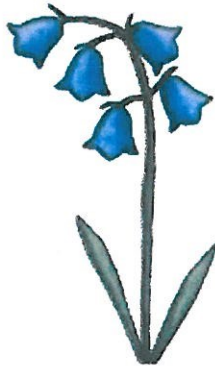




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Dear Readers,

This month sees the actual date of Her Majesty the Queen's 90th birthday, and though she is unlikely to actually read the Barton Miller, it is, as the saying goes "the thought that counts", so we record our Good Wishes to her on this special occasion. Her leadership has been outstanding and we will be celebrating it here in Barton Mills in June - see later pages for particulars.

Also in this issue, a scheme for planting wild flowers to attract bees is detailed. This is a vital project to help with the pollination of crops, so necessary for our food supply. Please help if you can.

Copy for the May issue to me by 20th April
please.

Yours sincerely Joy Willis

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Vicar's Letter

Dear friends

Vicaring is not known for its perks, but a few of us from our church leadership team have just had a fantastic visit to the base at RAF Mildenhall, hosted by the chaplains. We were introduced to the 100th Air Refuelling Wing, got to crawl all over a big old fuel tanker and even got up close and personal with one of those amazing CV-22 Ospreys, the ones that can go vertical like a helicopter or swivel the propellers forward and zoom along like a normal plane. We all see (and hear!) them flying around but not many of us get the opportunity to sit in the cockpit. So that was great.

Afterwards we were treated to lunch, while we listened to a talk from the Commander as well as a number of chaplains. We heard how the armed forces invest heavily in helping their people to be resilient – physically, emotionally, and socially, but also spiritually. The reason for getting us all together was partly so that they could emphasise to us how much they valued the role of local churches in providing spiritual resources to people who are far from home, often working in stressful environments and sometimes in fear for their lives. Many find it hard or even impossible to adjust to normal life away from the battlefield, and we heard a moving testimony from a young man who at first rejected faith, but later found his way back from the brink of suicide through the loving acceptance of his local church.

One comment from the Commander really caught my attention. He opened with the well-known statement, which you may or may not agree with, that 'there are no atheists in foxholes'. It wasn't that statement that stopped me in my tracks, but what he said next: 'The more I go on, the more I realise that all of life is a foxhole.'

The psychiatrist M Scott Peck said that one of the greatest truths is that life is difficult. If we could once accept that truth, he said, we could rise above it. Perhaps another way of saying that is that we are all in a foxhole of some kind – sometimes of our own making, sometimes forced upon us – dodging life's explosions and bullets. We may feel as if all we can do is to lay flat and pray for the crisis to pass.

My prayer this Easter is that whatever foxhole you may find yourself in, you will find yourself able to reach out and hold the hand of one near to you who is going through their own crisis; and that in love and acceptance you will find peace.

Love Sandie x

St Mary's Church Barton Mills.

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Other Members: Colin Brotherton; Lis Brotherton; Sandi

Prayer Times at Barton Mills

Fridays (weekly) 4- 4.30pm. In the Church. All welcome.

Mothers Union

Next Meeting - No Meeting in March.

Monday 18th April 2016. 2.15pm

Beck Row Church Room.

There is also a **Prayer Chain** for anyone needing prayers for themselves or others. Please ring **Colin Brotherton 713440.**

COFFEE MORNINGS

Every Thursday 10.00 - noon in the Church Rooms.

ALL VERY WELCOME



Barton Mills Church Services - April 2016

Easter Sunday 27th March 9.30am Family Holy Communion

Sunday 3rd April 9.30am: Holy Communion

Sunday 10th 8am: Early Holy Communion - simple form in contemporary language

9.30am: Messy Church – children and adults together enjoy informal activities and worship, everyone welcome.

Sunday 17th 9.30am: Holy Communion.

Sunday 24th 9.30am: Praise and Worship

Sunday 1st May 9.30am: Holy Communion

ANNUAL PARISH CHURCH MEETING. THURSDAY 28TH APRIL, 7.30pm in church.

All members of the congregation, and anyone who is interested in the life of St Mary's Church, Barton Mills, are invited to come to the annual church meeting. There will be reports on activities and the annual accounts, with opportunities for comments, suggestions and questions. Refreshments will be served at the start of the meeting.

FELLOWSHIP MEALS

Fellowship meals are being held in the church room each month, usually on the last Friday of each month at 6pm, but the April meal will be on Friday 22nd April.

Each meal is informal with a varied menu – and good company – all welcome! There is a list to sign in the church so that numbers are known for catering.

CARE OF THE CHURCHYARD

Our churchyard is kept in good order by regular working visits from supervised teams of people doing Community Payback Service.

As reported in the March Barton Miller, individual graves should be cared for by relatives and friends of those who are buried there, and there are just a few rules to help with general maintenance. These apply to all graveyards, (except the ancient parts), and include the need for all grave surfaces to be level and with grass growing that can be mown (i.e. no shingle or slate) and (apart from ancient graves) there should not be any raised borders. To comply with these regulations the surfaces of some graves are being levelled and sown with fresh grass seed.

Also, with the exception of new graves and children's graves (for which there are special regulations), only flower tributes and plants, or 'silk' flowers in season, should be left on graves. Seasonal tributes may be left at Christmas and Easter, but these should be removed when the festival is past.

A special area of the churchyard is marked off to be left unmown so that wild grasses and flowers can grow undisturbed throughout the Spring and Summer.



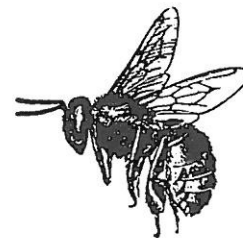
CLEAN FOR THE QUEEN

Thank you to all the hardworking volunteers who braved the rain in early March to clean up Barton Mills. You contributed a total of about 30 man hours of work and a similar number of bags of rubbish were collected. The parish certainly looks better for all your efforts.

Special thanks also to those who carry out litter picking on a regular basis or who have volunteered to help in other ways with keeping the village looking clean and tidy. All your contributions are very much appreciated.

Pamela Boura

A Bee World in Barton Mills



We are part of a Friends of the Earth project to plant wild flowers which will be attractive to bees. An area has been cleared of old vegetation along the edge of the Playing Field and now we need helpers to dig over the area and plant the seeds. A working party will meet there on

Saturday 9 April at 10 am.

Please come in appropriate clothing and bringing gardening tools if you can. This project should make our environment more attractive for both wildlife and villagers.

**MEETING TO DISCUSS HOW
BARTON MILLS will CELEBRATE the
QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY,**

THURSDAY 14th APRIL,

**7pm in the church room.
Please come if you are
interested in helping with the
arrangements or if you have some
ideas for the event.**



Contact: clerk@bartonmills.net

“JUST YOU, JUST ME”

**Jacqui Dankworth & Charlie Wood
in concert at Snape Maltings Concert Hall,
Saturday 23rd April 2016, 7.30pm.**

This jazz concert will help to raise funds for our
Diocesan Centenary Fund which is to provide projects
that will enable churches to better serve the wider
community.

Leaflets for the concert are in Barton Mills church.
Details on Google at ‘Aldeburgh Music’.



BARTON MILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



It is no secret to anyone visiting my home to realize how much **I like clocks**, but even with **a clock in every room** I still can't **make the time go** any faster or slower. There are **only 24 hours** in a day and no matter how frantically we try, it's impossible to stretch 24 into 25. Our problem must be, not how to increase time, but how wisely we use that daily allotment of those **1440 minutes** as they steadily tick away!

The giver of time is God Himself, and that places a far greater **value on our time** than any monetary figure could suggest. We must therefore **take advantage of the opportunities time provides us to serve the Lord and to do His will**. This doesn't mean we have to be working every single moment. It is necessary to take a break every so often, to stop and smell the roses along the way, or to enjoy the beauty of a sunset. **According to Solomon, there is a time for all of God's purposes to be accomplished** (Ecclesiastes 3 v 1). I'm so grateful that **the Lord doesn't sell time**. He provides it as a **gift of His grace**. **So let's spend our days "redeeming the time,"** using the opportunities to live for God (Colossians 4 v 5). Yes, **time is precious**. Handle with care! The hours, days and years are here and gone. So whether we count them or not, **let's be sure to make every moment of them count - for Christ**.

When we think of **the time we have to work and play** in terms of hours, it doesn't seem like much. And when seen in the **light of eternity**, it's but a fleeting moment. **How important, therefore, that we spend our waking hours wisely**. **Let's ask the Lord to help us appreciate the value of time**. May we wisely invest our seconds, minutes, hours and days, realizing that **beyond time lies Eternity**.

**God gives to us the gift of time to use as best we can
To live each moment in His will according to His plan.
We do not know how long we have, 'till time for us is past.
So let us live as if this day is going to be our last.**

Our services remain the same: Bible Study at 7.30p.m. on Thursdays (Call 01638-713892 for Location) and Sunday School and Bible Study on Sundays at 11a.m, or the Worship Services at 3p.m. and 6.30p.m. Why not join us at one of these events, you will be made most welcome.

F. A. RUTTERFORD

BARTON MILLS PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Date of next meetings:

12th April in the Church Room

3rd May in the Village Hall

Starting time: 7.30pm

Agendas: Will be posted on the Parish Council notice board (near to the Bell) at least three full working days before the meetings.

Minutes: Will be posted on the Parish Council website after they have been approved at the next meeting.

Members of the Public are welcome to attend these meetings and have an opportunity to speak (3 minute limit) at the start of the meeting (in which case it is recorded but will not constitute a legal/procedural part of the meeting) or, at the Chairman's discretion, to address the Council at a convenient time in which case it will be minuted as part of the meeting. Please contact either the Clerk or the Chairman to notify them of the subject at least one working week before the meeting if you want to speak on any subject.

CLERK'S RESIGNATION - NEW APPOINTMENT

After 12 years in the post, the Clerk, James Bercovici, has decided to step down as of 31st March 2016. Abigail Davies has been appointed as the new Clerk to the Parish Council. Her contact details are below. The Parish Councillors would like to thank James for all his hard work over the years and congratulate Abigail in her new role.

REMINDER: ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This will be held on April 20th, starting at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall. This meeting is to give the electorate of the parish the opportunity to discuss parish affairs and for organisations to inform them and answer questions. Therefore all are very welcome to attend this meeting. Topics for discussion will include the changes to the development boundary, a new social housing project and the proposed defibrillator.

DON'T FORGET TO USE THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

www.bartonmills.net

Problems with Street Lights - call (Freephone) 0800 591055

Chairman: Pamela Boura (01638 510504) - chairman@bartonmills.net

Clerk: Abigail Davies (01638 - 718909) - clerk@bartonmills.net

BARTON MILLS WEDNESDAY CLUB
All Over 50s Welcome

Wed 6th April: At 2 pm in the Village Hall, popular local historian Clive Paine will present "St Edmund and his Abbey". Refreshments afterwards.

Wed 20th April: Lunch at 12.30 pm at Bloomsberries Cafe (IP27 9AB) and walk at Lakenheath Fen RSPB Reserve. Please contact Pamela to reserve your place.

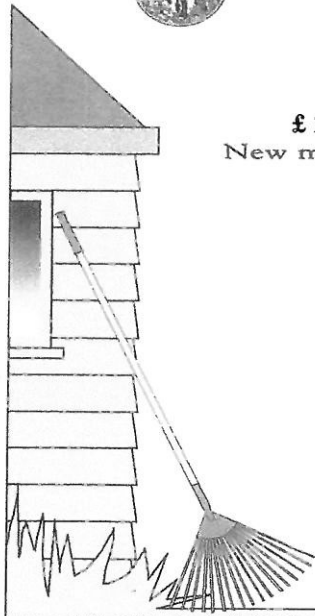
Wed 18th May: Outing on the Bure Valley Railway from Aylsham and cruise on The Broads from Wroxham. The bus will depart at 9.30 am and return about 5.30 pm. The cost will be £26 for members and £28 for non-members. Enquiries to Pamela, tel 510504 or email pamela@boura.org .

Meetings in the Village Hall: £2 members, £3 non-members
Membership 2016: £10



Barton Mills & District
Gardening Club
MEMBER OF R.H.S.

Annual Subscription £10.00
£2.00 fee per meeting for members
New members and friends welcome as paying visitors



Tuesday 26th April 2016.
Ian Roofe
"Propagation Techniques"
For further details telephone
Ian Anderson. Tel 515741.





EASTER HOLIDAY
FOOTBALL COACHING
BY OFFICAL F.A. COACHES
FUNDED BY
FOREST HEATH DISTRICT COUNCIL
AND SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL

FREE TO ALL UNDER 16's*

On Barton Mills Playing Field: Tuesday 5th and Thursday 7th April from 13.30 to 15.30.

Open to all school children in Barton Mills, Worlington and Freckenham between the ages of 6 and 16 (maximum number of participants 24). A register of booked participants will be taken at each session – all children must provide emergency contact details and a responsible adult must accompany them to the first session to sign their consent to the training.

Two qualified FA Level 1 minimum coaches (inc. first aid and child safeguarding)

Clothing: appropriate sports shirt, shorts and stockings, training shoes or football boots (bring both if possible) and shin pads. A snack and plenty of non-fizzy drink will be required. Children should also bring appropriate additional clothing for weather conditions.

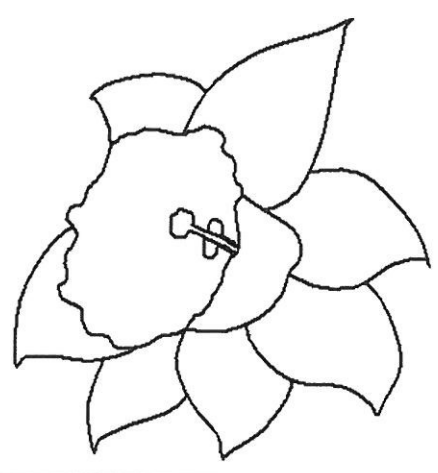
Note: The last two further dates are planned for Tuesday 31st May and Thursday 2nd June.



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BARTON MILLS 100 CLUB

The purpose of the Barton Mills 100 Club is to raise funds by operation of lotteries and draws to contribute to projects and/or organisations within the parish of Barton Mills for the general benefit of the people of Barton Mills.

March 2016 Winners

£30	C Peachey	160
£15	J Titcombe	76
£10	P Jaruis	66
£5	G Little	95

**100 Club
A. G. M.
Tues. April 5th
7.30pm
in the Village Hall**

**If you would like to become a member please contact our Treasurer:
Janette Miller - 49 The Street. Tel 712843
IF YOU WANT TO WIN, YOU HAVE TO BE IN !!
Prizes of £30, £15, £10 and £5 monthly and twice a year additional prizes of £150.**

Saturday 14th May 2016

at 7.30pm

**St Edmundsbury
Cathedral,
Bury St Edmunds**

Prometheus Orchestra
Bury Bach Choir
Valerie Reid - mezzo-soprano
Philip Reed - conductor

ELGAR

THE MUSIC MAKERS

Elgar: The Music Makers Op. 69
Elgar: Sea Pictures Op. 37
Parry: I Was Glad
Harris: Bring Us, O Lord God

Tickets £25 and £20 reserved
£14 unreserved
The Apex Box Office -
01284-758000
www.burybachchoir.co.uk



BARTON MILLS W I - NEWS AND INFORMATION

Report of March 2016 Meeting - After our guest speaker failed to show, Hilary found the perfect replacement in Brian Crowder, who enthralled us with jovial stories of his long life in transport, including his time in the army. The stories of the lighter side of his adventures, to say nothing of the story involving the nuns who had had the misfortune to run out of petrol kept us all laughing. During tea, Marilyn instigated a game of name a fish for each consecutive letter of the alphabet which proved to be popular challenging fun.

The next meeting at the village hall will be on Tuesday the 12th of April and our entertainment will be provided by The Haughley Hoofers
Members are requested to bring in any Royal Memorabilia they may have.

We extend a warm welcome to come and join us and learn about the world of the Women's Institute.

Take a look at our website -
www.wibartonmills.weebly.com

the **WI**
INSPIRING WOMEN

THE PRESERVATION TRUST CORNER

Welcome to the regular new page for the Trust, where we hope not just to keep you reminded of current events but also to share snippets from the history of the Church.

The First Mothers' Meeting

From The Barton Mills Parish Magazine, March 1899.

“Our first Mothers' Meeting was held at the Rectory, on Wednesday afternoon, January 18th, when a hearty welcome was accorded to the eighteen members who were present. The Rector gave an address, and explained the objects of the Society. It is the “Mother” who chiefly makes the Home...”

The Reverend Lacon went on to make a number of remarks about the role and duties of Mothers due to holding immense responsibility to their children, and thus to God – therefore making them worthy of great respect in this role.

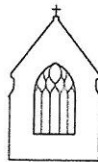
Lest you think this was edging toward the modern way of thinking, he finished up with, *“Many a good man has had to thank God for a good mother, and many a ruined man has had to deplore the influence of a wicked woman!”*

The Mothers' Union was founded in 1876 and grew significantly in the 1890s to reach a membership of 169,000 by the turn of the century. Queen Victoria herself became patron during her Diamond Jubilee in 1897.



Upcoming Events – See Full Information Elsewhere in the Miller

Interested in what the Trust does to help maintain our historic Church building? Please consider joining us, we'd love your involvement! You can pick up a leaflet from inside the Church; call Frances Lewis on 01638 713155; or visit www.bartonmillschurch.org/trust.html for more information.



ST. MARY'S
BARTON MILLS
PRESERVATION TRUST

**BARTON MILLS will
CELEBRATE the
QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY
on SUNDAY 12th JUNE
on Barton Mills Playing Field
2 till 6pm**

Free entertainment: live music (2 local bands),
a big bouncy castle, a royal birthday cake,
a chance to take 'royal' selfie photos!

Also planned - BBQ, Tombola, Fun Dog Show,
limited bar serving Pimms and beer.

BUT - all this needs helpers!

Can you help with any of this - either with
preparations before the day or at the party?

If you are interested, please come to a meeting on
Thursday 14th April at 7pm in the church room.

PLEASE HELP BARTON MILLS TO CELEBRATE!

If you have any ideas for the celebration, if you would help on the day, perhaps with setting up or running a stall, or beforehand e.g. with collecting items for the Tombola or if you would like to perform, please contact Abi Davies on 01638 718909 or at clerk@bartonmills.net, Annette Dawson on 01638 714449 or Frances Lewis on 01638 713155 or at franceslewis35@gmail.com

The celebrations are being sponsored by Barton Mills Parish Council, who, together with Forest Heath District Council are providing most of the finance. This will pay for the marquee, the bouncy castle and the birthday cake. Two local music groups, Freestyle and The Catch, will generously be playing free of charge. Hopefully, the Tombola will raise more funds. Refreshments will be sold at cost price, or you can bring your own picnic and drinks.

MAKE IT A DATE TO CELEBRATE!

What's on in Freckenham April 2016

Double Bill of Friday Films – no need to book just turn up! Paddington at 2.30pm & Lady in the Van 7.30pm 1st April

We strive to show the most recent releases we can and have just added to our roster, only released in November 2015, the Alan Bennett story, **Lady in the Van**, starring the incredible Maggie Smith. We know this will be popular, tickets £5, so doors open at 7pm and enjoy some refreshments – bar & snacks. And especially for families during the Easter holiday, in the afternoon of that day on 1st April, we are also screening **Paddington**, with tickets just £2.50 each for this **AFTERNOON** show. Doors open at 2pm. Teas, coffees, soft drinks and snacks will be available.

AMERICAN AIR FORCE PULLS INTO FRECKENHAM – FRIDAY, 22nd APRIL Eastern Angles returns to the Hall with its new show, *Somewhere in England*, telling the story of the day the American Air Force pulled into town in 1942 and changed the course of history, both locally and nationally. The GIs arrived to find villages without electricity, women without husbands, and bars with warm beer. The culture clash would produce sparks. It was a time when kids often saw and experienced more than they should. And it was a time when the USAAF was officially segregated according to skin colour which led to rural market towns mirroring this segregation when it came to GI pub visits and dance nights. *Somewhere In England* explores the effects on the social and physical landscape of the East of England following. This enthralling new play is bound to awake so many memories of a significant time in local people's lives. Tickets £10, under 18 £8 available to pre-book on 01638 720118 or 07542 198 933.

Saturday 30 April Freckenham Farmers & Crafts Market 10 – 12 noon. New for this month hand crafted cards, Refreshments of drinks, bacon rolls & cakes available. Free entry. Check the website www.freckenham.onesuffolk.net for more details & weekly activities.



MILDENHALL & DISTRICT MUSEUM AND MUSEUM SOCIETY

Museum opening hours are 2- 4.30 on Tues., Wednes., Thurs. and Sat. and 10.30-4.30 on Fridays.

Come and see new items in the shop, including booklet (50p) about the Mildenhall Treasure and there is a new Trail Booklet (£1) for children of 6+ years.

On Thurs. April 7th the talk “Make Your Garden Count” will be by David Hack, telling about the nationally and internationally important work of the British Trust for Ornithology which is based at Thetford. 7.30, non-members welcome (£3) as well as members.

FRI. APRIL 29th Fish and Chips and Quiz at the Jubilee Centre. Tickets £10 from the Museum. This is arranged by the Museum Society as a fund-raising event because the Museum has to raise all its running costs.

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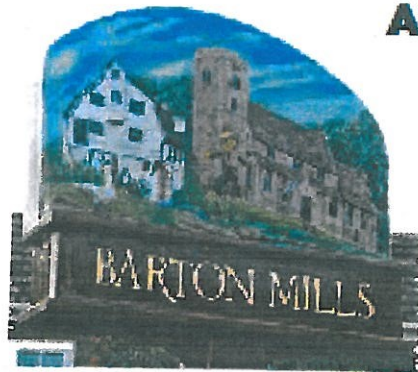
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PCSO Tristan Askew 3284
Police Community Support Officer
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Telephone 101

Safer Neighbourhood Team





Annual Parish Meeting

20 April 2016

**at 7.30 pm
in
Barton Mills
Village Hall**

This is your chance to have your say

Items for discussion include:

**Proposals for development in the area and for
settlement boundaries**

Affordable Housing

Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations

The Defibrillator Project

PLEASE COME

www.bartonmills.net