

COME AND PIT YOUR WITS AGAINST BADSEY'S BRIGHTEST AND BEST
at the **BADSEY SOCIETY QUIZ NIGHT**
on SATURDAY 15th NOVEMBER

The venue is Badsey Recreation Club, 7.30 for 8 pm. The cost is £3 per person, to include a ploughman's supper. Teams of up to 5 people may participate. If you would like to take part, but don't have enough for a team, don't worry, we will fix you up with some team members on the night. Because the quiz is open to non-members of the Society, there is likely to be fierce rivalry from teams representing Badsey School (at who's quiz last Easter the Society left egg on the faces of the opposition), and the Round of Gras who all seasoned professionals. The questions, a mix of general knowledge plus a few needing local knowledge, have been set by Terry Sparrow and the question master is the ever popular Arthur Plant.

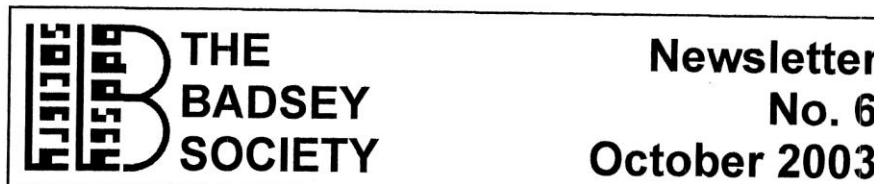
To enter a team fill in the form below and pop it through the letter box of any of the committee members listed overleaf. Do not include entrance fees, these will be collected on the night of the quiz.

BADSEY SOCIETY QUIZ NIGHT ENTRY FORM

TEAM NAME

CONTACT PERSON

TEL. No. No. IN TEAM



The long hot days of Summer 2003 seem long gone and we are now beginning to think of the months ahead. The Autumn / Winter programme is beginning to take shape, but we always welcome new ideas (and offers to assist!).

Round-Up of Events in July to September 2003

- Saturday 26th July 2003 - *The Badsey Society* mounted an exhibition at Badsey Flower Show, featuring photographs of the school and of village architecture. Despite the inclement weather, the stand proved to be extremely popular, even though we gradually had to retreat further and further into the gazebo, to stop the exhibition boards getting wet! Even when the rain was pouring down and it was time to pack up, we still had people poring over the photo albums.
- Saturday 20th September 2003 - Worcestershire Record Office, in conjunction with BBC Radio Hereford & Worcester, organised a Local History day at the Guildhall, Worcester, at which *The Badsey Society* was invited to have a stand. Terry Sparrow, Maureen Spinks and John Dallimore represented the Society at the event, and Terry and Maureen were radio stars for a brief moment when Mike George stopped by for a live interview. We received many compliments about the quality of our exhibition stand (the theme was market gardening) and we had a non-stop stream of visitors throughout the day. We even found a new sideline for the Society - exporting two-tine forks to Turkey! One of the visitors to the stand. Mr Arif Yuce of Worcester, examined the Chairman's fork in great detail. A keen gardener, and a winner in this year's Worcester Allotment Competition, he was anxious to know where he could purchase one. He had not seen one since his boyhood 30 years ago in Northern Turkey. There, in Northern Turkey, the farmers worked the heavy soil with an almost identical fork to the one used by the market gardeners in the Vale of Evesham. So the question is, which country can claim to be the true homeland of the two-tine fork!

Future Events

Saturday 15th November Quiz Night (see back page for entry form)

Saturday 6th December Exhibition stand at Badsey First School Xmas Bazaar

Saturday 19th June Exhibition stand at Badsey First School Summer Fete

Other Events Planned (no firm date available yet)

Autumn / Winter Computer Taster session (a date will be organised if sufficient people are interested)

January / February 2004 Archaeological pot-washing session and AGM

March 2004 Rescheduled House History talk

September 2004 Publication of *A History of Badsey School*

Summer Heatwave

The long hot summer of 2003 seemed to surpass all records. But Society Member, Fred Roberts, recalls a sweltering summer of 80 years ago. He was then a pupil at Badsey Council School and remembers that a number of the lessons had to be taken outside because of the stifling heat of the classrooms. This is what Frank Amos, the Headmaster, had to say in the School Log Book:

Week ending 13 Jul 1923 - Exams have been continued, though slowly, owing to the intense heat. Attendance continues to be very good.

Week ending 20 Jul 1923 - Exams have been delayed owing to the extremely hot weather. Most of the classes have had some part of their work examined.

Fred has an amazing recall of event over 80 years ago. If you would like to contribute your memories of Badsey School, please contact Maureen Spinks, who is busy working on the history of the school, due to be published next year.

Items for a Museum collection

We are aware that many of our members, as well as other local residents, possess much interesting material relating to Badsey and Aldington in bygone years. It has been suggested that the Society establishes a collection of photographs, documents and artifacts, to be brought out from time to time at exhibitions. For example, we have already been donated a cassock and prayer book belonging to the late Canon Allsebrook, and also a Badsey First School uniform. In particular, if you are moving house and having a clear-out, please think of the Society. Limited storage space may rule out the acquisition of bulky items but we shall be pleased to hear from anyone who is willing to donate one or more items to the collection. Further information may be obtained from the Chairman or the Secretary.

Computer/Internet tasters

Not got a computer but would like to see the Badsey Website?
Got a computer but would like help in family history research on the internet?

We asked in the last Newsletter if anyone was interested in attending a computer taster session. We have had just one response! As we have the opportunity to use a room and facilities at *Evesham Technology*, we would like to be able to offer this free session to our members. But this would only be practical if sufficient numbers of people are interested. So complete the form and come along!

COMPUTER / INTERNET TASTER REPLY SLIP

Name:

Tel No:

I am interested in attending a computer taster session. I am particularly interested in the following (please circle all those that interest you):

- The Badsey website
- The internet in general
- Family history on the internet
- Software for family history use
- Something else (please specify)

Do you have a computer? YES/NO

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