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CHURCH SERVICES

4th February 8am BCP Holy Communion Barnham Church and facebook

9.15 Special Breakfast Barnham 10am All Age Service Barnham

14th February Ash Wednesday

9:00 School Ash Wednesday Service and Imposition of ashes in the church Barnham

18th February 10am Parish Communion Barnham

3rd March 8am BCP Holy Communion Barnham Church and facebook

9.15 Special Breakfast Barnham 10am All Age Service Barnham

Daily services continue on the Blackbourne Ministry Facebook page. Should you not wish to subscribe to Facebook, just enter Blackbourne Team Ministry in your browser.

Saturday 24th February **Churchyard tidy**. We would be grateful for anyone to come along with rakes and shears etc between 10am and noon. Many hands will make light work!

The Coffee Morning will continue at 10.30am on Weds. Please get in touch with Sue on 890409 and we would be very pleased if you would join us. The venue may vary until the weather is warmer.

There is a quantity of **free food** just inside the church for anyone who is finding the cost of living particularly difficult. Perhaps you may know someone who does? Please feel free to take some and give away to them.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Farmers Market and to all those who worked so hard on the stalls, those who baked, those who made mincemeat and marmalade, craft and the BBQ and the great gang who made all the wreaths and decorated trees. It was well worth it and great fun. The proceeds amounted to an amazing £1900 which will go towards the running expenses of the church (around £20,00 annually). £100 has been sent to the Women's Refuge in Bury St Edmunds carrying on the tradition of the annual gift from Barnham WI.

Thank you too to the unseen and probably unknown people who regularly help to keep things going. So thank you to David and Ginny for locking the church every night, to Paul who valiantly ascends the tower to raise the flag, to Peter, John and Val for cutting the grass and making it look so good and to Simon who winds the clock every week, Steve who cleans the gutters every year and to Olive, Barbara and Susan for baking delicious scones and cakes for the Coffee Morning and to Roz and Jenny for hosting it, to Catriona for vacuuming enthusiastically and all those who clean and polish, arrange beautiful flowers etc. THANK YOU!

BARNHAM VILLAGE HALL – For bookings/enquiries please call (answer machine) or text 07931 104122.

www.barnhamvillagehall.org

Please note that the village hall car park is a private car park and is solely for the use of those using the hall and for dropping and collecting children from school or visiting the school.

DAFFODIL TEAS

Spring will soon be here, which means Daffodil Teas, so do come along to Barnham Village Hall on:

Saturday 17th March, Saturday 23rd March, Saturday 30th March 2-4:30pm. Sandwich, scone and homemade cakes £8 per person. Enquiries to 07931 104122

BARNHAM SOCIAL NIGHT

Barnham village hall

Friday Feb 2nd 7-11pm Over 18yrs Cash and card accepted

NEWS FROM EUSTON ESTATE

Hello all and Happy New Year from Euston Estate. While writing this I am enjoying the beautiful and very seasonal weather. With 89cm of rain from the 1st of December till mid-January the farm has certainly had a real battering. The main job we have been doing is harvesting our sugar beet. This has gone well but with lots of careful planning about when to lift and getting the contractor booked in to come. Due to the wet season the sugar beet sugar has been low as the plants have grown bigger thus diluting the %of sugar per root and this is how we get paid. Hedge cutting has been busy since December with most of the Sapiston and Honington areas all cut. We now get onto tree and hedge planting in areas that have suffered damage or where new areas are planned. The next big job will be planting sugar beet all over again , but not until the end of February or start of March. But as you will know by now there is lots of preparation work before we start that

Best wishes Matthew at Euston Farms.

BARNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of Barnham Parish Council (rescheduled) will be on Tuesday 19th March 2024, commencing at 7pm in The Village Hall, Mill Lane, Barnham IP24 2NG.

Thank you to everyone who came along to our very successful defib awareness session in the village hall on Friday 12th January. Andy from the Volunteer community first responders team gave a very entertaining and informative talk and gave people the opportunity to practice basic CPR. Donations for refreshments totalled £30 which has been donated to the ambulance service charity.

Barnham Parish Council Budget 2024/25: At its meeting on 9th January, Councillors approved the budget and council tax precept request for 2024/25: £9,944.00.

This means that the parish council's element of the council tax bill for a band D property during 2024/25 will be £41.74 for the year (£3.48 per month). Properties A-C will be proportionally lower and E-H proportionally higher.

Village Spring Litter Pick: Saturday 23rd March: 9am – noon. Whether you can join us for the entire session or just one hour, all help will be greatly appreciated.

Please register your interest with the parish clerk to receive more information and so that we can ensure we have sufficient equipment, coffee and cake!

Noticeboard at Barnham Heath: Thanks to generous financial support from Barnham Parish Council together with Suffolk County Cllr Joanna Spicer and West Suffolk District Cllr Andrew Smith, we now have a new noticeboard on the bus shelter. The right hand side is unlocked and available for residents to post notices, the left hand side is locked for use by the Parish Council and Steve Telfer (Barnham Heath)

Staples/staple guns **must not** be used on this noticeboard: Thank you for your cooperation.

Play Park Gate: A new gate will be installed soon. Thank you for your patience.

Fit Villages: Brings people together to socialise, have fun and become more active. Complete the survey online (paper copies available from parish clerk) to let us know what activities you would like to be available in Barnham and, subject to level of interest, Fit Villages will work with the community to make suggestions become reality.

Visit https://www.activesuffolk.org/forms/view/barnham

Village Clock Refurbishment Project: Faculty requirements are close to being concluded and subject to no last-minute hitches Barnham Parish Council will soon be able to begin seeking funding. The current anticipated cost is c.£14,000. However, we need more evidence of community support for inclusion in the grant applications. Please email the clerk asap describing how you see the value of the clock to the community. Every comment is appreciated.

Agendas, Minutes and More Information relating to the items above can be found on Barnham Parish Council's website at www.barnham.onesuffolk.net

Alternatively, contact the Parish Clerk, email: barnhampc@btinternet.com or 'phone 01359 221934

6th June 2024: D-Day Commemoration Plans are in progress – Watch this space

LOCAL TRADES PEOPLE

EDGES TO EAVES: Property Maintenance Services. Got a problem? Better call Paul! No job too small. No obligation – free quotes. Tel: 07576 617676 / 01842 898420.

THE HAT HOUSE OF EUSTON: Country Gifts, handmade local crafts, home décor & much more! Pop in for a **takeaway coffee and cake** whilst you browse this perfect little shop the villages needed.

Opening Hours – Tuesday- Friday 9am-2pm, Saturdays 9 am-12pm (some hours may vary from time to time). Well behaved dogs welcome. Shop small and support many of your local businesses all under one roof. **EB Beauty** - Located at The Hat House of Euston. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. All beauty treatments available. Facebook - EB Beauty Instagram - eb.beauty19 Phone Number – 07948486125

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E&P WINDOW CLEANING: Solar panel cleaning, conservatory, fasia & soffits, & gutter clearing. 07939966235

SWEET STITCHES OF BARNHAM: Alterations taken. Contact Angie on 07879994251 or 01842890660

BARNHAM HORSE RUG WASH AND REPAIR SERVICE: Contact Angie 07879994251 or 01842890660

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