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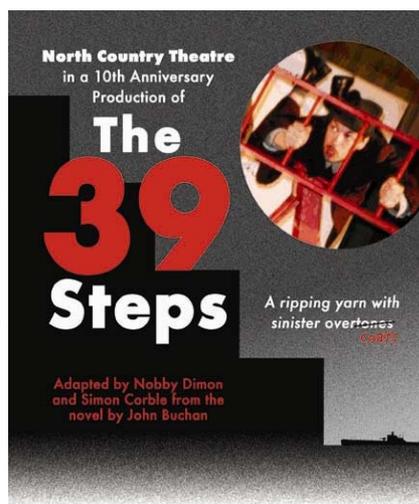
BARTON ARTS 2006

Barton Arts Week 2006 starts on Saturday 24th June and will run for 9 days until Sunday 2nd July. This will be the 10th anniversary of the festival and Barton Arts promise something for everyone in a packed programme. The opening concert on Saturday 24th will be a rousing performance by one of the UK's premiere Brass Bands, Hepworth Lanson Homes Band at St. Mary's Church.



Other performances confirmed for the festival include the return of many of the past 10 years favourites. Heartbreak Productions will be performing The Importance of Being Earnest in Baysgarth

Park whilst North Country Theatre, who are also celebrating their 10th anniversary this year will perform a reprised version of their popular production of The 39 Steps, a fast moving adaptation with sinister overcoats!! In addition to the theatre performances there will be music from Waking the Witch, York Waites and a free day of World Music in the Park. Regular features such as comedy from the London stand up circuit will return together with the BADAOS summer concert, open gardens, street theatre, open days, bell ringing, concerts, visual art



Waking the Witch

exhibitions and much more.

The programme will be launched at the joint Barton Arts and Barton Civic Society Coffee morning to be held in St.

Mary's Church Hall on Saturday 6th May. Tickets will be on sale for all the performances with prices this year kept to a minimum and some events being free. After the coffee morning tickets for all events will be on sale at The Ropewalk, Davis Electrics and Barton Local Link. Also available will be details on how to get involved with Barton Arts. Perhaps you would like to play a role in the organisation of the festival or help strengthen our team for the next 10 years!

The 2005 festival was made possible by grants from Barton Town Council, Kimberly-Clark, Bridge Travel, Ropewalk Contemporary Art & Craft, Longbourn Associates, The Proudfoot Group, Cooke Webster & Co, Arts Council England and North Lincolnshire Council. Without them the Barton Arts Week would simply not happen and we hope to obtain support again for 2006.

Barton Arts invites you to join us to experience top professional live entertainment in the comfort of your own town.

Why not become a Barton Arts member? For the sum of £5 per year we will make sure you receive notification of our events. For further details and ticket booking contact Barton Arts on (01652) 660380 or email bartonarts@the-ropewalk.co.uk

BARTON TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA & COMMITTEE REPORTS
 DETAILS OF BARTON ROTARY CLUB & BARTON LIONS CLUB EVENTS

Down the Garden

GARDEN TALK

The first winter we have had for some time, with a decent frost or two, with luck is over. Sadly a few of the more tender plants which have coped with the run of mild winters have had a sharp shock. Some are now deceased, but others, given some warm weather will spring up again from the base. Hopefully some of the pests that have also managed to survive and multiply the last few years will have also been reduced in number, time will tell.

A Few Topical Issues

The Royal Horticultural Society is pushing the government to require planning permission before a garden can be turned into a driveway. Their campaign to save the British front garden is spurred on by the environmental impact a concrete drive can have. The run off adds to the risk of flooding, the drying effect on sub soil increases the risk of subsidence and can effect property prices if the 'green' is lost from the street. They suggest a permeable paving with tough planting. The Halifax Building Society found that areas with attractive gardens can increase the value of property by up to 23%, sounds worth considering to me.

With all the recycling containers we have now it may also be time to look at your garden design in order to make a place where they are less obtrusive. Screening with trellis or judicious use of plants can often do the trick.

One of the predictions in trade magazines is that novelty colour plants will be the fashion this year: such as yellow Pelargoniums; bronze Rhododendrons and green glow-in-the-dark roses which were launched in Holland at Christmas and are due here soon.

Plant Suggestions

Thompson and Morgan has created a Begonia which has a strong rose smell, they are hoping it will be as popular as their black Hyacinth 'Midnight Mystique' released last year. Amongst other interesting new flowers are dwarf sweet peas: Cherub Lathyrus 'Pink' and Cherub Lathyrus 'Royal', from Owls Acre Nursery in Spalding. Also of local interest is Erysium 'Hector's Gatepost', a hardy perennial wallflower, introduced by Aline Fairweather and bred by the late Hector Harrison from Appleby.

In the garden hopefully things are already starting to grow but there is still time to plant second early and late potatoes. 'Ratte' a variety from 1872 has a rich chestnut taste and like my favourite 'Pink Fir Apple' is an excellent salad potato. 'Kestrel' is a modern variety with blight resistance and an excellent flavour. Potatoes straight from the garden have a far better flavour than those well travelled ones you find in some shops. Plant 30cm (1 foot) apart, 10cm deep, with eyes at the top, cover with soil, as the plant emerges earth up and water well when the plants are small. Also hardy main crop vegetables such as carrots, winter cabbages and purple sprouting broccoli can be sown.

Gardens worth a visit are: Kiftsgate Court, Chipping Camden, Gloucestershire GL55 6LW, this is just across the road and within walking distance of Hidcote Manor a National Trust Arts & Crafts garden, both are excellent gardens and have good plants for sale.

'Welcome maids of honour, you do bring in the spring; and wait upon her'

'To Violets' - Robert Herrick

Enjoy your garden

Jim Dowdy

BARTON TOWN AWARD 2006

The Town Award winner for 2006 is Mrs Christine Dunderdale, who was presented with her award at the Town Council Meeting held on 5 April 2006 in The Council Chamber, Baysgarth House. The award is usually presented at the Town Mayor's Civic Dinner, but unfortunately Mrs Dunderdale was unable to attend.

Christine was nominated in recognition of her commitment to the town, seeing children safely across the road as the 'lollipop lady' at the top of Fleetgate for 28 years, . She is now seeing children across the road of the second generation in some families.

Other local people who were nominated this year all received a Certificate of Merit, they were:

Joyce Atkinson, Wendy Fowler, Cyril Doughty, Liz Bennet, Chris Rushby, Nigel Land and Auriel Trubshaw.

Barton Probus Club reached the 30th anniversary of its founding in 2004. The Probus concept was born out of the Rotary International movement as a means of business and professional men being able to continue to meet like-minded people in their retirement on a friendly and informal basis. In fact, only a few of our current members were Rotarians, though contact is maintained with Barton Rotary Club through our annual bowling match and by attendance of our respective Presidents at each other's official functions.

Probus members meet on the second Wednesday of every month, with their wives, for coffee at the Corn Exchange Club and on the last Wednesday of every month for lunch at the Haven Inn, Barrow Haven when a speaker entertains us after the meal. Our next speaker is a Scunthorpe Probus member who will talk about his time on the personal staff of the late Lord Louis Mountbatten. New members from Barton and surrounding areas are assured a warm welcome.

We would particularly like to welcome Probus members who may have recently moved to the area.

For further details contact the Secretary,
Colin Johnson 01652 634316

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Whitsuntide Crowning of Queen 1938—article in issue 37 page 27, November 2005.

Names of others in the picture not known in issue 37 are:-

From the back left to right—Carole Ashley, Marion Good, Maise King, Brenda Ramsden, Mary Such, Winifred Havercroft, Marian Raithley, Jean Southall, ?, ?, Vera Doughty, Eileen Matthews, ?, Ida Baxter, Joyce Leedham, Peter Newton, Eileen Storey.

Information supplied by Mrs Dawson

Barton Tourism Partnership

is compiling regular events listings for Barton to publicise what's on in the area.

If you have an event that you would like added to the list please contact Liz on 01652 660380 or email the details to

BARTON BIKE NIGHT 2006

Will be held on
Wednesday 12 July in
Barton Town Centre
Contact Malc Bennett
on 01652 632911



BAYSGARTH NEWS

'The February Half Term has gone and the stage setting has been dismantled following another extremely successful school production: 'Annie Get Your Gun'. Special thanks must go to Mrs. Kott and Mrs. Ranner for their energy, time and dedication in making this production so successful. The involvement of pupils from our partner Primary schools was great to see and is another valued aspect of the Baysgarth School community. The trips abroad during the February Half Term were to Gifhorn in Germany as part of the ongoing school exchange visits between Baysgarth and the Otto Hahn Grammar School; and the annual skiing trip this year to the resorts of Gargellan and Gaschum in Austria's Montafon Valley. Both trips were highly successful and some of our visitors to Gifhorn have already booked their passage back during the summer holiday.

We wish them well.

Kind Regards, *Colin Saywell, Headteacher*

'There's no Business like Show Business.'

For three nights in January, Baysgarth School became the Wild West, when the Baysgarth Youth Theatre put on their production of 'Annie Get Your Gun'. It was a treat for everyone as audiences were transported back to the days of the Wild West shows of the 1890's. There were cowboys and Indians, sharpshooters and their girls, dancers and all the trappings of this time. The theme was the love of Annie Oakley for Frank Butler, and his love for her, with all the twists and turns of their relationship, ranging from a couple of shoot-outs, through an Indian initiation ceremony, to a full scale argument. The stage was crowded with Indian tribes, complete with Chief Sitting Bull, and the proprietors and casts of the Wild West shows, all performing wonderfully, singing and dancing to Irving Berlin's music, and carrying the audience away to Cincinnati, Minneapolis and beyond. Special mention must be made of the principal characters, Maire Ryan (Annie) and Michael Lewis (Frank), and also their able support from Poppy McNaught (Charlie), Rochendra Sandall-Percy (Dolly), Jack Marlow (Buffalo Bill), Jack Danson (Jake) and Oliver Clark (Sitting Bull). The remainder of the cast of townspeople, show troop and Indians were from Baysgarth School with a lively set of young Indians from the local Primary schools. A fine orchestra, under director, Simon Percy, supplied the music and the whole extravaganza was produced & directed by Elaine Kott and Alison Ranner, with stage management by Helen Hardy. Congratulations to you all for a fabulous show.

Shore-Fired Artists

During the summer term 2005, Y9 pupils from Baysgarth did a two-week workshop in making a clay tile to be put on display outside the new Visitor's Centre at Water's Edge Country Park. Pupils gained new skills and their work will soon be on display for the public to see for many years to come. On the 16th December all pupils involved went down to the Visitors' Centre to witness the grand opening of the tiles, and enjoyed a short buffet before coming back to school for the rest of the day. This project will be an experience that the pupils will never forget. *Amy Ward, Y10SS*

A full display of photographs taken on this memorable occasion is available to view in the entrance to the School Administrative Block



Laura-Jane Hufton and Kirsty McDermott with the tile they made for the Water's Edge Centre

Awards for hard work.

Forty two young people from Years 7 to 10 received Life Style awards on Thursday January 24th at Year 7 Assembly. Parents, teachers and fellow pupils were there to see the successful boys and girls receive certificates, vouchers, tickets to Flamingo Land and to Alton Towers, with the top prizes of Adventure Holidays in Wales going to the 'Helping Hands', 'Girls behind Bars' and the 'Buster Four'. These prizes were presented by PC Kate Atkins and the Police Commission representative.

Well done everyone!

Rock Challenge

Rehearsals for Rock Challenge have started in earnest this term with a cast of 130 pupils ranging from Year 7 to Year 13 taking part. The theme for the 2006 extravaganza is characters from comics and is entitled "Day Dream Hero". As Baysgarth has been promoted to the Rock Challenge Premier Division the production team can look forward to putting on two performances, both at Grimsby Auditorium, the first one being on Wednesday, March 8th at 7pm. This will act as a dress rehearsal to the main event which will take place on Saturday, June 3rd. also at 7pm. We hope you will all come to support the school.

For further information about Baysgarth School, a Specialist Technology College please contact Colin Saywell, Headteacher, on 01652 632576.



BARTON ROTARY CLUB

ANNUAL HALF MARATHON

SUNDAY 25 JUNE 2006

Please note traffic will be disrupted along the runners' route between 11.00am & 2.00pm

All proceeds to St Andrew's Children's Hospice

PLEASE SUPPORT THE RUNNERS

ANYONE ABLE TO ASSIST WITH MARSHALLING ON THE DAY PLEASE CONTACT STEVE LEANING ON 01652 635619



Voluntary Action North Lincolnshire

is putting on a varied programme of training opportunities this year. Courses already organised include Basic Food

Hygiene (CIEH Foundation certificate), Paying Your Employee (HM Revenue and Customs), How to Write a Good Funding Application (non accredited) and Child Protection (non accredited).

Others, not yet confirmed, will include Emergency First Aid, Procurement (i.e. how to land a contract!) and BIIAB National Licence (i.e. the rules and regulations around entertainment / liquor licensing).

If you are interested in any of these courses or have any other training requirements, please contact Lee Olivant (01724 845155) or Carol Thornton (01652 633297).



BARTON ROTARY CLUB

THE ANNUAL CHARITY PRAM PUSH

Across the Humber Bridge

SUNDAY 14 MAY 2006

PRIZES FOR:-

BEST FANCY DRESS, FASTEST TIME, SLOWEST TIME

Refreshments on completion

ENTRY FEE - £20.00 per Team

Teams of three, two pushers and one in the pram

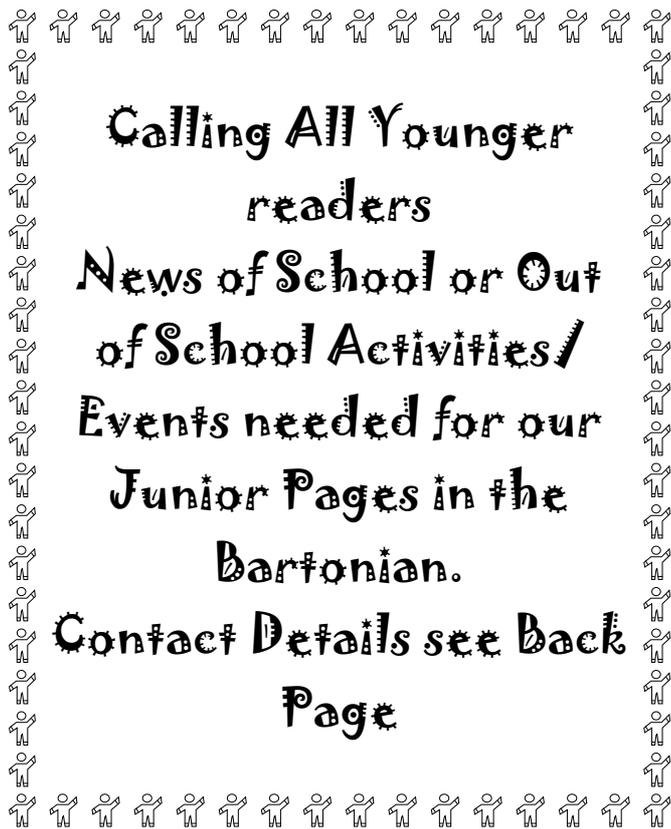
Proceeds from entry fees to go to Rotary Charities.

But any team entered is free to obtain sponsorship for their own good causes.

FOR ENTRY FORM & FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE CONTACT:-

BARTON ROTARY CLUB
ANDREW COOKE
01652 660630





**Calling All Younger
readers
News of School or Out
of School Activities/
Events needed for our
Junior Pages in the
Bartonian.
Contact Details see Back
Page**

**OFFICE SUITE FOR RENT IN
THE ASSEMBLY ROOMS**

Rear of
Barton Town Council Offices
**SEPARATE KITCHEN & TOILET
FACILITES**

**If Interested or Wishing to View Please
Contact**

**Barton Town Council
The Assembly Rooms,
Queen Street, Barton**

**Tel: 01652 633598/Fax 637763
Email:
bartontownclerk@btconnect.com**

**The Beretun Lodge of the R.A.O.B.
(Royal Antidiluvian Order of Buffaloes)**

meet every Friday night at 8.00pm in the Football Club, Marsh Lane. The loss of senior members has recently seen our numbers decrease.

The RAOB (possibly better known as the Buffs) is a very old organisation, recognised worldwide, with Lodges all round the world.

Locally there are a large number of members who no longer attend for a number of reasons. It would be nice to see some of them return for a couple of hours on a Friday night.

As well as providing support for our own widows, senior citizens and children, we render assistance to our members who are sick. Our Lodge supports a number of local organisations in the form of sponsorship, the NLRCT Transport Scheme; Castledyke Junior Football Club; Barton Town OB Football Club and Barton Town Cricket Club. Any application for assistance in fundraising is always considered. We support the work carried out by the Scunthorpe & District Province, under whose jurisdiction we belong, assisting in their support to Lindsey Lodge Hospice in Scunthorpe and St Andrew's Hospice for Children

in Grimsby.

The statement often used:

Once a Buff - Always a Buff, is correct, although to be able to take an active part, compliance has to be maintained in accordance to rule. To the members who no longer attend, they will know that regaining compliance and maintaining it is not too difficult to achieve.

Although the attendances at our meetings are not as well as we would like, we shall continue to function as an active lodge, there has been Buffs Lodges in Barton for 100 years.

To any member out there who has not attended for a time, no matter how long, please consider coming to a meeting. You know you will be welcome, and once you have made the initial step, you may wish to get involved again.

Anyone who is 18 or over and has a genuine interest could also be considered for initiation.

We shall keep going; we have many social events such as organised holidays, dinners, charity fund raising entertainment evenings of prize bingo etc.

Thank you for reading this, and give it a thought.

S.T.B.

BARTON-UPON-HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL

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BARTON-UPON-HUMBER ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

31 March 2006

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is given that the Annual Town Meeting will be held in the Assembly Rooms, Queen Street, Barton-upon-Humber, on Thursday 20 April 2006, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Yours faithfully,

Shirley Richards

Shirley Richards
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. **Prayer**
2. **Welcome by the Town Mayor, Councillor Mr J Oxley.**
3. **Apologies for absence, if any.**
4. **To note that Notice of Meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12 Paragraph 14(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.**
5. **To receive and consider the Barton-upon -Humber Town Council Annual Reports for 2005/2006, previously circulated with the April 2006 issue of the Bartonian:-**
 - (a) **Community Regeneration Committee.** (Councillor Mr J Oxley);
 - (b) **Environmental Regeneration Committee.** (Councillor Mrs J Oxley);
 - (c) **Finance and General Purposes Committee.** (Councillor Mrs W Witter);
6. **Questions for Barton Local Policing Team.**
7. **Questions for North Lincolnshire Council.**
 - (a) **Horkstow Road Highway Concerns.**
8. **General questions from the floor. ***
 - (a) **Pasture Road Public Seat.**
 - (b) **CCTV cameras.**
 - (c) **Facilities in the Town for Senior Football Teams.**
9. **To consider any items for discussion or report at the discretion of the Chairman.**

PLEASE NOTE: * If it is your intention to raise a matter please give prior written notice to the Clerk or Chairman before the meeting.
It would also assist if, prior to speaking, you would give your name.

BARTON UPON HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORTS 2005/2006

COMMUNITY REGENERATION COMMITTEE REPORT 2005/2006

Chairman: Councillor John Oxley

The Committee's aim is to help Barton to become an even better place to live and work, to stage events for the residents and to bring in visitors to our lovely town.

The events put on by the Town Council go from strength to strength and visitor numbers are increasing year on year.

The annual Picnic in the Park will take place on Sunday 6th August 2006 from 1 pm to 5 pm. The introduction of the racing for the children (not forgetting Mums and Dads!) has really taken off and I am grateful to Proudfoots for sponsoring this event. If there are any groups in the town who would like to show us what they can do please contact the Town Council Office, The Assembly Rooms, Queen Street, Barton.

The Christmas Festival will be held over the weekend of November 24th and 25th. We will once again welcome the Reindeer and Father Christmas and many other features. Last year's competition to find a schoolchild to assist the Mayor to switch on the lights proved very successful and I would like to repeat it again this year in one form or another. The committee would like to put on an indoor 'Craft Fayre' this year. This idea is being progressed, so if anyone has any 'Craft' items they would like to display please contact the Council Office. Also, if anyone would like to join the committee or help at any events as a marshall for a couple of hours then please contact the Town Clerk.

I would like to thank the members of the Committee for their support and hard work during the past year. I would particularly like to thank Councillor Alan Todd, Deputy Committee Chairman, the Town Clerk, Shirley Richards and Deputy Town Clerk, Carol Clark for their outstanding contribution over the past year.

Finally I would like to thank you, the General Public, for supporting the Town Council's efforts and look forward to your continued support this year.

ENVIRONMENTAL REGENERATION COMMITTEE REPORT 2005/2006

Chairman: Councillor Mrs Janet Oxley

2005/2006 has been a busy year with everyone working hard to improve the town environment for both residents and visitors alike.

This committee is continuously working with other groups and agencies looking into and resolving environmental problems in and around the town e.g. damage to highway verges, traffic calming measures, litter, dog fouling, public conveniences, grass cutting, weeds in the streets – the list is endless. However, to resolve these and many other problems we rely on a good working partnership with the North Lincolnshire Council and have always received good responses from them. A special thanks to Michelle Button and her team at Neighbourhood Services for their prompt responses to problems and their gallant efforts in cleaning the graffiti from areas in the town.

As well as Town Councillors, membership of the Environmental Committee includes representatives from the Barton Lions Club, Barton Rotary Club, Barton Civic Society and NLC Neighbourhood Services, who have all worked together to improve the town's environment. My sincere thanks to all of them.

We have entered the town in the (CPRE) Council for the Protection of Rural England/Calor Best Kept Village Competition to find the Best Town 2006 and hope to win an award for our superb flower beds at the entrance to town and the new Community Flower Bed situated opposite the War Memorial on Barrow Road. Together, of course, with our displays of hanging baskets and planters, the neatly cut grass, the absence of litter from the streets and a newly improved seating and planted area in the Market Place (Sommerfield shop area). This not only improves our chances of becoming a top town but also improves the environment for the people who live and work here.

I would like to express my appreciation and thanks to all the committee members for their support, their enthusiasm and effort in achieving so much this year. I look forward to seeing the results of their future efforts.

Finance & General Purposes Committee Report 2005/2006

Chairman: Councillor Mrs Wendy Witter,

A staffing review has been carried out, and whilst we have reduced the associated paperwork by decreasing the number of meetings, we still have a major problem in providing 'holiday cover' for both our office and caretaking staff. We will therefore be seeking to find a relief caretaker and appoint a flexible part-time member of office staff in the coming months.

Ms Richards and Mrs Clark have undertaken the required training in licensing and hold personal licenses for any licensed events held in the Assembly Rooms.

Our weekend road sweeper, Mr V Barden, leaves us at the end of March and we thank him for 21 years of service to the town.

Planning permission and the associated approvals have been obtained from North Lincolnshire Council for the installation of a lift together with maintenance and alterations to the rear of the Assembly Rooms. The Council went out to tender, but in the event decided not to go ahead immediately. A survey of the whole building was commissioned with a view to making a decision as to the future of the building. The Assembly Rooms is a listed building, and must be maintained whether it is available for public use or just shut up. Unfortunately it is just one of several buildings in the town that need a considerable sum spent on maintenance. In the meanwhile we are looking at various options and funding sources.

We have continued to support and encourage a wide range of organisations and events in Barton.

A budgetary information sheet with details of our planned expenditure is sent to all households in Barton with the North Lincolnshire Council charge information.

Approved accounts for 2004/5 are available for inspection at the Council Offices in the Assembly Rooms on Queen Street, between 9.00am and 1.00pm Monday – Friday or by prior arrangement.

If you have any specific queries about either of these documents and wish to raise them at the Annual Meeting, it would be appreciated if you would give the Town Clerk prior notice.

We are very fortunate to have a very dedicated staff in Ms Richards, Mrs Clark and Mr Leaning, our sincere thanks to all the team.

**USEFUL NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL
WASTE INFORMATION**

Collection of bulky items:	01724 297803
Flytipping:	01724 297438/9
Household waste disposal/ recycling centres:	01724 297644/5/6
Litter:	01724 297843
Pest Control :	01724 297626/7
Waste commercial/trade:	01724 297848
Refuse collection concerns	01724 297000

Barton Refuse Site on Gravel Pit Lane

Summer opening hours: 10.00am to 6.00pm

(1 March to 31 October)

Winter opening hours: 10.00am to 4.00pm

(1 November to 28/29 February)

Closed all day Wednesday & Thursday throughout the year

Asbestos disposal at Cottage Beck Road, Scunthorpe **only**

1 March to 31 October 10am - 4pm,

1 November to 28/29 Feb 10am - 2pm

Barton Beat

Inspector Brett Ruddy

We have now settled in to our new station at Holydyke which provides a modern and pleasant working environment to work in, at a location which is much more accessible to residents and visitors to Barton.

We have also introduced some new working practices involving the National Neighbourhood Policing Model and a Volume Crime Team.

Although crime is falling both nationally and locally people believe that crime is rising and all too often people feel increasingly insecure in their neighbourhood. National Neighbourhood Policing is a Home Office driven Model aimed at improving public confidence and sense of security.

Neighbourhood Officers are laying the foundations of the model by getting in touch with key individuals in the community, such as Town and Parish Councils and Neighbourhood Watch groups to establish what issues local people consider to be important in improving their neighbourhood.

We will be working with our partner agencies and community groups, including Housing Managers, Neighbourhood Watch, Youth Offending Teams, North Lincs Safer Neighbourhoods, Environmental Health and town and parish Councils to try and find sustainable, permanent solutions to community problems. We want to help to create Neighbourhoods which not only *are* safe but *FEEL* safe for people to work and live in.

Crime, particularly Burglary to people's homes and vehicle crime remain a priority for policing. The Volume Crime Team is a group of officers based at Barton dedicated to the investigation of crime. They have taken the crime element away from the Neighbourhood Officers' work load allowing them to concentrate on community issues. The teams do work closely together, local intelligence gathered by Neighbourhood officers assists the

Volume Crime Team and by bringing offenders to justice for crimes such as Criminal Damage, which is by its nature anti-social, the Volume Crime Team has a positive impact on a neighbourhoods sense of security.

Crime Issues

Over recent months Barton has suffered a number of Burglaries to people's homes and a spate of motor vehicles being entered. Many of the offences of Burglary offences are 'sneak-ins'. That is to say the offender has entered the house through an unlocked back door whilst the occupant is in another part of the house, perhaps watching television. Usually small items such as cash or jewellery have been stolen. As many as 28% of burglaries fall into this category so the message should be clear: Keep your doors locked, even when at home or, as the weather improves, out in the back garden.

Similarly, thefts from motor vehicles is a constant problem. Although an excellent arrest was recently made (thanks to the member of the public who rang to report a man acting suspiciously in the early hours of the day) resulting in 40 offences being detected, many of the cars entered had been left unlocked. Again, these offences are preventable. Please lock your vehicle and never leave items of value in them.

Anti-Social Behaviour

A high proportion of the calls for service made to the police concern youths who congregate in numbers, engaging in rowdy or abusive behaviour or simply causing other people to feel intimidated by their presence and behaviour. The bus and Rail inter-change is again becoming a 'hot spot' for this type of activity. Our neighbourhood team is working closely with British Transport Police, the Rail Service providers, Barton-Cleethorpes Community Rail Partnership, Friends of the Barton Line, North Lincs Council and others to improve the area and reduce anti-social behaviour.

Parents can help by discussing the issues with their teenagers to raise awareness of the impact large groups of youths can have on others and encouraging them not to congregate in the area.

Parking

Problems are still caused by some

residents and visitor to the town who insist on parking on the double yellow lines or for longer than permitted in the limited waiting areas, particularly on George Street, King Street and High Street. A 'new' problem area is the Market Place at the entrance to the parking bays, outside the bank. Inappropriate parking is an offence and a potential danger to other road users.

Our newly appointed Traffic Warden and Police Officers are on patrol and will issue fixed penalty notices!

Could You?

Special Constables

A small but dedicated team of Special Constables regularly turn out for duty in support of the Neighbourhood Officers. If you are aged 18-52 and can offer a minimum of 4 hours a week and want to help make your community a safer place call the Special Constable Recruit Hotline on **01482 808172**. Full training and support is provided and you could earn £1500 per year.

Police Community Support Officers (PCSO)

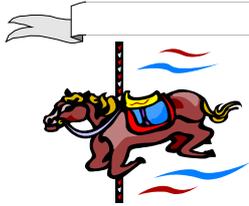
PCSOs provide a visible presence in the community, helping the police to tackle anti-social behaviour and offering reassurance to the public. They are an integral part of the National Neighbourhood Policing Model. Humberside Police require about 300 PCSO's by 2008 to work in uniform addressing anti-social behaviour, reporting vandalism, reporting suspicious activity, providing crime prevention advice and deterring nuisance from young people. You don't need qualifications. If you are good with people and have a genuine drive to make a real difference, our training will equip you with the skills to deal with any situation confidently, calmly and tactfully.

Call **01482 808010/808012** for an application form or speak to Pc Wayne Potter or Ann Berry on **01482 808051/808003** for more details about the role of the PCSO.

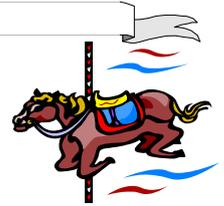
Contacting the Police

Barton Police Station is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm (closed between 1pm to 2 pm) and on a Saturday 9am to 1pm.

Telephone calls to the police should be made on the single non-emergency contact number of **0845 60 60 222**.



BARTON CARNIVAL



DUE TO A CLASH OF DATES WITH THE 25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS OF THE HUMBER BRIDGE OPENING, BARTON CARNIVAL WILL BE MOVING FROM THE USUAL 3rd WEEKEND IN JULY & CHANGING THEIR NAME TO.....



PARTY IN THE PARK 2006

TO BE HELD ON **16/17/18 JUNE** IN BAYSGARTH PARK
 ENTRY WILL BE FREE, FENCING ERECTED AROUND BEER TENT ONLY
 IT'S A KNOCKOUT COMPETITIONS, ENTERTAINMENT & FIREWORKS

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The weather in Barton during 2005 – a drier year

Some 517mm (c.20.5") of rain fell on Barton during the year 2005. This was 195.75mm (nearly 8") less than the total rainfall in 2004. It should be noted that the average annual rainfall in Barton in the 11 years since 1995 has been 620mm, so 2005 proved to be a drier than average year. October was 2005s wettest month with 69mm – but note, in 2004 no less than six months had rainfall exceeding that figure with August topping (or drowning) at 115mm! As in 2004 Barton's driest months were in the middle of winter – January 27mm, March 23mm and December 30mm – months in which we usually expect most rain. It rained on 148 (176) days in 2005 so there was about 40% chance of rain on any one day – the figure for 2003

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Sept	October	Nov	Dec
2004	83.25	38.25	29.5	79.5	30	76	85.5	115.25	34.5	107	31.25	21
2005	27	47	23	47.5	31	44.5	51	68	34	70	44	30

was 128 days or 35% chance of rain. The driest spell during the year was in the 11-day period in July. The most rain recorded in one day was the 17mm (27mm) that fell on 22 August.

The highest recorded temperature in 2005 was 31°C on 14 July and the lowest minus 5°C on 28 December. March seems to have been unusually hot in 2005 - 18°C was recorded and during the night of March 17th the temperature did not fall below 12°C.

Recent annual rainfall totals:

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| 1995 – 491mm; | 1996 – 532mm; | 1997 – 542mm; |
| 1998 – 588mm; | 1999 – 649mm; | 2000 – 788mm; |
| 2001 – 681mm; | 2002 – 844mm; | 2003 – 539mm; |
| 2004 – 735mm; | 2005 – 517mm. | |

Maureen Welch and Geoff Bryant



BARTON LIONS CLUB 10TH ANNUAL BEER FESTIVAL



Friday 2nd June, 5.30pm – 11.00pm
and Saturday 3rd June, 12 – 11.00pm.

We are back at the Proudfoot Supermarket site

Great entertainment and Live Bands

*More than 30 different Real Ales, Draught and Bottled Lagers,
Cider, wines and soft drinks will be on sale.*

Hot food will be available from the Lions Catering Caravan.

Our particular thanks to the Proudfoot Group

Performance in the Park 2006

Barton Tourism Partnership is delighted to announce that funding has been secured from Barton Town Council and Awards for All to run this year's programme. The summer of 2005 was the first year of Performance in the Park and audiences were treated to a variety of free concerts and performances from Barton Brass Band to The Dragon who lost his Home. Over 1100 people attended the performances enjoying the free entertainment.

The 2006 performances start on Sunday 28th May with Barton Brass Band opening the summer programme at 3pm in front of Baysgarth House Museum. Every other Sunday at 3pm a different act will entertain whilst audiences are invited to bring a chair, a picnic and friends to enjoy a sociable afternoon.

Highlights of the programme, which will be available in April, include a production of



The Railway Children on 9th July and Wind in the Willows on 3rd September. Barton Tourism Partnership hopes that the rain stays away again this year but if the weather is inclement the performances will be moved to St. Mary's Church.

We look forward to seeing you in Baysgarth Park this summer

Barton Tourism Partnership

THE MOTHERS' UNION IN BARTON

We meet the third Wednesday of every month at 2pm and we usually have a speaker. But there is much more to the MU than that. The theme for 2006 is "Answering God's Call." In our Diocese there is a call for the laity to become Parish Ministers such as welcoming newcomers to the area and leading worship in church or in the local school. Many of our members are doing this already, welcoming families for baptism, and bereavement visiting.

We belong to a worldwide organisation. We subscribe to our headquarters Mary Summer House in Tufton Street in central London which enables the organisation to pay for local Lay Workers in Africa to teach the MU members how to make a living sewing, gardening or helping to fund schools.

In this country we help subsidise holidays for those families that are under stress and cannot afford a holiday. Last year the members wrote to our MPs to ask that the G8 Summit cancel debt in the third world countries and make poverty history. The Mothers' Union value all people and in March in the United Nations agenda the MU will be there as delegates and our statement is as follows:

A world fit for children;
HIV/AIDS;
The eradication of poverty through empowerment of women throughout their life-cycle;
Eliminating violence against women;
Women's participation in peace and security;
Gender inequality;
Making Poverty History;

In all of these we have a voice and we do make a difference

To raise money to fund our projects we are holding a Diocesan Overseas Day at Horncastle on Saturday, May 13, from 10am to 3pm where plants and produce will be on sale as well as £1 gift jars. From Barton we hope to send a minibus with some of our members to help with this. Of course the general public is invited. They know that a bargain is always available from what the MU has to offer, and help the less fortunate in the world.

You see we do not always meet just for a cup of tea, there is fellowship and fun, and we try following a Christian way of life. Why not join us? You will be made very welcome; you could change the world with having a voice with the Mothers' Union. Do think about it.

Kathleen Lambert (Secretary of the Barton Branch)



Thanks from Barton Rotary

Barton Rotary Club President, Mike Knapton, thanked the people of Barton and district for their generous donations, given during the joint Rotary Club and Barton Lions Christmas collections.

Santa toured the town and villages on his sleigh and members of both clubs made collections outside the Proudfoots and Somerfield supermarkets. Giving his half-year report to the Rotary club members, he said, "This years collection was the largest amount we have raised with this event and it shows how much Barton people care about helping people in need."

Rotary members took individual photographs of 100 children with Santa during the Barton Christmas Festival. All of the money raised during the Christmas events will go to local and international charity projects.

40 Christmas Day dinners were cooked and delivered by members to senior citizens who would not have had a festive meal and 90 elderly people were transported to Baysgarth School Hall to enjoy a Christmas concert provided by the Barton and District Operatic Society. The event, including supper, was organised by the Rotary Club.

Following last year's successful event, a second Humber Bridge Pram Race is being organised by the club, to be held on May 14th. (see page 10 for details)

The picture shows the joint Rotary and Lions Christmas collection at Proudfoots



One of the great things about running the web site for the town www.bartonuponhumber.org.uk is that you never know what will land in your inbox. The other week I had an email from Elmer who lives in Barton in Maryland, USA. He told me that his town was named after the birth place of its founder which was Barton upon Humber.

This led me to some research on who this man was. It was in fact a man called William Shaw who was a Methodist Minister and moved to the USA in the late 1700s. I would guess that he was part of the group which met in King Street just prior to them buying land in Cottage Lane in 1788 though he may have been involved in that purchase. Below is a little of the history of the town of Barton.



View of Barton 1897

In the George's Creek Valley of Allegany County, George's Creek meanders through several small towns on its way to the Potomac River. One such town is Barton—truly a small town of about six hundred inhabitants. It is named after Barton, England, the birthplace of

Reverend William Shaw, who became the first permanent settler in George's Creek Valley in the late 1700s. He and his son, Major William Shaw, acquired extensive landholdings in the Valley, including the property that Major Shaw laid out in sixty-six lots as the town of Barton.



The discovery of coal in the area attracted more settlers. They came from Scotland, Ireland, and Germany, eager to work in the mines. In 1853, the first shipment of coal was made on the newly built Chesapeake and Potomac Railroad. Eventually, all the deep coal mines had been abandoned and replaced by strip mines, several of which still can be seen from the town. Today, most families in Barton are supported by other types of employment.

Barton has four churches and many volunteer groups. There is a lighted ball field, a playground, and two parks for use by community groups. A new elementary school was built in 1975 for grades K-5; grades 6-12 were consolidated in nearby towns. Barton has survived floods and fires and still maintains its peaceful and congenial atmosphere. Each year the town celebrates itself with a Party in the Park. That get-together showcases crafts, food, entertainment, and a parade

through the centre of town. It serves as an occasion for the people to renew their pride in the beauty of their town and in maintaining their spirit of kindness to all.

Article supplied by John Pullen

DID YOU KNOW?

BARTON YC FOOTBALL CLUB NOW HAS A GIRLS' FOOTBALL TEAM

They train every Saturday morning at the Pasture Road Ground
(weather permitting)

If you are under 12 and interested in Football why not contact the team
manager (John Oxley) on 01652 632064

New changing rooms for the girls have recently been fitted at the ground !



BECOME A HOME-START VOLUNTEER

Home-Start North Lincolnshire offers support, friendship and practical help to parents with children under 5 in the local community via its unique home-visiting service. The Outreach Office covers the rural parts of the country and has been based in Barton for the past ten years. Home-Start believes that children need a happy and secure childhood and that parents play the key role in giving their children a good start in life and helping them achieve their full potential. As well as the age-old problems that have always confronted parents and children like illness, disability, bereavement, relationship breakdown and loneliness, Home-Start increasingly supports teenage mothers, single fathers and those affected by poverty, abuse, violence, drugs and social isolation. The stress of coping with their problems can prevent even the most committed and loving parents from giving their children the start in life they deserve. To Home-Start, every family is special and we respond to each family's needs through a combination of home-visiting support and social events. Many under fives have a difficult start in life because their families are under pressure. Every child deserves the best possible start - to be loved, to play, to learn and to grow in confidence. When this happens in a happy, secure family, a child's health, schooling and life prospects all improve. Put simply, what Home-Start does works and it affects us all.

Volunteers are prepared for home-visiting by undergoing an accredited training course at the Barton office usually one morning or afternoon a week for ten weeks. The accreditation is optional - volunteers are equally welcome with or without this qualification. Because of the large area covered (the whole of North Lincolnshire except Scunthorpe and the Isle of Axholme which are serviced by our parent office in Scunthorpe), the Outreach office is now keen to encourage prospective volunteers from the rural community - those who can understand the difficulties of young families living in rural areas. Once the training course has been completed, volunteers can give as much or as little time as they can manage to support families - anything from a couple of hours a week. Because of the rural aspect of many families, it would help if volunteers had access to a car as public transport is not always available. Ongoing training is always available, travelling expenses are paid and, if prospective volunteers are on benefits, these are not affected. Volunteers come from all walks of life, from parents whose children have just started school to 'empty nesters' and grandparents, all; ages and both sexes but they all have one thing in common - a desire to help others. The only real 'qualification' is that you are a parent or have parenting experience, perhaps as a step-parent or carer for siblings. Volunteers are the kind of people the families supported would choose themselves as a friend. So friendliness and a caring attitude are essential, as well as an understanding of the pressures of parenting.

For more information please contact us at 75 Fleetgate, Barton
or telephone 01652 634160
Email: homestartnlor@btconnect.com

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BARTONTOWN COUNCIL

Picnic in the Park 2006

will be held on Sunday 6th August
in Baysgarth Park

Barton Christmas Festival 2006

will be held on Friday 24th & Saturday
25th November in the Town Centre

Any new suggestions/ideas for either event please pass on to the Town Council Office at The Assembly Rooms
Barton Ring 633598 Fax 637763 email bartontownclerk@btconnect.com
or see any Member of Barton Town Council

Gran's Rabbit Pies.

TV Dinners come wrapped, ready made, oven ready, from Marks or Asda, somewhere like that, they won't stay level on your knees. Gravy and bits of what you are having finish up on your tie, the settee, the carpets. Sometimes it's a mess. There you are though. Some are described as 'Creations' no less, the sainted Delia does them and the Naked Ape. Have I got that right? Does it matter? Can I be sued?

I saw one of the Gurus, Rick, the fish expert, on tele. He had gone walkabout for TV. He visited Mareham near Spalding for stuffed chine, which he said he liked. Also Leeds market for tripe, plain dressed, thick seam or weasand. He looked a bit old fashioned at the weasand but, fair do's, he tried a bit. Next was the weekly game auction at Louth, he liked that and bought some rabbits. To make a rabbit pie, he said. They were good meaty, local, rabbits, not your skinny Chinese sort and give him his due, he put up a good potful of meat joints and added seasoning, stock and one or two more bits. He made a crust but he baked it separate, I don't know what my old gran would have said about that. There was now't to it, it was nice and brown, properly baked no doubt, but when we had gran's rabbit pie the crust was thick, flaky, succulent when it had soaked up some gravy and there was plenty of nice brown thickness especially where it was nipped down round the rim of the dish. Now get some of that on your plate ready for more gravy and what

a dinner. Like a lot more in Barton granddad kept a pig for killing into the house at back end, when it turned real cold and frosty I've written about this in 'Nostalgia' granddad had some chickens for eggs and the pot and both him and Uncle Stan kept some rabbits near the pigsty, Chinchillas, Silver Greys to show, Dutch and others, Belgian Hares was it? But all good for the pot and the Silver Greys made lovely gauntlet gloves for Auntie Flo. as well as making a very tasty pie. As to the gloves, please remember this was more than 80 years ago One of gran's big rabbit pies had the legs, saddle, rib cage, head and the kidneys, all jointed, everything, all in. It had to have a little pot support in the middle to hold the crust up. Sometimes any pie that was left would be put in the pantry to go cold, it would set in a jelly. Oh, that tasty jelly round the meat and into the crust. What a dinner that made. TV Dinners, TV Cooks, folk nowadays "know now't". As to the rabbit legs in the pie. There was a tale that one large family in the town sat round for a rabbit pie and all the children clamoured for a leg, "give us a leg, Dad, give us a leg". It was said that the sorely pressed parent said eventually words to the effect that it was a rabbit in the pie and 'not a blankety centipede'. Now then Barton. Of course I am talking 1920's-30's here but does anyone remember anything about the Rabbit Pie Suppers that some people and groups used to organise? I can recall them but I don't know the who, why and when. Was it the

football teams, the rabbit fanciers, the homing and racing pigeon club? Was it any group who fancied a get together, a bit of a 'do'? There is always a reason, a good excuse. Long years ago when I was in a position to say yea or nay if something was to be done in my DHQ I would sometimes have one of our budding DJ's put his head through the office door and say "Isn't it time we had a bit of wriggling about music"? That's how long ago it was. A Pie and Peas supper went with it, I suppose the lads on the Sports Committee hadn't heard of a Rabbit Pie Supper. Maybe I should have told them.

Mention of the racing pigeons does bring to mind the sight of men on their cycles racing up to the Post Office with their clocks to check their arrivals in as quickly as possible. I knew Alf Doughty for one, there were others, some pedalling hard from the brickyard houses to add that vital extra second or two. They were all keen, all knowledgeable. There are still a few pigeon fanciers who race their birds, they have lofts in the town, maybe they could tell us all about it! The Drill Hall was a venue for showing small stock come Barton Horse Show. And What about the Diddle-em Clubs? And on Sunday Evenings, the Salvation Army Band playing in Fleetgate near the Railway Station as well as in the Market Place. And bread and real beef dripping? Dripping that still had the little black flecks in it from the dripping tin and there was jelly in the bottom of the pot. Oh My. With toast!

Article supplied by Charles Watkinson



Do you recognise this young chap as Mr Monty Beaumont? Picture kindly supplied by Mr Cyril Doughty

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BARTON ALLOTMENT SOCIETY
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Any information regarding Barton Allotment
Society please contact the Secretary
Martin Brown, 11 Highfield Crescent,
Barton on 01652 637935
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Views from the Past

John Morley, M.R.C.S., L.S.A., resident at 36 Burgate, Barton, was one of the surgeons who served the medical needs of the town from c. 1842 until his death in 1886. He also acted as Registrar for Births and Deaths and as Medical Officer for the coastguards serving the whole of the south bank of the Humber. His son Thomas Simmons Morley, M.D., M.R.C.S. joined the practice, which was recorded in 1885 as 'Morley & Son'. Thomas became Medical Officer for Barton District of the Brigg Union, Admiralty Surgeon and surgeon for the New Holland District M. S. & L. Railway Company before the practice was sold to Doctor Naismaith in 1921. Anyone wishing to consult the Doctors Morley in their surgery in Burgate was required to enter through a door in Marsh Lane. Hence that part of the street between High Street and the end of Soutergate became known to Bartonians

as 'Doctor Morley's Lane'. Thomas's son, Donald became Medical Officer for Health in Cheltenham. Arthur Morley Jones, the son of Thomas's sister Phoebe Simmons Morley (who married Henry Chapman Jones and hence the Morley Jones), became an optician in Ealing, London. It seems that Arthur visited his uncle Thomas at Barton in February – March 1907. He brought with him a small sketchbook (13.5cm by 9.5cm), which he used to record in pencil scenes in Barton and the surrounding district. This sketchbook, along with a mass of other Morley memorabilia, has been bequeathed to the Barton Civic Society by Mrs Leila M. Jones, Arthur's daughter-in-law.

Presented here are four of those drawings, which record views of our town as it looked some 100 years ago. Much has changed, much remains.

Geoff Bryant, John French and Nigel Land.

4 drawings, Barry Newton already has them,
(article below can be altered if more space
needed for drawings—let me know)

BARTON'S BEST KEPT GARDEN/HANGING BASKET COMPETITIONS

Entry forms for the 2006 Competition are available from the Town Council Office on Queen Street and will be printed in the July issue of the Bartonian.

The winners from the 2005 Competitions were:

Best Kept Garden (Private House)

- 1st prize: Mr & Mrs Holloway of Westfield Road;
- 2nd prize: Ms W Altoft of Meadow Drive;
- 3rd prize: Mr T Clark of Horkstow Road.

Best Kept Hanging Basket (Private House)

- 1st prize: Ms W Altoft of Meadow Drive;
- 2nd prize: Mr R Newton of Butts Road;
- 3rd prize: Mr P Dent of Far Ings Road.

Best Kept Hanging Basket (Business Premises)

- 1st prize: The Volunteer Arms Whitecross Street;
- 2nd prize: The Queens Queen Street;
- 3rd prize: The Weekend Shop George Street.

LINCOLNSHIRE WILDLIFE TRUST The Barton upon Humber Area Group

INDOOR MEETINGS

All Indoor Meetings at 7.30pm and are held at the Far Ings Visitor Centre, Far Ings Road, Barton upon Humber.

Admission to all events is free.

Refreshments are available and the Trust Shop will be open. Everybody is welcome.

Wednesday 26 April Annual General Meeting followed by a Quiz Quizmaster – Tim Bartlett

Tim's quiz last year proved so successful and entertaining he has been invited to return hopefully with new questions.

Thursday 21 September

John Kneeshaw – "Argentina Buenos Aires to the Land of Fire"

John will transport us to yet another exotic location with his anecdotes as well as slides of this enormous country. Together with his colleagues he travelled from the capital through Patagonia to the Andes before eventually reaching Tierra del Fuego and the Magellan Strait.

Wednesday 27 September

Repeat of show on 21 September.

Wednesday 11 October John Coley-Smith – "Spring in Northern Greece"

Although not as popular a tourist destination as other parts of Greece it is nevertheless one of the best floral areas in Europe. With John's extensive knowledge of plants I am sure he will convince many of us to add this location to our future travel plans.

Wednesday 15 November

Dave Mouncey –

"Fishy Tales – Underwater Wildlife"

Dave is always a popular and entertaining speaker no matter what the subject and we are fortunate to have persuaded him to talk about a subject of which he is rightly regarded as an expert.

Wednesday 13 December

Members' Photographic Evening

Please bring along your slides (maximum 20) whether or not they relate to Natural History. The variety of subjects covered helps to make this one of the most popular meetings of the year. Once again we will also have a digital projector for those using digital cameras. Bring your pictures on a CD. If you don't have any subjects to show do come along and just sit back and allow the photographers to entertain you.

SUNDAY FIELD MEETINGS

These normally commence from Barton Market Place at 9am and usually return between 4 and 6pm. It is advisable to bring a packed lunch and it's also a good idea to have with you suitable footwear and clothing. Anyone requiring a lift or further information should contact the nominated leader. Everyone welcome.

30 April Spurn. Leader –

Martin Broadbridge (01652 632895) Hopefully we will see birds migrating up the peninsula including Wheatears, Warblers and early Martins and Swallows; everything depends on the weather but we have struck lucky more times than not.

21 May Upper Teasdale. Leader – Steve Sharp (01652 636184) NB: 7am start.

The area is internationally famous for its unique assemblage of arctic-alpine plants. Although the site involves a fairly long steady climb the paths are good.

25 June Huttoft.

Leader – David Moir (01469 532887)

Our main objective, a ten acre clay pit, was dug to provide material for the sea bank repairs after the 1953 floods. Today it is an important LWT reserve with a good selection of bird species.

16 July Millersdale. Leader –

John Kneeshaw (01652 634673)

Millersdale and its adjacent dales are deeply glaciated valleys of carboniferous limestone. The valley sides, old quarries and railway embankments are extremely rich in flowers, many of which are at the southern edge of their range. Orchids should include Dark Red Helleborine and both Bee and Frog Orchid.

17 September Gibraltar Point.

Leader – Chris Potts (01469 531088)

Covering in excess of a thousand acres this is one of our most important reserves, not just locally but also nationally. We have timed this visit to coincide with the start of the autumn migration and hope to be able to see a wide range of birds taking advantage of the opportunity to feed up before moving further south.

15 October Filey Brig. Leader –

Martin Broadbridge (01652 632895)

A wonderful birdwatching location in a beautiful setting. In the past we have seen Yellow-browed and Pallas's Warblers, Little Auk and Long Tailed Duck as well as the remarkably tame Purple Sandpipers.

10 December Donna Nook. Leader –

Tony Norminton (01652 657683)

The reserve has one of the largest and most accessible breeding colonies of Grey Seals in the UK and our visit is timed to enable us to view the pups as well as the adults.

SATURDAY MORNING MEETINGS

Meetings will be led by John Kneeshaw (01652 634673). The meetings will start at the venue at 9.30am except for North Cave Wetlands.

These short walks cover only two to four miles over a period of two to three hours whilst avoiding any strenuous stretches and are therefore suitable for most people young or old. The sites are chosen to enable us to enjoy some of the wide variety of birds to be found in the Barton area with, hopefully, the occasional rarity

thrown in. Don't worry if you don't know a Dunnock from a Dunlin there will always be someone able to help out and hone your identification skills. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to ring John Kneeshaw or John Robinson (01652 633430) who will be only too pleased to help.

22 April North Cave Wetlands. Meet at Far Ings Visitor Centre, Far Ings Road, Barton on Humber at 9.00am.

21 October Far Ings National Nature Reserve. Meet at Far Ings Visitor Centre, Far Ings Road, Barton on Humber.

11 November Winteringham. Meet near Humber Yawl Yacht Club.

16 December Pasture Wharf. Meet at the Fisherman's car park, Sailing Pit, Pasture Road North, Barton on Humber.

SPECIAL EVENTS

21 April Volunteers' Evening – Far Ings Visitor Centre at 7.30pm. Buffet for volunteers and potential volunteers. If possible can you please ring John Kneeshaw (01652 634673) if you are coming to this meeting to allow us to assess the catering requirements.

27 – 29 May Optics Weekend at the Far Ings Nature Reserve, Far Ings Road, Barton on Humber. Lamberts (Lancaster) Ltd will have binoculars, telescopes etc on display and for sale from 9am to 5pm.

28 May Dawn Chorus followed by an optional Breakfast at Far Ings Nature Reserve. Meet at Far Ings Nature Reserve, Far Ings Road, Barton on Humber at 4am. Breakfast - £5.

9 – 11 June Special Field Trip – Norfolk (Strumshaw Fen) For further details and to book accommodation please contact Martin Broadbridge (01652 632895) Please note number of participants will be restricted and early booking is advisable.

29 July Moth Night and Supper at "Orobanche", Stothard's Lane, Goxhill, from 8.30pm until late. Tickets £4, advance booking is requested, please telephone either Chris or Mavis (01469 531088)

19 August Moth and Bat Night at Far Ings National Nature Reserve, 8.30pm until late.

2 – 3 September Optics Weekend at the Far Ings Nature Reserve, Far Ings Road, Barton on Humber. Lamberts (Lancaster) Ltd will have binoculars, telescopes etc on display and for sale from 9am to 5pm.

14 October Fungus Foray – Crowle Waste at 10am, led by John Coley-Smith.

26 November Christmas Fair at Far Ings Visitor Centre from 10am – 5pm. Various stalls including local crafts.

John Robinson—Publicity Secretary

5 Summerdale, Barton on Humber

DN18 5NR Tel:01652 633430

e-mail: pubsec@trust67.freesevice.co.uk

News from Barton Toc H

Four times a year some of the members and friends of Barton Toc H join up with the wardens and volunteers at the Far Ings Nature Reserve to do some conservation work.

On the morning of Saturday 28th January the weather was cold and sunny, so it was a good excuse to have a mug of coffee and a chat in the Visitors Centre before doing any outside work! We were told that we would be working with the sheep at South Ferriby so we loaded the tools and off we went.

Some of us helped Karen, the Assistant Warden, to give the sheep a "pedicure". Firstly the sheep have to be herded into a corral. Thankfully, Belle, one of the well-trained Reserve sheepdogs makes an easy job of it. The sheep then have to be "tipped" (tipping requires skill and energy!) so that Karen can trim their hooves and check for signs of foot rot.

Whilst all this was going on, the two young girls, Daisy and Hayley were removing barrow loads of spent hay. This was the first time that they had worked with us and they worked with energy and enthusiasm. Oh! How it is to be young!

The rest of us repaired the fence around the field under the direction of Lionel, the Warden. It was also the first time that the two boys, Matthew and Thomas, had helped us. They also worked well and it was good to see four young people giving up their time to do conservation work.

We were fortunate to have shelter from the wind in an old pavilion to have our lunch. It was quite pleasant in the sun having a chat and eating our "sarnies". But, back to work.

The afternoon had turned colder. The sun had gone and the wind had increased. Just the incentive we needed to get the fencing finished. We wanted to make a good job of it though, and it really did look smart when we had finished. Something to be proud of! We then packed up the tools and returned to Barton for – yes, you've guessed it another mug of coffee!

We always want volunteers for our weekends. Our next weekend is 22nd & 23rd April, when hopefully, all the lambs will have been born, but there will be plenty of work to do.

If you are interested in joining us for a weekend then please ring me on Barton 636590

Paul Dimoline
(Barton Toc H)

Saturday 22nd October 2005, Members of Barton Town Council & Friends of the Barton Line before their trip



Members of Barton Town Council and Friends of the Barton Line, including some of their families and friends joined together on Saturday 22nd October 2005 to enjoy a trip along the Barton-upon-Humber to Cleethorpes railway line.

The purpose of the trip was to help promote the use of this line, which is now also supported by the Barton Community Rail Partnership.

Leading the group off on their trip is the Mayor and Mayoress of Barton, Councillors John and Janet Oxley.

To Barton Residents,
I would like to thank everyone
in
Barton who contributed to the
display of Christmas lights dur-
ing the 2005
Christmas period with their own
displays.

Thank you
Councillor John Oxley
Mayor of
Barton-upon-Humber

ASSEMBLY ROOMS

Having a Party ?

Why not come to the
Assembly Rooms
Barton's No.1 Party Venue

Main Hall Committee Room

Community Rate £5.63 £4.38

Local organisations carrying out their
normal activities including classes,
meetings etc

Standard Rate £8.13 £5.63

Local organisations fund raising
activities, social functions etc. Private
hire for parties & receptions.

Commercial Rate £11.25 £8.13

This applies to business users.

Kitchen with full facilities £5.63

Tariffs are quoted at an hourly rate

Bookings please contact:

The Council Office
Assembly Rooms
Queen Street
Barton
DN18 5QP

Tel: (01652) 633598
Fax: (01652) 637763
email: bartontownclerk@btconnect.com

BARTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Full Council Meetings at Baysgarth House:

3 May 2006;
10 May 2006; (Annual Mayoral Meeting)
7 June 2006; (1st Wednesday of each month)

Annual Town Public Meeting at The Assembly Rooms
Thursday 20 April 2006 at 7.30pm.

Committee Meetings at The Assembly Rooms:

Wednesday 19 April 2006-
Planning Committee + Finance & General Purposes Committee
Monday 15 May-
Planning Committee + Environmental Regeneration Committee
Monday 19 June-
Planning Committee + Community Regeneration Committee

Barton Town Council Members

*If you think that they can help you with anything then please
contact one of your Town Councillors:*

Bridge Ward

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G.E. Appleyard [C] 25 Bowmandale Tel. 01652-632105
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