



## Church News

### PET SERVICE

Rev Sara will be holding this service in our church on SUNDAY 15th September at 11am. As a dog owner herself, Sara has a soft spot for animals. It's over fifteen years since we had our first pet service here at All Saints. I remember that the pets brought on that occasion ranged in age from the Brown's tortoise, Norman, who was over 50 years old, down to some baby gerbils. It was a short, lively and rather noisy and chaotic service and we all loved it. You are invited to come along with your pets, however big or small, old or young, to celebrate the joys of having pets. Refreshments afterwards for pets and owners!



Date for your diaries HARVEST Service Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am, followed by lunch in the Village Hall. Look out for more details nearer the time.

Elsewhere in our group of services, the major event is the Arnhem Service on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30 in Caythorpe Church. The battle of Arnhem was planned in the village of Caythorpe. Every year 216 Squadron (about 120 serving soldiers) and 40 - 50 veterans of the 'Red Berets' come back to Caythorpe to remember this special event in their history. Caythorpe Church has two stained glass windows dedicated to the Squadron. The service, which the Rev Sara will lead this year, is always a very moving occasion.

**PRAY** Some of us in the village would like to get together regularly to pray for our village and for those in special need. We hope soon to have a box in church in which people can put prayer requests to be used when the group meets, as well as in our regular services.

If you are interested in such a group, or have prayer requests, please e-mail me at [valerie.rampton64@gmail.com](mailto:valerie.rampton64@gmail.com)

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# The Beckingham & Sutton Bugle



August 2024

Beckingham and Sutton Village News and Information

## Beckingham Village Fete

Saturday 24th August

### Events

The Great Beckingham Duck Race 12pm

The 'Twinkle' Grand National 3pm

### Lots to do through out the day!

Vintage car show

Treasure Hunt

BBQ

Carol's Caribbean Cuisine

Ice cream

Traditional Fete games + POT HOLE GOLF!

### Prizes

Best dressed table

Raffle & Tombola

Flower Arranging

Chapel Street will be closed to host the day, so bring your own table and chairs. Red, White and Blue is the theme

## Beckingham Village Fete is on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August from 12-4pm

At 12 o'clock It's our traditional Duck Race. Spectators to meet at the bridge by the Black Swan. To enter buy a duck for £1, available at the social club during opening hours or by contacting me at [wend68@btinternet.com](mailto:wend68@btinternet.com). Will yours be the first to the net? With 200 ducks available that's a potential win of £50! ( 25% of takings. 'Twinkle' Grand National at 3pm. Categories are children, ladies and gentlemen. Entries on the day please.

Chapel St. will be closed (access to properties and emergency vehicles will be maintained throughout the day) so please do bring your own table and chairs. Prize for the best dressed table- theme Red, White and Blue. These can be set up on the morning of the 24<sup>th</sup> or during the afternoon.

Flower arranging competition, entry is free. Please bring these along to the village hall from 6.30pm on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> or on the morning of the 24<sup>th</sup>.. Food and drink available- BBQ, Carol's Caribbean Cuisine, traditional tea, coffee and cakes with ice creams too.

With a treasure hunt, various traditional games, raffle, tombola and vintage cars there should be something for everyone so please do come along and join in on the day. All proceeds are to go the fund to supply new village signage, why not enter the competition to design these too?

We have a team of volunteers who have been working hard planning this event, but your donations are needed. If you can donate any of the following, please take them to the village hall during regular social club opening hours or by arrangement to me if this is not convenient. We are asking for bottles of wine, raffle prizes, tombola items- red, white and blue theme please, cakes- on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> from 630 pm or on the morning of the 24<sup>th</sup>. If you've a car that could be included in the vintage cars, please do contact me so this can be arranged.

The day is for all villagers and is not a Social Club event so please come along and join in. The club will be open in the evening to members and their guests.

Many thanks and here's to good weather and a great day!

Wendy

Many congratulations to Valerie and Victor Rampton on their  
Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024



As well as the new gates the church notice board has also been completely refurbished, so that the external view of the church is much enhanced and the improvements should last many years. Thanks are due to Chris Green who undertook the notice board refurbishment. He must be wondering what else can be added to the Church Treasurer's job description



## Beckingham Village Signage

Could you design a sign for our village?

Which features would you include?

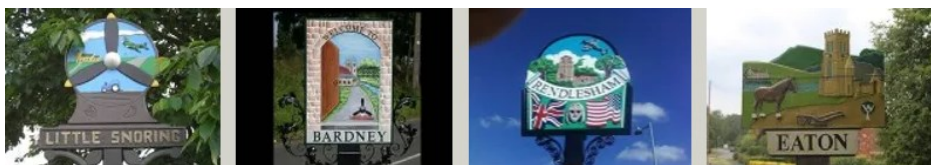
What ideas do you have on how it will look?

Designs on A3 or A4 paper, along with comments from the designer, will be displayed in the village hall from 11<sup>th</sup> of September (BVHSC AGM) until the Macmillan Coffee Morning on 28<sup>th</sup> September. Village residents are invited to vote for their favourite during this time to determine the winner, who will be announced on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September.

All proceeds from the village fete are to go towards installing new signage for Beckingham, as in various other villages around the county. Previous purchases have been the three sets of white gates and the flag poles at the village hall.

Why not have a go and see your design made?

Good luck everyone



*Editor's note.....*

*A good starting point to think about this is the excellent Village Sign Society (<https://www.villagesignsociety.org.uk/>)*

*You might want to Google with a search under "Village signs" to see what companies offer .....and there is a lot to see. In another Parish your Clerk is using Black Forge Art (<https://www.blackforgeart.co.uk>) with good results*

*Also you might to have a look at Wikipedia ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Village\\_sign](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Village_sign)) to get an excellent start on the history of this very interesting topic.*

All contributions for the next Beckingham Bugle welcome. The deadline for the next December 2024 issue is November 15th 2024

## Beckingham Village Hall Social Club

In 2017, a group of villagers here in Beckingham got together to set up a social club. We felt that, with the closure of the village pub, we would benefit from a social club to establish a hub for villagers to meet, to hold various social events and build on the village support system for one another.

We have now been open for 7 years, have over 120 members and continue to provide fun and friendship for one another. We operate on a fully voluntary basis and welcome any new members.

All profits are put back into the club and we are proud to have raised over £7k in support of various charities including Lincs and Notts Air Ambulance, the Ukraine Appeal and Newark Children's Bereavement Centre, as well as Macmillan Cancer Support, for whom we now run an annual coffee morning.

We are now open 4 times a week, as follows - On Wednesdays from 2 pm, there is a relaxed, warm and welcoming atmosphere for those wanting to call in for a drink, not always alcoholic, and enjoy company and conversation with friends and neighbours. This has led on to a breakfast club on the first Friday of each month, where a local venue is chosen, orders placed, then members enjoy good food and conversation with one another.

On Fridays from 7 pm, at the end of the working week, it's good to unwind.

On the last Friday of the month, we have 'Open the Box'. At 9 pm, we draw names from those who have entered and the lucky person to pick the correct key wins the cash value inside the box. Past winnings have seen takings of over £100!

On Saturdays from 4 pm, it is nice to call in after a day of chores, watch sports and/or take part in regular quizzes or functions, which usually start around 7.30 pm. On Sundays from 2 pm, during the football season, Premier League games can be watched on our large televisions with buffet-style snacks usually laid on for all to enjoy, free of charge.

Past events have included - Cocktail Evening, Bingo, Race Nights, Black Tie Dinner, Murder Mystery, Live Music, Disco, 6 Nations Rugby, Euro's, Eurovision, and the list goes on ... Events are often varied to accommodate as many people as possible and we are always open to members' thoughts and suggestions.

If you're not already a member and wish to join, please contact me via email or if you're an existing member and are interested in becoming more involved or have any comments/ideas/suggestions, please email me at [wend68@btinternet.com](mailto:wend68@btinternet.com)

Wendy Williams Chair, BVHSC

## Nigel Snow our Austin 7 man.....

**Date of birth and place of birth.** 8<sup>th</sup> November 1949, Middlesbrough

**First paid job and the rest.** As a chorister for weddings at St Cuthberts Parish Church, Ormesby. [singing, reading a lesson, ringing bells] Age 11 to 14  
Driving van for local wholesale fruit/veg merchants to local shops in Teesside area, Age 17  
Petrol pump attendant at local garage, leading to car sales and forecourt management, Age 17 -21  
First teaching post at Stokesley C.P. School, Age 21  
Deputy headteacher at East Whitby C.P. School, Age 26  
Headteacher at Lealholm C.P. School, Age 29  
Headteacher at Castleton C.P. School, Age 30  
Headteacher at Boroughbridge C.P. School, Age 32  
Headteacher at Stokesley C.P. School, Age 41  
Retired Age 58

### How did I get into vintage vehicles

As a pupil I watched commuting Austin 7s and started going to steam and vintage rallies.

My parents allowed the purchase of my first Austin 7 at the age of 14 for £10 to keep in the stables of the local vicarage where I was a chorister. Since then I have not been without an Austin 7, also having various other classics.

### Teaching career supported by Austin 7s.

I always said that Austin 7s kept me sane, going in the garage for an hour in the evening for escapism. At Stokesley I used an Austin 7 to go to school and in snow it would just wind its way down the road when all other traffic was at a stand-still.

### My life with Austin 7s

Having owned a number of Austin 7s, people regularly offered me cars and so eventually I started to buy and sell as a small business. I am notorious in the A7 world enabling me to advise others and get help when needed.

Pauline to a degree had to be interested in the cars as I had three when we got married and she will say things have definitely escalated. We enjoy going out for a coffee, attending shows, going on club runs and have made many good friends through the cars.

### Why did we choose Beckingham to live?

We previously lived in North Yorkshire but after my mother's death decided to move to the area to be nearer our daughter. Pauline said, 'But how can we move with all your stuff?', so I rented a unit at Lincoln, enabling me to gradually move my cars and stuff to the unit. We were then able to move as 'normal' people. We looked extensively around the area but there were few properties with scope for parking and reasonable garaging. Having looked at several properties I noticed 'Ardene', and the rest is history. This was a good move into a village with such friendly people and even some car enthusiasts!



## Our new Parish Councillor.....

My name is Robert Tatton and I have lived in Beckingham for the last 11 years. I am 79 years old, widowed and my reason for taking up this job is to try and put something back into the community.

I grew up in Australia after emigrating with my parents from Manchester in the early Fifties. I was educated in Perth and then served as an engineering apprentice on the railways. From there I travelled to Sydney and then as a marine engineer in the Merchant Navy. I married a Manchester girl in New York in 1969 and studied for my marine engineering qualifications in the UK. I left the sea when children came along

and raised 2 daughters and a son.

We lived in Surrey and I worked in the water industry for 24 years before taking a career change and moving to Aberdeen for a 22 year stint in the oil and gas Industry until I retired at 72.

I was married for 52 years and have 5 grandchildren who I see a lot as my daughters live locally. I still travel extensively and have interests in gardening, music theatre and walking. I walk regularly with the Newark Ramblers and support Notts County.

Being new to the job I have a lot to learn but I will do all I can to support the environment and community to ensure that this Parish is a safe and desirable place to live. Please do not hesitate to contact me - roberttatton@aol.com

For more village news and to stay up to date with the latest Parish Council business visit the Village website at: [www.beckinghamvillage.co.uk](http://www.beckinghamvillage.co.uk)

