Badsey & Aldington Parish Council

Newsletter

March 2019

Barn Dance!



Saturday 30th March at the Community & Sports Club

with "Pat on the Fiddle"

Doors open 7.30 pm, dancing from 8.00 pm

Tickets only £5!



from:Becky in the Post Office; Gary Bailey (831525); Alan Tutton (831539)

Previous Barn Dances have proved very popular and have been hugely enjoyed by all. Please feel free to bring your own snacks. The bar will be open throughout the evening, which promises to be great fun once again!

Easter Treasure Hunt! Monday 22nd April from 11 a.m. (last off 11.30)

Start and finish at Badsey Community & Sports Club, Brewers Lane

Chocolate prize for all children and bumper prize for the winners Fun for all the family!

The route is around the village. Please bring a pen or pencil to complete the quiz. Bring your **Easter Bonnets** for the parade after the event, when there will also be **egg painting**.

The Parish Council would like to thank the Club for kindly hosting the event this year.



Suitable for ALL £1 entry per family

PEACE, WAR & REMEMBRANCE

The latest book from The Badsey Society is on sale at The Spar, price £6, and available online via the new website <u>www.badseysociety.uk</u>. *Peace, War & Remembrance: The Great War in Badsey, Aldington & Wickhamford*, looks at all aspects of village life during this pivotal point in history. The war was fought not just on the battlefield, but also on the home front. Children grew up in the shadow of war, their fathers absent or lost. Women became directly involved, picking up the pieces of industry and agriculture as the men went off to fight. Many hours were spent in fund-raising for a multitude of good causes in connection with the war. The community during that period also included Belgian refugees and German prisoners of war.

Whether you are new to the village or have lived here all your life, the book shines a spotlight on what life was like for parishioners a century ago - a world which was very different to the one we know today.



The author, Maureen Spinks, with lan Gibson who designed the cover.



Fighting crime in our villages

Our local police officer is arranging a Crime Prevention morning on Saturday 30 March between 10 a.m. and 12 noon at the Community & Sports Club in Brewers Lane. Advice on protecting your home, cars and personal belongings. Police, Parish Council and Wychavon District Council will be in attendance, most likely with other agencies and companies.

The Parish Council will have Smartwater kits available for collection. More and more Smartwater kits are being distributed, which can only be a good thing. The more of us who are involved, the more effective a deterrent to thieves the system is, and it's FREE for residents of the villages, including our part of Blackminster. Join the many households already benefitting from the

additional peace of mind. Put your stickers in your window and mark your valuables with a tiny dab of personalised invisible liquid to help recover your property should it be stolen. For more details, email Andrea Evans, the Clerk, at: badseypc@yahoo.co.uk or phone (Mon—Thur 9.30 - 4.30) 01386 760332



Computer Club

Badsey Computer Club, supported by the Parish Council, aims to help anyone gain a better understanding of how to get the most out of their home computers and gain confidence in their technology. Our meetings, which are open to all, are very informal and we usually have a short presentation at the beginning with practical tasks and time for one to one support. We aim to answer individual questions and give practical assistance where possible. We meet every other Monday between 10.30 and 12.30 in the back room of The Wheatsheaf (provided free by The Wheatsheaf Inn). Come along, join us for a coffee (refreshments donated by Walter's at the Wheatsheaf) and a chat. Learn something new, or help a fellow member learn from you!

For further details contact Alan Tutton on

01386 831539



Meeting dates:

Monday 8 April Monday 29th April Monday 13th May

No meeting Monday 27th May, Bank Holiday Monday 10th June Monday 24th June Monday 8th July Monday 22nd July



Badsey Flower Show 20th July

As many will know, Badsey Flower Show is on the 20th July this year.

I thought it might be worth just a short look back at its history. The first show was in 1888 and up until 1936 it was held on a Wednesday, often at the start of August. It has been held every year since except for 2006-2007 when extreme wet weather forced us to cancel the event. The show moved to the Recreation Ground in 1920 and the typical show would run from 2pm until 9pm. The show is now held on the nearest

Saturday to St. James Day (25th July).

Enough of the past, This year there are new classes to enter. The Parish Council is supporting the Spring

Garden Category this will be promoted at this year's Flower Show to be judged in the spring of 2020. This is in addition to Class 205: "A photograph or Picture for the Village Christmas Card"

The Battle of Britain Memorial fly past has not been confirmed yet, but we have seen the Dakota and Spitfire fly over in recent years. The fun dog show is well supported, and the Tombola is always crowded. There are lots of " traditional" stalls as well as some good old-fashioned new stalls for all to enjoy. The main arena is always packed with entertainment. We also have a large bar area, bigger than last year's.



Please come and support us again this year. The organising committee have held another meeting recently and have decided that if we all blow to the north on the 15th July this should help get the sunshine in the right place on the 20th July, and prevent the rain again that we have had for the last 2 years! The show schedule and entries will be out before Easter and available in the Spar Shop. If you would sooner look on line go to http://www.badseyflowershow.co.uk

Finally, we all know how busy we all are, but If you could spare an hour or two on the day to help, it just makes things a bit easier for everyone. If you can help give me a call 07736447747. Thanks for reading.

Gary Bailey (Vice Chairman Badsey Flower Show Committee)

Start building your Soapbox cart!

This year the Badsey Soapbox Races will be held on **Sunday, 25th August**. For more details please keep an eye on the website http://badsey-races.com/

Details will soon appear. In the meantime can we suggest that you start building your cart in readiness for the day – it takes longer than you might think.



All of the rules and regulations are also available on the website. You will need to take a good look at these to check max sizes etc.

Good luck and happy carting!

Events ideas

Have you seen an event somewhere else that you think might be a good idea here in Badsey?

A resident enjoyed this Children's Lantern Procession as part of a festival in Padstow. Would something like this make a nice addition to our Christmas event?

Do you have any other ideas you would like to



suggest? Contact us in the usual way via the Clerk if you have thoughts to share.

Badsey Film Club

Badsey Film Club is a non-profit making group which meets in the Function Room at the Wheatsheaf Inn. The group started in March 2007 after a group of regulars at the pub had been discussing their favourite films. Since then membership has continued to grow, and we now own a projection and sound system funded by the New Homes Bonus.

The programme is chosen from members' suggestions. We aim to show a recent blockbuster film on the first Saturday and a Mid Month Classic on the third Saturday of the month. These dates may change if there are bookings for the function room, so please look out for notices. Members are notified of any changes to the programme via email or by checking the notice board outside the pub. Up to date information is also available on <u>www.badsey.org.uk</u>. Films normally start at 8.00 p.m. Admission to the first film is free, and

membership is £5 a year thereafter to cover the cost of our license and any films we need to purchase. During the interval we serve ice creams and there is a raffle at the end of the current films.

Further information from Clive Richards [cliverichards11@hotmail.com]

6th April Current Film Bohemian Rhapsody

20th April Classic Film Fantastic Beasts 2016

4th May Current Film Book Club

18th May Classic Film One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest 1975

1st June Current Film A Star is Born

15th June Classic Film The Man Who Would Be King 1975



New Council website https://badseypc.uk

The old site maintained by Worcestershire County Council was frustratingly unwieldy and inflexible, and that site will no longer be updated. It does have the details of the new site should you end up there by accident! We have now set up a new website at https://badseypc.uk where we post all sorts of documentation and items of interest (we hope) to residents: details of meetings, events, planning applications and much more. Please visit the site and comment, either using the Contact page or our Facebook page.

Facebook

You can find us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/BAPC123, or simply search for Badsey & Aldington Parish Council when in Facebook. Lots of latest information and another point of contact. Why not take a look?

Speed Enforcement Measures

Following concerns expressed by residents, a new VAS post will be installed to regularly have a VAS (vehicle activated sign) device on it at the entrance to Badsey along Badsey Road. The 30mph speed extension is due to come into force in March 2019 and when it does 'dragons teeth;' markings will be installed at each end of the B4035 into Badsey by Highways and funded by the parish council. The PC is also working with safer roads partnership and Highways to increase the number of motorcycle speed check sites in Badsey.

Parish Council Meeting- Dates 2019

The dates for the <u>forthcoming</u> Parish Council Meetings at the Remembrance Hall at 7.30 are as follows:

Wednesday 20 March Wednesday 17 April Wednesday 15 May Wednesday 12 June Wednesday 17 July Clerk: Mrs Andrea Evans, 01386 760332 (office hours only, please) E-mail: badseypc@yahoo.co.uk