

Community News

Badsey and Aldington

October 2009



BADSEY CRICKET CLUB

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Badsey Junior Cricket Club Fund Raising Day Bank Holiday Monday.

The morning started at 9.00 am with an 8 mile sponsored walk along the Stratford Upon Avon Canal beginning at Cox's Yard. The walkers consisted of 20 junior cricketers ranging in age from 6 – 18 years of age, accompanied by 16 adults. Quite a few of the walkers wore "silly hats" accompanied with buckets which were used to collect donations on their walk mainly from the canal barge community. Some competitive spirits decided to run the whole 8 miles and a bit of a competition began as to whom would come first. That glory went to Ryan Smith aged 15!

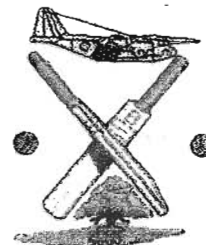
On completion all parties returned to the Cricket Club where other volunteers had been setting up stalls for the afternoon activities, incorporating a fancy dress cricket match (reported to be @ 20 a side). And various stalls including tombola, produce, bric-a-brac, cakes and teas, face painting, bar-b-q, guess the name of the teddy and lucky dip. The game was completed with an impromptu sponsored water slide where a few senior members

partially stripped off and slid down a 30 yard watered cover for money.

Great thanks needs to be expressed to all the villagers who contributed so generously with raffle prizes, tombola prizes and bric-a-brac donations, also the kindly donations from various local Clubs and Companies particularly The Badsey Ladies, and the community who attended the day and made it such a huge success. We anticipate the final amount raised to be approx £1,800.

The Junior Cricket Club, during the season have training days for the tried and tested on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the summer for their League matches which they play Home and Away on Sunday mornings at U 12 and U 14 level and also Sunday morning friendly games played during the School Holidays amongst both age groups. Kwik Cricket for First school juniors commence on Sunday mornings 10.00 am - 12 noon generally from July to September We would welcome more members next season.

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2 LETTER FOR THE MONTH



Dear All,

It hardly seems possible that the year has gone past so quickly, here we are at the beginning of October with the 'long hot barbecue summer' all but a distant memory!! The harvest is gathered in and the nights have already started to shorten. Apart from enjoying the long hot days of summer (when we get them) I do enjoy the start of the Autumn Season – the wonderful colours of the trees as the leaves start to turn from many and varied shades of green into the wonderful autumn gold and brown shades. It is the time that we traditionally hold our harvest festival – an opportunity to give thanks to God for the harvest that has hopefully been safely gathered in. Over the summer months I have been reading a book entitled A History of God by Karen Armstrong, a former Catholic Nun who was born and spent her early years in Worcestershire. She has written many books and this particular one details the history of God from the traditions of Judaism, Christianity and Islam (with occasional references to Buddhism and Hinduism just for completeness). I would not recommend it as 'an easy read' as it is quite hard going at times, but I found it challenging and as a result it has raised

FROM THE REVD RICHARD COURT

questions about God, particularly as we come to harvest and give thanks to 'God'. Who or what for example is the God we give thanks to? Do we still think of God in human terms? Is 'He' a man with a long white beard (an old Sunday-School image, which unfortunately still exists even in some modern Christian literature!); does 'She' have a feminine side, or does God transcend human sexuality altogether? These of course are the imponderable questions that have been asked from the very beginning of time and the answer changes afresh with each generation as science and religion develop and thinking changes. For me God is the overarching power that created the universe, the strength that holds the stars in their places, the force that sends the wind the rain and the sunshine; the very energy that makes all things grow. This is what we give thanks for in our harvest celebrations. Every one of us is part of this great creation, and have ourselves been created and although we are all individuals we are social beings and cannot exist on our own, we each depend on others for our very existence, that alone is worth giving thanks for.

With best wishes

Richard

CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Baptisms: None

Funerals: 02 Sept 09 Olive Margaret Walters
 11 Sept 09 Irene Mary Guise

Weddings: None

CHURCH SERVICES

OCTOBER 2009		
Sun 04	11.00 am	Family Harvest
	6.30 pm	Harvest Evensong
Wed 07	10.00 am	Communion followed by coffee
Sun 11	11.00 am	Praise & Worship
	6.30 pm	Eucharist
Sun 18	11.00 am	Family Worship
	6.30 pm	Evensong
Sun 25	9.30 am	Eucharist
	6.30 pm	Evensong

Morning Prayer is said at 7.45 am each weekday at Badsey except Tuesday & Wednesday, which are a Eucharist.

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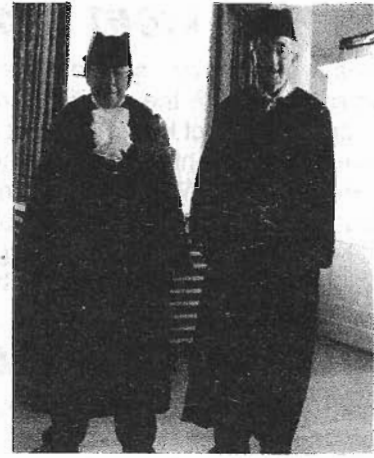
1st Sunday All the Guild - Harvest Festival
 2nd Sunday Mary & Avril
 3rd Sunday Yvonne & Stephanie
 4th Sunday Sandra & Maureen

Thank you ladies for the flowers in Church during September. On Saturday 03 October we will be decorating the church for the Harvest Festival at 10.00 am and hope to see as many of the Guild as possible please. If anyone has any flowers, fruit or veg etc. they would like to donate, it would be very much appreciated. Any queries regarding church flowers please contact me, Hazel Stewart 832007

ROUND ROBIN GROUP

At our last meeting we visited the Town Hall in Evesham. And were met by Mrs Diane Raphael who welcomed us with open arms. She showed us around the newly refurbished main Hall sporting a colourway of blending creams, greens and blues with gold leaf detail, creating a restful but vibrant scene with a lovely atmosphere. Hanging there was a beautiful banner celebrating the new century of 2000, depicting the Vale in many ways especially the spring blossom through the Grass and Fruit seasons all hand stitched. The Mayor's and Councilor's robes were set out for us to see. One or two members had their photo's taken with them. Mrs Raphael is so proud of Evesham and her connections with it. We all sat in the Council Chamber to be enthralled by her enthusiasm to explain the History of the chamber and the many Mayor's of which she was one herself. Afterwards we finished with a nice cup of tea.

Hilary Bolton



Pictures taken by Jim Glover, our resident photographer.

Joan Hartwell on left and Cecil Jones and Don Hartwell above, the Round Robin Mayors and Mayoress.

Next meeting is Thursday 15 October at 2.00 pm. All welcome.

Lifts can be arranged.

Sheila Lancaster

PLANNING APPLICATION

A recent application for the demolition of a house in Brewers Lane to make way for the access to a proposed site for around forty houses is part of a trend that is developing in Badsey. In Old Post Office Lane earlier in the year the bulldozers demolished a soundly built post-war red-brick property



to make way for three, as yet to be started, new houses to be shoe-horned onto the site. Houses will always be sacrificed in the name of progress, it has always happened and always will. Mercifully today the only houses and buildings that are lost have relatively no artistic value. It could be argued that the house put forward for removal in Brewers Lane is possibly the least architectural house in the road. Whether the proposed houses to be built in its back yard will be any better is debateable, will we end up with another Woodmancote? Luckily not all residents are wishing to demolish their properties. Some, as in the case of Lyn and Ian Gibson, and recently Paul Green, have held centennial birthday parties for their houses. The Badsey Society also discovered a growing interest from Badsey and Aldington residents for learning more about the history of their houses following the Society's photographic survey. If we think back to the fifties and sixties, many fine buildings and barns in the village were pulled down for redevelopment. Today with more public awareness for conservation, and organisations like the Badsey Society we can only hope that all future loss is kept to a minimum.

Will Dallimore

COMMUNITY NEWS ONLINE

You can now read the Community News on-line. A pdf version of the monthly publication, in full colour, can be downloaded from www.badsey.org.uk

TOWER NEWS

October looks like being an especially busy month with visiting band requests. Saturday 3rd, Mr Ford and ringers will be with us from 1.45pm, Saturday 10th, the Kenilworth ringers will be starting at 11.45am and the



Fire Service College from Moreton-in-Marsh will be here on Saturday 24th at 11.45am. All teams will be ringing for about an hour.

On August 14th a Grandfathers Quarter Peal took place to celebrate all their grand children especially William born July 5th 2009 and Chloe born 9th August 2009. This was also Robert Hall's 300th Quarter Peal. Only the 1st. born have been named in the following report sent in by Tom Sandham.

August 14th 2009 - Grandfathers Quarter Peal details.

Method - Grandsire Doubles

Changes - 1260

1. John Bolton - Grand'daughter Emma.
2. Douglas Bott - Grand'daughter Gemma
3. Robert Hall - Grand'daughter Chloe
4. Tom Sandham - Grand'son William
5. Martin Penny (C) - Grand'son Benjamin
6. Gordon Hill - Grand'daughter Ella

Conducted by Martin Penny.

Over time we have been asked many questions of which I will try and attempt to answer, and explain some of them. A method such as 'Grandsire' is a pattern of work which is learnt and memorised. Consisting of 'hunting' where bells follow the same path, one slightly behind the other diagonally called coursing. 'Dodging' is when bells change places with one another to create a zig zag and 'Place' making where the place maker bell stays in position like a shadow. If other bells try to cross this line there is usually a crash. Nothing different to a Motorway, but I am glad to say our horrid noise can be rectified very quickly without damage. To create a 'Quarter Peal' using the above we have to introduce Bobs and Singles This will be explained at a later date. Each month will cover another section.

Hilary Bolton

STRIKE THE RIGHT CHORD

Downloading music and software from the internet seems second nature to some people nowadays. But we do not always realise where the software originated. You can for instance download a piece of musical software from an American website not knowing that it was written in Badsey. A few years ago Will Dallimore, a self-taught computer programmer, was contacted by Duane Shinn. Duane was a gospel pianist and part of the Billy Graham Evangelistic team. He had seen Will's basic chord finder program online and asked if Will could write a more advanced version for Duane's own company which sold piano based software. Will did this, and it is still available from Duane's website for \$39. Sadly Will does not get any royalties as he accepted an initial modest payment. Will's own musical chord finder software is freely available to download, as well as a guitar chord builder program, from Will's website www.dallimore.co.uk

RUMBLE IN THE JUNGLE

Evesham Volunteer Centre is having another of its popular 'Rumble in the Jungle' sales on Saturday 24 October at Badsey Remembrance Hall starting at 2.00 pm. Do come along and see all our bargains and support your local charity at the same time. Refreshments available. If you have anything suitable for us to sell (no electrical goods), please contact 01386 831104 or 41065 to arrange collection.

Mavis Harris

WICKHAMFORD GARDENING

The next meeting of the Gardening Club is scheduled for Wednesday 28th October, 2009 at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. This month is the Annual General Meeting, followed by a demonstration by Rosemary Coe- "Planting Tubs for Autumn and Winter". We look forward to welcoming all members and guests - for further information please contact Dorothy Turpitt - Club Secretary - tel: 01386 830834.

MAYPOLE BEARS OF OFFENHAM



Jean, artist designer and maker of exclusive Teddy Bears, will be holding her Autumn and Christmas presentation of her bears from Monday 19-25 October from 10.00 am onwards.

The Bears are in all sizes and are 'one of a kind', in Schulte Mohair, Alpaca and Cashmere. They make delightful gifts for all occasions and all ages and the variety pleases collectors. These 'Bears are for Life' and have their own Birth Certificate.

Phone Jean on 01386 48217 if you would like to visit. Apart from presentation week the Bears can be viewed at any time by appointment, a warm welcome awaits you. There is no obligation to purchase but if you wish to, my Bears love to be adopted and I am also delighted.

I look forward to your company

Sincerely,

Jean Jephcott



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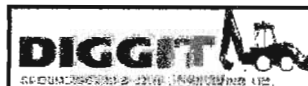
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JIGSAW

Jigsaw is moving home, from October.

It will meet on the 4th Sunday of the month at 11 am in Badsey Church.

Jigsaw is for 4-10 year olds.

At Jigsaw we have Music! Drama! Craft! Stories! And Christian teaching but most of all we have fun.

Autumn Term dates

25th October

22nd November



POPPY APPEAL

Could you or you and a friend spare a couple of hours selling poppies door to door in Badsey? Each year the nation expresses its unequivocal support for The Royal British Legion's charity work through the Poppy Appeal. The current theme of "Serving those who Serve", emphasises the increasing need to help the men and women who are serving today, as well as ex-Services and dependants. Their services are needed all year so please help their fundraising by donating a couple of hours or so in the lead up to Remembrance Day. If you can offer any help please contact Mr. Les Grinnell on 01386 831228.



100 YEARS OF GUIDING

Badsey Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Senior Section and Leaders Celebrate 100 years of Guiding.

Worcestershire Girl Guiding celebrated the launch of 100 years of Guiding in the UK with a 48 hour dancethon at Hanbury Hall. Badsey Guides and members of the Senior Section danced to disco music in the early hours of the 4th September.



They returned back home for 9am, with several still partying away on the coach whilst others slept. The Rainbows and Brownies did their stint in the

afternoon, line dancing and getting extremely hot learning various dance routines including Saturday Night Fever and the Macaraina. They also participated in a session on Brazilian rhythms, listened to the storyteller and had a go on the obstacle bouncy castle. After the picnic, everyone gathered to listen to messages of congratulation from the Queen, the Chief Guide and the Commissioner for the Midlands Region. To celebrate the end of

our Mountain Top Moment, we cheered and each of us ate a small birthday cake kindly cooked by Trefoil Guild Members throughout the county. Those who had been celebrating during the night were also given glow sticks, whilst the younger members blew bubbles when they left the site, as well as a special badge for taking part.

This event was just the start of a whole year of fun and earned points towards the Adventure 100 badge which each Guiding member can work towards during the next 12 months. Look out for regular updates from Badsey Brownies on what they get up to!

Julia Routledge - Eagle Owl - 1st Badsey Brownies



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BADSEY W.I.

Membership of Badsey W.I. continues to grow and the Institute to flourish. Our speaker in August was Gwen Zanzottera on 'Topless in Stratford-upon-Avon'. Her talk took us on journeys through Stratford and the Cotswolds as well as Birmingham and London. Gwen explained the intensive training to become an official Blue Badge Guide and regaled us with some of her funny experiences in this capacity. Once on travelling round the Cotswolds an American gentleman asked her why the lanes were so narrow. After explaining that the lanes were there hundreds of years before us the gentleman asked, in all seriousness, 'did they not take into account the amount of traffic there would be one day' !! This and many other anecdotes made for a very entertaining evening. Some members have been to see Calendar Girls in London which they thoroughly enjoyed and another party are going on 31st October. An outing to Much Markle to visit a farm and lovely gardens with a wonderful lunch followed by a very beautiful flower arranging demonstration and then tea of homemade cakes etc. was thoroughly enjoyed. We were the guests of Offenham Flower Club on this occasion and we all had a marvellous time. Our speaker at our September Meeting is Joyce Payne on her life as a Court Dressmaker and on 14 October it is our AGM when a new committee and President will be elected. On 11 November we are having a display and demonstrations of the many varied arts and crafts members have done or do with a chance to 'have a go'. Anyone who would like to come along to any of our meetings will be made most welcome. We meet at Badsey Village Hall on the second Wednesday of each month at 7.15.p.m.



BADSEY BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION

The monthly meeting of the Royal British Legion Womens Section, Badsey, Aldington & Wickhamford Branch took place on Wednesday 26 August 2009.

During the exaltation the Chairman asked members to remember Pat Lord, a long standing member who had recently died. Numerous friends of Pat's were able to say their farewell at the church service. As Pat was an ex-service person and at the family's request the standard was present, carried by Jackie Emms.

Due to holidays and illness the number of ladies attending the meeting was on the low side. Those who did attend were 'entertained' (but basically informed of the services available for the over 50s) by Caroline, John and Jill from Age Concern. At the end of the meeting our speakers were asked if they would judge the Alphabet Competition. This month the letter was 'z' and it was surprising the number of articles that were brought. The winner was Ada Hemming with her model figures of male and female Zimbarbee people. It was decided to carry on with the alphabet competition as it has proved to be very interesting and amusing. To start with the letter 'a' but not until our November meeting. At the time of writing we are looking forward to our next monthly meeting on Wednesday 23 September 2009 which is our Harvest Festival, when the branch are also hosts for the Group 2 A.G.M. It should be an interesting evening, even if you are not members why not come along and see for yourself.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This will take place in church on 04 October

Gifts brought to the Harvest Festival will be given to "Helping Hands in the Vale," a charity based at the Christian Centre in Evesham. They work with the unemployed and with low income families in our local area. Please join us for our celebration and bring your gifts for this excellent cause.

Thank you

Sue Cole

BADSEY MOTHERS' UNION

On Wednesday 7th October at 10am we will be taking Communion at Badsey Church, followed by coffee. Then on Tuesday 13th October at 2.30pm our speaker is Angie Lilly, who will talk about 'Laughter for Life'.



THANK YOU AND HELP

On behalf of Badsey Church Council I want to say thank you to all who deliver the Community News each month, so many people are pleased to receive it regularly.

Also I would like to make a plea for others to come forward to join the delivery team. Some people who have been delivering it are now unable to do so. We need people to deliver in The Lankets and it would be good to have people to go on a reserve list to cover holidays and maybe allow us to split some of the very big rounds.

Please contact a member of the editorial team or email badseyeditorial@ourbenefice.org.uk

HARVEST SUPPER

Badsey Remembrance Hall

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Admission £7.00 for adults
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Get Fit/ Keep Fit.....

Barbara Kay

SIGHTS FROM GERMANY 2009

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WANTED: My hobby is doing jigsaw puzzles and I would like to know whether any parishioners have any 1000 or 1500 piece jigsaws I may borrow. I also have some to lend out. Thank you. *Elizabeth Keitley 830393*

I'm writing this at the beginning of September but when this comes out in print it will be October, the month when the clocks go back and we will officially be in winter.

We have a lot of interesting articles this month, the Brownies and the German Partnership being just two. At the time of writing we are looking forward to our 'Back to Church Sunday' and we are looking forward to meeting old and new friends. Keep your news coming in and enjoy the last days of summer. Editor

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Our partnership link was formed in 1998 and was the first parish partnership linked to churches in Kirchenkreise (Deanery) of Halberstadt-Ost around the villages of

Wegeleben, Kroppenstadt, Hausneindorf, Emersleben and Schwanebeck.



We visit each other in alternate years and the program includes visits to attractions both secular and religious. There is usually worship every day, using both languages. We have had some wonderful experiences and thought provoking times during visits.



Over the years we have learnt much about each others worship, culture and lifestyle in the case of our friends the trials they had to go through during the GDR. We have also formed friendships and private visits have taken place.

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