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# Back to School!

As September brings the start of a new school year The Wilderspin & National School Museum in Barton is launching its Heritage Open Days 2023 programme with an exhibition of schooldays memorabilia.



Museum volunteers have been busy scouring its archive to create a display of photographs, school reports and much more to shine a light on what it was like to be at school in the past.



The exhibition uses material donated to the Queen Street School Preservation Trust which is the charity that runs the Museum. The Trust was set up in 1993 to save and restore the former Church School building on Queen Street which it opened as a school museum in 2009 to celebrate its unique link with the early 1800s educational pioneer Samuel Wilderspin. Since its launch, former pupils and staff have given mementos of their time at the School, and many other well-wishers have generously given items relating to school life elsewhere.

The exhibition draws especially on material relating to two Church Schools which served distinctly different parts of the town. The Museum is housed in the former National & Infant School which opened in 1844 and closed in 1978. St. Chad's School, now demolished, was the Church School that served families in the Waterside area. It opened in 1904 and closed in 1961.

"This is the first time we've been able to display at one time a range of material gathered over the last 30 years. It's the result of painstaking work by our dedicated volunteers in our Collections Group who meet every week to catalogue new items and care for our collection", said Jean Cannon, Chair of the Trust. "The group also gets the opportunity



every so often to show off their creative skills designing displays and exhibitions", she continued. "This year's Lincolnshire Heritage Open Days theme celebrating the creative talents of people throughout the county seemed too good an opportunity not to miss."

The exhibition opens formally as part of the Museum's creative arts festival on Saturday 9 September, which is part of its Heritage Open Days programme, and runs through to the end of the year. Admission is free on September 9 as part of the Creativity Unwrapped festival between 10am and 4pm which also includes arts and crafts stalls, demonstrations, exhibitions and displays by the Museum's resident art group and Barton Civic Society, along with hands-on activities for children.

The Museum has a wide range of other volunteer opportunities helping visitors and behind the scenes and was awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in 2018.

*Prospective volunteers are encouraged to drop in to find out more, telephone (01652) 635172 or email wilderspinschoolmuseum@gmail.com.*

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## Town Council Meetings

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

## Barton upon Humber Town Council forthcoming meeting dates

September 2023		
Planning	Wednesday 6th September	6pm
Full Council	Wednesday 6th September	7pm
Planning	Monday 25th September	6pm
October 2023		
Full Council	Wednesday 4th October	7pm
Environment	Monday 9th October	6pm
Community	Monday 9th October	7pm
Planning	Monday 16th October	6pm
November 2023		
Planning	Wednesday 1st November	6pm
Full Council	Wednesday 1st November	7pm
F&GP	Monday 6th November	6pm
Planning	Monday 20th November	6pm

## Barton upon Humber Town Council Office opening hours

Barton upon Humber Town Council office endeavours to open Monday to Friday 09:00 - 15:00 however if the office is closed, the Council staff can be contacted via telephone or by email. Telephone. 01652 633598 or 07983154787/ Email. info@bartonuponhumbertowncouncil.gov.uk

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

# Grants for Barton upon Humber Town Council

Barton Town Council has been successful in its two applications for grants to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.

A grant of £2800 has been secured to fund the Up The Pole Planters. This will be 20 planter units fixed to the 20 heritage lamp posts in the town centre. Consideration is being given to plant with sustainability and reduce the costs for maintenance and watering whilst maintaining a vibrant look and welcoming feel to the town. This project can now move forward as the funding will pay for the installation and planting of the planters.

A further £5000 has been granted to the Town Council to match fund with £5000 to conduct a Feasibility Study on the Assembly Rooms. This study will form the seed for future improvements and renovations and the outcome will be a number of options for the future of the Assembly Rooms.

Thanks go to North Lincolnshire Council that is running the UK SPF programme for the opportunity to bring some much-needed improvements to the town.

## Barton Hanging Basket Competition

Representatives from Barton Town Council, Barton Lions Club and Barton Civic Society have judged hanging baskets and planters on private properties and business premises around Barton over the last few weeks to find the best displays.

The results are currently being collated, and it is hoped to have photos of the winning baskets and planters in the November edition of the Bartonian.

This competition would not be possible without the valued support of the Bartonian volunteer delivery team. Many thanks to them for recommending hanging baskets seen while delivering the July edition of the Bartonian.



The sun managed to shine through the rain clouds up to the event and the weather was beautiful for the afternoon and hundreds turned out to make the most of the free event.

The event would not be possible without the support of both councillors and officers at the Town Council, who work hard making sure the event happens.

Thank you to all the community groups that came out to put entertainment on and to all of the public who came out and helped to make the event a success. It was great to see so many of you having fun and taking part in the activities.

# Picnic in the Park

Barton Town Council's Picnic in the Park was held on Sunday August 6 in Baysgarth Park.

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## Disclaimer

All information was correct at the time of going to print 31 August 2023

The Deadline for the November issue of the Bartonian is 5pm Thursday 26th October 2023

## Dog owners

Irresponsible dog owners are being targeted in the latest offensive across North Lincolnshire designed to protect and enhance communities.

Previously people caught not picking up after their dogs were liable to be fined but since May 27 people out and about walking their dogs without bags to collect the waste are being targeted as well and will be fined £100.

Anyone who sees dog mess on the street or who has any information about people who don't clean up after themselves should inform North Lincolnshire Council.

Visit [northlincs.gov.uk](http://northlincs.gov.uk) to report dog fouling near you

At the Bartonian, we are keen to support community initiatives.

# Do you fancy a day out on Tilly?

When HFR Solutions approached Neil King to talk about an opportunity for Barton community organisations, he was eager to learn more.



Nick Granger, HFR Solutions Managing Director, told us: "HFR Solutions is a not-for-profit Community Interest Company founded in 2012 that specialises in emergency response and workplace safety.

We work closely with organisations, businesses and communities". "The organisation was born out of Humber Fire and Rescue, and our team comprises individuals from backgrounds including Fire Service, Police and Ambulance. We invest every penny of our profits in community projects and initiatives," he added.

HFR Solutions get involved in a wide range of community initiatives, including installing defibrillators and training volunteers to use them (they donated the one at the Viking Centre on Caistor Road), a community-based Heart Start Program providing community groups with free first aid and basic life support training sessions, providing fire extinguishers to village halls and their staff supplied and funded a community garden.

Their latest community project is on a somewhat grander scale, however. HFR Solutions invested in a new 12ft x 60ft Wide Beam Canal Boat Cruiser called "Tilly" (named after a beagle dog that loves to accompany passengers when allowed).



This project aims to support and provide charitable and non-profit making community groups with the experience of sailing and a trip away from everyday life. It offers a fantastic opportunity to experience the delights and hidden gems of the local region's inland waterways.

**ON-BOARD AMENITIES**  
Nick told me: "Tilly will accommodate up to 12 passengers (excluding crew members) to travel in style and offers amenities such as comfortable seating, kitchen facilities, lift and wheelchair access and washroom facilities" and added "Tilly provides an enjoyable and rewarding

experience, creates some wonderful memories and opportunities to chat with others in a safe and relaxed environment. Fully trained crew members facilitate all voyages."

The best bit is that HFR Solutions offer these trips to community groups and non-profit organisations completely free of charge.

Nick told Neil: "All we ask is that groups provide their own transport to get to Tilly, which is moored at Thorne near Doncaster, and visitors must have the appropriate carers or supervisors to take care of any vulnerable passengers. We will provide a light lunch

and refreshments as part of our contribution."

I had to ask: "What's the catch?"

Nick told me: "There is no catch. Most groups book a trip of between three and five hours, and HFR Solutions will provide almost everything they need for an enjoyable day out". He added: "Our aims are to reduce social isolation, encourage engagement between generations, ensure access to all, provide respite for families in need, offer educational experiences, help with confidence-building and bring communities together. Tilly is the perfect way for us to meet those aims."

The project is always looking for volunteers in a variety of roles both on and off Tilly, and if you are interested the contact details are below.

To find out more you can visit the organisation's website [www.hfrsolutions.co.uk/tilly](http://www.hfrsolutions.co.uk/tilly)

Or if you prefer to contact one of the team, you can email Joanne Wooden [Joanne.wooden@hfrsolutions.co.uk](mailto:Joanne.wooden@hfrsolutions.co.uk)

It turned out there was a slight catch! - Nick asked me to mention that HFR Solutions also offer corporate trips (all the profits go to support the community activity on Tilly, so it would be churlish not to). Various packages are available.

Tilly can be hired for team meetings or a sunset cruise, as employee rewards, for team building or as an alternative venue for courses. Companies can also sponsor a community group trip.





# Barton's tile yards – an amazing story of survival



If you have ever wandered down the Humber Bank, near the ponds, you will have encountered groups of old buildings that seem to be long abandoned.

These are Barton's tileworks, and Neil King, has been exploring their history.

Manufacturing bricks and tiles along the banks of the Humber has been an important industry in Barton for many years. There were four separate makers of bricks and tiles here in 1824, with another appearing in 1842. By 1851, seventy-eight men and boys worked in the industry, and after 1850 when the Brick Tax was abolished, the industry grew bigger still. The year 1892 saw something

approaching a score of brick and tile manufacturers in full swing along the Humber's south bank. Today, the only survivor of Barton's once-thriving brick and tile industry is Blyth's tile yard at Hoe Hill.

The area lends itself to the industry because of the perfect quality of the clay that can be found. The top layer of the clay beds is perfect for tile making, and the lower levels are more suitable for manufacturing bricks. Traditionally, the clay for tilemaking was dug in winter (while wet), with the tiles being made in spring and summer. The coal, which was needed for the firing in the kilns, was brought in by sloop – 90 tons at a time – and the finished brick and tile products were taken away by the same method of transport.

With the introduction of mass production and concrete tiles in the 1950s, the industry's gradual decline became inevitable. The number of working tile yards fell by 64% between 1896 and 1936. Gradually, all the manufacturers along the Humber embankment ceased trading except for the business founded by William Blyth.

What is amazing is not only that William Blyth's tile yard at Hoe Hill is still alive and well but, quite incredibly, it still produces the same high-quality handmade products created by the firm's founder in 1840. The Hoe Hill tile works really is a story of unbelievable survival through times of fierce competition. It is an industry that has persevered with 19th-century technology and in manufacturing a traditional handmade product.

Nothing has changed at Hoe Hill since the creation of the business. The clay is formulated to the correct consistency and water content. Then, using the old machinery, the clay is 'extruded' and formed into the required tile shape before being placed on drying racks. When the tiles are dry, they are fired in one of the two downdraught kilns which are coal-fired. Firing lasts for about a week, with the temperature gradually being raised to a maximum of 1020 degrees Celsius before gradually cooling off towards the end of the operation. There are two kilns on site. One is in use, the other is emptied and refilled alternately. They make single lap tiles, plain tiles, ridges, fittings or pantiles (that are made in four different colours). Other types of tile, including floor tiles, can be made to order. Astonishingly the yard produces one and a quarter million tiles per year, with exports reaching as far as Japan and Australia.

Moves to preserve the character of historic buildings in recent years mean that the market for authentic, period-correct building materials will benefit the tile yards for many years to come. Still, the industry isn't relying solely on its traditional approach and is constantly innovating.

The company had been in the same Blyth family ownership for over 150 years.

In 2004 the business attracted the interest of entrepreneur Gordon Harrison.



Far Ings had been left to get neglected, but the Hoe Hill site was still in production. Gordon Harrison bought the business and began to plan a new future for the Ings site.

The Old Tile Works boasts a stylish restaurant with a menu catering to diners looking for anything from a tasty light bite to a mouth-watering hot meal. As well as the restaurant, there is a large terrace where you can enjoy your meal and admire the scenery. Dogs are welcome.

The site was transformed under the new business name of 'The Old Tile Works'.

The site continues manufacturing clay-based products with frost-free plant pots of every shape and size. If you need a specific size, they offer a custom service.

## A NEW START

The site was restored and has proved popular with visitors.

The Old Tile Works has been transformed into a visitor attraction and Artisan Village. The site was transformed under the new business name of 'The Old Tile Works'.

A busy Garden Centre also sells plants, garden furniture and homewares.

## THE ARTISAN VILLAGE

The old Tile Works is also the home of several craftspeople and producers.

### Salt & Sugar Artisan Chocolate

Salt & Sugar Art Chocolate makes lovingly handcrafted chocolates, fudges and shortbreads using only the finest natural ingredients.

### Five Fathoms

Five Fathoms spirits make award-winning small-batch spirits from their distillery.

### The Clothes Horse Boutique

The Clothes Horse Boutique is a husband and wife, family-run business. The Clothes Horse Boutique prides itself on selling the best affordable quality fashions

### Shadowbridge Brewery

Produces a wide range of handcrafted draught and bottled craft ales. Shadowbridge has its own micropub and beer garden on the site.

### Abigail Buckingham

Abigail designs and produces exquisite handmade jewellery in sterling silver, gold and platinum. She also undertakes commissions, from the initial concepts and designs all the way through to the making and finishing of the piece.

### Penny Black Home

Decorative antiques & vintage finds for unique & interesting interiors.

### The Food Hall

A new feature of the Old Tile Works is the Food Hall.

Fresh bread and pastries are baked every morning, and the shop sells a range of local produce.

Also available are cheeses, crackers, pasta sauce, and a wide range of wines. As well as the foodie goodies, you can also shop for chopping boards, food covers, spoon rests, and a wide range of gift ideas.

### Shepherd's Hut

And lastly, the Old Tile Yard has recently seen the opening of the Shepherd's Hut – which, not surprisingly, is a former Shepherd's Hut that has been repurposed into a takeaway snack facility serving hot drinks, cold drinks, sweet and savoury snacks and ice creams.

**Garden Centre Opening Hours:** Monday to Saturday 9am to 5pm. Sunday 10am to 4pm

**Restaurant Opening Hours:** Monday to Sunday 9am to 5pm. Last food orders 4.30pm

**Food Hall Opening Hours:** Monday to Sunday 10am to 4pm

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# Barton's Button-hole Brigade

You must have heard of the Fire Brigade, perhaps even the Boy's Brigade and surely Tennyson's Light Brigade comes to mind (I used to think it was led by Arthur Lee-Gonward); but very few have heard of the Button-hole Brigade.

It did exist, but for how long is unsure. There may have been similar methods used in other localities to encourage locals to attend religious buildings.

However, in Barton, the idea of the "Buttonhole Brigade" was to "induce" passers-by into attending the service in the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel. One of the definitions of the term "To buttonhole" is "to accost and detain (a person) in conversation."

There were three different districts "canvassed" by a pair of enthusiastic volunteers from October 28 1900 to January 13 1901.

Their duties commenced at 5.40pm in the afternoon when three pairs of local men would set out on their allocated routes to induce strangers to attend a service in the Chapel. There, the strangers would be given a comfortable seat and a hymn book and invited to stay for the prayer meeting.

The districts that were allocated were the whole of High Street, Chapel Lane and King Street, George Street and Market Lane.

The volunteers were all from local businesses and professions:

**Alfred Gibson** was a 62 year old private schoolmaster from Westfield Road. He and his wife **Annie Waddingham** had eight children, three of whom became assistant teachers at his private school.

**Arthur T. Jubb** (20) was an assistant school teacher living in George Street. **John B. Jubb** (17) was a pupil teacher and Arthur's brother. **Henry M Jubb** (26) was the elder brother of Arthur and John B. He assisted his father **Martin Jubb** in his drapery business on George Street.

**Frank Boynton** (19) hailed from Habrough and was an apprentice to **Richard Fox-Smith**, the chemist on High Street.

**John Lyon** (29) was an ironmonger and cycle dealer, who lived at Wesley Place on Holydyke. He eventually moved his successful business to 27 Fleetgate.

**William M. Kirkby** (38) was a fruit grower and florist residing down East Acridge.

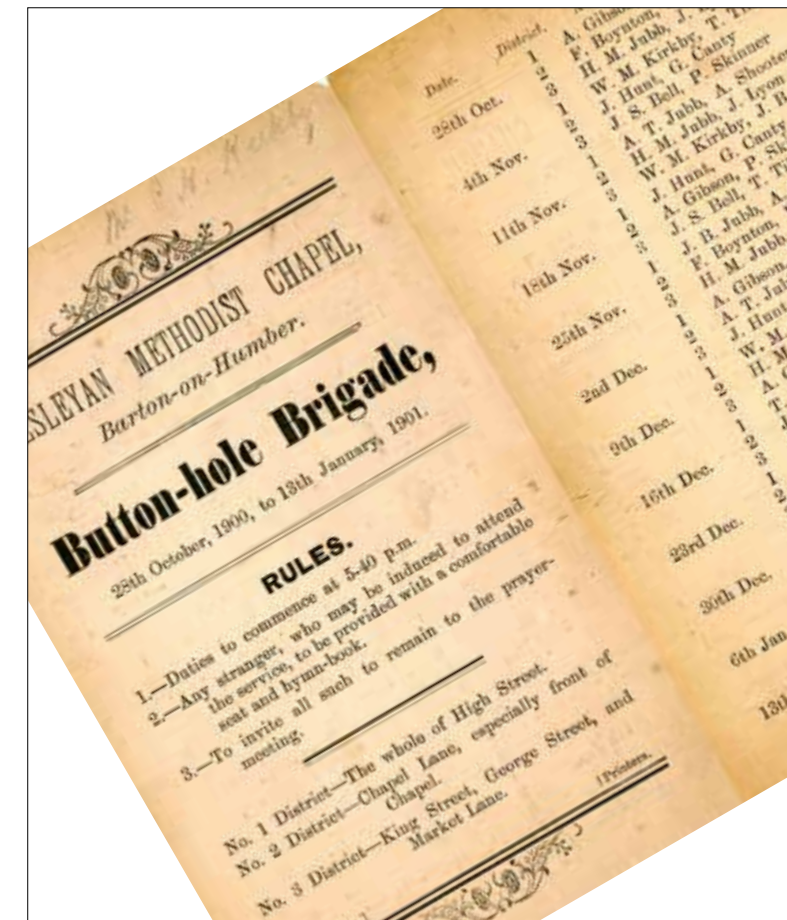
**Thomas Till** (23) was an assistant to **Charles Kirkby**, grocer and corn merchant in Market Street.

**Joseph Hunt** (49) was a tailor from Queen Street.

**Joseph S Bell** (17) lived on Fleetgate. He was a grocer's assistant

**Percy Skinner** (17) worked as a clerk at Hopper's Cycle Works and lived down Pasture Road. He eventually became a stores keeper.

**Arthur Shooter** (16) was a school teacher and lived down Hewson's Lane.



There were two "George Cantys" living in the Market Place area. **George W. Canty** was a 50 year old watch maker who lived in Market Street and 15 year old **George Canty**, who was an apprentice butcher for his father **Frederick J Canty** in the Market Place. It is unsure which of these individuals were involved in the Brigade.

The Barton and District History Group doesn't use methods such as this, but would welcome folks with an inquiring mind to attend its presentations at St Mary's Church Hall on the last Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm.

Here you will find a comfy seat where to relax and enjoy refreshments while immersing yourself in captivating tales of bygone eras and local individuals. These stories will transport you back in time, unearthing intriguing events and evoking cherished memories, perhaps even surprising you along the way.

Our next meeting at St Mary's Church Hall will be Wednesday September 27 at 7:30pm when Nigel Land will deliver the presentation "Brian Peeps' Legacy".

Unfortunately, Brian passed away three years ago. In 2019 Brian was honoured with the Barton on Humber Town Award for his dedicated efforts in documenting Barton's history through visual records and

generously sharing his expertise through various presentations.

It is hoped to have the Group's magazine "Heritage" in production again later this year and ask for articles from anyone who has some knowledge of local history relating to Barton or one of the surrounding villages. The Group is happy to give assistance and advice on presentation for publication.

Examples of content:-

- Medieval Housing in Barrow
- Victorian Clog Makers of South Ferryby
- At School in war-time Barton
- Wharfs of the south bank of the Humber

Illustrations (photos, drawings etc.) are welcome and articles can be 300 to 3000 words and can include references if other articles are made use of. Your contribution can be submitted in Microsoft Word format or directly via email to the Group at bartonanddistricthistorygroup@hotmail.com. Any article can be adapted for subsequent printing.

**Barton and District History Group**



# Could you make a difference to a teenager or siblings?

Sometimes, for many reasons, children and young people are unable to live with their birth families or relatives. It is the role of foster carers to help provide a home where these individuals can thrive and grow.

## Barton Chess Club News

The Chess Club has gained some new members and chess has been played through the summer months on Monday evenings at the Corn Exchange Club.

We have members not only from Barton but also Winteringham, Barrow and New Holland. Sadly, we do not have enough players to enter a team in the Lincolnshire League.

A team of four members from the club played at the Hull and District Lightning Tournament in July. This is a move on the buzzer or bell tournament where every 10 seconds a player has to move so effectively you have 20 seconds to think between each move you make. We avoided taking the wooden spoon but only just, coming in 15th out of 17 teams. It was a well organised event held at Hull University in excellent playing conditions.

We would welcome any person wishing to play chess at the club which meets at the Corn Exchange Club Barton on Monday evenings from 7.30pm. Sadly we are not in a position to cater for junior members.

Our membership secretary Mick Robinson can be contacted on 07957320659.

## News from the South Bank Players

The South Bank Players is currently working on a Murder Mystery entitled 'A Silent but Deadly Auction' which members intend to perform for Goxhill WI at its October meeting as well as at The Nelthorpe Arms in South Ferriby on October 21 (tickets available from the pub).

The group is pleased to report that a couple of new people have joined recently to help out with the Ghost Walk. There is always room for an extra pair of hands so if anyone else would like to get involved then please do get in touch! There are speaking and non-speaking roles available.

The Ghost Walks will start again on Halloween with further walks on the last Fridays of November (24th),

The North Lincolnshire Fostering Team is looking for foster carers who could provide a safe and loving environment to teenagers and siblings groups.

P & K, Foster Carers, said: "Although it brings unexpected challenges, fostering for teenagers has been rewarding in a way that we could never anticipate.

"The experience is unforgettable as you can give them love and stability, and as one of the teenagers we cared for once said, 'a feeling of belonging'; it's a rare chance to see that you can make a difference and see them grow into amazing young adults."

Could this be you?

Once you enquire, you will be provided with support throughout - answering questions and providing you with clarity around the application and assessment process.

Additional support once you are a foster carer includes being assigned a dedicated fostering social worker, support groups, a buddy scheme with an experienced foster carer, weekly information about your fostering community, access to the Fostering Network membership and an out-of-hours support team.

The Fostering Friendly initiative is also provided to support foster carers and champion fostering in the community. The scheme encourages employers to enable flexibility in working for foster carers who chose to work alongside fostering and offers work experience, discounts and raising awareness in the community. The scheme is open to any organisation and the team welcome enquiries via [www.northlincs.gov.uk/fostering-friendly](http://www.northlincs.gov.uk/fostering-friendly)

Could you make a difference to a teenager or siblings?

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If you're interested to find out more about fostering, please get in touch via email, [fostering@northlincs.gov.uk](mailto:fostering@northlincs.gov.uk), call 01724 297000 or visit the website to find out about upcoming events you could attend: [www.northlincs.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.northlincs.gov.uk/fostering)

Make a difference and become a foster carer with North Lincolnshire Council today.

## Barton upon Humber Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club

The 2nd Anniversary of the Barton upon Humber Armed Forces & Veterans Breakfast Club was celebrated on July 2 and helping celebrate the occasion were invited guests including people and organisations that had helped the Club get to where it is today.

Among them there were two former Barton Town Council Mayors, Cllrs Ben Troop and Paul Vickers and current Town Mayor, Cllr Keith Vickers. Adrian Ellis, represented the GEO Club & Hull4Heroes and Melissa Worboys and Louise Baxter from the North Lincs Covenant team also were there along with Andrea Frith, our Tesco Community



Champion. Others who could only make a brief visit, or were not able to attend due to other commitments, we feel we must mention in thanks for their part in our growth were Barton's Rotary Club, Jon Evison, the Police Commissioner, MD Signs and Oliver Mussett from Barton Cricket Club. There was a record attendance on the day too at 46. There was much chatter and laughter whilst we had our brew and butties (supplied by the Singing Kettle). Sarah Deans (co-founder alongside Russ Kirby) made a cake fit for the occasion and the Mayor cut the cake after saying

a few words about the community spirit amongst the members. Thanks go to the members who helped in setting up, tidying up and running the raffle. If there are any serving members or veterans of the Armed Forces who wish to know more, please contact Russ by email - [bartonuponhumberafvbc@gmail.com](mailto:bartonuponhumberafvbc@gmail.com) or ring / message him on 07725 191857. You can also check the group out on the Barton upon Humber AFVBC Facebook page.

# Roperly Hall Autumn season

The autumn season at Roperly Hall really is a packed programme stretching from the very beginning of September right through to December.

September's programme is very much one of welcoming back old friends as well as new faces that we hope will become firm favourites with our audiences with a mix of music, theatre and comedy.

Wednesday evening film screenings return on September 13 with Amsterdam (15) at the still bargain price of £4!

If you don't receive our Roperly Hall enews then you won't have heard the great news that we are now offering our patrons the opportunity of a pizza before our Friday shows in the bar. Chef Beth will be offering a choice of pizzas with three fillings along with garlic bread between 6.30pm and 7.30pm on shows that start at 8pm and between 6pm and 7pm for shows that start at 7.30pm.

Its too late to get tickets for Paul Sinha's two performances, Chris

Difford, Tom Robinson and Paul Youngs Los Pacominos which all sold out quickly but there is limited availability for the rest of the programme. Comedy is especially popular at Roperly Hall and a great way to spend an evening in an intimate setting. We highly recommend these two shows

**September 24 - Jo Caulfield**

Back at Roperly Hall with her sell-out Edinburgh Fringe run, Here Comes Trouble, packed with brilliant routines and fantastically embarrassing stories. Audiences can expect razor-sharp observations and scandalous one-liners as Jo gets her claws into everything and everyone. From yelling at strangers on trains (and many other places), to discussing ridiculous sexual fantasies and annoying her neighbours, Jo doesn't mean to cause

trouble; she just has the nerve to say out loud what everyone else is thinking!

**September 29 - Charlie Baker: 24 Hour Pasty People**

Wasson? Award-winning comedian, tap dancer and talkSPORT radio host Charlie Baker brings an hour of genuinely funny stand-up drenched in manure, cider and clotted cream to Roperly Hall. It's comedy with a countryside accent. Imagine Jethro and Jack Black had a son. Job's a good'un. Proper job.

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## Sue Wind

It is a milestone that has to be marked. In February this year Sue Wind, Barton St. Peter's School secretary, retired.



After more than 30 years Sue stepped down from work but stepped up for more volunteering. It has taken months to pin her down to do this piece, retirement doesn't necessarily mean having more spare time!

Sue started work at the school in November 1992 and was joined by her colleague Gill Hutson for 27 of those years. During that period she saw many changes as staff came and went. She worked with five headteachers and would have seen over a thousand young people progress from foundation to their onward journey to secondary school. Gill started as a teaching assistant giving one to one support to a pupil and then progressed to become the resource manager at the school. They were known by all as the dynamic duo, the smiling faces at reception, ready for anything that was thrown at them.

I asked Sue what she remembers the most about her time at school, "I was always proud to see the pupils develop and grow in confidence. The year six productions stick in my mind as a time to laugh and shed a few tears as we said goodbye to another year group. I also have some great memories of residential trips and all the events Gill and I were involved in."

Sue and Gill were known for joining in and dressing up whenever possible for school fairs, Red Nose Day, McMillan Coffee mornings and even as the

Ugly Sisters for one World Book Day. The only event they didn't do together were Barton Carnival floats, whilst Gill went on the Barton St. Peter's School float Sue followed her other lifetime allegiance and featured on the Brownies' entry.

Gill retired in April 2021 and sadly died in March this year. Sue misses her great friend terribly but has lots of fond memories of their time together. Sue is still the leader of Rainbows and Brownies in Barton which is based at St Peter's, a volunteer role she has held for longer than her position at the school. She now welcomes the children of former brownies and school pupils to the group and has no plans to retire, she doesn't think they would let her! On top of her commitment to Brownies Sue is school governor, the Barton Foodbank Treasurer and volunteers in Sally Annas one afternoon a week. Sue did assure me that she does find time to relax and to have coffee and cake and a catch up with other friends that are retired.

**Liz Bennet**  
(Parent of a former Barton St Peter's pupil.)

## News from Barton Lions

In August Barton Lions delivered packs of Twiddle Muffs to Beech House, Eagle House and The Willows.

The packs included ready made muffs and a selection of wool and decorations along with needles and the patterns for the residents, staff, family and friends to make their own Twiddle Muffs in the future. The care homes were all aware of the Twiddle Muff concept and were very pleased with their packs.

The idea of making the Twiddle Muffs came from the Oxford University Hospitals Dementia Care. People with dementia often have restless hands and like something to keep their hands occupied. A Twiddle Muff provides a visual, tactile and sensory stimulation, using a variety of wool, ribbon, buttons, beads etc. to keep hands active and busy.

Recently installed Lions President Ann Hume was at the unveiling of Barton Junior FC's new Bears Team Kit that the Lions Club sponsored. The members looked very smart and proud and we wish them good luck for the future.



At the annual Picnic in the Park the Lions had its usual cake stall and the tea, cakes and scones went down very well. There was also the Club's Lions on Safari activity this year with lions being coloured in and stuck on to an African inspired mural. The winner chosen at random was very excited to receive his prize later that day.

Behind the scenes Barton Lions Club members continue to help and support the community of Barton in a variety of ways.

If you would like to give your help and support to your community then becoming a Lion could be for you. For more information, please contact us via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/barton.lions> or email [info@bartonlions.co.uk](mailto:info@bartonlions.co.uk) and make a difference.



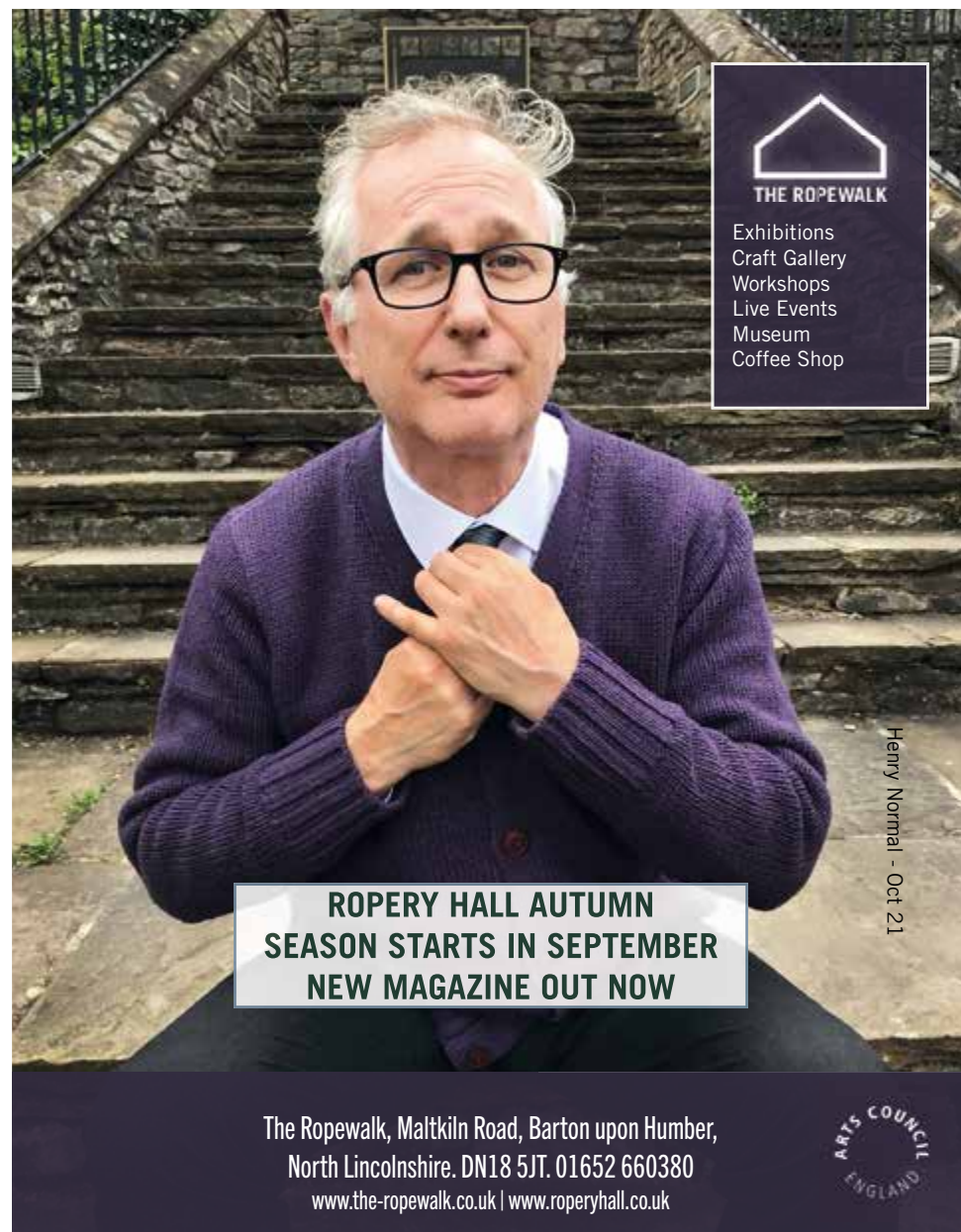


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# Work for next year starts now!

It seems odd writing in August about planting for next spring and summer, but there are several jobs that can be done now for early cropping or a good yield next year.



Barton Mayor Cllr Keith Vickers awards the cup for the most points in cookery to Monica Jacques.



Faith Wilson awarded the trophy for most points in the under 16 years of age category.



September is a good time to separate strawberry runners from the parent plants, especially those starting to root, to plant out for a good summer crop in 2024. It is also a good month to sow spinach for spring harvest and get those green manures in to help enrich the soil and in some cases, such as certain mustards, help prevent diseases next year. October is the time to plant garlic, broad beans, sweet peas and autumn onion sets.

"There's always next year" is a common phrase often heard on the plots if things didn't quite grow as planned, and was certainly true for some at this year's horticultural show. The dry June and wet July played havoc with the planned exhibits of some of even the most experienced growers, with the normally prize-winning leeks and onions going to seed.

That said there were still some outstanding exhibits on display, with the dahlias and sweet peas being

among the best. Cyril Pallister won the Best Exhibit cup in dahlias and first time exhibitor and non-plot holder, Jess Withington, winning Best Exhibit for sweet peas. Cucumber growing seems to be increasingly popular with Liz Bennet taking first with a short variety, proving size isn't everything even in vegetable showing!

Competition in the cookery section is building up with many more exhibitors, with four others within a few points of Monica Jacques who won the Most Points and the Cookery cup. Most Points in Show and Plot Holder with the Most Points went to Hazel Hare. Congratulations as well to Bowmandale Primary School who achieved most points in the Schools Potato Competition.

We owe a huge thanks to local businesses and organisations who sponsor this valued community event, now in its 71st year, Barton Town Council, Euronics, The White Swan, MD Signs and the Campaign

to Protect Rural England. There were many more, too numerous to mention here, who donated prizes for the Tombola. The list will be on our web site.

So, our thoughts now turn to next year, looking for sponsorship and volunteers to make the 72nd show another success.

Neil Jacques  
[secretarybartonallotments@hotmail.com](mailto:secretarybartonallotments@hotmail.com)



## Barton Volunteers

Barton Volunteers have added a new strand this summer with a volunteer gardening group.

The group meet on alternate Tuesdays and have been weeding, pruning and tending gardens under the watchful eye of gardener Alison Walling.

Gardens at Wilderspin Museum, 51 Fleetgate, beds at the Caistor Road and Preston Lane entrances of Baysgarth Park and other areas around town have been given attention. During the winter months the group will focus on making willow plant supports ready for next year's plants like Delphiniums that need a bit of help staying upright!

In September we will be launching a street clean up team to spruce up seating areas and signage as well as tackling graffiti.

Anyone wanting to get involved should text Liz on 07792775101 to be added to the volunteers WhatsApp group.

## Baysgarth Park once again flies its Green Flag as one of the country's best parks

Last month the results of the Green Flag judging were announced and once again Baysgarth Park has retained its Green Flag.

This is the sixth year that the Park has held Green Flag status and it is testament to not only the vision of North Lincolnshire Council and Friends of Barton Parks that includes the construction of perimeter paths throughout the area, the green gym, new perennial beds and the Park Fit circuit but also the many volunteers who take time to pick up litter on a daily basis or tend the flower beds in the Park.

Other amenities in the Park include the Chad Varah Memorial Garden, the Barton Park Bowling Club and wide open spaces for games of all descriptions as well as Baysgarth Community Hub. Before the judging in 2024 Friends of Barton Parks are hoping that the long awaited fully revamped children's play area will be completed. Plans are also taking shape for additional perennial, pollinator

friendly flower beds and a children's cycle track on the old tennis court area next to Baysgarth House.

Chair of Friends of Barton Parks Cllr Paul Vickers stated: 'I am delighted that Baysgarth Park has once again been awarded Green Flag status. It really is a tremendous asset for the town thanks to the North Lincolnshire Council grounds staff and volunteers. With funding now in place for further developments in the next year it will continue to be a real attraction for local people and visitors to enjoy.'

Baysgarth Park is one of five parks in the North Lincolnshire Area to be awarded Green Flag status again with one new park, Jubilee Park, awarded for the first time. Apart from Baysgarth Park the others are Central Park, Kingsway Gardens, Sheffield Park and Woodlands Memorial Park

and Crematorium, all in Scunthorpe. For the first year the Humber Bridge Viewing Area Park was also entered for the Green Flag award but narrowly missed out. Friends of Barton Parks are working with North Lincolnshire Council officers to develop the area next year and to raise the standard to meet the award conditions. Fingers crossed Barton will be proudly shouting about two Green Flags in 2024.

The Green Flag Award scheme, managed by environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy under licence from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, recognises and rewards well-managed parks and green spaces, setting the benchmark standard for the management of recreational outdoor spaces across the country.

Liz Bennet, Friends of Barton Parks.



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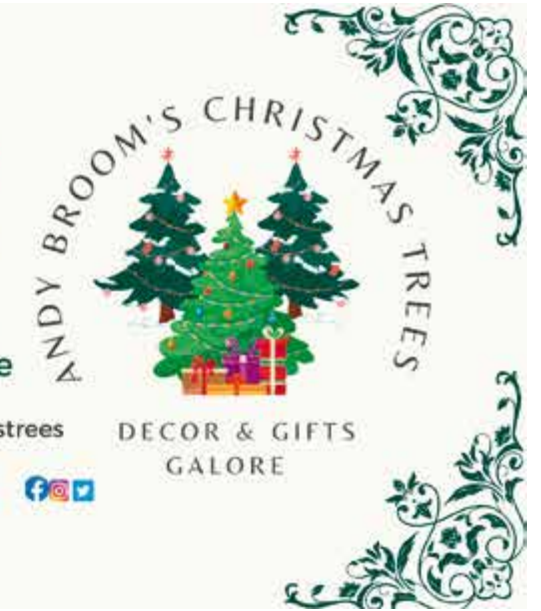
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# Barton Park Bowls Club



Action in from a recent league match against Goxhill

The season at Barton Park enters the penultimate exciting final weeks with much at stake.

In the Scunthorpe League Division 2 the team that narrowly missed relegation last year may just narrowly miss promotion this year, whilst the Division 3 side promoted last season are currently riding high in the top two of their division. Our Mixed Trips team after a successful promotion last year find themselves well placed in mid-table, likewise the Barnetby League team is similarly placed.

Special mention should be given to our Tuesday Afternoon Team. A team largely made up of newcomers and with those seeking a less competitive game of bowls. Enthusiastically led by captain Kathy Lowe this team has been the starting point for many of our players. Of particular merit were two notable victories over our local rivals at Brigg Road!

Not only does Barton Park enjoy a successful, healthy and friendly playing side we seek to strengthen

and propagate this bond with regular social functions. After a successful race night in the spring and a hugely successful cake and hot dog stand at the Carnival the club held a no charge 'welcome to all afternoon' at the recent 'Picnic in the Park'. Young and old alike came to the green and enjoyed a fun introduction to the sport. Future events are planned...

Late August saw an end of season barbecue, a thank you to all members and their guests. This was of huge significance as we finally said 'au revoir' to Peter Binnington as he begins his new life down under and offer our heartfelt thanks to one of the club's greats, Eric Parks, who has retired after a long and successful bowling career. Eric was presented with a 'bowls clock' and honorary life membership of Barton Park Bowls Club.

For further info contact: [ianjapworth@gmail.com](mailto:ianjapworth@gmail.com))

# Barton Ladies Hockey is just champion!



Nichola Threadgold (left) and Jason Threadgold (right) of Jason Threadgold Funeral Directors pictured with the Barton Ladies Hockey Team

Barton Town Ladies Hockey team finished top of their league and undefeated this season winning all but one of their games.

The ladies finished seven points clear of their nearest rivals and as a result of their endeavours on the pitch they are now promoted moving up to Peak and Wold Ladies League 1 for the 23/24 season.

The team celebrated its success with an awards and fundraising evening at a packed Bay Horse in Winterringham with music from local Winterton band The North. Presentations to leading goal scorer, Hannah Bartlett and Player of the Season, Jane Ledgerwood were made on the night and money raised on the evening was donated to The Myos Tenants Group and Castle Hill Breast Cancer Unit.

The team has been incredibly grateful to its sponsors and supporters who have really helped this season. The Bay Horse has supported for many seasons providing a warm welcome

for us and our opposition after our home games, and excellent sausage and chips - thank you Sam and Simon!

This season much needed support has been received from Jason Threadgold Funeral Directors, who generously agreed to sponsor a new set of team shirts. In these tough times it has been difficult to secure sponsorship so we are very grateful to Jason and Nichola who support a variety of local community groups and ventures. Since sponsoring us Threadgold's has won 'Best Customer Service for the UK' at the BizX awards and Nichola has been voted one of the top 100 female entrepreneurs in the UK. They also braved the elements and attended one of our home games!

The team also secured funding from the Tesco Community Grants using

those funds for cold weather wear and kit and equipment. A big "thank you" to everyone who put the blue tokens in the Winterton and Barton stores to good use - it really has made a difference!

Outgoing team captain Maisie Danson said, "This season has been a fantastic achievement for a small club like ours, and it has been truly a great team effort. To sustain the standard of hockey we have played over the course of a season has been brilliant. We believe we will be competitive at a higher level next year and are looking forward to testing ourselves at a higher standard. With our blend of youth and experience I am sure we will do well".

"Interest in ladies hockey has never been higher, especially following the British Ladies team winning the Commonwealth Games gold medal earlier this year. Support for the team is very important and I would like to place on record our thanks to all our sponsors for their generosity."

Several of the team have achieved representative honours this year with Mo Fawcett-O'Neill representing Scotland Over-60s, who are the newly crowned European Masters champions and the North of England. Clare Boddy represented the International Touring Club LX and the North of England Over-60s, and Jane Ledgerwood also played for LX. New team captain for the 23/24 season Hannah Bartlett also played North East Masters Over-35s.

We are always on the look out for new players and if anyone is interested in joining please contact Club Secretary Clare on [bartonladieshockey@gmail.com](mailto:bartonladieshockey@gmail.com)

# Barton Brigg Road Bowling Club

Our season at the club is going very well even though June was very hot and July very wet with several cancelled matches!

Who knows at the time of writing what August will bring but we hope to complete all league matches.

Our new members are enjoying the matches and rollups are well attended with a lot of practice going on. By the time this article is published we will know the winner of our internal competition and celebrated another year of bowling at Brigg Road with a Finals Day barbecue.

Thanks go to all who contribute in any way - playing in matches, repairing equipment, cleaning of the clubhouse, and our greenkeeper who keeps the green in excellent condition.

The season ends in the middle of September but rest assured that we will continue to maintain the green in preparation for play in mid-April 2024. As always new members will be welcome then - contact [jillbowling@talktalk.net](mailto:jillbowling@talktalk.net)





What's On Sept - Nov 2023

WHAT'S ON

Saturday 2 September

Barton Market

Market Place 8.30am - 2pm
Monthly Market with traders selling a wide range of fresh food, crafts and second-hand tools.

Friday 8 September

Barton Civic Society Lecture: Made in Barton

Joseph Wright Hall, Queen Street 7.30pm

The Story of Halls Barton Ropery and the intriguing history of cycle manufacturer Elswick-Hopper

£4 non members

Wednesday 13 September

Ropewalk Warm Space lunch and film

The Ropewalk 10.30am - 12.30am
Warm space craft activities drop in

Free

Self Service Canteen Style Lunch

Two course lunch 12.30pm - 2pm

Available only to morning activities or film attendees.

£3

Film Matinee

Weekly on Wednesdays until December 2pm

£3

Friday 15 - Sunday 17 September

Barton Camera Club

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre 10am - 4pm

Showcasing photography by members of the Barton Camera Club.

Free Admission

Friday 22 & Saturday 23

Wolds Art Exhibition

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre 10am - 4pm

John Medcalf is a local artist who has spent all his life in the Wold area. This has provided the inspiration for his landscapes and wildlife paintings which are a combination of watercolour, pencil crayon and ink detail.

Free Admission, Artwork to Purchase

Saturday 9 September

Heritage Open Days

Wilderspin & National School Museum 10am - 4pm

A celebration of the stories and work of amateur artists, crafters and hobbyists as part of Heritage Open Days in Lincolnshire. Displays, stalls and demonstrations throughout the day showcasing the creativity and talent of adults and children in and around Barton.

Stalls are available to book by phone (01652) 635172 and email at wilderspinschoolmuseum@gmail.com.

Free

Saturday 16 September

Folklines present a Ceilidh

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 8pm
Dance, watch or play. All welcome

Tickets £5 Box Office 01652 660380

Saturday 23 September

Two Pianos

Ropery Hall, The Ropewalk 8pm

The sensational David Barton and Al Kilvo delighted Barton Arts Festival goers when they last appeared at Ropery Hall so expect an intimate 'unplugged' evening of Two Pianos as they battle it out to deliver the best rock 'n' roll piano experience audiences have seen. Feel the energy and witness the foot stomping performance of Two Pianos as they perform and sing hits from Jerry Lee Lewis, Fats Domino, Elvis, Ray Charles, Chuck Berry, Buddy Holly, Carl Perkins, Everly Brothers and more!

Tickets £15 Box Office 01652 660380

Saturday 7 October

Barton Market

Market Place 8.30am - 2pm

Monthly Market with traders selling a wide range of fresh food, crafts and second-hand tools.

Friday 20 October

Barton Civic Society Lecture: Church and Chapel

Joseph Wright Hall, Queen St. 7.30pm

Kevin Booth describes the magnificent St. Peter's Church and its archaeological and architectural treasure trove. John Pullen turns our attention to the story of the enormous Trinity Methodist Church building.

£4 non members

Saturday 28th October

Craft Fair

Assembly Rooms, Queen Street 10am - 2pm

Handmade crafts, Tombola, Raffle Prizes to win, Savoury & sweet cake stall. Refreshments and food available in aid of Young Carers

Free entry

Saturday 28-30 October

Wood Carving Workshop with Allen Stichler

Waters' Edge Visitor Centre 10am - 4pm

A beginners guide to wood carving with Allen Stichler. All tools are provided, workstations and timber too. In every workshop you'll receive constant support and encouragement, making the learning of a new skill, enjoyable and relaxing.

£115pp, Booking Essential

Tuesday 31 October

Barton Ghost Walk

7.30pm

A spooky guided tour of historic Barton led by members of South Bank Players.

Booking is recommended. Tickets are available from www.sbplayers.co.uk

Tickets £5

Thursday 2 November

Museums at Night Quiz

Wilderspin School Museum 7pm

More details and bookings: Tel, (01652 635172) or email wilderspinschoolmuseum@gmai.com

£2

Saturday 4 November

Barton Market

Market Place 8.30am - 2pm

Monthly Market with traders selling a wide range of fresh food, crafts and second-hand tools.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Held on the 1st Sunday each month

Barton upon Humber Armed Forces and Veterans Breakfast club.

09:30 to Noon at the Barton Town Cricket Club, Marsh Lane.

Monday's

Zero Waste Café Food Club

St Mary's Church Hall 4pm - 6.30pm

(Warm Space) @ St Mary's Church Hall A FREE family social cooking event on Monday evenings, fresh easy meals preparation as a group and sociable eating. For a donation of £2 recipe bags can be provided to take home.

We are a welcoming and social community cafe warm space with FREE hot and cold drinks for all attendees. All welcome but please book in advance to enable us to prepare and plan recipes. Contact amie@slowcircularearth.co.uk or 07875407997

The Living Later Life Well project runs community activities for people aged 60+.

For all activities below that require booking, please contact Jo on 07821 900623 or email jo.marwood.bartontrinity@outlook.com

Monday's

Over-60s Pilates

Lecture Hall, Trinity Methodist Church 10am - 11am

Join instructor Stef for a mat-based Pilates session, combining gentle stretching and toning exercises to improve your posture, balance and flexibility. Please bring a mat and bottle of water. Booking essential.

£4.00 per session

Last Monday of every Monday

Digital Drop-In

Trinity Methodist Church 1pm - 2pm

Bring your laptop, tablet or smartphone (or use one of our tablets) to learn digital skills such as reading newspapers online, playing games or puzzles, ordering your prescription and much more! In partnership with Age UK Lindsey. No need to book!

FREE

Tuesdays

Over-60s Chair Based Exercise

Lecture Hall, Trinity Methodist Church Hall 10.30am - 11.30am

Gentle movements and stretches to classic and popular music, followed by refreshments and chat. No need to book!

£2.00 per session

Tuesdays

Over-60s British Sign Language (fortnightly)

Community Room, Trinity Methodist Church 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Come and learn British Sign Language, starting with the alphabet and key phrases, before progressing to conversations and signing to songs!

Booking essential.

FREE

Tuesdays

Over-60s Yoga

Lecture Hall, Trinity Methodist Church 1.00pm - 2.00pm

Join instructor Néo to strengthen, tone and flex your body, whilst learning deep breathing techniques. Exercises can be chair-based or floor-based depending on what suits you best. Booking essential.

£4.00 per session

Wednesday

Over-60s Coffee Morning

Community Room, Trinity Methodist Church 10.30am - 12.00pm

A cuppa and chat with friends old and new, all very welcome - we usually have a quiz, guest speaker, activity or game too. No need to book!

FREE

Wednesday

Over-60s Games Afternoon

Lecture Hall, Trinity Methodist Church 1.30pm - 3.00pm

Join us for an afternoon of board games and table tennis with refreshments.

Play one of our games or bring your own. No need to book!

FREE

Thursdays

Beginners Guitar Club

(starting 7th September) Community Room, Trinity Methodist Church 10.00am - 11.00am

Do you want to learn a new skill through autumn and winter? Have you ever thought about playing guitar? Join this new club to learn the basics of guitar playing, from studying the different strings and notes to playing your first tune. Guitars are available to use if you don't have your own. All you need is a sense of humour and a willingness to 'have a go' - no musical experience or tune-carrying ability required! Booking essential.

FREE

Thursdays

Improvers Guitar Club

(starting 7th September) Community Room, Trinity Methodist Church 11.15am - 12.15pm

If you can play guitar but want somewhere to practise and continue improving, this club is for you! Bring your guitar and learn some new techniques, explore different songs, experiment with your playing and chat about guitars with like-minded people. Booking essential.

FREE

Thursdays

Older Person's Lunch

(last Thursday of every month)

Lecture Hall, Trinity Methodist Church 12.00pm onwards

Join us for a two-course homemade lunch and tea/coffee, on the last Thursday of every month. Call Wendy on 01652 633123 to book your space.

£6.50

Heritage Open Days

Friday 8th to Sunday 17th September

Heritage Open Days is a once-a-year chance to discover some rarely seen historic treasures, with exciting experiences that bring local history and culture to life, for free!

The Heritage Open Days Festival celebrates England's architecture and culture by allowing visitors free access to interesting properties that are not usually publicly accessible or would normally charge a fee. It also includes tours, events and activities that focus on and celebrate the local heritage of the area

In 2023 Heritage Lincolnshire is celebrating the stories and work of the experts and enthusiastic amateurs who add that something extra to all aspects of our daily lives.

Friday 8th September FILM: Yellow Submarine

Ted Lewis Centre 2pm. Booking required

Friday 8th September

FILM: The Serpent

Ted Lewis Centre 6pm. Booking required. (based on Lewis's novel, Plender). Not suitable for children

Friday 8 September

TALK: Made in Barton

Joseph Wright Hall 7.30pm, £4, Barton Civic Society

Hall's ropes and Hopper cycles were made in Barton, sold around the world and were household names.

The former rope factory building is now The Ropewalk which runs alongside the promenade from the Tesco car park to the river, and the former Hopper HQ office building is on the corner of Holydyke and Brigg Road. Liz Bennet and Nigel Land explain these buildings, other visible links in the town that have survived and the story of both industries.

Saturday 9 September FESTIVAL:

Creativity Unwrapped

Wilderspin School Museum 10am - 4pm. Free admission

A celebration of amateur arts and crafts with demonstrations, displays and sales stalls, children's crafts and trails. There'll be demonstrations throughout the day showcasing the creativity and talent of adults and children in and around Barton - and a little music too.

EXHIBITION: Schooldays Memories

Wilderspin volunteers have created an exhibition about Barton's two Church Schools and will be on hand to reminisce about schooldays and copy any general schooldays material visitors may wish to bring in to add to its archive.

The exhibition runs until the New Year, with restricted winter opening times advertised on our website.

EXHIBITION: Local Heroes

Joseph Wright Hall Barton Civic Society will be celebrating the creative talents of local heroes whose work became famous nationally including Henry Treece, Isaac Pitman and Desperate Dan illustrator Ken Harrison.

Saturday 9 September 11am & Sunday 10 September 11 am

GUIDED TOUR: The Ropewalk

Liz Bennet CEO of The Ropewalk will lead a walk through the quarter of a mile building and present a talk about its uses from its beginnings to the present day. Duration is approximately an hour.

Booking is essential with free tickets available from The Ropewalk in person or 01652 660380

Monday 11 September 7pm & Tuesday 12 September 3pm

GUIDED TOUR: From Parthenon to Priestgate - how Ancient Classical styles transformed Barton's buildings

Historian Keith Miller takes this guided walk around the historic core of Barton. Discover the influences of architectural gems of Barton's built heritage.

Meeting at The Beck, booking is essential with free tickets available from The Ropewalk in person or 01652 660380

Tuesday 12 September

OPEN REHEARSAL: Barton Community Band

Barton Corn Exchange 7.30pm - 9.30pm

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Friday 15 September & Saturday 16 September

GUIDED TOUR: Tyrwhitt Hall

10am, 12 noon, 3pm

Tyrwhitt Hall is a Grade II listed building, late medieval in origin and extended and altered in the 17th and 18th centuries. It is one of the oldest surviving buildings in Barton. The Hall is connected to Philip Pape a local sculptor who lived and worked here during the 1960s and 1970s.

Thanks to Chrissie Booth for allowing the use of the Hall. The tour takes in the Great Hall a magnificent timber-framed open hall and the grounds. Led by historian Keith Miller it takes an hour.

Booking is essential with free tickets available from The Ropewalk in person or 01652 660380

Sunday 17th September

GUIDED TOUR: Ted Lewis Barton Trail

11.30 am

Starts from the White Swan, Fleetgate. 2 hours duration. Booking required (Ted Lewis Centre). Optional Brunch at 10.30.

Sunday 17 September

GUIDED TOUR: Barton Heritage Walk

2pm

A 90 minute guided walk around the town starting at the Wilderspin School Museum where car parking is available. Booking is advisable or you can wait to check what the weather has in store and turn up on the day.

The date has been changed from that previously advertised in the Civic Society Annual Programme.

Venue Information:

Wilderspin School Museum Queen Street, Barton upon Humber. DN18 5QP Bookings: Tel, 01652 635172. Email: wilderspinschoolmuseum@gmail.com
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# Wilderspin School Museum



There's a busy Autumn ahead at the Wilderspin & National School Museum.

For a start, opening times are changing to manage heating costs. The best thing to do is check our website [www.wilderspinchool.org.uk](http://www.wilderspinchool.org.uk) for details of our Autumn Programme of open days, lectures and special events from October. Regrettably, after seven years, The Old School Canteen coffee shop, based in the Museum, has closed due to rising energy and catering costs, so we'll be considering its replacement over the winter.

Our volunteers will be using the time we're closed to catch up on work behind the scenes. New helpers are always needed to help with light maintenance, gardening, sewing and looking after our archive and displays. We are expecting another busy term with school and group visits so we need more teaching staff to join our Education Team. Teaching experience isn't essential, just confidence and the excitement of working with young people. After safeguarding checks we provide training and it's very flexible hours.

Our own volunteers have created an exhibition about Barton's two Church Schools and will be on hand to reminisce about schooldays and copy any general schooldays material visitors may wish to bring in to add to our archive. The Schooldays Memories exhibition runs until the New Year.

**Heritage Open Days** begins on Friday September 8 with Made in Barton: two talks about Barton's ropemaking and cycle manufacturing histories. Admission is £4.

**Later in the Autumn:**  
**Friday 20 October, 7.30pm, Church & Chapel**  
 Barton Civic Society talks about St Peter's Church with Kevin Booth, and Trinity Methodist Church with John Pullen. £4

**Thursday 2 November, 7pm, Museums at Night Quiz**  
 £2

**Friday 17 November 2pm, Safeguarding the Past:**  
 a panel discussion about the challenges of building conservation hosted by Barton Civic Society. £4

**Saturday 25 November** from 12pm,  
**Barton Christmas Festival Craft Fair** (stall still available).  
 More details and bookings: Tel, (01652 635172) or email [wilderspinschoolmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:wilderspinschoolmuseum@gmail.com)

**September 9**

# Creativity Unwrapped

Celebrating the stories and work of amateur artists, crafters and hobbyists as part of Heritage Open Days in Lincolnshire. There'll be displays, stalls and demonstrations throughout the day showcasing the creativity and talent of adults and children in and around Barton - and a little music too.

- Visitors will be able to:
- watch and talks to crafters and hobbyists
  - browse and buy arts and crafts
  - make art in our crafty corner for kids
  - create a Victorian family photo
  - see what crafty schoolchildren created in the Victorian and Wartime Classrooms
  - view an exhibition of paintings by our resident painting groups
  - discover famous creative Bartonians in a display by Barton Civic Society
  - follow the Wilderspin Marvellous Menagerie Trail of animal art
  - Schooldays Memories exhibition
  - The Joseph Wright Hall will also be open to view.
  - Tables for displaying and demonstrating available, and stalls for art and craft sales too.

## BARTON AREA GROUP Autumn/Winter Events

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**20th Sept, 7pm 2.5 hours**  
**AGM and Hedgehog evening.**  
 A short Annual General Meeting (AGM) at 7pm followed by a talk on Hedgehogs by Andrew's Hedgehog Hospital at 7.30pm

**18th Oct, 7.30pm 2.5 hours**  
**"Gone Birding"**  
 Speaker - Andy Sharp

**8th Nov, 7.30pm 2.5 hours**  
**Members photographic evening**  
 Bring up to 30 images on a USB memory stick

## Live Music and Lunch returns in September!

Our popular Live Music mornings followed by lunch are back for another season, for people aged 60+ in partnership with the charity Live Music Now.

The Living Later Life Well project welcomes regional musicians to perform a range of music genres, and sessions also include opportunities to join in with singing and percussion instruments (if you want to!).

Anybody aged 60+ is welcome to attend - the events take place bi-monthly on a Wednesday morning from 10.30am - 12.00pm, in the Lecture Hall at Trinity Methodist Church, Holydyke. The cost to attend is £5 which includes a lunch of sandwiches, homemade cakes and hot/cold drinks.

If you like to listen to live music in a relaxed setting, and want to get out of the house this autumn and meet new people, then come along! Booking is essential - contact Jo Marwood on 07821 900623 or email [jo.marwood@bartontrinity@outlook.com](mailto:jo.marwood@bartontrinity@outlook.com).

*The Living Later Life Well project runs activities for people aged 60+, to reduce loneliness and social isolation in our older community. Our programme includes exercise classes, craft workshops, guitar sessions, a Book Club, coffee mornings, trips and more! Newsletters are available from Trinity Methodist Church and various outlets around Barton, on our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/LivingLaterLifeWell](http://www.facebook.com/LivingLaterLifeWell) or by email.*

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The crew is called to the most serious incidents ranging from road traffic accidents to agricultural, horse-riding and other sporting incidents. The doctor-paramedic team is highly trained, able to administer advanced pain relief, carry out enhanced life-saving medical procedures and give blood transfusions. This level of care and the speed at which the pilots can get to patients and get them to hospital is crucial. This is especially so when patients need to be taken to a Major Trauma Centre, the nearest being either at Nottingham or Hull. In some cases, this really can make the difference between life and death.

LNAA operates a 24/7 service with the helicopter able to take to the skies from 7am until 2am the following morning. After 2am, the critical care car takes over, ensuring that the equivalent of an A&E department can be brought to an incident whatever the time of day.



But this amazing service comes at a price. For each mission costs on average £4,000. As a charity, the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance receives no direct government funding and is not part of the National Health Service. It relies solely on the generosity of the hundreds of volunteers, supporters and public donations to keep its helicopters flying and Critical Care Cars on the roads.

For more information on the Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance and to discover how you can play your part in helping keep this treasured emergency service operational, why not take a look at their website:

[ambucopter.org.uk](http://ambucopter.org.uk)

## Call for Transparency on the Interchange

At the Civic Society AGM in July, members expressed their frustration and concern at the lack of information about why the Society's ambitious plans for the area, agreed initially by North Lincolnshire Council, had been ditched for a car park resurfacing.

Despite repeated questions to Councillors, there is no information about what additional work might be done. Apparently it is now up to consultants to work out what other improvements can be made. The AGM agreed not to let the matter rest, and it was hoped that more information might be available at the Regeneration meeting later in the month. Alas this was not the case, with the same story about the consultants being the stock answer. In my experience of working with consultants, you give them a brief of what you want to achieve but even this was not shared.

The application was successful with just short of £20million being allocated to Barton, but on the Government website summarising the successful bids, there is no mention of aspects of the original scheme such as the combined rail and bus passenger waiting facilities, which seems to have been replaced by an upgraded bus shelter! More on the Interchange later.

Elsewhere in this edition you will find details of the Civic Society's contribution to the Heritage Open Days on September 8 - 17, including a guided walk of the town. New guides have been trained and some have already held their first walk. Do come along to find out more about the fascinating history of our Town.

**Neil Jacques**  
 Chair Barton Civic Society.

## Tuneless Choir

A new Tuneless Choir is to launch in Barton Upon Humber on Thursday September 7, for those that lack the ability, confidence, or practice to sing in tune. They promise that nobody can sing too badly for them.

The new group is being established by Debbie Rayner who currently leads and manages the thriving, 100-member-strong, Chesterfield Tuneless Choir.

Debbie said: "I travel to Chesterfield each week to lead a fabulous family of tuneless folk who raise the roof every week with so much confidence and enthusiasm. I really wanted to do the same nearer home, as I now live in South Ferriby.

with doors opening at 7pm for fizz, and there'll also be celebratory cake to enjoy. Launch tickets are available at [www.tunelesschoir.com/humber](http://www.tunelesschoir.com/humber) and cost £10 including refreshments, a song book, and registration with the choir.

Thereafter the choir will meet most Thursdays from 7.30pm to 9pm, with a short break in the middle. Ongoing sessions will be £8 or the equivalent of £6 each when booking a term in advance. Registration will be £12 for anyone who has not made it to the launch.

This will be a choir for everyone - no auditions, no learning, no reading music - just belting out bangers from the 1960s to present day. It's like a giant group karaoke for non-singers, and some who may be a bit more capable but just want to sing for pleasure."

Debbie can be contacted on [humber@tunelesschoir.com](mailto:humber@tunelesschoir.com) or 07739 717979. She concludes: "If you couldn't carry a tune if it had handles then this is the choir for you. And if you want Thursdays to be the best night of your week then look no further... I'm ready!"

The Humber Tuneless Choir will meet weekly on Thursdays. It launches at Barton's Assembly Rooms on September 7 at 7.30pm,

# Goxhill and Barrow Scout Group

With planning permission now approved the Scout Group has been busy seeking out various funding streams and is currently waiting for the results of a recent application made to the National Lottery - fingers crossed.

That said, we're not sitting around idle, we continue to undertake our own fund raising when we can. Over the weekend of Barton Carnival, the Scouts ran a football obstacle challenge course and we raised £144, a great result. A big "thank you" and "well done" to all the Scouts who gave up their free time over the weekend to help run the activity.

Explorer Scouts will be returning to our Group in September, meeting on a Friday evening at the Scout Hut in New Holland between 7pm and 9pm. Any young person aged between 14 and 18 years old can come and join us. Please register your interest with Chris Harris by email to [chrisandcherry30@btinternet.com](mailto:chrisandcherry30@btinternet.com)

Since the beginning of the year, there has been a significant number of enquiries for young people to join our

Please help us make a difference to the lives of young people in our communities and join our Leadership team, contact me on email [andyoliver789@outlook.com](mailto:andyoliver789@outlook.com)

So, what have our young people been doing over the last few months? Beavers have been working towards their Adventure Badge which included an introduction to climbing, which they were able to do on the climbing wall at our Scout Hut, building their own obstacle course, roasting

marshmallows over a fire, going on a hike and learning all about personal safety when doing hazardous activities.

Cubs have been working towards their Communicator badge which involved knowing how to make a 999 call, sending and receiving coded messages, learning different ways to communicate including sign language, braille and semaphore.

Scouts have been air rifle shooting, baking cookies, litter picking in New Holland and working on a wheelbarrow project for the Better Barrow Weekend competition, for which they received a Well Done, making tin can stoves to cook on and making bottle rockets.

**Andy Oliver**  
 Group Scout Leader



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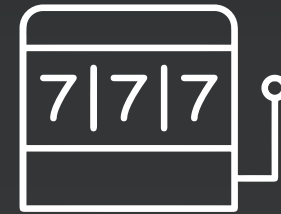
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Barton Railway Station in the 1930s. The Stationmaster's house is in the centre of the building.

This picture shows the track to the left which served the local coal merchant's storage facilities. On the right is the large brick-built goods shed. A mixed goods train is ready to depart.



# Bygones

## Waterside

Waterside Road was a very busy and industrialised area of Barton. Industries included Hall's Barton Ropery, the Farmers' Company fertiliser works, the malkilns, Clapson's Shipbuilding Yard, three whiting mills, making whiting and plaster from chalk from the nearby quarries and tile manufacturing.



A passenger train ready to leave in the 1920s. A chimney of one of three whiting works on Waterside Road can be seen in the background. Trains ran to New Holland to meet the Hull Ferry and Grimsby, with connections to London. Many people who were attending Sunday schools in the 1950s will remember the very long trains, which exceeded the platform length, and took them for a day trip to Cleethorpes each year.



On the left of this photograph by Stanley Smith, the goods loading area can be seen with its canopy. It was a busy area and where products including cycles, tiles, fertilisers, rope and other products produced in the nearby factories were exported



Looking towards the start of Waterside Road from its junction with Fleetgate and Butts Road in the 1920s



Dam Road corner in the 1930s with the water mill on the right. This mill was powered by water from the Dam Road and Butts Road field drains which fed into the Haven.



The demolition of the water mill on June 30 1975. The small brick building in the foreground was a public gents toilet. The Ropery and its manager's house are on the left. Chemical Road (now Malkiln Road) is on the right



St Chad's Mission Church (left) and School was situated halfway down Waterside Road. Opening as a Sunday School in 1893 to serve the inhabitants of the local area, it became St Chad's Day school in 1904 and closed in 1960. The larger church was opened in 1904 and both were demolished in 1970.



The mouth of Barton Haven. Clapson's Shipyard is on the left and "Stamp's Boat" is on the wharf (centre). William Stamp had a daily return sailing to Hull and it was used by many local businesses. On the other side of the Haven is Gilstrap Earp's Malkilns, used to dry barley for the brewing industry. The building burnt down in 1970 (see Bartonian March 2021). Waste from the barley ran into the river, feeding a large number of swans - hence the nickname of Barton Town Football Club, The Swans.

Further information about the station can be found in the book "The Railway comes to Barton" by Anthony Berridge available at Wilderspin School Museum and The Ropewalk. Thanks to John French for his help.

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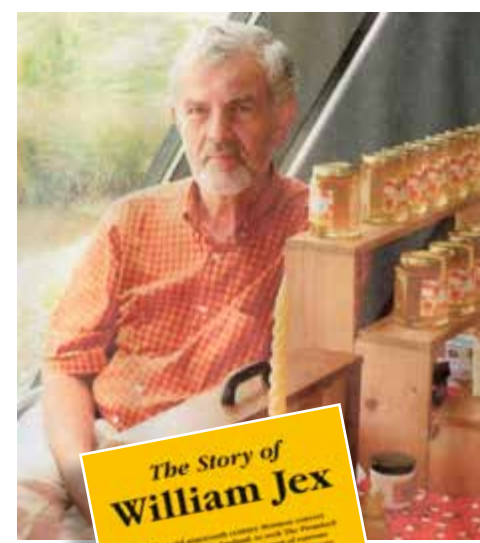
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# Obituaries



## Nicholas Turner *The Quiet Influencer*



Well respected former Bereton School English Teacher, Nick Turner, died on July 15, 2023, surrounded by close family following his courageous fight against a protracted illness. It was but a few days before the 60th anniversary of his wedding to beloved wife, Gill.

Bartonian Nick, was born on April 11 1940 and although his sights were set to the heights of an RAF pilot, Nick's great talent was in teaching pupils, which he loved and they loved him. Mindful of their future, he worked tirelessly with Scunthorpe College to achieve their career ambitions and placements. He also took young people through the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

In his spare time and in retirement after 1998, Nick was a woodworker of distinction. His skills saw him build not only individual children's toys but remarkable rocking horses to order and for sale. Indeed, much of his craft was supplied to the renowned Anthony Dew's Rocking Horse Shop in Fangfoss, York, where they were offered, with pride, for sale.

Also a keen gardener and vegetable plantsman, Nick's abiding outdoor interest was beekeeping, maintaining a long term membership of Ulceby and Lincolnshire's Beekeeping Associations, always working towards their objectives. He travelled widely, often positioning the hives, which were up to 40 in number, around Helmsley and the North York Moors.

From those carefully nurtured bee colonies he was rewarded with their pure honey, the favourite derived from heather or rapeseed. These won him many awards, his distinctive jars missed by many local customers.

Nick was a neighbour and friend of future famous novelist, Ted Lewis. Both attended Barton County Junior School and Barton Grammar School until their careers diverged and he drew upon his formative years with Ted Lewis to become Chairman of The Ted Lewis Group and Centre, from which he will be sorely missed. During his time of service, North Lincolnshire Council voted him 2017 Adult Arts Volunteer of the Year.

Nick was also a creative writer of singular accuracy and a member of Barton's Mill Writers creative writing group. He carefully researched the extraordinary heritage of his distant relatives, the Jex family, and their dedication to Mormonism in the USA. This fascinating published volume, William Jex, is on sale locally, and is a monument to Nick's care and skill.

Nick leaves his widow, Gillian, children Helen and Paul, grandchildren Ashley, Sophie, Oliver and Jack, great grandchildren, Ted and Ada and brother Martin, as well as his extended family.

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# MND Association



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The company is raising the funds in memory of local Bartonian Karen Hughes, who died of MND in June 2021. The workplace sponsorship is being led by Karen's son, James Hughes.

For their main event, 24 set off on the Yorkshire Three Peaks Challenge on Friday June 9, including employees from LSTC's offices in Driffield, Hessle and Surrey, with friends and family joining in too.

Everyone who completed it did so in under 12 hours and it was a huge effort from all who took part with great support all the way round from each other, especially from Claire Wardle who was that smiling face at each stop between peaks who took time to feed, water and patch everyone up all day.

Colleagues from another company in the LSTC Group, 'ERM', completed the Welsh leg on Tuesday June 13, climbing Pen-y-fan. The temperatures were very high, but the ERM Team pulled together as one, to ensure everyone reached the summit.

Numerous other events have been undertaken throughout the year including Golf Days, virtual walk and cycle challenges, a two hour bikeathon, monthly quizzes, cake sales, raffles and sweepstakes. A T-shirt was created for the challenges, sponsored by clients and contractors.

The MND Mountain Challenge alone has raised over £5k for the charity with the final total of the Charity of the Year fundraising now reaching £13.7k.

Well done to all involved with the fundraising! If you would like to donate and help LSTC Group further exceed its goal of £10k, and help find a cure for MND, please donate at <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/lstc>

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