

Carol Service

All Saints' Church, Beckingham
Sunday 22nd December 6pm

Followed by mince pies at the village hall

Plough Sunday

Rectory Farm

4 Sutton Rd. Beckingham. Lincolnshire LN5 0RD.

11 am Sunday 12th January 2025

Rev Canon Valerie Rampton, Beckingham valerie.rampton64@gmail.com

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REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE 10th NOVEMEMBER 2024

A moving Remembrance Day service was held at the Parish Church on 10th November. Led by the Rev Valerie Rampton the village congregation was joined by representative from Beckingham Camp who will be managing the arrangements for the Afghans resettlement programme.

They were in full uniform and lowered their flags as the bugle sounded the last

post at the beginning of the two minutes silence and raised them again at the end, which added a great deal to the service. This was followed by the laying of wreathes and the lighting of candles. Afterwards they joined with the villagers for a coffee and informal chat which was a welcome opportunity to get to know each other.

Philip Wells



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But not in our backyard???

Power sub-station planned at Navenby



National Grid are looking to build a huge electricity sub-station at Navenby. The size of 32 football pitches.

Where? Less than a mile east of Navenby, with a wide impact.

Why? Two vast solar complexes are seeking planning permission in our area: Springwell surrounding villages on the heath and Fosse Green Energy in the Witham Valley, sprawling for miles north from Bassingham, around 7,000 acres in total.

Vast complexes need a big connection to the grid, so if the sub-station goes ahead, then so do they.

And there's more

324 shipping containers of Lithium Batteries, with all the hazards that brings. And 4 more industrial plans, waiting.

You may already be aware of the proposed Fosse Green solar panel complex near Witham St Hughes and the Springwell complex near Blankney and Ashby de la Launde. The immediate 'so what' for Navenby is that it is proposed that the power generated by these complexes will be fed into an electrical substation to the east of Navenby on the northern side of Heath Lane, and Fosse Green want to build a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) facility on the northern side of Green Man Road. However, what is probably less well-known is that the electrical substation is being built on a scale to provide connectivity for a further five proposed solar complexes in this area, the locations of which are currently not defined, so there is a risk that these might also have an impact on Navenby. While the Energy Secretary can unilaterally approve the solar complexes, the electrical substation and BESS on which their builds depend require approval by the planning department of North Kesteven District Council (NKDC), so we need to engage with them to influence their decision-making.

Mike Burt Chairman of Navenby Parish Council

Sandbags now available for use..... North Kesteven's Christmas Collections No side waste will be collected from alongside any bins. CHRISTMAS WEEK - Normal collection days: Collection day CHANGED to: Monday 23 December Saturday 21 December Monday 23 December Tuesday 24 December Wednesday 25 December Tuesday 24 December Thursday 26 December Friday 27 December Friday 27 December Saturday 28 December Monday 30 December No change Tuesday 31 December No change **NEW YEAR WEEK - Normal collection days** Collection day CHANGED to: Wednesday 1 January Thursday 2 January Thursday 2 January Friday 3 January Friday 3 January Saturday 4 January Please have bins out by 6.30am on the appropriate collection day. From Monday 6 January 2025 all collections return to normal days

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The Ministry of Defence would like to extend its thanks and appreciation to the residents of Beckingham village for their cooperation and understanding regarding the use of Beckingham Training Camp for the Afghan Relocation and Assistance Policy (ARAP). ARAP is a safe and legal migration pathway into the UK for Afghan citizens who worked for or with UK Armed Forces in Afghanistan in meaningful roles. Those who are eligible under ARAP are given 'indefinite leave to remain' meaning they have the right to live, work and study in the UK indefinitely. As such they are not classed as asylum seekers or refugees.

Beckingham Training Camp will serve as a reception centre for Afghans once they arrive in the UK. Here, dependant on individual circumstances, they will spend 6-12 weeks on site before moving into transitional accommodation elsewhere in the country.

The camp will begin to receive Afghan families from mid-November and expects to accommodate approximately 200 people when at capacity. Welfare services, basic education, activities and transport will be made available to those living on the camp and all will undergo a series of cultural integration training packages alongside English language tuition in order to assist them with their transition into UK society. This is a temporary situation and the camp will be returned to routine use when possible. The ranges and area surrounding the camp will continue to be used for military training and construction will continue uninterrupted on the new Cadet Training Centre on Woodgate Lane.

If residents have any questions for the military staff at the camp, please email:

sjcuk-lazurite-beckingham-mu@mod.gov.uk

Alternatively, please feel free to contact the Parish or North Kesteven Councils, who are also in regular contact with the team working on the site.

All contributions for the next Beckingham Bugle welcome. The deadline for the next March 2025 issue is March 19th 2025



Sunday 13th October was the 2nd Beckingham Village World Conker Championships Retaining his title was Ben , with his son Finn as runner- up



BVHSC raised over £1000 for our chosen charity - New-ark children's

bereavement centre - 23/24. Our chosen charity following a vote by members is the Newark Patriots society

CHRISTMAS events

Xmas Tree Light Up - <u>Sunday 01 December at 4pm</u>, with a surprise visit from Santa (BS), mince pies, mulled wine and christmas carols

Church xmas carol service - Sunday 22/12/2024 at 6pm, with the Club bar afterwards

Xmas Wreath making - Monday 02/12/2024 at 6:30pm, at a cost of £35.00 per person –

Now fully subscribed

Black Swan xmas meal - Thursday 12/12/2024 at 7pm – Now fully subscribed Xmas Club Fun

Loyalty Draw to commence 16/11/2024, and will be drawn on 21/12/2024 – with a prize Xmas squares to commence 30/11/2024, and will be drawn on 21/12/2024 - with multiple prizes Members draw will be drawn on Friday 20/12/2024, with £100 for the winner.

Xmas Quiz - Saturday 21/12/2024, commencing at 7:30pm

Xmas bar opening hours - To be noted as below:

Fri 20/12 – Normal opening hours Sat 21/12 – Open at 4pm (Squares start at 6pm, Loyalty, Quiz & Pizzas)

Sun 22/12 – Open from 2pm – Carols at Church with drinks at the club after

Mon 23/12 – Closed Tues 24/12 – Open 4-8pm

Wed 25/12 - Open 12-2pm - ALL WELCOME - ALL MEMBERS & their guests

Thurs 26/12 - Closed - Unless requested and subject to bar man

Fri 27/12 – Normal open hours 7pm onwardsSat 28/12 – Normal – open at 4pm

Sun 29/12 - Normal 2pm onwards

Tues 31/12 - Open 4-8pm

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Beckingham Village Fete - August 2024

Preparations were complete, all we needed was for the rain to stop and the sun to shine ...

And yes - the sun came out! As we were all gathered at the bridge, Marianne Overton gave a wonderful speech, praising our village spirit, declared the Fete open and all 200 ducks were released. Many of us watched, hoping we'd own the winning duck - this turned out to be Charlotte and Niall. Congratulations to them and a big thank you to everyone else who took part.

A wonderful afternoon then followed. The food stands were popular - Carol's

Caribbean Cuisine sold out, the BBQ provided an alternative fayre. With tea/coffee and cakes available along with ice creams for sale, we all had a varied choice.

The Treasure Hunt had us all wondering - how many chickens does Andy really have? The Hamper donated from Randolph Pattinson Trust went to Linsey for the most correct answers.

Inside the Village Hall, we had winners and losers playing 'Wine or Water', the tombola saw a mix of interesting prizes, whilst the raffle had vouchers donated from The Black Swan, The Generous Britain, Chapples Autos and Puddleducks, as well as the usual mix of donated prizes.

'Guess the Mileage' at the Classic Cars had many entries - the winner was delighted to receive the prize of a hamper, kindly donated by Pauline and Nigel. Thanks go to Brant Broughton Fire Station Crew who brought a fire engine along that old and young enjoyed seeing close up.

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



With Chapel Street closed, the outside games were great fun - Splat the Rat, Pothole Golf, Crazy Corner, Hook-a-Duck, Glider Challenge and of course the stocks! Many thanks to all who took part and well done to Scott, Adam, Kev and Andy who all took their turn at getting wet.

'Twinkle's Grand National' started at 3 pm. Ruth kindly brought Twinkle along to meet the Jockeys, then the races began - Ladies, Gents and Children's races. Congratulations to Wendy, Adam and Araya, respective winners of the 3 categories.

The day saw a huge £1,255 raised - far more than the organising committee had imagined. The funds are going towards the costs of new signage for the village.

A massive THANK YOU to all who supported the event in whatever way they could. Either by donating, coming along to join in on the day, buying raffle tickets, buying a duck, enjoying the great food, entering the activities, giving their time, setting up, clearing up - the list goes on ...

For us, it was simply being together, having a laugh, chatting with friends and neighbours whilst having some fun that was the biggest winner. In a world where life can be

tough, we managed to pull together as a com-

munity and have a grand time!

Until the next one - thanks to you all!

Wendy



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