

**BARTON CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL MAP - SEE p12-13**

# Barton's Christmas Festival is back!

After an enforced break last year the 2021 Christmas Festival promises to be a really exciting event especially as there has been a long gap in the running of Community Events by Barton upon Humber Town Council.

*Merry Christmas*

The Council is really pleased to be able to support the community with a wonderful Christmas event full of attractions and performances during the afternoon.

Along with the shops and businesses that will be open on Saturday there will also be street stalls along the High Street. Children's rides are located on George Street and King Street and Barton Rotary Club is thanked for all its help with the Christmas attractions

There will be a variety of street entertainment including stilt walkers and Christmas characters and Barton Lions will be on hand on the High Street near the Queen Street junction serving hot food and the Club's special recipe mulled wine food.

Look out for the Lantern Parade that will be leaving The Ropewalk at 5pm with its procession of

stars and ending very near the stage. Following this will be a Carol Service performed by the Salvation Army and then the Christmas Lights switch on led by the Mayor Cllr Ben Troop. Two lucky pupils who have entered the Town Council's poster competition for Key Stage One and Key Stage Two will be up on stage aiding the Mayor in turning on the Christmas Tree lights.

On the day of the Festival there will be road closures in place from 8am until 10pm on George Street, King Street and High Street.

Barton upon Humber Town Council would like to thank all those that helped in any way to make sure that the 2021 Christmas Festival is a success. We hope that you very much enjoy the event and the Council would love to hear any comments or feedback.

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## Season's Greetings from the Mayor

I wish everyone a Happy Christmas and Peaceful and Prosperous New Year.

I hope that we all get a chance this year to enjoy lots of quality time with family and friends. I would like to take this opportunity to be thankful for living in such a wonderful community. All the support that is there for everyone makes Barton Upon Humber a fantastic place to live. I look forward to supporting lots of different projects in 2022 and the Council and I always welcome lots of feedback on the work that the council undertakes.

Cllr B Troop

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## Barton Town Council Members

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**Members serving on North Lincolnshire Council**  
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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.

Live stream has hit some technical issues but these are hoped to be resolved and therefore give the residents the opportunity to view the meetings on YouTube. Also members of the public can attend the meeting via the Council Teams facility. Just click on the link on the agenda and this will aid direction straight into 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

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

December 2021			
Planning	Wednesday 1st	6pm	
Full Council	Wednesday 1st	7pm	
Planning	Monday 20th	6pm	
Community	Monday 20th	7pm	

January 2022			
Planning	Monday 10th	6pm	
F & GP(BUDGET)	Monday 10th	7pm	
Full Council	Wednesday 19th	7pm	

February 2022			
Planning	Wednesday 2nd	6pm	
Full Council	Wednesday 2nd	7pm	
Planning	Monday 21st	6pm	
Environment	Monday 21st	7pm	

### 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

### 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

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## North Lincolnshire Council is preparing a new single Local Plan for its area.

It will establish a vision and objectives, allocate sites for housing, employment, retail, leisure, and other forms of development, and will include development management policies up to 2038. As well as setting out where new development will go, the Plan will also include policies which seek to protect and preserve open space, green infrastructure, the historic environment, and environmental assets. Once adopted, it will update and replace the existing planning policy framework for the area. A six-week public consultation period started on Friday 15 October 2021 on this last stage of the new North Lincolnshire Local Plan, known as the Publication Draft Stage. The final day of public consultation is Friday 26 November 2021.

### Previous Consultation on the Plan

An Issues & Options consultation exercise was undertaken between late January and mid-March 2018 in order to get the views of local communities and others about the

issues that should be covered in the Plan and how these issues might be addressed. A further consultation of the Preferred Options Draft took place between February and March 2020. Together with available evidence and national planning policy, these two stages helped to inform this Publication Draft.

### What is this stage of the Local Plan about?

This is the Publication draft version of the North Lincolnshire Local Plan also called the Regulation 19 Pre-Submission Draft Plan. Representations at this stage should only be made on the legal compliance and soundness of the Local Plan. That is, has the Plan been prepared in accordance with all legal and procedural requirements, and does the Plan meet the prescribed tests of soundness.

### How do I access the Plan?

The easiest and most efficient way to provide comments is via the council's website: www.localplan.northlincs.gov.uk/localplan

A number of roadshows are scheduled to be held across North Lincolnshire to allow local people and others to come along to give us their views about the future growth and development of the area as well as the issues the Plan should cover. Barton's roadshow was on November 3 but others are being held at Ulceby and Winterton later in the month.

The Publication Draft document can be viewed electronically at Local Link offices and Libraries across North Lincolnshire using the public access computer network. A paper version is available for review at Scunthorpe Central Library.

### More Information

If you want to know more about the North Lincolnshire Local Plan or get involved in the process get in touch via the North Lincolnshire Council website.

All comments should be submitted online or emailed/posted to the Place Planning Team by 5pm on Friday 26 November 2021.

## SPOTLIGHT ON

# What goes on behind closed doors?

Smack bang in the middle of Barton is the Market Place, the home of the Corn Exchange Club.

The Corn Exchange is a members' club with a rich history, and it's in the process of reinventing itself for the future.

The building itself is a Grade II Listed Building. Designed by D. W. Aston of Hull and built by Wilford & Dinsdale of Barton, the town's new corn exchange opened in February 1854.

The Italianate building's arched frontage initially provided separate entrances leading to a butter market and the corn exchange. The upper room was intended to be used as a reading room for the town's young men.

Alterations were made to the building in 1888 when the upstairs became the new home for the Barton Constitutional Club and became known locally as the Conservative Club.

The building, Grade II Listed in 1976, changed its name from the



The ground floor also found a new use as a Drill Hall. Billiard tables introduced by the club remained and were supplemented with snooker tables, a sport which remains an attraction at the premises today.

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Barton Constitutional Club to the Corn Exchange Club and became a favoured venue for snooker, pool, darts and dominoes.

### So what's going on there now?

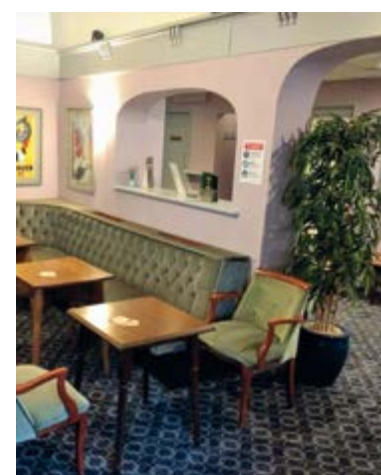
Well, to find out, you will need to get inside. Access is restricted because it's a private members'

club, but don't let that put you off! Simply use the intercom next to the front door. You will be greeted by a staff member or committee member who will be delighted to talk you through the membership process and show you around the club. Membership costs £8 or £5 per year for pensioners.

There are two newly refurbished lounge bars on the ground floor and an enormous games room with three snooker tables, a pool table, and two darts boards. Upstairs the club boasts a function room with its own bar. The function room can be hired by non-members.

I spoke to Mick Robinson, the Chairman of the Club, about the Corn Exchange. Mick told me: "The Corn Exchange has been around a lot of years. It's fair to say, it had a reputation for being 'stuck in the mud' – a bit old school!"

He went on: "But that's all changed, and the club is developing a much more vibrant future. We've changed the décor, but that was only the start. The committee spent a great deal of effort tracking



down some cracking new beers. We now offer a range of keg and cask-conditioned ales, alongside lagers, ciders and wines".

I asked what sort of activities take place at the club. "We already act as a base for the Barton Community Band, which rehearse here twice a week and are also the home of the Barton Lions. The club hosts a chess club, and the Barton Allotment club meets here." He added: "We have a darts and dominoes team, a snooker team and a pool team and we are keen to build on that. In fact, we are hoping to have a quiz team in time for the start of the season."

Mick told me: "We want to become a hub for community groups and develop the range of activities available in Barton. If any groups would like an informal chat about that, we would urge them to contact us".

My final question was, "So who is a typical member of the Corn Exchange?"

Mick told me, "Traditionally, our members tended to be older people and, more often than not, male! That's changed now, and we are very proud to say that as well as maintaining our traditional members, we are attracting people from across the age range. We have enjoyed a surge in membership applications recently. These include young people who want to use the games facilities and couples who just want a friendly and safe environment for a night out."

So that's the Corn Exchange – right in the middle of Barton, located in grand premises and offering a good range of activities – you just need to get through that front door!

## How do you want Barton to develop?

This is the main question being asked by Barton's Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

Based on the responses from the survey of the town last September, a draft vision has been developed with seven key policy areas.

The Steering Group would now like to hear your thoughts on this draft before doing the detailed work on how to achieve the vision for the town.

We shall have a stall at the Christmas Festival on November 27 from 10.00 am until 4.00pm in the Joseph Wright Hall on Queen Street, so please do come along and have a chat and share your views.

Alternatively you can drop us a line at the Town Council Office or email info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk The draft vision is printed below.

### Draft Vision

Barton will be a vibrant, inclusive, and sustainable town, with attractive green spaces and high quality housing, community facilities and infrastructure, making it a desirable place for people to live, work and visit now and into the future.

### Aims and objectives

- Ensure all new housing meets the needs of the local community now and in the future
- Improve the vibrancy of the town centre, local economy, and tourism sector
- Conserve and enhance heritage, green spaces, wildlife and biodiversity
- Improve resilience to the effects of climate change

- Retain and enhance community facilities
- Improve local infrastructure to meet the changing needs of the town
- Promote sustainable and active travel, whilst securing enhancements to town centre parking

### Policy themes/objectives

- Housing
- Community services
- Infrastructure
- Sport and leisure
- Culture and tourism
- Business and industry
- Environment



## My name is Vicki Reid

I very recently moved into Barton upon Humber with my family.

Since moving to Barton from Southampton, I have been overwhelmed by the history, the extensive places to visit and the friendliness of the community. I feel very privileged and excited to be working for the local Town Council in Barton with its key heritage sites.

The Town Council welcomes Vicki, a valuable addition to the Town Council staff.

## 2021 Town Award

The Mayor Cllr Ben Troop took great pleasure in formally awarding Mrs Tracy Vickers with the 2021 Town Award.

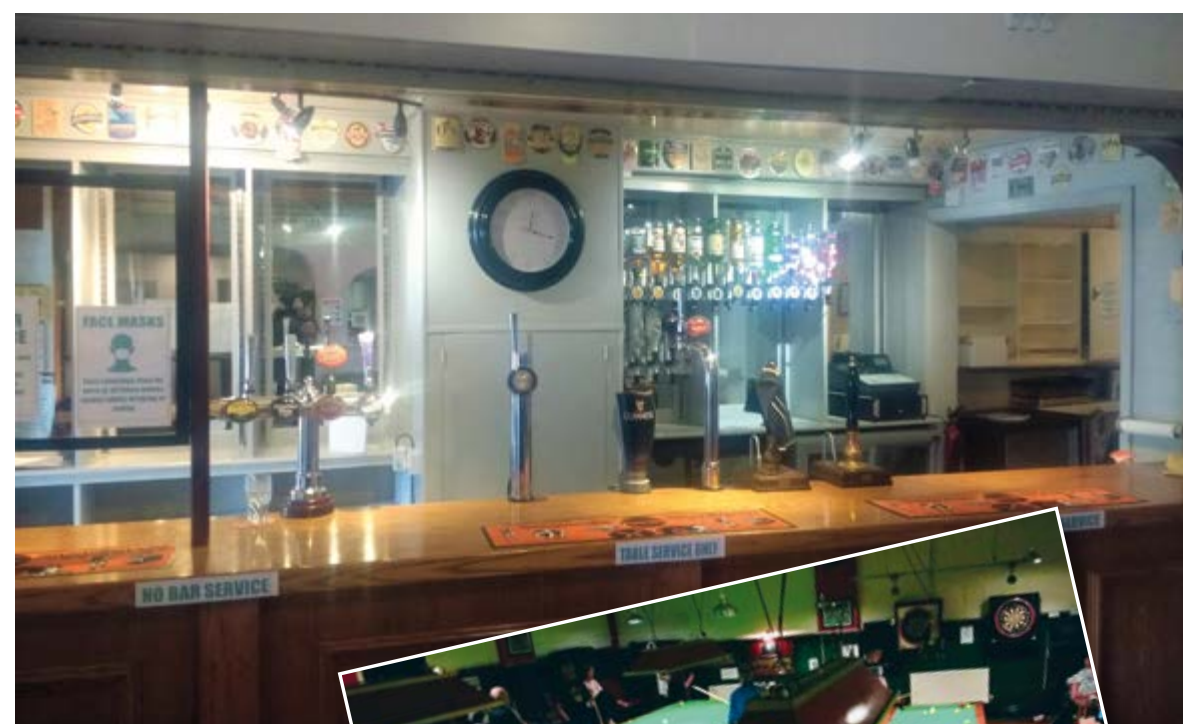
Tracy was nominated earlier this year by Bowmandale Primary School where she volunteers many hours as Chair of Governors. Bowmandale School describe Tracy as 'their very own Superhero due to the outstanding passion and commitment she gives to her role' which they also describe as outstanding.

Tracy has gone above and beyond her volunteer role and has raised well needed funds for the community in particularly taking on huge challenges to raise money for local Barton upon Humber charities.

## Blue Badge scheme

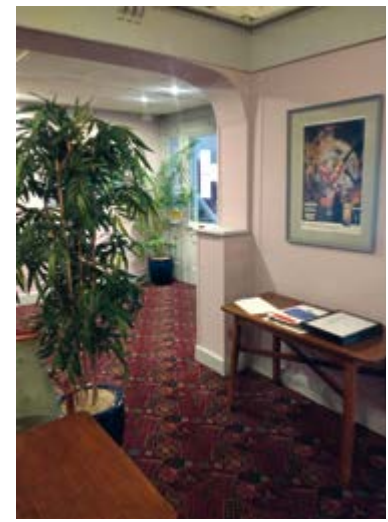
When applying to North Lincolnshire Council for your blue badge it is advised to reapply 10 weeks before your Blue Badge expires.

North Lincolnshire Council on average is taking eight weeks to process applications, but its advice is to reapply for your Blue Badge ten weeks in advance. This can be done at the Barton Office located in Baysgarth Community Hub, Brigg Road, Barton upon Humber, DN18 5DT Tel: 01724 296808 or email customerservice@northlincs.gov.uk



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Barrow Road 1907



Queens Avenue



Butts Road



# The Houses that Fred Hopper built

The title is a bit misleading as Fred Hopper was not a house builder but the creator of a huge company that primarily made bicycles, sold around the world, even to China and Japan. He did, however, commission the construction of many buildings to house both his business and his growing band of employees.



Marsh Lane



Where it all started



Back in 1891 the census lists around six employees who would have been based at his workshop on the west side of Brigg Road opposite the Copperfield House apartments. By 1905 Hopper employed 400, with a new factory operating on Marsh Lane and by 1912 around 800. So where were the houses built for this rise in population? To quote from my book, *Elswick-Hopper of Barton-on-Humber* (available from *The Ropewalk*):

*Skilled men were brought in from Yorkshire and from the Midlands, probably attracted by the fresher air of rural Lincolnshire, and cheaper housing, especially as the company embarked on a series of house building projects. The best example is the development of Queen's Avenue as a northwards extension of Queen Street. It was built for Hopper employees in what had been the grounds of the magnificent Georgian house known as New Hall, one of Barton's earliest large brick dwellings. The property came on the market in 1903, was bought by Fred Hopper and occupied by one of his foremen, Albert Wall, for a few years. The*

*large orchard situated to the east of the house was split off for housing and the residual property eventually resold. Plans were submitted to the Urban District Council in 1906 for the construction of houses in 'New Street' for rental to cycle workers, with simpler, cheaper houses on the west side and more elaborate ones on the east for the better paid. Management houses were also built just to the east of the Butts Road factory - a row of eight semi-detached properties - for, amongst others, the company secretary. Other houses were constructed from 1903 onwards on Soutergate, Barrow Road, and Catherine Street. The provision of modern dwellings*

*would have provided a strong incentive to work for Hopper, especially for skilled workers from outside the area. The ownership of the Hopper houses has not been investigated in any depth as it is outside the scope of this book. However, they were undoubtedly built as rental properties, as before 1914 less than 10% of housing was owner occupied. It is known that some were owned by the company for many years and it is probable that the rest were either sold on as sources of investment income, developed by local builders in the knowledge that Hopper's workers would fill them, or bought by prudent employees.*



Brigg Road



So Fred Hopper certainly changed the face of Barton and perhaps his most significant memorial is Copperfield House, or 'Hopper's Offices' as it was known from 1905 when it was opened and 2006 when the conversion to apartments was completed by Barry Smith of Copperfield Developments, hence its new name.

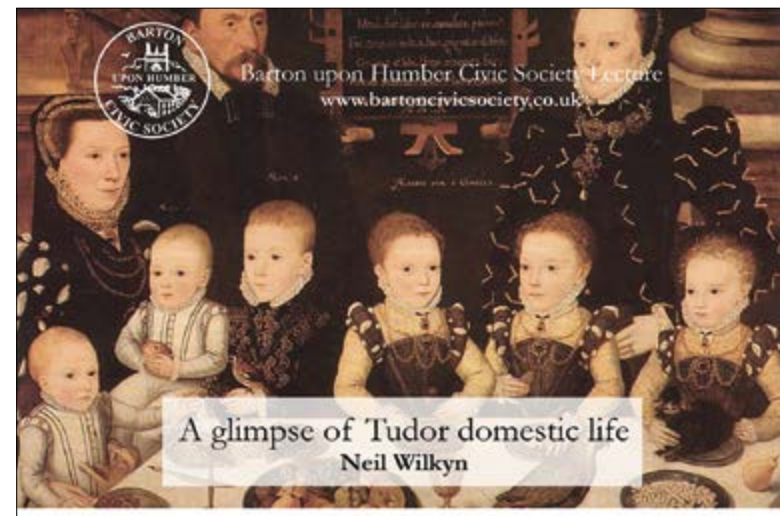
As for the large area off Marsh Lane that became St Mary's Works, due, of course, to its proximity to the Church, building construction started in 1903 with one of the last, the Elswick Building alongside Marsh Lane being built in 1911. It was intended for the construction of a new bicycle range, Elswick Cycles, that had been bought from

the bankrupt Newcastle firm of that name in 1910. It later became the erection shop for both the Elswick and Hopper makes. It was scheduled for conversion to apartments a few years ago, though nothing has happened... yet.

The factory site became a general industrial site after cycle making finished in the 1980s and it is now awaiting development for housing. It is an ideal site, of course, with easy access to the shops and schools, without car use; an important consideration with Barton's chronic parking problem.

# Barton Civic Society

The final lecture in the 2021 Barton upon Humber Civic Society programme is A Glimpse of Tudor Domestic Life in Barton when Neil Wilkyn analyses a probate inventory, a document compiled after an individual's death listing all that they owned. This example gives us a tantalising glimpse into the home of a Barton resident in the sixteenth century. What possessions did they have? What was their furniture like? A chance to look through a window into a house from 500 years ago.



Friday 19 November, 7.30pm  
Joseph Wright Hall (ground floor), Wilderspin National School Museum, Queen Street [DN18 5QP].  
Admission for Civic Society members is free. Non-members £2

Talks take place at the Wilderspin National School Museum in the Joseph Wright Hall (ground floor), Queen Street [DN18 5QP]. There is car parking and facilities for disabled visitors. Admission for Civic Society members is free. Non-members £2.

# Barton upon Humber Lions Club CIO



A big thank you to everyone who joined us for Barton's annual Bonfire and Fireworks Night.

Hopefully by the time you are reading this, we will have put on a great display and hope you all enjoyed it likewise if you joined us for the Oktoberfest at the end of October!. Hopefully a few pounds were raised for Lions to put to good causes. Thanks to Wren Kitchens for sponsoring the event and thanks to Champ at the Assembly Rooms for your hospitality and support.



Thankfully we are now getting busier with events, such as local bulb planting in the recreational parks, supporting Barton Town Council. We also paid our respects at the Remembrance Parade organised by Barton Town Council.

We are now looking forward to the Barton Christmas Festival on Saturday November 27. We will be on the High Street, serving hot food and our special recipe mulled wine. The Christmas Festival is organised by Barton Town Council, so please if there are any questions contact the Town Clerk or a local Councillor.

Santa is ready to come around the town the week December 6 to 12 on our usual routes, which will be confirmed on Facebook and our website. This will be

our week and the following week Barton Rotary Club will continue with Santa on their streets, as we share the town between the clubs.

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 can be contacted by email [info@bartonlions.co.uk](mailto:info@bartonlions.co.uk) or find us on Facebook.

# Barton Area Food Bank

The Food Bank has again been busy this past year, although not as busy as during the first lockdown.

We are still taking precautions for our clients and volunteers. Throughout the pandemic, individuals, organisations and local companies have continued to be generous in their giving.

Quite often this has been of a monetary nature, whilst donations of food and toiletry items have tended to decrease except for our large collection bin in Tesco in Barton. Please look out for our annual collection days there in December although the dates are yet to be finalised. On the plus side, the increased

monetary giving has enabled the store manager to buy those items which we are short of, often currently spending up to £200 a week.

So a big THANK YOU to everyone, often unknown donors for your generosity, and of course to our team of volunteers often working behind the scenes!

In January, the Food Bank will celebrate its 10th birthday, although preparation and planning for the Food Bank began in April 2011.

During those years, we have had to make many adjustments in terms of distribution, bagging and storage venues, particularly during the pandemic and all the challenges it continues to present. We envisage a food bank in this area will be needed for many years to come.

Once again, thank you to everyone who supports our venture, and to those who need us, please do not hesitate to contact us at [bartonareafoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:bartonareafoodbank@gmail.com)

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# My Spirit of Christmas

Here is a quick question - hands up if you knew that Barton is the home of an award-winning gin distillery?.

Me neither - but the bank of the Humber is the home of Five Fathoms Spirit, and I paid a visit to meet Emma Davison, the person behind the enterprise.

The Old Tile Works on Far Ings Road isn't the most obvious location for a distillery, but Five Fathoms Spirit is there tucked in amongst the jewellers and potters. At its heart is a gleaming still named Ariel after Ariel's song Act 1, scene II from The Tempest, by William Shakespeare.

selling through mail order and local home deliveries - that must have cheered up some dull lockdown nights.

I asked Emma about the production process needed to create a handcrafted Gin. "Juniper Berries are hand crushed to release their oils. These are added with the other botanicals. The still ('Ariel') is charged with a mixture of water and neutral grain spirit. The botanicals are warmed in the still and left to



“ Full Fathoms Five thy father lies;  
Of his bones are coral made;  
Those were pearls that were his eyes;  
Nothing of him that doth fade,  
But doth suffer a sea-change  
Into something rich and strange.  
Sea-nymphs hourly ring his knell:  
Ding-dong. ”  
Hark! Now I hear them – Ding-dong, bell.

The reference is all about maintaining the nautical aspect of her products (her Humber Dry Gin actually contains seaweed amongst the 12 carefully chosen botanicals that flavour it).

Clearly, the connection with the sea is important to Emma, and she told me: "I have a deep connection with the sea. Growing up a stone's throw from the water's edge on the Suffolk coast, I had a childhood of roaming empty beaches, fishing and sailing in coastal waters and far-flung places." Once Emma had moved into this area seven years ago, the banks of the Humber seemed the ideal place to set up her new venture. Five Fathoms started in May 2019 and, of course, immediately became a victim of the Covid-19 epidemic. Undaunted Emma continued production and

infuse overnight. In the morning, the more delicate botanicals are added to the aroma rich smelling concoction. The still is heated, the vapor rises to the copper head. Eventually, it passes along the neck, where it moves through a cooling process. The Gin is then collected and mellowed before bottling to allow all the flavours to develop fully."

So, what do Five Fathom Spirits produce, and is it any good? Purely In the interest of local journalism (as we light-heartedly refer to this) and on behalf of our readers, I sacrificed an afternoon to find out.

The signature product is Humber Dry Gin, a handmade classic London type gin (Juniper based.)

The botanicals used to flavour it includes Pink Peppercorn, Green Cardamom, Seaweed, Angelica and Licorice in the background.

The result is a gorgeous Juniper based Gin, balanced with hints of cardamom and pepper, citrus notes and a lingering sweetness. If you have never experienced craft gin before, this one is highly recommended.

But don't stop there (I certainly didn't); there are more products to sample.

Rhubarb & Star Anise. This is another Juniper led base Gin infused with natural rhubarb and star anise and has a fresh fruity sharpness complemented by the warming sweetness of star anise.

Blackcurrant & Black Pepper - Gin infused with real Blackcurrants and Black Peppercorns. According to Emma, it has "the candied ripeness of an English Hedgerow married with the woody notes and heat of black pepper".

Both fruit gins contain no added sugar and are dry like a gin should be! ABV - 40%

Then there is my personal favourite (and only available in the shop)

Cask Aged Gin - Humber Dry Gin is laid to rest for 2 months in newly charred, used whiskey barrels.



The distillery shop is currently only open Wednesday to Saturday 11am - 3pm

There is an online shop, and Click and Collect is available via the online shop.

Did I mention that my favourite is the Cask Aged Gin?

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# Launch of Barton upon Humber Armed Forces and Veterans' Breakfast Club



Even with the extended Covid restrictions we had a fantastic "Barton upon Humber Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Club" Launch on June 27, or rather re-launch.

It was held at the Barton Cricket Club that generously let us use its facilities at no cost to our "Support Group". We were permitted (under the government Covid guidelines) to have up to 30 people and with just one late cancellation, we managed to fill the 30 places as we had a reserve list to call on.

Barton Mayor Cllr Ben Troop said a few words of praise for the club and what / who it stands for in our local community.

We also welcomed Derek Hardman, the founder of the very first

Breakfast Club, which was in Hull, who talked about the importance of these - now world wide - Breakfast Clubs.

We know some Veterans suffer not only physical pains but mental issues too and as a Support Group, if a fellow Veteran or family needs help, we now have the tools and contacts to help them on what we all hope is a road to managing their needs.

We also invited Adrian Ellis and his daughter Amie as our guests to show them support after their and Barton's

loss of George Ellis earlier this year.

We also had a very generous donation of a six-foot-long banner for our Club meetings provided by MD Signs, of Falklands Way, Barton. This gets displayed at each meeting with our contact email address: Bartonuponhumberafvbc@gmail.com".

The Club meets on the first Sunday of every month from 9.30am until 12 noon.

Since the launch we have had four breakfast meetings. The first one on July 4 saw 15 attending followed by 11 on August 1. Following the September and October meetings we hope to continue for a long time to come to give just that little bit of stability to a group of like-minded people.

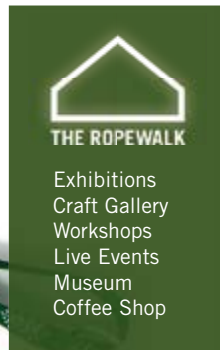


Any Veteran (or serving member of the Armed Forces) can join our Facebook group, "Barton upon Humber Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast Club" and all the information you need for the meetings will be there.

But if you are not on Facebook, you can contact me, Russ Kirby directly on 07725 191857, or the email address as above.



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Saturday 11th December 2021  
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# The Ropewalk Spring Season

Christmas may not have come yet, but The Ropewalk are already thinking about next year, with their Spring season which will be launched at the end of November.

From theatre to music, from comedy to film, the Ropery Hall programme is set to entertain Lincolnshire audiences right through spring. With music acts such as multi-award-winning singer songwriter, Martin Joseph, Chantel McGregor, '80s star Toyah Wilcox, and Jaki Graham, the season is set to get your toes tapping.

The programme also includes hilarious comedians like Alfie Moore, Simon Evans and, of course, the monthly Barnstormers Comedy Club. Stunning theatre will hit the Ropery Hall stage too, with Frankie Howerd-inspired show, *Howerd's End*, Eugene and *Done To Death By Jove*.

The spring season launch will be first offered to Friends and Patrons of The Ropewalk, who will benefit for a week of priority booking before the shows go on general sale to the wider public.

Friends and Patrons will also receive 2 for 1 tickets on selected shows, as well as an exclusive offer - buy tickets for two shows and get your third show free. This offer will end when the general sale for the season opens.

**Want in on the offer?**

You can register as a Friend or a Patron of The Ropewalk by visiting [www.the-ropewalk.co.uk](http://www.the-ropewalk.co.uk), calling 01652 660380 or popping in to The Ropewalk's Craft Gallery.



The Balbir Singh Dance Company are appearing at the Assembly Rooms in Love and Spice.

An elderly couple look back on their life together, reliving key moments through memories of the meals they shared. As they reminisce, their younger selves appear, and enact the memories of times past. The atmosphere is suffused with the aromas of a richly spiced life.

Love and Spice blends different art forms and cultural traditions alongside live Kathak dance, music and cooking... this is truly a multicultural feast for all the senses.

The show is on Friday November 19 7pm at the Assembly Rooms on Queen Street. Tickets cost £8 for adults, £4 for the Under 16s. A family ticket for two adults and two Under 16s costs £20.

For details and reservations email [info@champltd.org](mailto:info@champltd.org) or call 07884933788

The National Rural Touring initiative sponsored by Arts Council England and promoted with Live Lincs (North Lincolnshire Council) and Blaize arts.



Toyah Wilcox



Jaki Graham

## 88 AND OUT Scunthorpe Plate Mill

A 300 page hardback book documenting the history of Appleby-Frodingham steelworks' Plate Mill is being launched at the beginning of December.

Written by Ian Lee the book is a tribute to all those who worked in its 88 year history from the beginning in 1927 until December 2015 when it closed.

The idea to document the history of the Plate Mill came about after it was announced it was closing and going to be mothballed in October 2015.

"So I decided to photograph the Plate Mill in production with more than 100,000 images before rolling stopped on December 16 2015," said Ian.

He went on: "The Bloom and Billet Mill had a book done called 'Rolled

Out' by Richard Heeps in 2007 but nobody was photographing The Plate Mill so I took upon it myself"

When in 2018 it was announced the Plate Mill was to be demolished Ian was allowed access to photograph the 18 month demolition from start to end and then, in 2020, was given access to the British Steel Archive to collect images of the Plate Mill from as early as the 1930s.

During its near 90 years of production the Plate Mill customers included BAE Systems for two new aircraft carriers, the Anthony Gormley sculpture the Angel of the North, the spire for the International Bomber Command Centre just



outside Lincoln, ship builders Harland and Wolff and Siemens' wind towers.

Before working in the Plate Mill Ian studied photography at college and he is the only person ever allowed to photograph the full production and demolition of a steel works mill and early images some of which have never been shown before.

This book has been more than five years in production and Ian designed and produced all the photographs as well as designing the book cover and compiling all 300 images showing

the mill's history from the 1930s to the present day.

Ian's pictorial book, that costs £40, is dedicated to his late father P J R "Noddy" Clipson who worked at the Appleby Melting Shop and then later on in the Plate Mill. The book is being released on December 2 and on the following two days the public will have the opportunity to view the book and a small exhibition at the 20-21 visual arts centre in Scunthorpe. A full exhibition is planned for later.

## SOUTH BANK PLAYERS

If you missed the Halloween Ghost Walk, don't worry - there are four more dates this season! Join us on the last Friday of November, January, February or March - if you dare!

There are new characters and new spooky effects this year, so even if you've been before you'll see something new if you come again.

All walks start from Baysgarth House Museum at 7.30pm prompt and all tickets cost £5 per person. The walk lasts approximately 75 minutes and we recommend you wear stout shoes and bring a friend!

Tickets can be bought in advance from our website [www.sbplayers.co.uk](http://www.sbplayers.co.uk) or on the night. We recommend booking in advance as we will be

limiting numbers to 50 people per walk this year.

Unfortunately we have had to cancel our proposed pantomime due to our venue undergoing renovations.

We hope to return to performing there as soon as possible, but at present we are not sure when this will be. In the meantime we plan to work on a Murder Mystery that we can take to various venues.

If you're looking for a fun fundraising event perhaps we could come and perform it for you?

Get in touch if you would like to book us.

We are keen to get our Junior Group going again and our first project will be the Walking Nativity trail in Barton on November 27 (time to be confirmed). We would love to hear from any children who would like to get involved in this.

New members are always welcome - we need people who would like to help out backstage or front of house, as well as actors! Contact us via our website or email [liz@lizdrrury.co.uk](mailto:liz@lizdrrury.co.uk)



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# Windmills of the Mind

Running The Old Mill in Barton, Ian and June Barnett have, for years, contributed to Barton's cultural life by supporting literature and music facilitating bands and individual artists' performances, instating and promoting the annual Barnsfest music festival and the Sunday Open Mic events.

Barnsfest Unplugged came out of a collaboration with Barton Arts, celebrating acoustic music and poetry with a spin-off Barton Muse Poetry Group. Barton Muse membership includes published poets, John Fairclough, Phil Corby, Ann Liles and Monty Martin and presents regular events at the Old Mill, often during Barton Arts Week.



It engages guest poets, including Matt Abbott, Catherine Scott, Matt Nicholson as well as Open Mic artists such as Papa Otto and John Hartshorn and has published three sold out anthologies, and just launched its fourth, appropriately entitled All in the Mind. The Group's Muse News has included monthly contributed poems since the Group's inception.

The Old Mill has also hosted renowned East Yorkshire painter, John Sprakes, who exhibited some of his work and chose five Barton Muse poets to write for his retrospective volume, A Journey into Abstraction. John's collaboration with Barton Muse at the Old Mill resulted in further combined events at Ropery Hall and exhibition venues throughout the country including The Mall Galleries in London.

When North Lincolnshire Council's 20-21 Visual Arts Centre was planning Luke Jeram's major poetry installations around Scunthorpe Barton Muse was proud that two of its poets, Ann Liles and Jerry Prince, had their poems selected.

The recent tributes to Steve Brailsford and his own valedictory poem, Vale of Avalon were featured in High Wolds Festival at North Dalton on October 2, 2021 as were contributions from other Musers who are also planning to contribute to East Riding Festival of Words.

As part of a Barton Arts Week, The Old Mill hosted readings of two complete Ted Lewis novels which led to the establishment of The Ted Lewis Centre celebrating the work, life and times of Barton's Ted Lewis, acclaimed as Father of British Noir

For The Old Mill, telephone 01652 660333, The Ted Lewis Centre 01652 635366, Barton Muse and Mill Writers, frankiesatthirtyfive@gmail.com

# Speedwatch



The Community Speed Watch scheme is now up and running in Barton and is already having a positive impact in the town.

Lead Co-Ordinator for Barton, town Cllr Christine Patterson explained that the Speed Watch volunteers had just finished their training and were now out and about monitoring speeds within the town.

"I would like to thank the volunteers who are giving up their time to make a real difference. We are all finding the scheme very rewarding; We appreciate the positive feedback from residents. Commitment wise we would hope any interested volunteer would have a couple of hours a month spare to help", she said.

And Cllr Paul Vickers added: "Following reports from several concerned residents it was clear that we had to find a way of reducing vehicle speeds in the town. We were really pleased to hear how effective this scheme has been in other areas and I'm delighted the scheme is now up and running and having a positive impact on vehicle speed within Barton".

The Community Speed Watch scheme started in the Humber side policing area in May 2019, with the first team going "live" in August of that year in Bubwith in the East Riding.

"As with all the towns and parishes involved, they had a number of speed surveys conducted to ascertain the severity of their problem. Of all the roads surveyed, one particular road was highlighted as the base line to see what effect the Community Speed Watch scheme had on motorists' behaviour," explained Wayne Goodwin, the CSW scheme coordinator.

"At the start of the process the road had an average offending rate of 13.13% or put simply, 557 travelling over 35mph in any 24-hour period. Fast forward to the speed survey conducted in April 2021 and it has a totally different story to tell. The offending rate is now 4.3% with an average of 161 offenders travelling over 35mph in any 24-hour period".

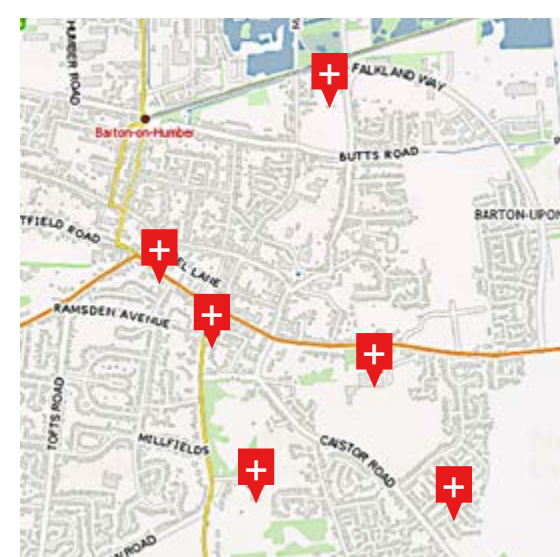
And he went on: "So, what's changed? A team of people who want to make a difference in their community, just like Barton. The figures speak for themselves, Community Speed Watch works. Already the Barton team is sending in their results for monitoring. Not one speeding vehicle out of nearly 200 that passed the team, was recorded over the limit whilst the team was monitoring Pasture Road. What a great result!"



For people who missed the initial training event and who want to get involved, simply let Barton Town Council know and Wayne will be more than happy to run another event and get you on board! If you would like to get involved in the Community Speed Watch Scheme please contact Barton Town Council on 01652 633598 or email info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk.

# Defibrilators save lives

In an emergency would you know where the nearest defibrillator is?



If someone goes into cardiac arrest, a member of the public can call 999 and be given a code to access the device. The defibrillators themselves will talk the user through the resuscitation process and the emergency services will stay on the phone to give you further guidance while you wait for an ambulance.

The Bartonian has been asked to compile a list of all the defibrators in the town. Above/below is a map compiled by North Lincolnshire Council of all known publicly accessible defibrillators in the town that can be accessed in an emergency.

If you have a defibrilator at your place of work or community building is it shown on this map? The most pertinent issue is that Defibs need to be registered with the Emergency Services (principally EMAS) via https://www.thecircuit.uk/ to be included in the National Debibrillator Network. It might save a life.

## The Impossible Score

Early evening sun shone from the West,  
Gin and Tonics were to the fore.  
Barton Cricket Club expected every man to do his best,  
To amass a formidable score.  
The Captain walked purposefully to the crease,  
Number Two followed close behind.  
A century was to be his, with ease,  
But it did somehow dwell on his mind.  
Captain stood to take first knock,  
As the fearsome fast bowler bore down.  
Six a clock showed on the Pavilion clock,  
And Number Two now wore a serious frown.  
A devilish full toss exited bowler's hand,  
The poor batsman stood rooted to the spot.  
Number Two cringed, but his partner did land,  
An almighty cow-swipe - what a shot!  
Across to the poor birds on the boundary,  
The hard red ball flew at great speed.  
One lucky fowl managed to fly away,  
But her partner, fatally, did not succeed.  
The supporters cheered and applauded the score,  
What a boundary, such fortuitous luck.  
They rose as one, and chanted for more,  
What a triumph, a four and a duck!!

James Usher  
23 May 2021

# Barton Town FC



Barton Town Football Club have had an encouraging start to the season in the Northern Counties East League Premier Division, with results starting to turn in the Swans' favour.

Following an early season injury crisis, which saw no less than five first team players all missing, the Swans are on a seven game unbeaten run at the time of writing. This month has seen Barton play four games currently, bringing two wins and two draws, in a month dominated by home games at the Easy Buy Stadium.

First came the visit of AFC Mansfield on a wet and miserable day by the Humber and the Swans cruised to a 2-0 win courtesy of goals from Tom Davie and Tom Waudby. This was followed up by another wet game with a 2002 draw with visitors Barnsley based Athersley Recreation. Swans captain Taron Hare and Tom Davie were on the scoresheet in a 2-2 draw.

Next came a trip to Rotherham to face Maltby Main. The two sides had already met in the FA Cup, with Maltby coming out on top in a 3-2 win. This time however the points were shared, with Tom Waudby picking up another goal for the Swans in a 1-1 draw. The final game before going to press was a home

game against Huddersfield-based Emley AFC. The Swans romped to a 5-1 win, with a Ben Hincliffe brace and goals from Jamie Goddard, Tom Waudby, and Mitchell Levi-Lewis.

Our Reserves and youth sides are also having impressive starts to their seasons. Their fixtures and results can be found on our club website. Your support towards all our sides is incredibly appreciated.

### Home Games

Saturday 13 November - vs Bottesford Town - Kick Off: 3:00pm

Saturday 4 December - vs Hemsworth Miners Welfare - Kick Off: 3:00pm

Saturday 18 December - vs Silsden AFC - Kick Off: 3:00pm

Admission Prices: Adults £6 | Concessions £4 | Under 18's £3 | Under 5's FREE

Please note that the above fixtures are subject to change, be sure to check our club website for the most accurate and up to date fixtures - www.bartontownfc.co.uk.



## Barton Junior Football Club's Vaughan Foster has just been awarded the Lincolnshire Football Association's 2020 Grassroots Volunteer of the Year.

Vaughan has been more than 20 years the Secretary/Treasurer of Barton Junior Football Club ( Barton Juniors ) as well as also running a Sunday League team for 12 years made up of ex members of Barton Juniors.

Speaking after the award was presented Vaughan said: "My initial reaction was of total amazement as no doubt there are many other volunteers who are deserving of a volunteer award.

"My involvement in grassroots football started over 20 years ago when my son came home and said that they had no one to take his team to a football tournament. A year later

the club had no one to take over as Secretary and Treasurer and I said, 'Ok I will do the jobs for a year or until someone else comes forward'. As they say, the rest is history and 20 years later I am still acting as Secretary and Treasurer and thoroughly enjoying the positions."

"Winning the award is not only fantastic for myself but also for the Club I represent and it would not have been achieved without the help of my family and all my colleagues at the Club, past and present.

"I would hope as we move forward that more people come forward as volunteers when they finish coaching teams. Many people seem

to disappear from grassroots football when the team they run generally finish when they reach the Under 16 age. Please think about remaining in the game as a volunteer as we need as many to help as possible."

"It is nice to get an award but that is not what I started for but to help children get the enjoyment of training and playing football."

Vaughan was a well-deserved winner from a very competitive shortlist, which included Danny and Jill Jackson (Crowland Juniors), Mick Vines (Boston Town FC), Khris Jamen (Pointon FC) and Audrey Hargreaves (Lowlands JFC).



At last, awakening from hibernation (otherwise known as lockdown).

# Barton Park Bowls Club

Back to near normal meant the Club had a busy, full season of fixtures, playing over 70 competitive matches in four different leagues. We maintained our presence in all of the leagues, improving in some cases, and ended in the upper half of the new Mixed Trips League.

New members integrated well, both into the Club's various matches, and also the activities, including green maintenance.

On that note, we are in full swing, with all the autumn green renovation, including the necessary scarifying, spiking, fertilising, and reseeding. A dedicated team of mostly septuagenarians helps keep the green in good playing condition, as well as keeping themselves in healthy playing condition, and active during the autumn/winter period.

Last year, around 400 man-hours were spent in total, and this year, already more than 300 man-hours have been spent on this activity. We are extremely fortunate, and grateful, that we have such a pool of willing volunteers.

Those of you strolling through Baysgarth Park, will probably have noticed two new, lovely wooden benches inside the hedge. These were presented to the club by Doreen Dobbs and Brenda Seddon, in loving memory of their husbands Keith and Walt, both valued members of the club for many years.

All too quickly, the end of the season arrived, with Geoff Beecroft's Captain's Day. Trophies played for, fun games, food, cakes, camaraderie, and endless cups of tea, all taken in glorious sunshine.

A near normal end to a near normal season.

Watch for the next edition of the Bartonian for details of our upcoming events and how to join the Club.


  
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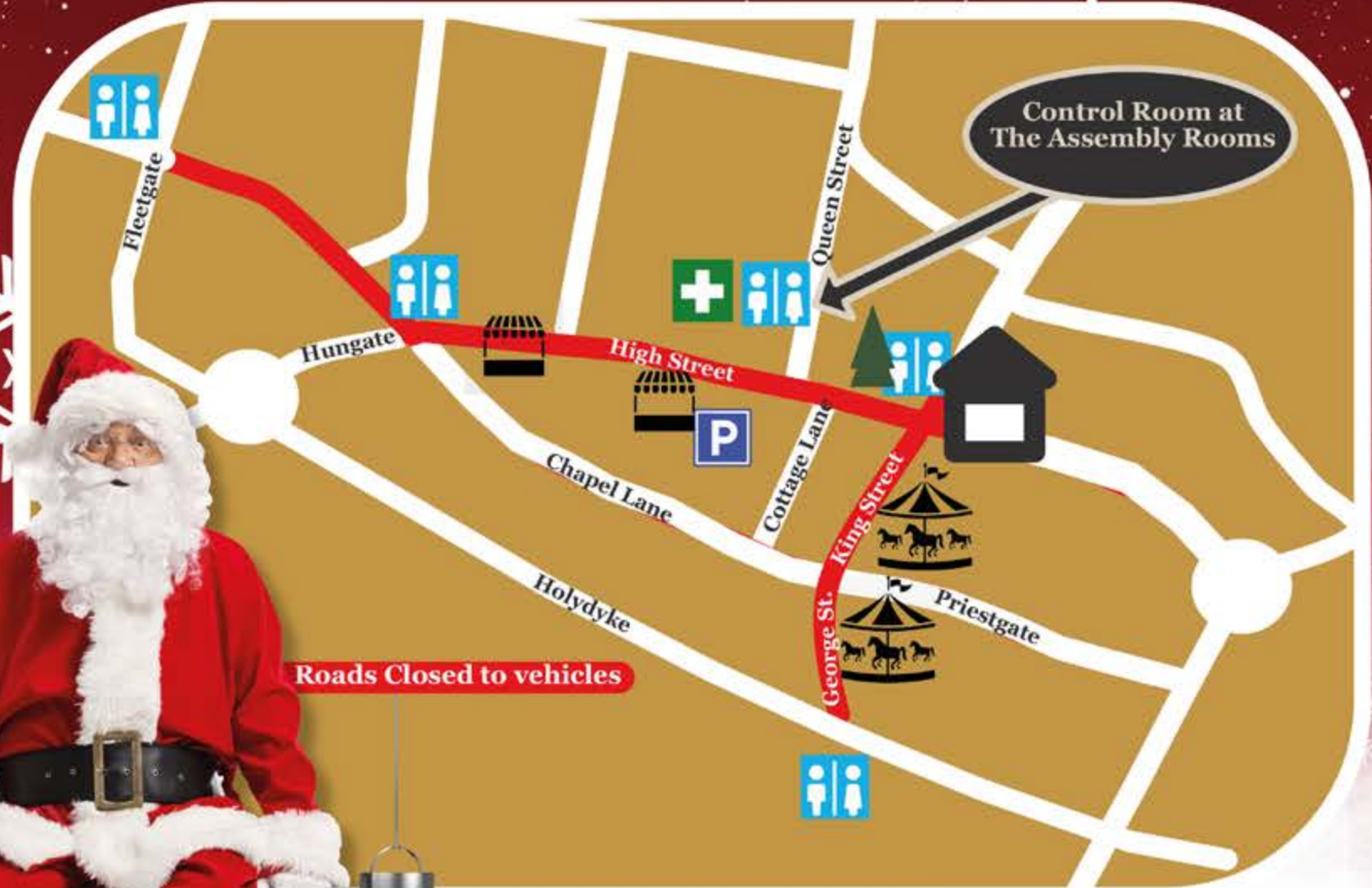


# BARTON TOWN CENTRE 2021 Barton Christmas Festival

Saturday 27th November 1-7pm

Start  
**Lantern Parade**  
5pm  
from the Ropewalk

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



**Santa's Grotto**  
12pm - 2pm  
at Cobblers,  
Barton Rotary Club  
**Santa & his Sleigh**  
2pm - 4pm  
George St.



**LATE NIGHT SHOPPING**

- Age UK North Lincolnshire
- Bargain Booze
- Barton Fish & Chips, Pizzas, Burgers, Kebabs
- Best Wishes Barton
- British Red Cross Clothing Shop
- Cafe 20
- Chao Baan
- Co-operative Food
- Cobblers (Santa's Grotto 12-2pm)
- Elite Stoves
- Golden Bridge
- Hasina
- Jade River
- Gigi Boutique
- Heartsease Herbal Apothecary
- Lindsey Relay
- Mccoll's
- Papas Pizza
- Pizza Jim
- Pizza King
- R.D. Newton Butchers
- Rosie & Tilly
- S&S Boutique
- Sunflower
- Taz's Fish Bar
- The Flower Garden
- The Gallery
- The Raj
- The Surma
- Water Margin

**STAGE ENTERTAINMENT**

- 1pm - 2pm  
**Duckegg Theatre Company**
- 2pm - 4pm  
**Silver Circle Band**
- 4pm - 5pm  
**Rushby Dance and Fitness**
- Salvation Army Carol Service with  
Castledyke School Choir 5.15**
- Lights Switch on 6.15**

**STREET ENTERTAINMENT**

including **Christmas Stiltwalkers** by Party Workshops, **Victorian Festive Music** by the Grinnigogs, **Snow Queen** by Oyster Opera, **Santa Air Force** by Apus Productions, **Beverley Garland Dancers** plus **Craft & Charity Stalls**



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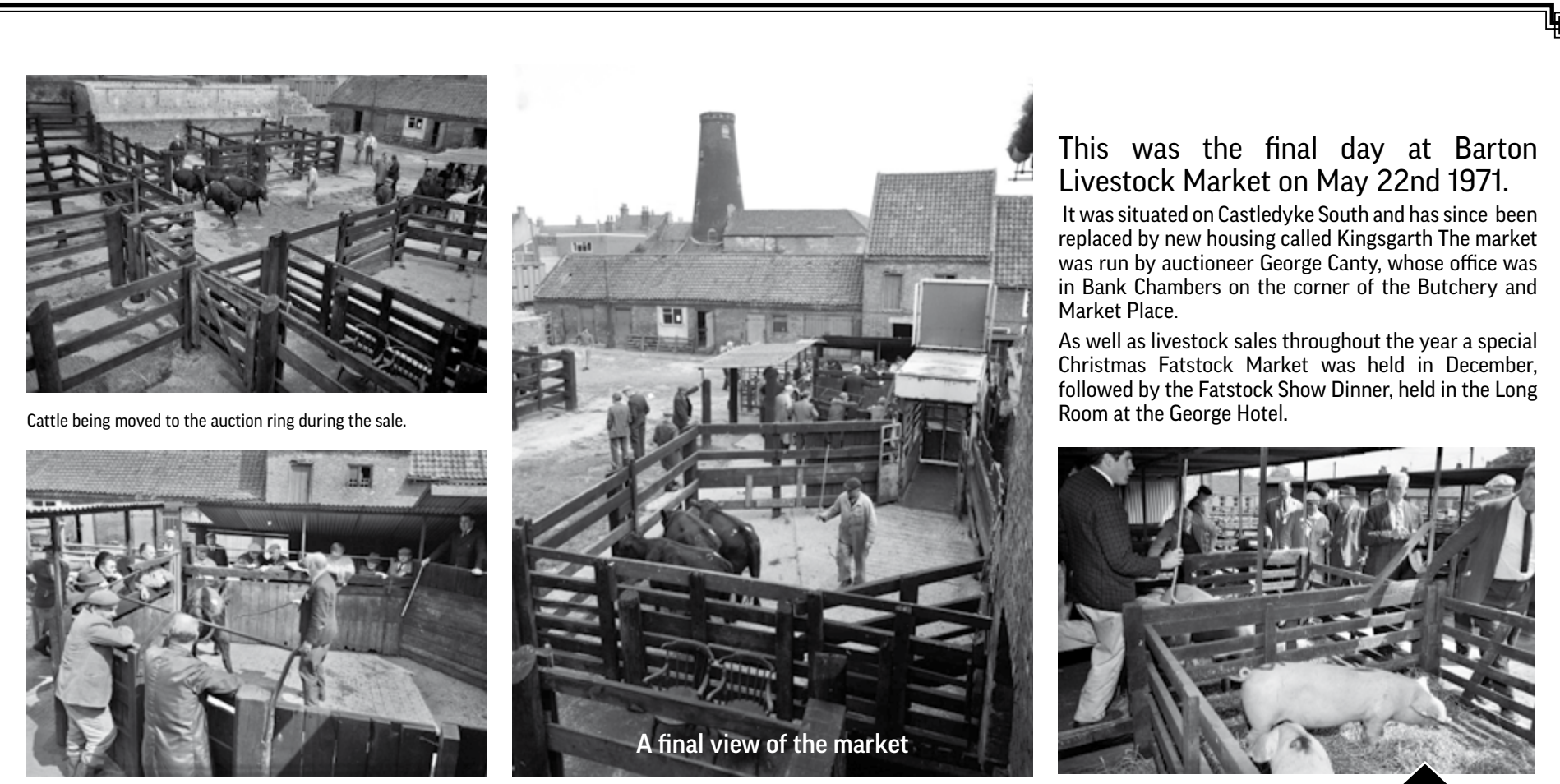
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Cattle being moved to the auction ring during the sale.

A final view of the market

Pigs being auctioned on the last day at Barton Cattle Market

This was the final day at Barton Livestock Market on May 22nd 1971. It was situated on Castledyke South and has since been replaced by new housing called Kingsgarth. The market was run by auctioneer George Canty, whose office was in Bank Chambers on the corner of the Butchery and Market Place.

As well as livestock sales throughout the year a special Christmas Fatstock Market was held in December, followed by the Fatstock Show Dinner, held in the Long Room at the George Hotel.

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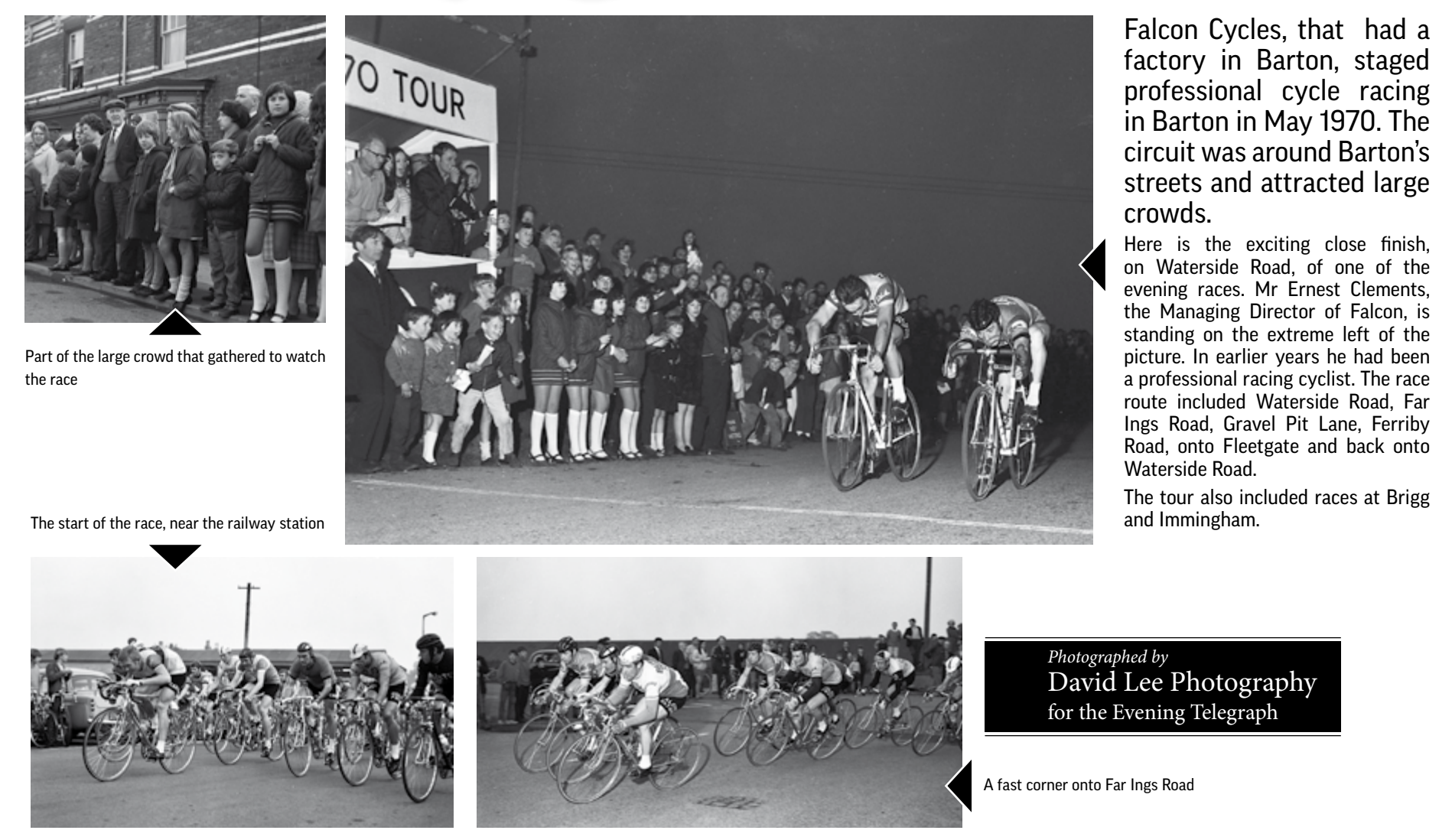
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Part of the large crowd that gathered to watch the race

The start of the race, near the railway station

Falcon Cycles, that had a factory in Barton, staged professional cycle racing in Barton in May 1970. The circuit was around Barton's streets and attracted large crowds.

Here is the exciting close finish, on Waterside Road, of one of the evening races. Mr Ernest Clements, the Managing Director of Falcon, is standing on the extreme left of the picture. In earlier years he had been a professional racing cyclist. The race route included Waterside Road, Far Ings Road, Gravel Pit Lane, Ferryby Road, onto Fleetgate and back onto Waterside Road.

The tour also included races at Brigg and Immingham.

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A fast corner onto Far Ings Road



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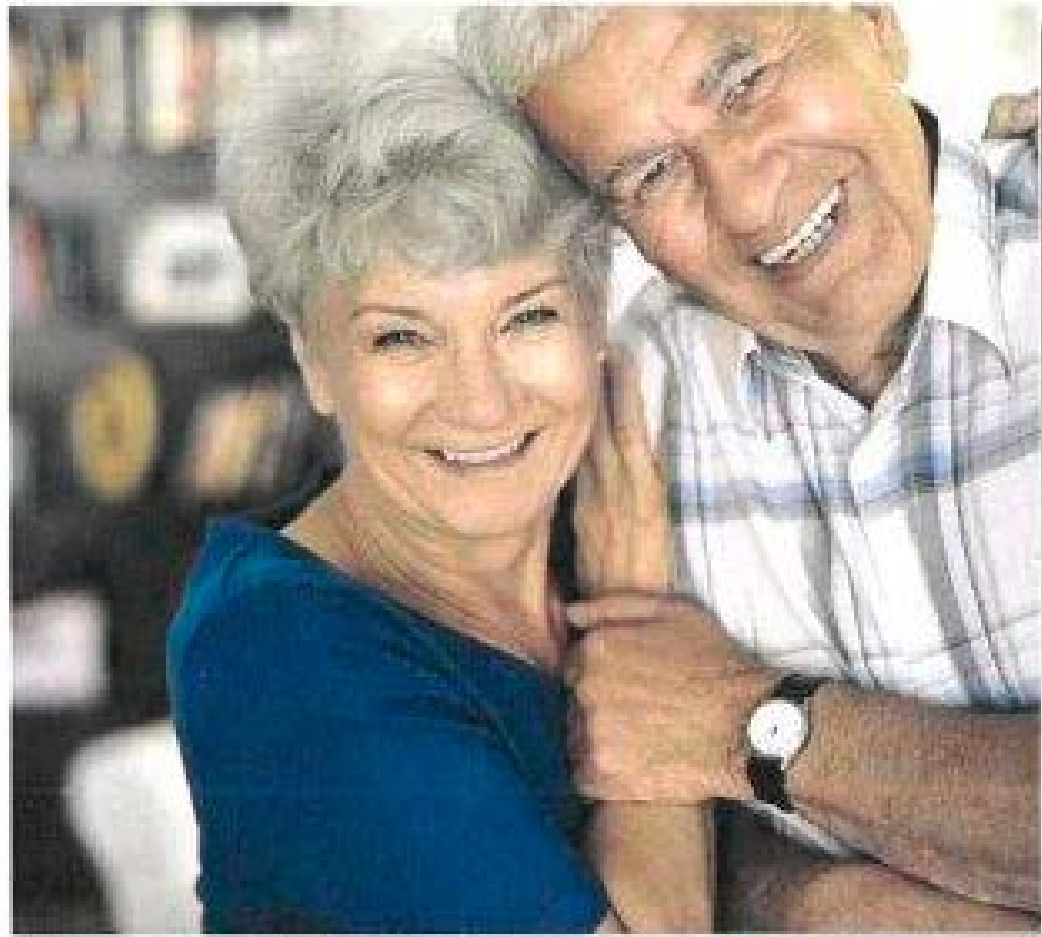
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# Great Big Green Week

Wow now that was a Great Big Green Week here in our very own Barton!!

A massive thanks goes to all of you that got involved, attended events and really got into the spirit of things. What an amazing week which saw so many members of our community come together to begin what we hope will be a great journey for us all in tackling climate change.

We did clothing repairs, had much needed discussions and practical workshops surrounding sustainable food and drink, sharing our individual and common ideas and plans for us to see real local change, had two emotive environmental

film screenings. There was also a little bit of litter picking, wild walks, wild talks, meditating around our sustainable living goals, foraging for fruit and making wine and syrup, environmental sign making, started conversations about diet change for climate, and got ourselves in the mood for eco vision boards. We made macrame herb hangers, Boomerang Bags and recycled fabric wreaths, and had so many encouraging chats about reaching the status of a Plastic Free Barton and how we all represent the change we need to see and that we want to work as a community to do this.

We started the conversation and we loved how well it was received. We hope to continue with this becoming an annual event! We will be holding stalls at as many local events as we can throughout the year and would love for you to join us on our endeavours. It takes one small action for momentum to build and every little thing really does help.



We urge you to think of the next step in your journey. What could you do differently? How can you make a difference?

If you would like to get involved visit [www.bartongreatbiggreenweek.co.uk](http://www.bartongreatbiggreenweek.co.uk)

Amie Alissa Watson



## Waters' Edge Country Park Christmas

### Children's Pottery Mini Santa

Sunday December 12, 10.30am - 12noon  
Join Karen Raithby the pottery lady behind Pentangle Pottery on a children's workshop to make a design using clay. Create your own legendary Santa Claus!

£14 per child. Booking Essential  
To book a space ring the Centre on 01652 631500.

Payment is required when booking.

### Children's Pottery Angels

Sunday December 12, 1.30pm - 3pm  
Join Karen Raithby the pottery lady behind Pentangle Pottery on a children's workshop to make a design using clay. Create your own Angelic Angel!

£14 per child. Booking Essential  
To book a space ring the Centre on 01652 631500.

Payment is required when booking.

### Adult Pottery Santa Gnomes

Sunday November 28, 10am or 1.30pm  
Join Karen Raithby the pottery lady behind Pentangle Pottery on an adult workshop to make a design using clay. Create your own Santa Gnomes! You can even hang these outside in your garden!

£38 per person. Booking Essential.  
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### Christmas Pop up shop

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### Santa's Workshop Experience

New for this year!!  
Elf Workshop Experience on Sunday November 28  
£5 per child.

Water's Edge is hosting a workshop this year that is packed full of festive fun to get children in the spirit for Christmas.

**Included in the day:**  
You get to write a personal letter to Santa and post it with first class elf mail.

Decorate a reindeer hanging decoration ready to pop on the Christmas tree.

You get a photo opportunity on Santa's Sleigh.

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# National success for Barton plot holders

July saw the delivery of the memorial bench following the deaths of previous plot holders David Dukes and John Drayton earlier in the year.



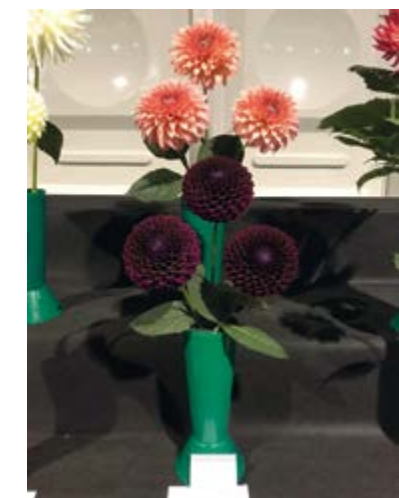
Plot holder John Johnston suggested, the idea and the committee commissioned another plot holder, Dennis Thornton, to make the bench and carve the central motif and society name. The cost was funded partly St Matthew's Lodge of the Freemasons and the Society's own funds. The bench is in a lovely spot to sit and reflect on past friends from the plots, and I am sure all will agree it is a magnificent piece of work.

Unfortunately, Dennis has asked me to point out that this was a one-off - he will not be taking orders for more! This is the time of year when we can also reflect on what we have grown, what went well and what didn't and what to do differently next year. It has been an odd year again as the country has gradually emerged from Covid restrictions. Unfortunately, we have not been able to hold our annual show this year but this has

not stopped some plot holders taking part in other shows.

Several plot holders entered the Barnetby show, with Peter Lax, Hazel Hare, Keith Mason and Cyril and Wendy Pallister all doing well. Peter, Cyril and Wendy also entered the National Dahlia Society competition at the Harrogate Show - one of the premier flower shows in the north of England. Cyril and Wendy Pallister won 3rd place in their Dahlia class, and Peter Lax achieved two seconds and two thirds. Wendy and Cyril also entered South Cave Show achieving the accolades of Best in Show and Best Vase in Show, as well as five firsts. Meanwhile, Keith Mason won no less than 11 prizes including some firsts at the National Vegetable Society show in Beverley. Massive congratulations to them all - great ambassadors for Barton and our plots. Let's hope we see more of their efforts in the revived Barton Horticultural Show next year.

Looking ahead to next year we are getting ready to launch a new website, starting to plan for the show and are looking to revive and expand our work with local schools. So, while the plots may be largely



dormant for the next few months apart from harvesting winter veg there is lots of planning and winter work to get on with.

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Growing up in Saxby all Saints and going to school in South Ferriby and Barton Jackie worked at Corah's in Scunthorpe and other clothing factories from machinist to supervisor. At 28 years old she owned a factory that made clothes for DP, Evans and other High Street brands employing 23 staff.

But Jackie always had a love of cards and decided to grow a card franchise – supplying independent shops with the best greeting cards. The move to have her own shop was a natural progression and 17 years ago when she found the China Shop was available it felt like it was meant to be!

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Jackie, who has lived in Barton for the last 25 years with her husband and two boys, commented: "It has been very encouraging since re-opening on April 12 2021 and very emotional with my customers' comments such as 'We have missed you so much', 'Fed up with buying cards online', 'prefer to shop local', 'Enjoy the smell of the shop', 'a card or gift is more to me than a click of a button online'."

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It was when her parents retired in 2005 that Mairi moved on and took over the Barton office running it as a private independent business that apart from the Post Office services also supplies stationery and packaging and a range of greeting cards.

"I had a Saturday job when I left school in a busy shop and Post Office in Scunthorpe and the Postmaster got me working the Post Office counter during college holidays, and this is where my love of the job came from," Mairi recalled. "The best part of the job is the lovely customers we get, being able to help and hopefully brighten their day with a smile and a friendly chat."

And she went on: "Our days can be very varied with all the different transactions we do, and of course we are starting the busy run up to



Christmas. We are usually absolutely worn out by the time we get to Christmas Eve, but with the help of a fabulous team of girls we get the job done, and still manage to be happy and cheerful and have happy customers too!

"It's really nice for them have the time off at Christmas to spend with family and a nice log fire and all the nice chocolate treats and mince pies!" she added.

In 2004 Mairi, who is married with two grown up sons, received an award for 'Services to the

Community' for having set up another 'satellite' post office in another village nearby as it was being closed. She was presented with that award by the then Prime Minister Tony Blair at Downing Street.

A further accolade was received in 2017 of a Post Office top performers award in the Post Office Sales Award in London.

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**Obituaries**

**Valerie Jeffrey née Garfoot  
(1942-2021)**

Our sister Val was born on March 5 1942 to parents Winston and Frances Garfoot in Ramsden Avenue in Barton, the second of 10 children. She was proud to be a Bartonian.

She attended Barton County school and later Providence House and loved to play with sisters Ros and Diana Nixon at Kingsfirth where her Granny was housekeeper.

Val was fortunate to spend her youth in the fifties and sixties enjoying all that fabulous music those decades brought. She often played on Granny Turgoose's wind up gramophone at 35 Ramsden Avenue just across the street from her home.

She spent many great nights with her friends from Barton Wheelers and of course Jean Speck and Jane Read.

She cycled many miles with Colin Martinson on their tandem with the rest of the gang including Frank and Jan Martinson.

Val worked as a dental receptionist in Scunthorpe where she met her husband, John Jeffrey, before moving to work at Goxhill Tileries as a wages clerk and later to Falcon Cycles where she made many friends.

Val was also well-known as the manager of "Natalies Fish and Chips" on High Street.

Being one of 10 children Val loved having so many brothers and sisters and despite having lost her own daughter Jane she enjoyed being



a great Auntie and great-great Auntie to so many children that she loved dearly.

She would never forget birthdays and at Christmas time she would have a pile of notes on her table ready to pop into their cards.

If asked if she had any children she would reply, just like Mr Chips "Oh, I have lots and lots of them."

Val was a great friend to many others including Marlene, Pat, Richard and cousins Pearl, Rhonwyn and Ann.

We will all miss her happy smiling face and great sense of humour.

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Due to restrictions, we will not be doing door to door collections but his helpers will carry collecting boxes. Details of a Just Giving page will be published nearer the time. The planned routes include:

**Monday December 13**  
Ramsden Avenue, Grange Avenue, Bowmandale, Tofts Road and Providence Crescent.

**Tuesday December 14**  
Appleyard Drive, Summerdale, Harvest Rise and Fox's Fold.

**Thursday December 16**  
Forkdale and the Chartdale estate off Ferriby Road

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Just phone Ted Treasure on 01469 531117 with your name and address and telephone number by Sunday 12th December, so that a club member can contact you to make the delivery arrangements.

We are sorry that some of our other usual Christmas events cannot take place this year. Our members hope that you all keep well and have an enjoyable Christmas, and hope all will be back to normal in 2022.

## Santa's travels

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN BARTON

### St Mary's Church

**Sunday December 12**  
4pm The Darkness between the Stars  
A short, reflective service for anyone who finds compulsory Christmas jollity unhelpful.

**Sunday December 19**  
4pm Christingle Carol Service

**Christmas Eve Friday December 24**  
6.30pm Carol Service  
11.30pm The Midnight Mass of the Nativity

**Christmas Day Saturday December 25**  
8am Eucharist of Christmas Dawn (The Shepherds' Mass)  
9.30am Eucharist of Christmas Morning.

**Special Services at Barton Trinity Methodist Church**

**Sunday November 28**  
4pm The Big Sing with proceeds to Christian Aid

**Sunday December 19**  
10am Festival of Carols

**Christmas Eve Friday December 24**  
6pm Children's Nativity and Christingle Service  
11.30pm Communion service

**Christmas Day Saturday December 25**  
10.30am Christmas Day Service  
All these services have been planned with regard to current Covid guidelines and may be subject to change if Government / Church advice is updated.

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**Christmas Eve Friday December 24**  
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**Christmas Day Saturday December 25**  
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## Barton Upon Humber Chess Club

The Club held its Annual General Meeting in September and this included the postponed Annual General Meeting of 2020 where it was agreed that over the board chess would resume at the club for players who wished to play on the first Monday in October 2021.

There is no league chess being played by the club at present, and even without the pandemic it would be difficult for Barton to take part in league chess because of a lack of active players.

Club members agreed that it is important to maintain the club and it is hoped that membership will increase over time. On line chess has increased considerably over the period of the pandemic and it would be nice if this interest is reflected in the future with over the board chess.

The club meets at the Corn Exchange Club Barton on Monday evenings. Regrettably it cannot cater for junior members at the present time. Players of all abilities are welcome and our membership Secretary Mick Robinson can be contacted on 01652 635945

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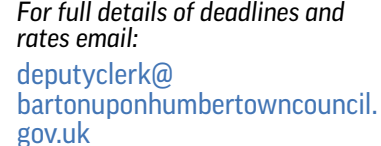
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