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YEAR'S MIND - APRIL

*From the church registers - * Denotes date of funeral or ashes burial*

1ST ELLA WASS---1986

EVA BRAMWELL---1992

GINA CLARKE---2021

2ND LINDA BARGH---1966

JAMES W.H. MARPLES---1998

3RD MARY WILKINSON---1971

IDA SHEMWELL---1978

FRANK R. COBB---2001

4TH * ALBERT CALVERT---1990

BRIAN DRURY---2022

MARGARET ROWBOTTOM---2023

5TH ROSEMARY G. MILWARD---2005

EMILY TAGG---2023

JAMES R. LEE---2007

6TH IRENE HASLAM---2017

7TH JOSEPHINE ELSE---1971

BARRIE HOLLIS---1993

JAMES H. HILL---1996]

RITA WRAGG---2016

8TH MARY ARMSTRONG---2023

9TH DOUGLAS G. HERRINGSHAW---
2005

10TH FLORENCE WHITE---1971

ANN F. SOUTH---1997

HARRY HASLAM---2001

VINCENT NOBLE---2009

MIKE BLOXHAM---2023

*BERYL MORTON---2017

11TH *WALTER ALAN DICKMAN---2013

12TH SAMUEL BURTON---1969

MARY SHOOTER---?

MONA HASLAM---1997

LILIAN P. NEEDHAM---1998

ANN PATMAN---2003

13TH EDITH MARGERRISON---1973

MARGARET STUBBINS---2008

MURIEL FLINT---2020

14TH PHYLLIS CARTER---1977

JOHN S. MARGERRISON---1995

15TH SARAH WOODWARD---1966

17TH PEGGY Y. THOMPSON---1998

*DARREN NAVIN---2023

18TH WILLIAM R. MIDDLETON---2003

*JUNE GRICE---2011

19TH BEATRICE WRIGHT---1972

IRIS WILSON---1995

20TH ANDREW J HURT---2012

21ST ERLE KINGSTON---1972

22ND FRANK PATILLA---1977

JOANNE WESTON---2012

JOHN R. BELLERBY---1998

NANCY E. COBB---2023

23RD ELIZA HOWARD---1966

POLLIE SIDDALL---1966

WINIFRED SMITH---1979

FRANK SLACK---1981

CLIFFORD UMNEY---1989

BARBARA E. STARKEY---2002

24TH HORACE SMALLEY---1964

25TH *EMILY M. TAYLOR---1990

WILLIAM HILL---1994

GAIL PEAT---2023

26TH HAROLD STEVENSON---1979

WALTER G. HALLATT---2004

27TH BILL DAVIS---1998

OLIVER JACQUES---2019

28TH FRED A BOWER---1965

29TH BRENDA POWELL---2013

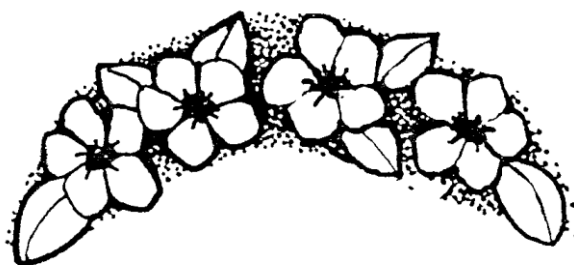
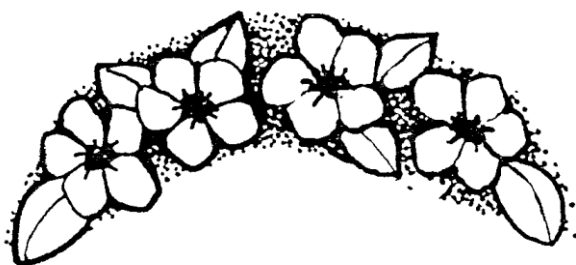
PAMELA M WARD--2020

SIDNEY BEADBURY---2007

30TH IRENE KINGSTON---1990

EDNA E. McGUINNESS---2020

JANET WEST---2022



FROM CHURCH REGISTERS: APRIL 2025

Baptisms

None

Funerals

18th February—Fred & Audrey Haslam—Ashes burial

17th February—Audrey Bellerby—Ashes burial

25th February---Dorothy Charlesworth—Funeral and burial

14th March—James Needham—Ashes burial

24th March—Anthony [Chad] Chapman—Funeral service and burial.

22nd March—Bill Berresford—Ashes burial

Marriages

None

BARLOW CHURCH (ST. LAWRENCE)



Dear Friends,

‘Easter is late this year’ is a comment that I’ve been hearing quite a lot recently.

And yes, it is - well, later than average. Apparently the earliest possible date for Easter in the Western Church is 22nd March and the latest is 25th April, so quite a wide range, unlike Christmas, which is always on a fixed date. That’s because Easter is a ‘moveable feast’ and the date is determined by a lunisolar ‘ecclesiastical’ calendar similar to the Hebrew Calendar.

There's a lot more to it than that, of course, but what concerns me more is how this all works out in practice. We try to keep the special Holy Week and Easter service times fairly consistent from year to year, but the later festival means that our 8pm Vigil service on Holy Saturday (19th April) will probably start in twilight this year rather than the dark! The bonfire might not be quite so effective as a result, but as we sit in the ancient church hearing the old stories of liberation and night falls around us, our candles will still burn brightly with the new light of Easter.

And the following morning, the sun will be close to rising as our 6am Dawn Service at Old Brampton begins. That also includes a bonfire, and more candles too (Easter Egg Hunts follow after the later services in both churches – so that's 11am in Barlow). You're welcome to join us for either of these services or any of the Holy Week observances, details of which you'll find elsewhere (page 11).

You might be wondering why there are so many services, and indeed this season is much more demanding than Christmas in many ways. But in these challenging times, the stories of Holy Week and Easter hold extra and deeper resonances. We will follow, day by day, the gospel accounts of Jesus' arrest, trial and the crucifixion – of an innocent man condemned to death by people who were determined to hold onto power and maintain control, by any means. We will wait in vigil on Thursday evening, as if we too were waiting in the garden, watching and praying with him. And we will mark the hours from 12-3pm on Good Friday as a time for quiet prayer and reflection (after the morning event for children and families). After that we wait, until the new light of Easter is lit and the joy of Easter resurrection is upon us. But the Easter story doesn't stop there. You can find out what happened next in the Acts of the Apostles and we will hear those accounts in Church on the Sundays after Easter.

Retelling these stories and re-enacting the ancient rituals of our faith is important for Christians for they remind us of who we are as part of the Christian story today.

We are Easter people and we believe that, as Archbishop Desmond Tutu once said,

*Goodness is stronger than evil; Love is stronger than hate;
Light is stronger than darkness; Life is stronger than death;
Victory is ours through Him who loves us.*

May the joy and peace of the risen Christ be with you this Easter.
Rev'd Sarah

CHURCH NEWS

(ST. LAWRENCE)



Dear Friends,

The Church year is in full swing now with Lent and Easter events at the forefront of our minds. Lent breakfasts have been very popular again and don't forget that you have two more opportunities to partake during April, on the 2nd and 9th. This year donations are to be shared between Church and Dementia UK.

Easter is the most special time of the year with all the beautiful services that accompany the season. Please see these listed on page 10 and if you could join us for one or more of them you would be most welcome. The family fun on Good Friday is always very popular, especially if your children like crafting.

We are especially looking forward to welcoming school and pre-school into Church for their Easter celebrations and cannot wait to see the little ones in their Easter bonnets.

We have had an overwhelming response to the Baby Basics appeal this year, with many individuals and groups from the village donating to this worthwhile cause. Thank you to everyone who has been so supportive. We are certain there will be a letter of thanks to be published in this magazine next month.

Pete Gouldthorpe Retirement

It is with very mixed feelings that I (Julie) have to report this month that Pete is stepping down as Churchwarden at St Lawrence. Pete has twice been in this role and has therefore served the Church for many years.

Mixed feelings, because of course Pete deserves a break after the years of hard work and fantastic service he has given to the Church as Churchwarden. But it is going to be a little terrifying being Churchwarden without him. Thankfully he will still be around as PCC secretary and still be a huge part of life at St Lawrence, so he will be there as support and guidance for me over the coming months.

Thank you, Pete, from all your friends at Church and in the village for your sterling work; you will be missed in the role, but enjoy the extra time you will have to yourself.

Red Cross VE Day 80th Cup of Kindness

As you will be aware it is the 80th Anniversary of VE Day on Thursday 8th May. To mark the occasion, we will be holding a "Cup of Kindness" event at Church on Sunday 11th May after the morning service, from 12 midday until 2pm. Drinks and cake will be served and everyone is welcome to join us.

Open Gardens

A huge thank you to everyone who has already agreed to take part in Open Gardens this year. We can accept as many gardens as people who are willing, so if you have never opened your garden before but think you might like to, please get in touch for a chat to see what is involved. You can e-mail or telephone Churchwarden Julie West whose contact details are listed at the front of this magazine. Your garden does not have to be Chelsea flower show standard, any garden can take part, formal, informal, wild, nature, for children, sensory, a work in progress, all are encouraged to participate.

We are going to be decorating the Church with woollen flowers this year as something a bit different. If you are a knitter, or you crochet and have some odds and ends of coloured wool, we would be grateful for donations of your flower creations; the more we have, the more spectacular the display. There is a knitting pattern at the end of this piece, but we still don't have a crochet pattern... Help, please, if you can!

Flower Festival & Well Dressings

We are certain you all have Carnival Week in your diaries already as the real highlight of the Barlow calendar. The well dressings and flower festival will run alongside as usual from August 13th to the 19th.

Church Opening

Thanks to our group of wonderful volunteers, Church opening will return during summer hours from 1st May onwards. Therefore, Church will be open on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from 10am until 4pm.

There are occasionally events happening on some of the open days when access may be restricted, but we will do our best to avoid this.

APCM

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held on Sunday 23rd March. Report to follow.

Regular services for APRIL

Sunday 6th April: 11am service

Sunday 13th April: Palm Sunday; 8am Mass

Sunday 20th April: Easter Day; 11am family service.

Sunday 27th April: 11am service

Special services for Easter

See separate entry on page 11.

Upcoming Events

Lent Breakfasts: April 2nd & April 9th 9.30-11.30am

VE Day 80th Anniversary Cup of Kindness:

Sunday 11th May at Church 12-2pm

Open Gardens: Sunday 6th July 2025

Flower Festival: August 13th-19th 2025

Harvest Supper: Sunday 12th October 2025

Warm wishes for a very Happy Easter to everyone from Julie.

Easy Ribbed Flower Pattern

Colour A: any colour

Colour B: scrap of contrasting yarn or button for centre

Body of flower

Using colour A, cast on 60 stitches.

Rows 1-10: K2 P2 across whole row (for slightly smaller flower, do 8 rows).

Row 11: Knit 2 stitches together across the row. 30 stitches.

Row 12: Slip 1 stitch. Knit 2 stitches together & pass slip stitch over. Repeat across whole row. 10 stitches.

Break off yarn with long tail, thread back through remaining stitches & pull tight. Join edges with mattress stitch.

Centre of flower

Using colour B cast on 16 stitches.

Cast off.

Coil into a tight spiral & sew base to the centre.

Or use a button & sew to centre of flower.

The Parish Church of St Lawrence Barlow

Holy Week and Easter Services 2025



Sunday 13th April - Palm Sunday

11am Palm Sunday Mass with procession

Mon 14th/Tues 15th/ Weds 16th April

8pm Compline via Zoom

*Please contact Revd Sarah for passcode details
priest@barlow-church.org.uk*

Maundy Thursday - 17th April

7.30pm Service here at Barlow
followed by Vigil

Good Friday – 18th April

10am Activities for families of all ages
12 noon Stations of the Cross
1pm Readings and Music for Good Friday
2pm Liturgy of Good Friday

Holy Saturday – 19th April

8pm Easter Vigil with lighting of the Easter Fire

Easter Day – 20th April

11am Easter Day Family Mass
followed by Easter Egg Hunt



This year marks 80 years since the end of WWII in Europe.

To celebrate, we're hosting a *Cup of Kindness* tea party to raise funds for **Red Cross**.

Join us on **Sunday May 11th**, between 12pm and 2pm for tea/coffee and, of course, cake!

We look forward to seeing you, St Lawrence, Barlow.

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Planning Matters

Planning Applications

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- NED 25/00045/FLH – First floor side extension of the roof above this. The replacement of four dormer windows and addition of a two storey gabled porch to the front, and the addition of three velux roof lights and internal modifications at Claypenny Cottage, Brindlewoodgate, Barlow
- NED 25/00062/CATPO – Notification of intention to prune 2 trees within Barlow Conservation area at The Old Vicarage, Hackney Lane, Barlow
- NED 25/00069/CATPO – Notification of intention to remove 1 Spruce tree within Barlow Mills and Crow Holes Conservation Area at 3 Crow Hole, Barlow
- NED 25/00085/FLH – Extensions and accommodation in roof 18 Commonsides Road, Barlow

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- **.RESOLVED** no comments
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• **Planning Decisions**

- NED 24/00495/LDC – Change of use of disused cottage and integral garage block to a 3 bed dwelling (affecting public right of way) (private drainage system) at land adjacent at Claypenny Cottage, Brindlewoodgate, Barlow – Conditionally approved P.D Removed – 9 January 2025
- NED 24/01041/FLH – Ground floor front extension to hall (affecting a public footpath) at 5 Valley Road, Barlow – Conditionally approved – 14 February 2025

• **.RESOLVED** noted

Quiz Night

The first Quiz Night at the Village Hall with Quizmaster Tommy at the helm was a great success, so the April session has been arranged for Wednesday, 16th April. Please continue to support this event. You will find details on page 2. The aim is to make this a regular monthly feature.

Book Signing

Advance notice is hereby given again of another date for your diary. Cllr Sheila Marshall has worked hard to organise a book signing afternoon with a successfully published author who has connections with Barlow. After Jon Cook and Bernie Clifton this will be the third book event to happen at the Village Hall. Details can be found on the next page.

Happy Easter!



BOOK CLUB

WITH BEST
SELLING AUTHOR

Beth Morrey

Sunday Times Best Selling Author



Beth Morrey's publishing journey, her tips for writing a bestseller, book recommendations and gossip about all your favourite authors! Includes Book Signing and Q&A

**Saturday 21 June 2025 2pm
at Barlow Village Hall**

**For admittance please email
the Parish Clerk -
info@barlowvillage.co.uk
to reserve your free place.**

SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Beth Morrey

Isabella's

A shattered friendship.
A quest for answers.

Not

Can she put the pieces
back together?

Dead

'Beth is a really clever, funny writer' Nina Stibbe

BARLOW PRE-SCHOOL



Dear Friends,

Spring has arrived and we are very excited to have started planting seeds and beans, after reading Jack and the Beanstalk.

We have been practising our Easter songs in preparation for our Easter celebration taking place at St Lawrence Church on Tuesday 1st April and are busy making our lovely Mother's Day surprises.

After a recent training course, we are going to be introducing woodwork to the children. This supports the children's problem-solving skills, physical development, communication, focus and concentration and imagination.

We are looking for the following resources if anyone can help us out: Balsa wood, sandpaper, 25mm nails and no.10 $\frac{3}{4}$ inch screws and plywood. We would also like a simple child-size workbench. If anyone would be able to make us one, please let us know.

We have also started Yoga sessions with the children which is a great way to wake up their bodies and focus their minds!

Our committee have an exciting fundraiser planned for Saturday 28th June. After the success of last year's family fun day we will be hosting it again, this time at the village hall, 2 - 6pm and will include bouncy castle, games, stalls, bar, raffle with great prizes and lots more. Everyone welcome!

Jo

YOUNG FARMERS

Update

We'd like to extend a big thank you to all our members and supporters for their continued hard work and enthusiasm. It's been another busy and exciting month for Barlow Young Farmers and we're proud to share some of our recent achievements and upcoming events.

Rounders Success in Skegness

A massive congratulations to our rounders team, who recently competed in Skegness against teams from across the East Midlands. After a tough competition, Barlow Young Farmers finished in a brilliant 2nd place! Our team showed exceptional skill, sportsmanship, and determination, making us incredibly proud. A big thank you to everyone who supported the team throughout this competition – we couldn't have done it without you! It was a great day all round for Derbyshire with 7 out of 9 clubs going to the national finals.

Dinner Dance Next Week

Don't forget, next week(at the time of writing) marks one of our most anticipated events of the year – the Barlow Young Farmers Dinner Dance! It's always a fantastic evening filled with great food, music, and plenty of dancing. We can't wait to see everyone there for a night of fun and celebration. It's the perfect way to relax and unwind after a busy few months of hard work and achievements!

Pub Quiz on the 29th

Looking ahead, we've got another exciting event coming up on the 29th – the County Pub Quiz competition! It's the perfect chance to test your general knowledge and have some fun with friends and fellow members.

Join Barlow Young Farmers

If you're looking to get involved in all of the fun and are aged between 10 - 26 the good news is it's not too late to join Barlow Young Farmers! Whether you're interested in sports, social events, or just being part of a fantastic group of people, there's something for everyone. For more information on how to become a member, please contact Clare on 07858579877.

We can't wait to see what the rest of the year has in store for us. Rally Day is just around the corner which promises a full day of competition. Keep an eye out for more updates and upcoming events on all our socials: Facebook, instagram and TikTok!

Clare

RED BARROWS AT BRITAIN'S GOT TALENT



We started Barlow Red Barrows ten years ago to perform at Barlow Carnival. Ten years later we are still at it, travelling to local shows and fetes, still deluded enough to think we are like the Red Arrows, rejoicing under the slogan 'Lower and Slower.'

The surprise call from Britain's Got Talent and being asked to audition was not immediately accepted. I thought at first it was a mate winding me up. Eventually, accepting the invitation meant immediate practice on cold winter nights.

We changed our routine entirely, chopped it down to two minutes, introduced a jump, some rousing new music and red flying suits.

Eventually we were off to The Winter Gardens at Blackpool. The day started badly: It was minus 5 degrees outside the Tickled Trout when we set off, the coach's door locks were frozen and the wheelbarrows had to travel on the coach with us.

Once there the day was fantastic. We were rehearsing on the stage where so many great entertainers had trodden and we went totally wrong! After a pork pie and a cup of tea it was back onto the stage in front of two thousand people, the four judges and a few cameras. No sign of stage fright this time, a great display and four YES votes from the judges made the journey home very memorable.

We had a brilliant day in the spotlight and everyone was really nice to us. Ant and Dec got in the spirit of things and guided us off stage with hand lights.

Back to earth, back to reality. Our fund-raising efforts continue this summer with a massive boost to our profile, 43,000 views on social media. In our ten years we have raised just over £85,000 for local and national charities. It has been a great experience to meet the people who work tirelessly to help others and we have great fun whilst we are barrowing.

Thank you to the Tickled Trout for their ongoing sponsorship and support. If you think you are daft enough to become involved, just drop me an email to Richardbrougham@live.co.uk.





HOLMESFIELD SCOUTS

For the last 15 years 3rd Holmesfield Scout Group have been meeting weekly in less than ideal meeting places, including barns, portacabins and outdoor shelters. We have explored various options including designing and building a brand-new facility in Holmesfield, but rising costs and fewer fundraising opportunities have led us to try and secure a permanent home in Dronfield at the current headquarters on Wreakes Lane. Our original plan was to develop what was the existing building, but a few years ago it was deemed unsafe and sadly had to be demolished. Our small band of volunteers and 110 young people have, since then, been meeting in second hand portacabins which are damp, cold and very restrictive in terms of activity space.

Despite all the setbacks our membership has remained strong; we have remained at capacity for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer Scouts with a group membership of over 100 young people, and now have a firm plan in place to develop Wreakes Lane Scout HQ on behalf of the whole district.

So far we have raised almost £120,000 pounds, with £50k coming from grants and £70k from our own fundraising and careful budgeting over 20+ years. The plan is to buy and install a 4-module building to create a large enough room for meetings and activities for both our group and others in and around Dronfield.

Planning permission has been granted and we have a local supplier on board with our plans. Our plan would also help in developing the space into a community bookable resource with a large secure enclosed activity field. Unfortunately, once again rising costs have left us short of our target by between £10k and £15k, so we are hoping that we can make a dent in that gap with donations, whilst continuing to apply for grants and fundraise ourselves!

We are at a critical point in the project as we are ready to place an order for the cabins and the associated groundworks. We have worked so hard and raised so much whilst continuing to provide weekly activities, camps, expeditions, hikes, DofE awards and other activities, but we find ourselves with a relatively small gap in funding to be filled quite quickly to enable our plan to be fully realised.

So, for the first time ever we are asking for your help via crowdfunding to allow us to bridge the funding gap as quickly as possible. Every little will help. Feel free to message us with any questions. **Thank you.** Jane Jakins

<https://gofund.me/849268b6>

MEMORY LANE

Jam-making at Carol's



Carol recollects: "This photo shows us making jam for school funds in my kitchen. It raised a lot of money. We did this for 5 years in the mid-90s, always with children from the top year. The damsons came from Mrs Cripps, the sugar and the rest were courtesy of Barrie Evans Vending. We had groups of 5 to 6 children, accompanied by a mother. The children in this picture, from left to right: Essie Carr, Felix Eaton-Bodains, ?, Natalie Pearson, Gilly Franklin, Katie Marshall."

Treasure hunting (See next page)

"A copy of "Treasure Hunt" from 1961 . Just as Ray Bargh said , these were run on Saturday night after carnival. The clues now will not mean a great deal nowadays..."

Julian

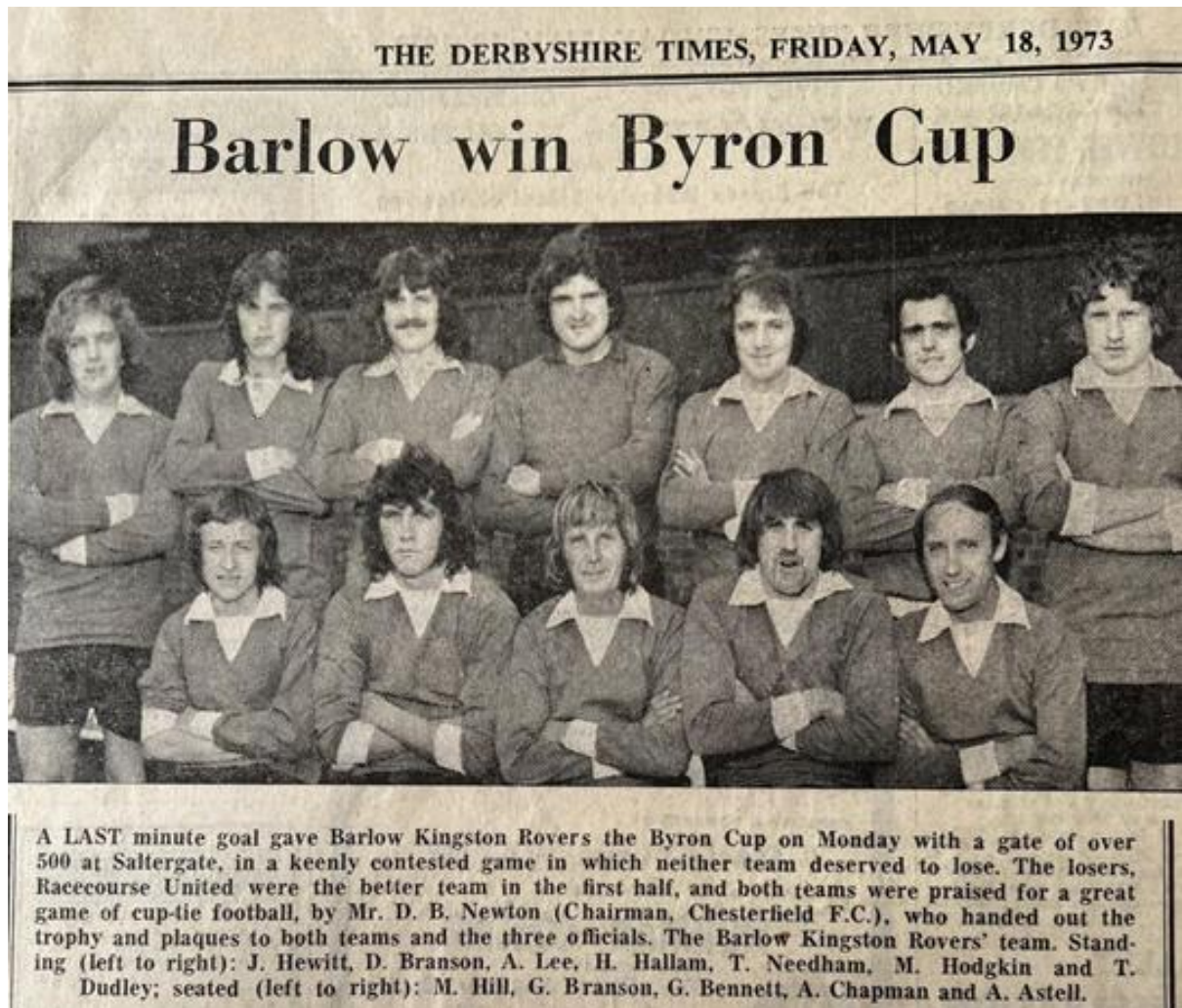
"Brilliant! This was a great evening out around North Derbyshire... You should have read the clues first before setting off, but it was a brilliant night out which everyone enjoyed. I got 3rd place and the prize was a tin of car polish! A great time was had by all."

Ray

This is your route. The numbers 1 to 10 refer to the Questions on the other sheet.

From Gillyatt's shop we are starting
Check your petrol before departing.
The yards to go are but few
So look to your right for a clue..... 1-13 1
On past the Terrace in the land of Rut *land*
You may be thirsty but
Hold in check your force of habit
And go straight past the 'Dog and Rabbit'... *How to Worms*... 2
Left or Right - the answers 'No'
Straight on is the way to go.
From diverting you must refrain
Except at 'Carbon Copy' lane.
On that lane as fast as you can,
Remember - they've not yet caught the man!
To ask a question now seems strange
I refer, of course, to the posts at Grange .8..... 3
Next, an anagram gives indication
That URCSRA is the destination. *CURBAR* *Barbar*.
If you wish you can recline -
They are not oak, nor are they pine *Leak* 4
Whilst you're here, one question more
His name suggests the Catering Corps 5
Onward now, your wheels unfetter
To a place like ours, but for a letter.
When you arrive just pause for breath,
It isn't George nor Elizabeth *Victoria* 6
If you had a map you would see
Our route is numbered - A.623.
Down a hill, do not skid
The entrance is over a cattle grid 7
Rhymes with Meeley - it's well known
On the left a big round stone.
Just past here you'll need to stop
The clue is near to the Co-op *3337* 8
At the railway you will arrive
Then up the Gradient - 1 in 5.
I bet that hill had it 'pinking'
Set your left indicator winking
Notwithstanding your surplus power
Do not exceed 60 miles an hour.
A very rough ride I realise
Therefore I apologise.
At the crossroads this clue should suffice
Take the road that's 3½ twice.
Next crossroads - do not hesitate
Take the road that adds up to eight.
Along the way you'll see a clue
Look at the Questions for what to do 9
For next direction I'm sure you ought'er
Go to Cutthorpe - 5¼.
Upper Loads ½ - ignore
Carry on a little more
Until a fork you do espy
On to Wadshelf - you'll see why.
A.619 to Starboard and to Port
Neither - now you've only one resort.
To the next junction you must go
Over again - Tallyho.
Turn right next - down the Grange
Those posts again - mighty strange.
Past the old Barlow school - now is the hour
To look for a cottage and a flower 10
Full speed ahead - hold fast men
The Peacock shuts at half past ten.

Barlow winning the cup



A couple of B. K. Rovers photos with Chadder in them and one of THE MAN himself - "in action"! Julian



POETRY CORNER

The Road Not Taken

By Robert Frost 1874 – 1963

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads on to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I—
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.



From *The Poetry of Robert Frost* by Robert Frost, edited by Edward Connery Lathem.

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BARLOW BOOK CLUBS

You may be interested to know that we have 3 book clubs operating in Barlow, and while none of the clubs are currently looking for new members, perhaps somebody would like to start a new one? Books can be accessed through e-readers (like Kindle) or as audiobooks (through Audible) nowadays, so a paper copy of the book is not necessarily required. Why not get together with a few friends and start reading?

Book Club 1

"This club was established in 2012 and has 8 members. After all this time and well over 150 books read the club is still active, meeting once a month and discussing a new book every month. Members take it in turns to select titles. Everybody's thoughts are listened to, opinions are exchanged and the books are rated in marks out of 10. A detailed record of titles selected (both classic and contemporary) is kept and regularly updated."

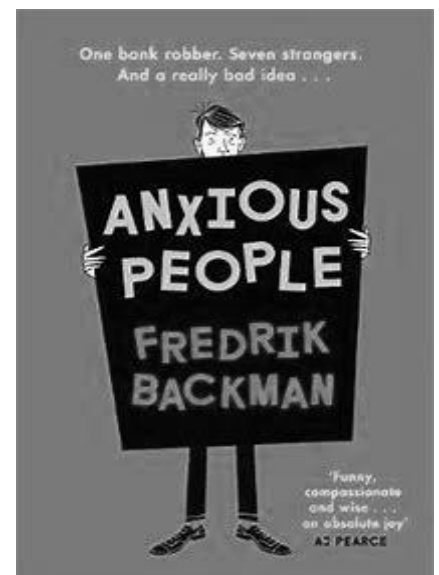
Carol

The last book featured in 2024 was 'The Great Gatsby' by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Book Club 2

"Ours is a very informal book club. There are just five of us, all friends from Barlow. We take it in turns to host in our houses. We just chat about the books we have read and the host selects the next book. We try to meet each month, but sometimes it's difficult to find a date we are all available. We have been meeting for about a year now. The last book we read was **Anxious People** by *Fredrik Backman* which we all enjoyed and would recommend."

Jo



Book Club 3

No information could be obtained in time for magazine publication.

PUZZLE PAGE

General knowledge quiz

1. What planet is closest to the sun?
2. In what year did Margaret Thatcher die?
3. Who wrote the book Chitty-Chitty-Bang-Bang: The Magical Car?
4. In which part of your body would you find the cruciate ligament?
5. What is the most populated city in Australia?
6. What is the name of the main antagonist in the Shakespeare play Othello?
7. When was the movie the Titanic released?
8. What is the capital of Qatar?
9. What element is denoted by the chemical symbol Sn in the periodic table?
10. How many of Henry VIII's wives were called Catherine?
11. What was the most popular girl's name in the UK in 2024?
12. What is James Bond's code name?
13. What is the capital of Finland?
14. In what US state is the city Nashville?
15. Which rock band was founded by Trent Reznor in 1988?
16. What is the currency of Denmark?
17. Which Tennis Grand Slam is played on a clay surface?
18. In which European country would you find the Rijksmuseum?
19. What is the smallest planet in our solar system?
20. Who wrote the novels Gone Girl and Sharp Objects?
21. Which football club plays its home games at Loftus Road?
22. Continental United States has 4 time zones, can you name them?
23. What is the northernmost country in Africa?
24. From which US city do the band The Killers originate?
25. Name the coffee shop in US sitcom Friends.
26. How many human players are there on each side in a polo match?

27. In what year did Tony Blair become British Prime Minister?
28. How many times has England won the men's football World Cup?
29. What is the common name for the larva of a housefly?
30. Street artist Banksy is originally associated with which British city?
31. From what grain is the Japanese spirit Sake made?
32. What was the Turkish city of Istanbul called before 1930?



1. Mercury
2. 2013
3. Ian Fleming
4. Knee
5. Sydney
6. Iago
7. 1997
8. Doha
9. Tin
10. 3
11. Olivia
12. 007
13. Helsinki
14. Tennessee
15. Nine Inch Nails
16. Krone
17. The French Open (Roland Garros)
18. Netherlands
19. Mercury
20. Gillian Flynn
21. Queen's Park Rangers
22. Pacific, Mountain, Central, Eastern
23. Tunisia
24. Las Vegas
25. Central Perk
26. Four
27. 1997
28. Once (1966)
29. Maggot
30. Bristol
31. Rice
32. Constantinople



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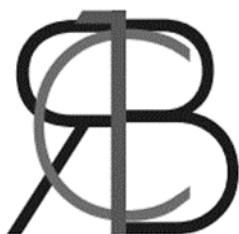
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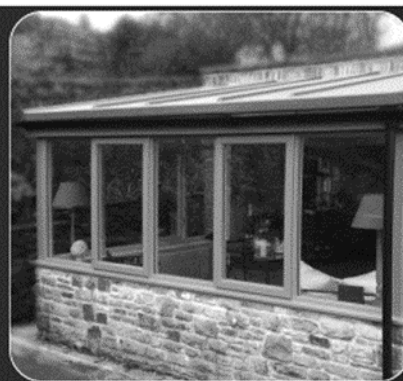
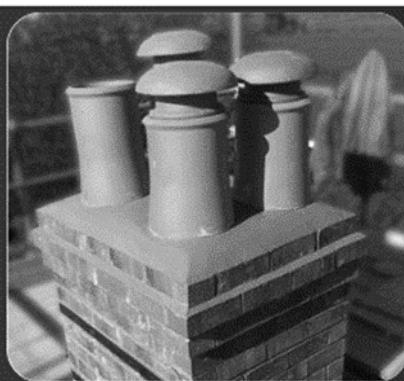




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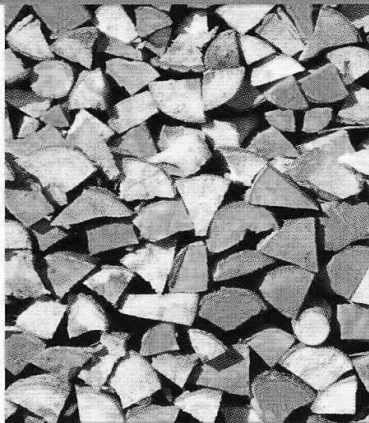
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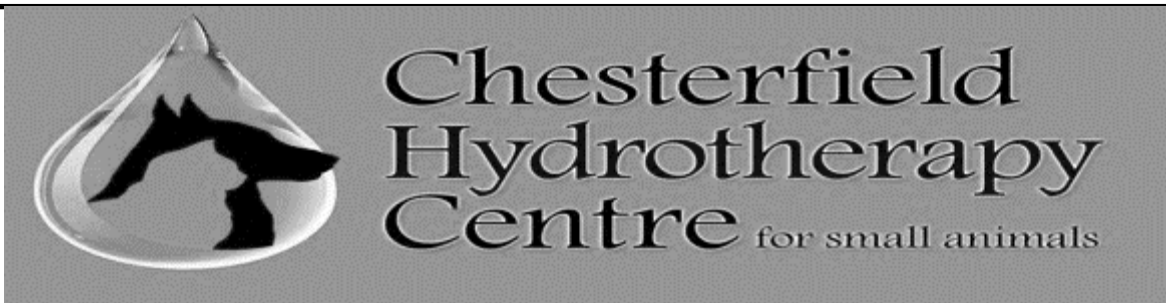
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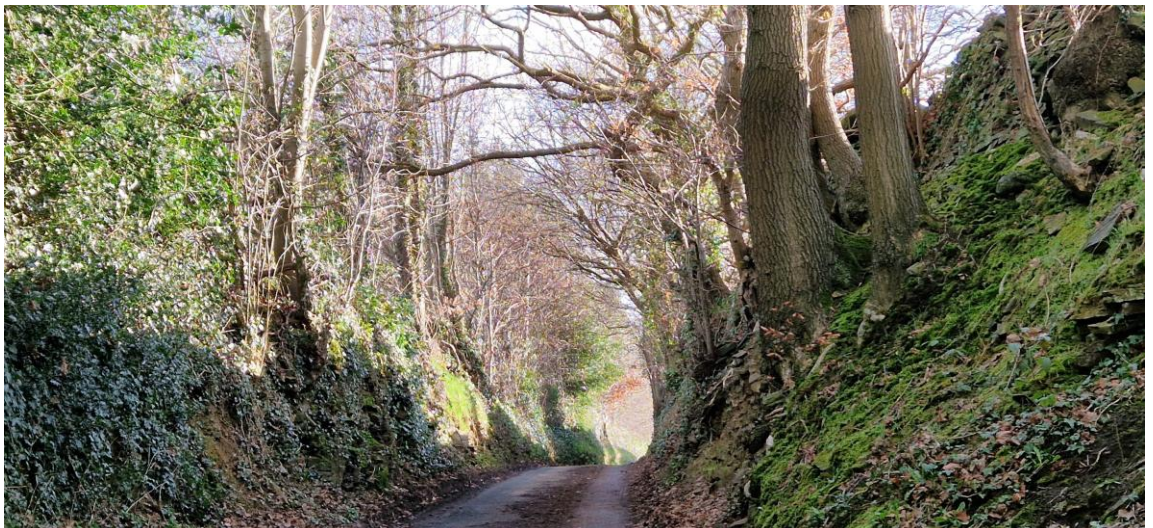
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