the guitar at 18, and adopting the cap of his idol, Bob Dylan, Steve regularly entertained, most recently at the Old Mill's Barnsfest Unplugged and Open Mics.

Some 10 years ago, he co-founded Barton Muse Poetry Group. His prodigious memory astonished all at an Old Tyme Music Hall by reciting an entire chapter from an H G Wells novel. His performances of the poem, Desiderata, also left audiences spellbound, its words epitomising how Steve led his life: "be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass."



"Painting of Steve Brailsford by Phil Corby (Painter and Woodcarver) of Barton Muse Poetry Group"

Steve's final work, The Vale of Avalon, formed part of his funeral and is now set to music. Steve, always content in his own company, was also close to his family, leaving a son, Peter, stepdaughter, Caroline, sisters Julie, Catherine and brother, Jim. He died at Lindsey Lodge Hospice on June 13. Steve walked many roads blowin' in the wind; this day he is one with the sky.

Monty Martin

Brian Windle

(1934-2021) - An Appreciation

Brian was born to Harold and Jessie Windle in 1934 and grew up with his siblings Edmund, Joyce, Albert, Jean and Brenda. They lived for many years in Ramsden Avenue and Brian was to join the Farmers' Company where he trained as a vehicle Mechanic, later becoming foreman.

His uncle Edgar was a tool maker at the Farmers' Company which later became ACC and Brian became manager of the garage workshop at ACC where he trained many young men as apprentice. He was a popular workmate liked by all his employees.

When the factory closed he went to work for Barricks Haulage until his retirement.

He was married to his late wife Kathleen for more than 60 years and they had a son Mark.

A popular and avid supporter of local sport he was a member of Barton United, Barton Old Boys, Barton Town AFC or Barton Town Cricket Club, he would be seen at all local games often on his trusty bike. He was also a supporter of Grimsby Town.

Brian was a life-long member of the Victory Club and enjoyed his Friday night visits to the Conservative Club (now the Corn Exchange Club) where he met with the usual gang of his era to exchange stories and witty comments.

I recall an occasion when I asked Brian if he wanted a game of snooker. He declined but told me that another young man would give me a game. I got thrashed and only discovered later



from a laughing Brian that it was Scunthorpe professional Geoff Cundy!!

"Did you enjoy that" he asked. It was typical of Brian's sense of humour as he reminded me regularly.

He had a passion for photography and had a collection of thousands of photographs.

People often tell me of chatting with him in town whilst doing his shopping, always having a pleasant word. He will be sadly missed but fondly remembered.

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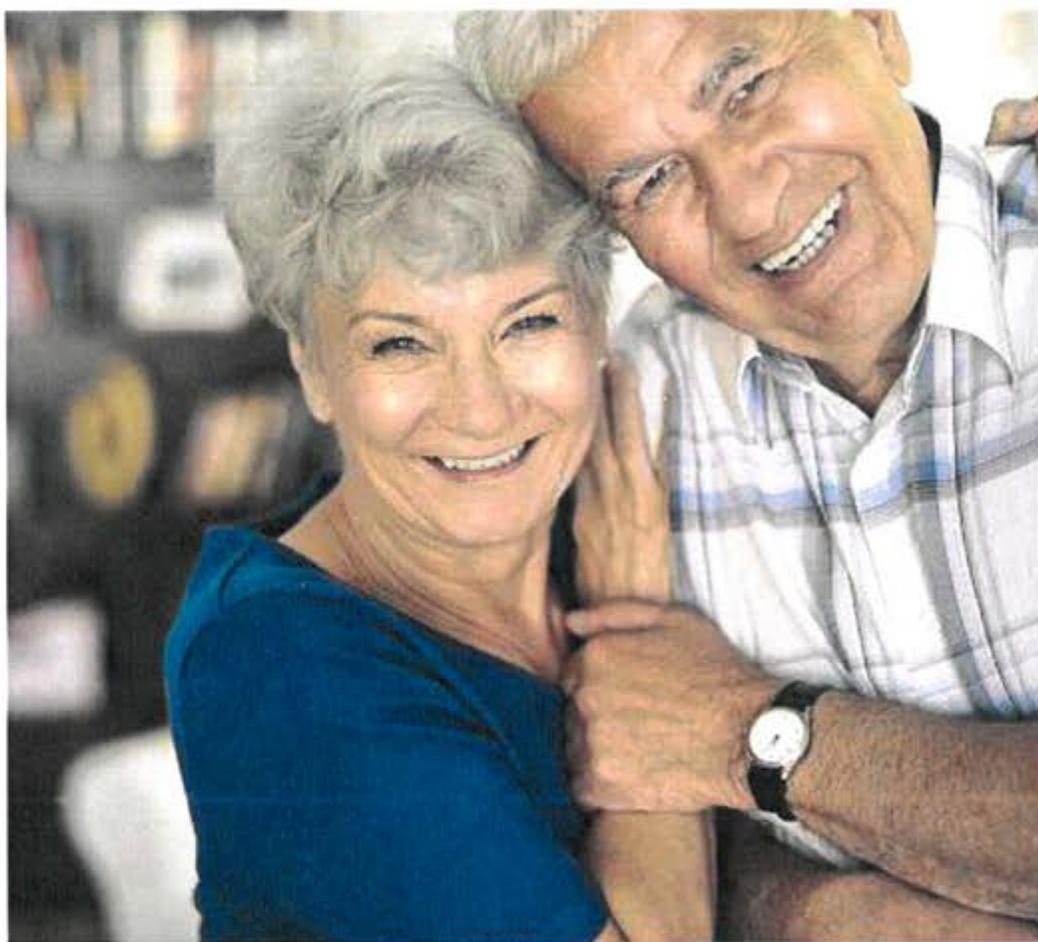
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