

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JULY

Monday 4th: Parish Hall, 7.30pm. Parish Council meeting. All welcome

Tuesday 5th: Cock O'Budworth, 7.00pm. Horse Racing Extravaganza

Wednesday 6th: Parish Hall, 7.30pm. WI meeting (speaker: Dr. Dalton Boot)

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th: Primary School, 10.00-12 noon. Open mornings

Wednesday 13th & Thursday 14th: Primary School playing field. 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'

Friday 15th: Great Budworth Church, 7.30pm. Weaver Valley Choir 'Last Night of the Proms' evening concert

Sunday 17th: Cheshire Show Ground, 10am. Summer Welly Walk Along the new A556

Wednesday 20th: Arley Hall, 7.30pm. Illustrated talk and exhibition (gardens & exhibition open from 6.00pm)

Wednesday 20th: Primary School. School Sports Day and art exhibition

Thursday 21st: The Red Lion, Pickmere, 12.30pm. Ladies' lunch

Thursday 21st: Parish Hall, 7.00pm. Heritage Society AGM, followed by talk by architect Ken Moth

Tuesday 26th: Great Budworth Church, 1.30pm. Great Budworth Primary School Leavers' Service.

July 30th: Dene House, Great Budworth, 5.00-8.00pm. GB Cricket Club BBQ

AUGUST

Wednesday 3rd: Bowling Green, Great Budworth, 7.00pm. WI Bowls Evening

Thursday 18th: The Red Lion, Pickmere, 12.30pm. Ladies' lunch

Monday 29th: The Old Hall, High Street. Auction of Promises

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 13th: Parish Hall, 7.45pm. Garden Club Produce Show

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BUDWORTH BULLETIN

July~August 2016

Great Budworth Cricket Club

ANNUAL BBQ

will take place at

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on Saturday 30th July 2016

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theWI INSPIRING WOMEN

My Life in Music was a talk by Keith Yearsley of Macclesfield who told us of his involvement with all things musical, but the biggest treat was to hear him play our newly-tuned piano and it was a delight to hear and sing along to. The rendition of Jerusalem (which is rarely sung now) at the beginning of the meeting took on a whole new aspect when we all sang so heartily with a splendid accompaniment by Keith. He was warmly thanked and members enjoyed a cup of tea and homemade cake, yummy!!

Mib Byram, our President, represented Gt Budworth, Antrobus, Comberbach & Pickmere WIs at the National AGM at Brighton: no pressure there then!

We have Dr Dalton Boot to speak at the meeting on Wednesday 6th July on his experiences as a surgeon in Cambodia. He has worked there for 11 years to improve the infra structure of the Kossamok hospital. I think that sounds a very interesting evening so all are welcome and of course we have cakes to enjoy made by Shirley and Sandra. The competition is for an Eastern artefact.

The meeting in August is our friendly bowls evening with Bostock WI. This is a great evening for anyone who would like to have a taste of Bowls and tuition will be supplied by those with a little more bowling knowledge.

The date is Wednesday 3rd August starting at 7pm prompt and please bring along a little contribution for a light supper afterwards.

June Wilkinson



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Great Budworth Church
Friday 15th July - 7.30pm

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LADIES' LUNCHES

The July Ladies' Lunches in July and August will take place at 12.30pm on Thursday 21st July and 18th August at the Red Lion in Pickmere. New ladies always welcome! Further information from Hazel (891908).

BIG BOYS' BISTRO

1960s & 1970s THEME

Save the date!

Saturday 22nd October

A super supper in aid of the Parish Hall Roof Project.

Clothing of the period is optional.

STOP PRESS! Final negotiations are under way for a superstar guest!

Dave & Don
(on behalf of Budworth Big Boys)



Save the date

SAFARI SUPPER

on 12th November 2016

A Safari Supper is being organised in the village. We hope that villagers and those in the surrounding area will be involved - and that all the host houses will be within Great Budworth. More details to follow.
Proceeds to the Church Restoration Fund

SCHOOL NEWS

Thank you to everyone who supported our BudFest event on June 18th. At the time of going to print we are waiting for the final figure that was raised, but we are hoping that it will be in the region of £1,500. This is a tremendous contribution to the school, which together with match funding received from Barclays Bank for the Fizz Fashion evening, will mean that many children will benefit from the "extras" that this will provide.

Thank you also to all in the village, but particularly to our closest neighbours, for your patience during the building of our new classroom. This has now been completed and Class 3 are enjoying their new room. It has enabled Class 2 to move out of the smallest classroom, which has now become a library. Not only does this free up corridor space from bookshelves, but it also provides a quiet room for one-to-one and small group teaching. All these things create a better environment for our children to learn in and more practical space for our teachers to use.

We have some great events coming up: on June 28th the winners of the art competition run by the local history society at the Salt Museum will be attending a presentation evening at Arley Hall. You may also have also seen in the Northwich Guardian many of our pupils' designs for a new football shirt. You can vote for your favourite via the details in the newspaper, or online.

We will be having Open Mornings from 10am - 12 noon on Thursday 7th and Friday 8th July when prospective pupils of the school and pre-school can come with their families to look around.

On Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th July our older pupils will be putting on a performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream, starting at 6pm. All villagers are invited to come along to these al fresco performances: please do bring chairs with you.

Then on Wednesday 20th July we will be having our Sports Day and Art Exhibition, to which you are all invited as well.

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THE BOOKA PRIZE EVENING

Some 50 people gathered in the Parish Hall on Friday 17th June for an evening of story telling. There they enjoyed listening to all ten stories—read out by their authors—which were competing for the second Booka-Prize, organized by the Heritage Society.



Jane Finch is pictured receiving her prize from the judge, Jim Wardhaugh.

It was a very jolly, sociable evening, too, with excellent home-made savoury refreshments provided by Malcolm Torrance and his team.

The stories themselves were wonderfully varied, ranging from the spooky (was the man keeping the girl in the hillside hut protecting her or about to harm her?) to the humorously romantic (the woman who meets her exciting new internet date—only to find it's the boring man she divorced!).

The standard was high, making the task of the judge, Jim Wardhaugh, very difficult indeed. From his short list of three, however, he selected as the winner Jane Finch's tale of a young woman finding romance in France. Her prize was a glass crystal biscuit barrel.

Our thanks go to all the competitors for providing an evening of great entertainment and to Malcolm and Hazel Torrance, who organized the entire event.

Watch out, there's a thief about!

There were at least three attempted burglaries of properties in the centre of the village in one night during June. Make sure gardening equipment is locked away and your property is secured at night. Let neighbours know if you're going to be away from your home for any length of time.



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THE QUEEN'S 90th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Happily, the weather held for the Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration in the village on Sunday 12th June.

The day started with a Service of Thanksgiving in the Church.

This was followed by a superb concert in the church by the Village Voices (right), a 'scratch' team of singers drawn mainly from villagers. The performance, which was brilliantly arranged by Caroline



McGuigan, was conducted by Ian Chesworth and greatly enjoyed by all.

The afternoon's events, organised in the grounds surrounding the Church, included entertainment by the Barnton Silver Band and the Earl of Stamford Morris Dancers (left).

Hunger was assuaged by a Hog Roast, ice cream from the Ice Cream Farm and strawberries and Church Teas. Dave Davenport and his team ably kept thirst at bay behind the bar.

Sincere thanks go to everybody who helped out by baking cakes, supplying drinks, singing, serving, dancing, instrument playing, setting up and taking down. Thanks also go to Penny and Wojtec Kordel, who kindly sponsored the handsome banner promoting the celebrations.

By the way, contributions of £250 and £400 respectively towards the cost of the day's events were made by the Parochial Church Council, and the village Jubilee Account (the monies left over from the Queen's Jubilee celebrations in 2012). Furthermore, as we hoped, the refreshments turned in a profit, so that a sum of more than £800 is now reserved to contribute to such events in the future.

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Finally, we are looking for a rather special volunteer to help with our fundraising. We believe that we could qualify for grants and donations from Charitable Trusts which have the maintenance of ancient churches as their giving objective. It sounds quite easy, but of course there are many churches like ours which are applying to these Trusts so it's quite competitive and we need to be creative if Great Budworth is to be top of the list. Would you like to be involved in this project? You need to be analytical and capable of carrying out internet research, as well as having a persuasive writing style when making applications to the Trusts and, above all, not be too despondent about the inevitable declines. Please let me know if you are interested and we can discuss how this could be approached.

Enjoy your summer.

Jim Martin

Chairman Restoration Committee

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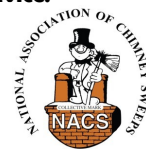
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GREAT BUDWORTH CHURCH RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The year has started very well with proceeds from the Burns Night, Ladies' lunch, Quiz night, Big Boys' Breakfast and Floral Tea as well as other donations, including the fee received by the Hopkinsons for the use of their home in the recent television production which they have kindly given to our Appeal. Thank you also to the George and Dragon for their generous donation from their Queen's 90th birthday tea event. The total so far this year has just passed the figure of £10,000 – a very encouraging start.

The Race Night at the Cock O'Budworth on the 5th July is sold out but do come along to the pub anyway and share in the atmosphere. There will be some fantastic attractions at the Summer Auction of Promises to be held at the home of Lesley and Nick Hopkinson on the 29th August. If you would like to make a Promise for the auction (which could be dog walking, gardening, odd jobs, or whatever) just let Hilary Brudenell know on hilarykeithbrudenell@btinternet.com. There is also a lunch at Arley, by kind permission of Lord and Lady Ashbrook, on 18th October, when our guest speaker, Major General (retired) Peter G Williams, will give a talk on 'My life as a Cold War Spy'. The Safari Supper, which is being organized by Maggie Blower and her team, is on the 12th November and will take place at various houses in the area with the evening rounded off in the Parish Hall. It promises to be great village event where everyone can get involved.

Our Vicar is leading a group on a sponsored walk up Snowdon (shown here, right) on 24th September and invites you to join him. He assures us that this will be a sensibly paced outing, which should give it fairly wide appeal. Those interested should contact him on alec-brown@tiscali.co.uk



We distributed a leaflet with last month's issue of the Bulletin in which all of us living in the Parish of Great Budworth (comprising Arley, Aston-by-Budworth, Comberbach, Crowley, Great Budworth, Lower Wincham, Marston and Pickmere) were invited to take part in a monthly standing order arrangement to contribute to the cost of restoring and supporting the Church. The amount donated can be as much or as little as you like — perhaps no more than the weekly price of a Costa coffee or a pint of beer. The response to this appeal is building quite well but we would still like more people to be involved. If you have mislaid the form, please contact me and we'll arrange for a further copy to be delivered to you.

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GREAT BUDWORTH HERITAGE SOCIETY Annual General Meeting Thursday 21st July 7.00pm Parish Hall

The AGM will be followed by light refreshments and a talk by Ken Moth, retired architect, entitled '**A History of Manchester as Seen in its Historic Buildings**'.

Ken was our speaker following last year's AGM, which was very much enjoyed, so we're very pleased that he's agreed to return and give us another illustrated talk.

All are very welcome.



Does anyone have an unloved exercise bicycle sitting in their garage that I could borrow for a month or so to build up my strength? If so, please phone me, Christine Eves, on 01606 891644.



The Auction of Promises in support of the Church Restoration fund is from 2pm in the paddock behind the The Old Hall

on Monday 29th August.

Tickets are £10 each - which pay for your hog roast and a drink. You do not need a ticket to just come and take part!

Tickets can be obtained by emailing donna@hoppyhome.co.uk or from the George and Dragon - and a limited number will be available on the day.

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Wednesday 20th July 2016

Exhibition, Hall and gardens open 6pm.

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GREAT BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Although there hasn't been a formal meeting of the Parish Council during June, your Parish Councillors have been out and about looking after your interests.

Huge thanks go to Bob Wilkinson and Malcolm Torrance and their hard-working team for laying the new parking surface on the Parish Field. We hope this will provide much needed parking for visitors to our lovely village.

A number of complaints have been made about the behaviour of cyclists through the village. The Parish Council is in the process of sending a letter to surrounding cycling clubs asking them to remind members to have regard to the rights of residents to privacy, safety, quiet and a clean environment. Please let one of us know of any further nuisance.

The Parish Council has had its usual six-monthly meeting with the Police and the Highways Authority. An agreement has been reached that our District Councillors will support a scheme to install a width-of-vehicle restriction, as well as the current weight restriction, on the road through the village. We cannot predict whether there will be sufficient funding available for the scheme to be agreed in the current financial year – but we will keep pushing! We are also in continuing discussion concerning the management of parking on the roadside through High Street and Church Street into Westage Lane. We hope to present a series of options to you later in the year.

Last, but not least, thank you to all those who took part in the organisation and delivery of the Queen's birthday celebration.

Hilary Brudenell

Chairman, Great Budworth Parish Council

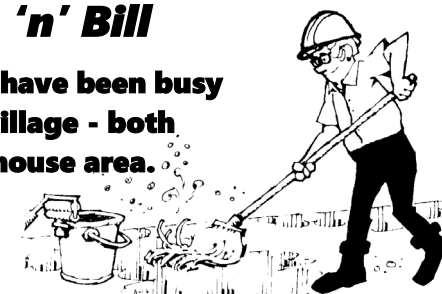


Sign recently seen in a Spanish street. Something for Great Budworth to consider ?!

A big thank you to Bob 'n' Bill

Bob Wilkinson and Bill Anderson have been busy tidying up the entrance into the village - both up the hill and around the pump house area. It all looks darned good now.

Thank you, boys!



The New A556

Progress Update from the Highways Agency



Over the winter months, significant progress has been made in progressing the construction of the seven new bridges that form part of this scheme. The bridges are taking shape and the team have completed beam installations on the Bowdon, Millington, the A50 and Tabley bridges. Time-lapsed video footage of the 'Green Bridge' is being captured to showcase the construction of the scheme's flagship structure.

Earthworks have recommenced across the scheme and lime stabilisation work is being undertaken in areas that have been affected by the poor weather that we have encountered over recent months. Four ponds are currently being constructed to deal with rain-water and other 'run-off' from the new road. These attenuation ponds slowly filter contaminants out of the water before it is released safely into local watercourses. These ponds, which will help improve water quality in the meres, are just one of the many environmental improvement measures that this scheme delivers. We are also continuing to install drainage across the scheme and divert utility services away from the route of the new road.

Children's Adventure Farm Trust Summer Welly Walk Along The New A556

Come and join us on Sunday 17th July on a 6.5km charity walk along the route of the new A556 Knutsford to Bowdon dual carriageway. The walk will start at Tabley between 10am-11am and will finish at the site offices in Little Bollington at approximately 2pm. This is a unique opportunity to see the new road and structures during the construction phase, whilst raising money for a local charity, The Children's Adventure Farm Trust.



Time: Registration is at the Cheshire Showground between 10am and 11am: car parking is available there. Coaches will be provided to transport participants to the start point and return to the Cheshire Showground.

The area is still a construction site and is therefore unsuitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs. Unfortunately we are unable to permit dogs to walk the route.

Please note: this is a ticket only event. For further details please email a556hail@costain.com or call 07717 838978 / 07824 303 403.

WHEN: Sunday, 17 July 2016 from 10:00 to 14:00

WHERE: Starts at Cheshire Showground - (Last coach leaves approx 11am) Address: Flittogate Lane, Tabley, WA16 0HJ



GARDEN CLUB

The month of June in the UK gives us the longest day, the growth of many wonderful flowers and time to reflect on all the work done in the garden this year. Of course it can be wet and, as we reach the end of the month, we have had copious amounts of rain, and thoughts of 'flaming June' spring to mind! Our members' open gardens were amazing: they were three together, the Dene House, The Coach House and the Barn, owned by our members Richard and Marie, Jim and Sue and Geoff and Lee, and what spectacular and beautiful gardens they were.

The owners were on hand to discuss their plans and successes, and welcomed us into their private spaces. We thank you so much, we all admired your welcome to us.

Back to the parish hall for strawberries and cream, a garden quiz, and finally a Gardeners' Question Time, when the panel were the garden owners (right). This was a huge success, and members enjoyed getting to know new people, and having a great social evening. I do thank everyone for their wonderful contributions that night.



The holiday was to Devon, and we stayed in the wonderful hotel Dartington Hall at Totnes, which was so relaxing and with its own beautiful gardens. Henri and Lynda are experts in choosing the best venues for us, and we do appreciate this very much. We visited RHS Rosemore, NT Coleton Fishacre, Berkeley Castle, and Dartington Glass (with Devon Cream tea), and other fine and interesting gardens. It was, as usual, a gourmet holiday as well as a garden holiday, and with a full coach, two wonderful organisers, and great friendship, we all had an amazing time. Thank you Henri and Lynda.

In August we have more members' gardens to visit, in Frandley and in Whitley, the homes of Sue Roberts and Nigel and Jenni Pemberton. If members want to enjoy this trip, please contact me or anyone from the committee to get your name down.

Suddenly it will be September, and this is the start of the Autumn garden, the harvesting of fruit, and of starting to plant bulbs again: the circle continues. We have our produce show on 13 September, so check the schedules and keep tending your gardens.

For further information, in the first instance please contact me, Jean Davies, 01606 892383 or 0789 993 7683

CHURCH NEWS

Dates for the diary

Fri 1st July 7.30pm: Vigil in church on the 100th anniversary of the battle of the Somme

Sun 3rd July 10.30am: No service in church (Judith Evan's ordination service at Chester Cathedral)

Tues 5th July 7.00pm: Race Night at the Cock o' Budworth

Fri 15th July 7.30pm: Weaver Valley WI Choir 'Celebration Concert' in church – tickets £10 (students and children £5) includes cakes and Pimms (or soft drink) bring-your-own flag and dress in red, white and blue (optional!)

Sun 17th July 6.30pm: Deanery Evensong at Arley Chapel, preceded by a bring-your-own picnic in the Picnic Area, Arley Hall

Tues 26th July 1.30pm: Great Budworth Primary School Leavers' Service in church

Sun 7th Aug 10.30am: All-Age Service for Lammastide – all very welcome

Mon 29th August: Auction of Promises in the afternoon at The Old Hall, Great Budworth with hog roast, brass band and other attractions

Sponsored Sleep-Out: Some will remember this more than others! Thanks to everyone who supported the rough sleepers so generously – a cheque for £1367 has now been sent to Save the Children's Syria Crisis Appeal.

Service of Thanksgiving for HM The Queen: Sincere thanks to the Organizing Committee and to everyone who worked so hard to make the celebrations such a success – it was an absolutely wonderful day, enjoyed by all who attended.

Saying farewell to Judith Evans

It is with a real mixture of joy and sadness that we say farewell to Judith, who is to be ordained Deacon in Chester Cathedral on Sunday 3rd July and will thereafter be serving her First Curacy at St Wilfrid's Church in Grappenhall (the eventual destination also of a former incumbent in the 1960s and, much more recently, an ordinand from this parish!). Judith (and the family of course!) has been an extremely important part of this parish for many years now, and has worked tirelessly in many different areas of parish and church life, not least the annual Christingle Service, the Growth Action Planning process and of course creating and leading worship and preaching.

Training for ordination – Jenny McKay

The PCC are delighted to announce that Jenny will be going forward for ordination training in September of this year, following a process of discernment over a number of years. Although Jenny will be training as a Minister in Secular Employment (in other words she won't be giving up her day job!) she will, once ordained, continue to be a part of this parish and will be able to assist with Sunday and other services and related areas of work. Please keep Jenny, and Dave, in your prayers as she prepares for training in September.

The Rev'd. Alec Brown.



JULY & AUGUST IN THE GARDEN

by Tom Acton, Former Head Gardener at Arley Hall

Kalmia Latifolia (pictured, right) is a wonderful summer-flowering shrub in flower now (June) and will continue well into July, evergreen, hardy and slow growing. The leaves are like a Rhododendron's. It requires acid soil and is suitable for a small garden. I planted one in the garden at Arley in 1962 and it is now 8-10 ft. tall.



Divide Irises where necessary when flowering is over. Separate the rhizomes, cut off all damaged parts and replant straight away, leaving the top half of the rhizome exposed to sunlight. Make the roots firm and cut off a third of the leaves.

Hortensia (mopheads) and Lacecap varieties of Hydrangea, flowering from mid-summer through August and September, have two sister plants requiring different pruning methods in spring. Aborescens annabel has large round panicles of creamy-white flowers in July to September and Hydrangea paniculata, in several varieties, also flowers to the end of the summer. Both need to be pruned hard back in spring.



Aster frikartii (left) is a mildew-resistant Michaelmas Daisy which starts to flower in July and continues through August to the first frosts and bears deep blue, large daisy-like flowers with yellow centres. At 18 inches it needs a small support.

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