

DIARY DATES FOR MAY

Details of Church services and events are on p11

Wednesday 3rd, Parish Hall, 7.30pm. WI meeting.
Thursday 4th, Parish Hall, 7.00am -10.00pm. Local election.
Saturday 6th, Parish Hall from 5.00pm. Coronation BBQ.
Sunday 7th, Parish Church, 10.30am. Service to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III.
Sunday 7th, Providence House, High Street, from 3pm. Picnic.
Monday 8th, The Coach House, time TBA. Open garden (Garden Club members only)
Monday 8th, Parish Hall, 10.00– 12.00 noon. Great Budworth Bake-off.
Monday 8th, Village Field, School Lane, from 3pm. Various activities, stalls, events.
Tuesday 9th, Parish Hall 10.00. WI Ramblers meet.
Tuesday 9th, Parish Hall 7.30pm. Garden Club meeting.
Thursday 18th, Cock o' Budworth, 12.30pm. Ladies' lunch.
Sunday 21st, Arley Cricket Ground, 1.00pm. GB Cricket Club –v– Kingsley CC.
Wednesday 24th, Arley Cricket Ground, 6.00pm. GB Cricket Club –v– High Legh
Saturday 27th, Arley Cricket Ground, time TBA. GB Cricket Club –v– visiting team

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See centre pages for full details of plans for marking the occasion in Great Budworth



LOCAL ELECTIONS - Thursday 4th May



With the elections for the parish council scheduled for 4th May, eight brave souls volunteered to face the judgment of the electorate – only to find that the democratic process was not to be tested after all! There are eight places to accommodate all eight candidates, and so – to the relief of some, and with a useful saving of the cost of a contested election – they all win a place on the council. As the Dodo said in Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland, “Everybody has won and all must have prizes” ! And here are the lucky contestants in the contest which never was, in alphabetical order :

Steve Coppel	Justin Culver	Karen Hammond
Steven Jennings	Malcolm Torrance	Dave Wilkinson
Karen Williams	Chris Wise	

Elections for unitary councillors will still go ahead, of course. Candidates for the Marbury Ward (of which Great Budworth is part) are as follows:

Sam Dodgshon, Liberal Democrats	Roy Garton, Liberal Democrats
Lynn Gibbon, Conservative Party	Annie Makepeace, Liberal Democrats
Phil Marshall, Conservative Party	Catriona Stewart, Labour Party
Alistair Nicholls, Alliance for Democracy and Freedom	
Norman Wright, Conservative Party	

On pages 4 and 5 are photos and personal messages from all eight members of your new Parish Council - in no particular order!



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SCHOOL NEWS

Pupils enjoyed lots of lovely eggciting opportunities in the run up to Easter. These included the annual Egg Rolling and a fantastic ‘egg puns’ competition. ‘Egg Sheeran’ was particularly well received.

Children enjoyed the B Tales Show, which delivered a powerful Easter message. Foxes Class attended church, looking for signs of salvation. Thank you, Reverend Alec, for having us.



As part of our approach to promoting great behaviour, the school now runs a half termly ‘hot chocolate club’ where children who have ‘gone beyond expectation’ are invited to this celebration. This complements the weekly ‘Star of the Week’ (see pic, left). We are very proud of our children’s achievement.

In art, pupils have been looking at the work of Vincent Van Gogh. They have produced some excellent work and really enjoyed adding texture to their Van Gogh

water colours.

The school supported the #BigWalkandWheel initiative. What a great start to our bike scoot and walk to school.

Year 6 children joined children from other schools around Northwich to hear important messages from @2engage about how to keep safe online (see pic, right). This was hosted at Wincham Primary School.

Finally, we would like to thank everyone who took part in the Open Morning on Thursday 16th. They helped to showcase the school and to welcome future parents and pupils.



Anne Price
School Bursar

We were delighted to welcome Tina Saunders to our April meeting. She was an inspiring lady who was obviously a whizz with a needle and thread. After doing a three year course at the Hampton Court School of Embroidery, she worked for Jimmy Choo. Tina hand-decorated shoes and clothes for very famous clients until she was employed at the Palace as one of the Queen's dress-makers.

Tina enhanced dresses that were the Queen's favourites and she embellished new outfits for the grand state occasions as well as attaching collars and trimmings to add something special to HM's outfits. She was a gem of a speaker and a very special evening was followed by a cup of tea and homemade cakes.

A team from Great Budworth entered the County Quiz, captained by Irene Hardy. Members also attended the County AGM at the Winsford Academy, when Paul Whittaker, who is profoundly deaf, gave a very moving talk on his great love of music and he signed to three pieces.

The WI are looking forward to seeing your cakes at the Coronation Celebrations in the village. The cakes will be judged on taste, flavour and decoration and then enjoyed with a cup of tea in the Parish Hall at 2pm on Monday 8th May. The Crowns will be judged by public vote and after the tea and cakes you can wear your crowns for the rest of the day's festivities on the school field !!!

The WI campaign this year is 'Clean Rivers for People and Wildlife' and this resolution will be brought to the NFWI AGM which is in Cardiff in May.

The speaker at the next meeting in May in the Parish Hall is Joanna Williams. She will speak on 'The Great Miss Lydia Becker Suffragette and Scientist'. Miss Becker, born in Manchester, was a forerunner of the Suffrage movement and was an early trailblazer for women's rights. The meeting is on Wednesday 3rd May in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Guests are welcome to join us and the entrance fee is £5. The speaker will be excellent—and so will the tea and cakes !!!

June Wilkinson 891534

[See page 15 for reports on the WI Book Club and WI Ramblers.]



Some examples of the late queen's evening gowns

And here's how things might have gone if we'd had a Parish Council election: the following is an extract from Charles Dickens' Pickwick Papers (1836-7). An election is being held in the constituency of Eatanswill.

'And what is the likely result of the contest?' inquired Mr. Pickwick.

'Why, doubtful, my dear sir, rather doubtful as yet,' replied the election agent. 'Fizkin's people have got three-and-thirty voters in the lock-up coach-house at the White Hart.'

'In the coach-house!' said Mr. Pickwick, much astonished.

'They keep 'em locked up there till they want 'em,' resumed the little man. The effect, you see, is to prevent our getting at them. Even if we could, it would be of no use, for they keep them very drunk on purpose. Smart fellow, Fizkin's agent —very smart fellow indeed.

'We are pretty confident, though,' said Mr. Perker, his voice sinking almost to a whisper. 'We had a little tea-party here, last night — five-and-forty women, my dear sir — and gave every one 'em a green parasol when she went away. Five and-forty green parasols, at 7/6d each. Got the votes of all their husbands, and half their brothers. You can't walk half a dozen yards up the street, without encountering half a dozen green parasols.'

'Is everything ready?' said Samuel Slumkey to Mr. Perker.

'Nothing has been left undone, my dear sir. There are twenty washed men at the street door for you to shake hands with; and six children in arms that you're to pat on the head, and ask the age of. Be particular about the children, my dear sir. It always has a great effect, that sort of thing.

'And perhaps if you *could* manage to kiss one of 'em, it would produce a very great impression on the crowd. I think it would make you very popular.'

'Very well,' said Samuel Slumkey, with a resigned air, 'then it must be done. That's all.'

'Arrange the procession,' cried the twenty committee-men.

There was a moment of awful suspense as the procession waited for Samuel Slumkey to step into his carriage. Suddenly the crowd set up a great cheering.

[A candidate promenades amongst the crowds.]

'He has patted the babies on the head,' said Mr. Perker, trembling with anxiety.

A roar of applause that rent the air.

'He has kissed one of 'em!' exclaimed the delighted little man.

A second roar.

'He has kissed another.'

'He's kissing 'em all!' screamed the little gentleman. And, hailed by the deafening shouts of the crowd, the procession moved on.





DAVE WILKINSON

I have lived in the village all my 44 years. I attended the local school then, after finishing high school, started working with my Grandad and Dad on the family dairy farm and, as you know, the Ice Cream Farm. I married Rachel 17 years ago and moved on to Westage Lane for a brief four years then swapped houses back to the farm, with Ben and Sophie, who are now 16 and 13. I'd now like to help the village as your parish councillor in dealing with any concerns or issues that helps the community and residents in the future. As they say if you want something done ask a busy person.

KAREN HAMMOND



I am sure most of you will recognise me as “The lady who pushes a dog pram”. Tara and I enjoy our (my) work-out every morning as it gives us the opportunity to chat to many people who share their interests and concerns about the village. This will give additional input to my role within the Parish Council. I'm a member of the Parochial Church Council and am Safeguarding Officer for the Parish. I have been Vice Chairman of the village school governors. I joined the Heritage Society and believe it is important to preserve our beautiful buildings as well as embracing changes that may be needed to modernise aspects of the village.

CHRIS WISE



I moved to Providence House 22 years ago and quickly settled in to life in this special village. I see the role of the Parish Council as being to help maintain that ‘specialness’: the infrastructure that makes our environment so unique and supports the villagers, businesses and visitors, allowing all to enjoy the village to the full. During my years here I've been actively involved in many village-based clubs and societies and have embraced the historical aspects of Providence House and my role as the current custodian. I have visited many places on business and pleasure and to me, Great Budworth is unique. Let's work together as community to keep it that way.

JUSTIN CULVER



I am delighted to serve you as one of the Parish Councillors. I have lived in the Village since 2010 – having moved here from Twickenham. I am a Director of a financial training company that mainly works with NHS Trusts advising pre-retirement staff on matters of finance & estate planning. My Partner is Jill Shields and we live on Westage Lane. I hope to bring objectivity and an analytical mindset to the issues facing the PC. I have never been involved in politics of any sort. I love Jaguar cars & support Liverpool FC.

TENNIS CLUB

On Saturday 15th April Great Budworth Tennis Club held their Parker Cup Tournament, as started by Paul Parker many years ago.



Sue Moorhouse, centre, holding the Parker Cup and bottle of wine prize, with Coral Houston on her left

We were very lucky to hold the tournament on a beautiful spring day! The event was well attended by players and spectators and all enjoyed a lovely lunch in the sunshine. The mixed doubles matches were played back-to-back from 10am to 4.30pm with some very good tennis on show.

As the competition ended, Sue Moorhouse, Cheryl Clarke, Coral Houston, Dino Manfred and Ric Burgess all went

home with prizes.

We were delighted to have Kathy Kay join us to present the Kay Cup to joint winners Jenny Baldwin and Stephen Houston and to Cheryl Clarke and Robert Fraser. The Kay Cup tournament was played indoors in February at Birchwood Leisure Centre.

Coral Houston, Tournaments Officer



Kathy Kay, second from left, with winners L to R Jenny Baldwin, Stephen Houston and Cheryl Clarke.

GREAT BUDWORTH CRICKET CLUB

It's the start of a new season, and by the time you read this we may, or may not, have played our first match, against Toft CC, depending on the weather and the state of the ground.

Everyone is very welcome to come along to the beautiful ground at Arley to watch the matches, and to partake of the refreshments afterwards, and the three home matches in May are as follows:



- Sunday 21st against Kingsley,
- Wednesday 24th against High Legh
- Saturday 27th against a visiting team from Lancashire (this match is still to be confirmed).

The Saturday and Sunday matches start at 1pm and the mid-week matches start at 6.00pm.

The Rev'd Alec Brown, Fixtures Secretary.

The WI Book Club

The book club have just finished "Small Treasures" by Claire Chambers and the next literary challenge is "The Lessons in Chemistry" which was reported last month: I think I was getting ahead of myself.



WI Ramblers



The Ramblers enjoyed a walk around Antrobus from the Golf Club and following parts of the Boyd Walk. The wild flowers were blooming, the grass was amazingly green and we made our way back across the golf course for a tasty lunch in the clubhouse. We will walk the walk again

on Tuesday 9th May leaving the Parish Hall at 10am.

June Wilkinson

Ladies' lunch in May

The lunch will take place on Thursday, 18th at 12.30 at the Cock o' Budworth at 12.30. Please contact me if you'd like to join us as I shall need to book a table. Hazel Forwood (01606 891908).



Dog Walking

If you are located in the Great Budworth area and are looking for a local caring dog walker. I am available for daily walks, toilet/feeding and general care and attention visits. For your dog's individual requirements/needs, please give me a call.



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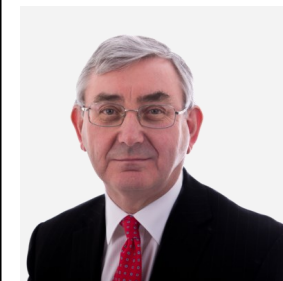
KAREN WILLIAMS

I'm currently a full-time working resident of Budworth Heath and have lived there for 48 years. I was christened, confirmed, worked, married and have raised a family up in this Parish. I have a very strong core for Great Budworth and am ready to support and represent its local residents on the Parish Council regarding any concerns, views or issues from its residents. I am keen to influence any development planning applications to align and maintain the historic feel of the village but also to move forward with modern life with no detriment to Great Budworth Parish. I'm looking forward to the next four years.



STEPHEN COPPELL

You'll see me around the village usually walking our two black Labradors. We moved to the village 9 years ago and the sense of community is one of its treasures. Paula and I were warmly welcomed here and have fully immersed ourselves in village life in our short time here. So I will continue in my second term, to give something back. I will continue the hard work of the last Parish Council, and will listen to your views and wishes for the future. I will abide by the core values of our village and serve you all with the utmost of integrity.



STEVEN JENNINGS

When my partner, Anna, and I moved to Great Budworth, 16 years ago, it corresponded, more or less, with the arrival of our first grandchild: looking back, I don't know which has given us the greater pleasure! For those who don't know me, I'm a solicitor who doesn't want even to contemplate retirement. I hope that I can serve the village as a parish councillor over the coming four years in a way which turns out to be of some use. I'm looking forward to the challenge.



MALCOLM TORRANCE

I am delighted to be able to serve for a further four years as a parish councillor. We work very hard to achieve what the community wants but, inevitably, decisions may not please everyone: such is the nature of village life. Our village has a longstanding history of grumbling after decisions have been taken, so if you are passionate about our village, please come to meetings and tell the P.C. your thoughts!

GARDEN CLUB

'April is the cruellest month' according to T. S. Eliot's *The Wasteland*. It means the new cycle of life begins and if we look at our Garden Club it has bloomed and grown and the meetings are full again, with enthusiastic members.

At our April meeting, our friend and garden professional, Jacqueline Iddon (pictured), gave a wonderful talk and demonstration on the subject of pots and troughs. She sold all her plants, and was thanked enthusiastically by Sylvia Godber, who herself is an excellent flower grower and arranger. There was a members' competition for a pot of spring bulbs and this was won by Janet Bashforth; the runner-up was Doreen Kennerley. Well done both of you!



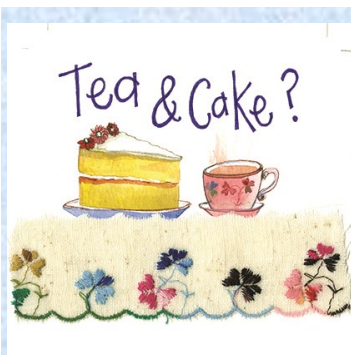
Julie Treharne updated us all in respect of the day trips and the mini holiday. For any information about them, please contact her on 0779210 8549.

We have the Coronation of King Charles III on Saturday 6th May and Sue Martin is opening her garden for members only on Monday 8th May from 1.00pm to 3.30pm.

The next day, Tuesday 9 May, is our monthly meeting, when our speaker will be Geoff Hodge talking about 'Bugs, garden plagues, plant and pest control' - a very important topic at this time of year. To celebrate the Coronation there will be a members' competition for the best vase of flowers from a member's own garden. There will be prizes to be won.

The year progresses and the all-important weather is still anyone's guess as to what lies ahead. We must be ready for heat, sun, rain, drought and wind. Whatever is in store, it's a gardener's eternal challenge to beat the odds! Good luck!

Jean Davies
0789993 7683



CHURCH TEAS

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help out with teas.

We have 5 dates still to cover: : June 25th, Aug 27th, Sept 17th & 24th, Oct 8th.

If you can help out with any of those dates, please speak to Margaret on 07732 324001 or Maggie on 01565 777262.

CHURCH NEWS



Services during May and the first week of June

MAY

Wednesday 3rd	10.30am	Holy Communion CW followed by coffee
Thursday 4th	7.00pm	Celtic Evening Prayer
Sunday 7th	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.30am	Special service to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. All are welcome. Do stay for a glass of fizz or soft drink after the service.
Thursday 11th	2.00pm	Play and Praise
Saturday 13th	12 noon	Wedding
Sunday 14th	10.30am	Matins BCP
	12.15pm	Baptism
	6.30pm	Holy Communion CW
Thursday 18th	7.30pm	Ascension Day Service of Holy Communion CW
Sunday 21st	8.00am	Holy Communion BCP
	10.30am	Parish Communion CW
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer at Arley Chapel BCP
Thursday 25th	2.00pm	Play and Praise
Saturday 27th	12.30pm	Wedding
Sunday 28th	10.30am	Parish Communion CW
	3.00pm	Forest Church venue TBA

JUNE

Thursday 1st	7.00pm	Celtic Evening Prayer
Friday 2nd	7.00pm for 7.30pm	Summer Concert in church with Jill Crossland, a classical pianist.
Sunday 4th	8.00am	Holy Communion BXP
	10.30am	All Age Worship for Trinity Sunday

CHURCH TEAS

Church Teas re-commenced on 9th April. Why not pop along with a friend to the Parish Hall between 2.00-4.30pm for a cup of tea or coffee and a homemade cake - and maybe pick up a second hand book to read?



Coronation Showstopper Cake & Crown Competitions



Apparently King Charles III's favourite cake is the fruit cake, but don't let that stop you from recreating YOUR favourite cake recipe and taking part in our Great Budworth Coronation Showstopper Bake Off.



Adults' and Children's entries should be decorated and brought to the Parish Hall on **Monday 8th May between 11.00am -12.00 noon**. The winners will be revealed at 2.00 p.m, after which all 'donated' cakes will be served along with tea by the WI until 3.00 p.m.

If Baking is not your expertise, then please take part in our 'Coronation Crown' Competition, using any material that you choose. There will be Adult and Children's sections, so **bring along your entries to the Parish Hall between 11.00am-12 noon**. The Crowns will then be taken to the Village Field, to be judged by all and balloted, with winners announced at about 4.00 p.m.

We look forward very much to receiving all your entries, to tasting your delicious cakes and seeing your beautiful Crowns. There is enormous talent in this village and we know you will do our King proud.

Linda Wyer



SCHOOL 100 CLUB DRAW

April

Winners

1st: - Sue Ripley

2nd: - Jane Ford

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or Richard Elias (07833 239714)**

Food will be suitably regal, generous and delicious. It is likely to include steak, chicken, lamb kofte, sausages, burgers, jacket potatoes, salad and coleslaw. There will be a vegetarian selection. Bar facilities at sensible prices will be available, but you're welcome to bring your own liquid refreshment. Live music and entertainment will be provided by the Hiatt family and friends.

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CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III

SATURDAY, 6th MAY

From 5pm, the Parish Hall

Big Boys' Barbecue (See page 7 for more details)

SUNDAY, 7th MAY

At 10.30am Parish Church

Service celebrating the coronation of King Charles III, followed by fizz.

See page 11 for more details of Church services and events.

From 3pm in the garden of Providence House: a Picnic

Chris Wise will be hosting the Village's Coronation Picnic in his Providence House garden on Sunday 7th from 3pm onwards. The format will be similar to previous similar events. Please bring your own food and refreshments, and you can set up your own area with gazebos, tables and so on from 12 noon.

Music will be provided - but dancing is optional!

Tickets, which are FREE, can be picked up from Chris Wise (07765 235200), Anna Lee (07584 252825) or Lesley Hopkinsons at the Old Hall, who will leave tickets in a box on her front porch. If you plan to come, please do get a ticket so that overall numbers are known.

MONDAY, 8th MAY

From 10.00am–Noon, Parish Hall

Great Budworth Bake-off competition (see page 10 for more details).

Crown making competition (see page 10 for more details!).

Followed by free drinks and competition cakes.

From 3pm on the Village Field, School Lane

Free Entrance - Bring your own chairs! Come and enjoy the fun!

You will be greeted by King Charles III!

Take a seat in a vintage Rolls Royce and high performance cars.

(cont'd on the next page)

- PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

MONDAY (cont'd)

Browse a display of pictures of the village from times past.

Guess how many balloons are in a car.

Help judge the Best Homemade Crown.

Try out your taste buds at wine tasting.

Can you get the football in the net?

For golfers (and non-golfers): a putting challenge.

Cool off with a Great Budworth Farm Ice Cream.

Be tempted by the vegetable display by Groobag.

Buy some glamour with pre-loved bags, scarves and jewellery.

Try your luck on the Teddy Bear Tombola.

To feed the hungry there will be fish and chips available from 5pm.

For the thirsty there'll be hot drinks and a Coronation Beer by JW Lees.

The parish marquee will be there with some chairs and tables

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