

Application Form for Membership of The Badsey Society

I/We wish to become members of The Badsey Society:

Name of Person(s)	Membership Type, eg Adult/Child/Family	Cost

Address:

..... Post Code:

E-mail address:

I enclose cash/cheque for £.....

Please do not send cash through the post. Cheques should be made payable to: The Badsey Society. Please send or hand your membership fee to The Membership Secretary, Will Dallimore or, if more convenient, to another Committee member who will forward your membership fee. If you live outside Badsey and Aldington, please enclose a SAE for your membership card.

I would like to see the following ideas included in future Society events:

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If you have any areas of expertise which may be of use, please let us know:

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Subscription to *A Brief History of Badsey and Aldington*

Name as you wish it to appear in the book:

I wish to be a subscriber to *A Brief History of Badsey and Aldington* and enclose a cheque for £5 (see previous page for prices if you live outside Badsey and Aldington) for a copy of the book.

Signed: Date:

THE BADSEY SOCIETY

April 2002 - Newsletter No 1

Welcome to the first Newsletter of the newly-formed Badsey Society. This first Newsletter is being sent to all households within the parishes of Badsey and Aldington, in order to publicise the Society, but future Newsletters will be sent to members only (see last page for application form).

What is The Badsey Society?

The inaugural meeting of The Badsey Society was held at St James' Church, Badsey, on Thursday 28th February 2002; 19 people attended and 9 sent their apologies. The aims of the Society are:

- To promote the understanding and study of the parish of Badsey (including Aldington)
- To conduct activities connected with Badsey past and present, including meetings, lectures, walking tours, education and publication in print and electronic media, in areas such as history, archaeology, folklore, flora, fauna and geology
- The Society's first major task will be the publication of a new edition of the book *A Brief History of Badsey and Aldington* in September 2002

Who can Join?

Anyone, anywhere – be it Badsey, Evesham, Australia or Timbuktu!

How much does it Cost?

There is a nominal cost for joining (to cover printing and administration costs); members will get reduced entrance fee to Society events

£1 per adult (valid until 31st December 2002)

50p per child, aged 16 and under (valid until 31st December 2002)

£2.50 family membership, 2 adults and all children in the family (valid until 31st December 2002)

Members who live outside Badsey or Aldington will have their newsletter e-mailed to them (if you wish to receive a hard copy, please enclose 2 SAEs with your membership fee)

Logo Competition

We need a logo! Please send us your design by 30th June. It can be a computer-aided design or a sketch. The winner will receive a signed copy of Terry Sparrow's new history of Badsey, due for publication in September. Send your entry to Richard Phillips (see address under Committee membership). This competition is open to all ages, children and adults alike.

Forthcoming Events

Saturday 6th July – The Society will have a stand at Badsey First School Summer Fete, and will include an exhibition of market gardening tools. The Fete is being opened at 2pm by Mrs Elizabeth Spencer, the new Head Teacher (Badsey's first female Head in over 100 years), who herself comes from a market gardening background

Saturday 27th July – The Society will have a stand at Badsey Flower Show

Saturday 28th September – Launch of the new, revised edition of *A Brief History of Badsey and Aldington* (details to follow at a later date)

Possible Future Events

Archaeological Field Walks

Historical Walking Tours of the Village

Introductory Lecture

Competitions/Quizzes

An Asparagus Festival in 2003

A publication of *A History of Badsey School* planned for 2004 (to coincide with the 150th anniversary of its foundation)

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Revised New Edition of *A Brief History of Badsey and Aldington*

All copies of the book *A Brief History of Badsey and Aldington*, published in 1983, have been sold and a new edition is being produced. Terry Sparrow, one of the original joint authors, is currently rewriting the book with the support of a number of people in the village. The new edition of the book will include a substantial amount of new material including photographs and maps. A public meeting about the book was held in September 2001, and since then, about 20 people have lent old photographs and other materials for the book. Anyone who can help, by lending old photographs or supplying any other material which they think may be useful, is invited to contact Terry Sparrow or one of the Committee members as soon as possible.

The Countryside Service of Worcestershire County Council has kindly offered a grant towards the cost of publishing the book. The Badsey Society is seen as a suitable body to administer this grant. The provisional publication date is Saturday 28th September 2002.

It is planned to invite subscribers to buy advance copies at the following subscription prices:

£5 if you live locally and can collect your copy

£7 for mailing within the UK

£8 for mailing to Europe

£9 for mailing elsewhere in the world

Subscribers will have their names listed in the book. If you wish to be a subscriber, please send your cheque with your membership application. If you live locally, your copy will be available for collection at the launch in September.

Badsey Website

The village has a large and growing website at www.badsey.net. If your ancestors lived in Badsey in the 16th, 17th, 18th or 19th centuries, check the alphabetical index for references to your family; find out where they lived and what they did for a living. If you would like to contribute an article, please send to the webmaster, Richard@badsey.net. In particular, reports from local clubs and societies, would be greatly appreciated.