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# Editor's Welcome



How time flies...

I'm sitting here looking out on another rain-sodden weekend, wondering when I will ever mow our meadow of a lawn, and yet it almost feels like yesterday when we were celebrating the Coronation together on the village playing fields on that glorious sunny day last May. I am sure another scorcher of a summer is just around the corner ...

But this reminded me that time has moved on and 'The Voice' is now celebrating its second anniversary, recording, promoting and celebrating all that happens in our village. The editorial team decided to do our own 'spring clean' to check if all the listed contacts and events were still current and after a few tweaks we are up to date again – thank you for all the prompt responses. It makes you realise how many people volunteer or run different activities or groups that provide something for everyone and

make Baston the vibrant village it is. On that point, our own editorial team also needs updating, with the need for new volunteers – look at 'and finally' on the back page. Help would be welcome.

Reading through also makes one realise about the progress and new ideas developing in the village with exciting times ahead. The church extension project is about to start, we will have had the new 'Easter Trail' event on Easter Saturday, Baston Beats returns in June and a revitalised village cricket club also starts its home matches in June – there's plenty to look forward to, rain or shine.

Happy Easter.

Nick, Editor

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# Vicar's View

There are hosts of daffodils nodding their heads on many verges and in gardens all over at the moment and as Wordsworth wrote;

And then my heart with pleasure fills,  
And dances with the daffodils.

The snowdrops peeping through the soil in the late winter remind us in the short dark days that spring is coming but nothing heralds spring as much as a daffodil. There are poignant moments though, as we look at them gaily nodding their heads. I remember that many daffodils were planted in our churchyards towards the end of the pandemic as a sign of remembrance and hope.

I am aware that as this magazine comes out there will have been a different hope celebrated, as after the dark days of winter and the disciplines of Lent we celebrate Easter. We give thanks for our salvation bought at such cost on Good Friday, but as the days lengthen and hopefully the rainy

days become fewer, the spring will bring forth some new life in our fields as we have celebrated the resurrection of Jesus, because we are all people loved and saved by a risen Christ.

I hope as the sun shines and the heads of the daffodils almost glow that they will remind you that there is always hope, and the light of Christ is always there to guide you home.

God Bless.  
*Carolyn*



# Baston Church & Group Services

## APRIL

Sunday 7th	10.00am	Morning Service
Saturday 13th	3.30pm	Renewal of Vows
Sunday 14th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	10.00am	Holy Communion
	12 noon	Baptism

Sunday 21st	10.00am	Group Holy Communion
Sunday 28th	10.00am	Holy Communion

## MAY

Sunday 5th	10.00am	Morning Service
Sunday 12th	8.00am	BCP Holy Communion
	10.00am	Morning Service

## PENTECOST

Sunday 19th	10.00am	Group Holy Communion, Langtoft
Thursday 23rd	10.00am	Mid-Week Communion

## TRINITY SUNDAY

Sunday 26th	10.00am	Holy Communion
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# Church News

We hope that later this year our new Toilet Extension will be in operation. Our Autumn Appeal to the Community has received just over £10,000. Thank you everyone who has donated so far. We are now on the final stage of raising funds for the fittings and fixtures. If you would like to help, the forms are on the table at the back of the Church. Eileen Mort

Unfortunately soup lunches planned for February and March had to be cancelled because of problems with the church floor. This has now been repaired. Barring the unforeseen, monthly lunches will restart in October.

Sunflower growing competition. Have you picked up your pack yet? There are boxes in church and round the village. We're suggesting a donation of £2 per pack. Instructions are included. Thank you in anticipation of the Easter gardens being brought to church on Good Friday. The Easter trail will have taken place on Saturday 30th. This edition of TBV will have gone to print by then so no pictures, sorry.

## Future events

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting (the church's AGM) is on Monday 8 April in church. Come for a glass of wine ahead of the start time of 7.45 pm. If you've ever wondered what goes on in Baston's Parish Church, this is your opportunity to find out.

We are in the early stages of planning a BIG ARTS & CRAFTS BASH in church over the weekend 13/14 July 2024 with competitions and exhibitions reflecting the hobbies and talents of local people. Start thinking now what you could contribute. More details in your next issue of TBV. *Maryon Avery*

# From The Registers

**Funeral in February** We offer our prayerful sympathy to the family and friends of Ruth Margaret Theresia Porter 28th February

# 100+ Club Winners

## January Winners

£50 no. 359  
£20 no. 210  
£15 no. 35

## February Winners

£50 no. 15  
£20 no. 26  
£15 no. 81

The 100+ Club is a fundraising draw for the village church with total funds split 50/50 between the church and prizes. Annual subscription is £12 per number with a draw every month. Subscriptions are usually renewed in October but you can join throughout the year. See "Contacts" for details or to check your number.

For privacy no names or addresses are published. All winners cheques are delivered to you.

# Our Village

## Baston Organisations

### FROM OUR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

The Local Plan for SKDC is being reviewed due to certain aspects of need and site allocation. As part of this more sites are needed across the district for the delivery of the required quota of housing (701 per year until 2041 - previously 650 per year). There is a newly proposed allocated site for Baston which would comprise approximately 86 houses. This is along the A15 and just south of Maltby Drive. (The exact plans will be determined at the time of a planning application; at the moment this is just a site allocation.)

The draft local plan can be viewed online, where comments can also be made. <https://www.southkesteven.gov.uk/draft-local-plan-consultation> The public consultation runs until 25th April. There is also a public webinar on 11th April at 7:30pm streamed via SKDC's Public-I channel. Questions can be submitted to [planningpolicy@southkesteven.gov.uk](mailto:planningpolicy@southkesteven.gov.uk)

Regarding recycling, please continue to separate your recycling as per the new guidelines. The council's plan to reject contaminated bins has been delayed due to an approximately 20% contamination rate and unacceptable levels of abuse towards council staff when bins were rejected. Please telephone 01476 406544 or email [recycling@southkesteven.gov.uk](mailto:recycling@southkesteven.gov.uk) if you have any recycling issues. Please get in touch with us if there is anything you would like us to help with. *Vanessa Smith*

### BASTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council has been busy. We have successfully applied through the SKDC Prosperity Fund for funding of new cricket nets on the playing field. This will mean the Cricket Club will have better new nets to keep them practising for the next few years. The annual precept, the money that households pay through the Council Tax for the parish, has been held at last year's levels. What SKDC and others do is not connected to the precept.

Some of you will have seen Press coverage of a proposed weight limit and at the time of writing, we will have had a public consultation on our proposal to place a 7.5T weight limit through both Main St. and Greatford Rd. These things always take longer than we would like but we have started the process.

Your Parish Council is also beginning to put together an Emergency Resilience Plan. This is a 'what to do, who to contact and information centre' in the event of any emergency. This has been prompted by the sad events in Greatford but will be designed to cover any eventuality (you just never know). We already have put in place 4 x 1T sand and bags available in case of potential for flooding.

The longer term plan this coming year is to introduce traffic calming on Greatford Rd and Main Street. We also have a vacancy on the Parish Council. If you would like to be involved, please contact: [parishclerkbaston@gmail.com](mailto:parishclerkbaston@gmail.com) *David Plant*

### BPFMC - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The BPFMC Annual General Meeting will be held in the Barn at 8pm on Thursday 4th April. The agenda is displayed on the BPFMC Notice Board. This is an opportunity to find out what BPFMC has been doing throughout the year, its performance and achievements and plans for the future.

All Villagers are welcome to attend. *Martin Wynne, Chairman BPFMC*

# Our Village

## Baston Events

SAVE THE DATE



Baston Events Presents Baston Beats 2024! June 8th and 9th at The White Horse Baston. Following the success of last year's inaugural charity music festival, which paid homage to Baston's rich musical legacy spanning over 50 years at Brudenell Playing Fields featuring iconic bands like Black Sabbath and Thin Lizzy, we're thrilled to announce plans for this year! Get ready for an even more spectacular experience in 2024!

Saturday's lineup will feature an expanded selection of live bands, accompanied by an enhanced bar service, a larger spacious dance area, and extended outdoor hours, ensuring the festivities stretch into the summer night. On Sunday, budding young performers will shine in our open mic session, alongside two local teen bands making their mark.

This year, we're proud to continue supporting the fantastic Don't Lose Hope charity, and we're also raising funds to refurbish the tables and benches at the Baston playing fields, ensuring they remain a cherished community asset for years to come.

Baston Events is excited to host this charity fundraiser once again, and we extend our heartfelt gratitude to The White Horse for generously providing their venue free of charge. Follow us on Facebook for more details on the artist line up, our festival schedule and to book your open mic spot! See you in June. [niamh\\_addy@outlook.com](mailto:niamh_addy@outlook.com) & [christinatampitchford@gmail.com](mailto:christinatampitchford@gmail.com)

### LADIES FOR CANCER RESEARCH

In January 2023 Burghley Park & Peterborough Ladies, a fundraising group for Cancer Research UK, relocated their monthly lunch meetings to The Black Horse at Baston. It proved to be a great move as we entered 2024 having doubled our membership, gaining many new members from Baston and the surrounding area. Lunches, followed by a speaker, take place at The Black Horse Baston, usually on the 4th Tuesday of the month.

Later this year we'll be celebrating our 50th anniversary; over the years we've raised over £1.25m. As part of our celebrations we are holding an open-to-all fundraising dinner-dance at Burghley Golf Club in Stamford on 5 April. Supper will be followed by music from The Wrinkle Rock band. Enquiries for tickets or to join the group to Ann Hanson **01778 344234**.



# Music At The Barn



The Mountain Drifters



Aly Bain, Ale Moller, Bruce Molsky



Coracle



Jez Lowe & The Bad Pennies

# Naturehood Activities



See page14 'Nature Watch'.

Next edition will be photographs of the Easter Trail and the village Easter Window Displays - please send through any photographs to the editorial team (see Contacts).



# Our Village

## Schools' News

### BASTON CofE PRIMARY SCHOOL

In the radiant warmth of Baston's sun, we embrace enriching outdoor learning. Year 3 students navigate geography, mastering compass directions under the open sky. EYFS students chart their explorations, crafting maps with creativity and creating journey sticks to capture their adventures. Year 1 and 2 delve into Tang Soo Do, immersing themselves in the ancient Korean martial art. Here, they have not only picked up an array of skills, including various kicks, blocks, and punches, but have also cultivated respect and resilience, intrinsic to the discipline of self-defence.



Our school proudly sends out sports teams, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship and teamwork in football, athletics and many more. As the term draws to a close, everyone deserves a well-earned rest after their busy endeavours. In preparation for Easter, EYFS and KS1 will celebrate with a joyous performance for families to enjoy, while KS2 students will visit the church for the Easter service. Learning extends beyond the classroom, intertwining with nature's beauty. At Baston CE Primary School, education harmonises with athletics and the outdoors, fostering a love for learning and achievement. *Lucy Tyler (Edited)*

### KIRKSTONE HOUSE SCHOOL

We are all looking forward to brighter and warmer days and it's lovely to see signs of Spring around the school grounds. Year 7 pupils went on a trip to the Scalextric park in Spalding and had an amazing time.



A visiting archaeologist spoke to all the Upper School year groups in their History lessons.

M and M productions visited school and performed 'The Hobbit' to the Lower School and Year 7's and 8's. The children thoroughly enjoyed it and learnt a lot about how the production was put together in the workshop afterwards.

The authors of 'Stand Strong' came and read their book about bullying to the Lower School and this sparked a lot of debate and discussion afterwards. We celebrated World book Day and raised funds for Comic Relief. The Lower School along with the Kids Country team learnt all about potatoes. They then went on to plant potatoes and lettuces which will be harvested in July!

It's been a very busy Term! *Jane Ramsay, Lower School Lead*

# Our Village

## Village Champion - Steph' Balderson



### How long have you lived in Baston and where did you move from previously?

47 years, 45 of them in our current property which was the Police House. I moved from West Pinchbeck in 1977.

### What are you involved with in the village?

WI President and programme secretary with various roles since 1984, WI representative on BPFMC committee, on church reading and flower rotas, Poppy collector and now village co-ordinator for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, Baston Voice distributor. **Previously:** Organiser of the Hunt and Haunt with Lisa Squires. Founder member of B-Active which spawned Baston Events, Committee member of the school PTA. Involved in the Church Friday night club for children in the village.

### What was your previous job?

A teacher in both primary and secondary schools in the state and private sectors.

**Favourite village memories:** Linda Starsmore knocking on our door to bring Doug and me a flask of hot coffee and mince pies whilst we were renovating our first home, my sons' christenings in the church and the "buzz" in the White Horse on the Hunt and Haunt evenings.

**Favourite film/TV series:** I don't have a favourite TV series, but I do enjoy programmes relating to the countryside, wildlife, property and travel.

**Quote/motto:** Treat everyone with respect and encourage others to do likewise..

**Tea or coffee:** Coffee.

## Local Business Focus

### JOHN WOODHALL

My name is John Woodhall and I recently relocated to Baston from the South East to be nearer my family, having regularly visited the area over the last 40 years. Thank you to everyone who has already made me feel so welcome, and I look forward to getting to know the village better.



I am an experienced painter and decorator and am looking to build my business locally. I am happy to take on interior, wallpapering, and exterior work. I am excellent at problem solving and always happy to give advice on the best products to use. Trained by the Dulux academy and with many years in the business, I pride myself on providing a high-end finish, working tidily, respecting my customers' homes at all times and giving outstanding customer service.

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# Clubs

## BASTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (WI)

The WI year ended with two very engaging speakers. Stephen Brown gave a humorous but thought-provoking talk on his life as a Driving Instructor in February and in March Jennifer Ichikawa brought along some beautiful but precious kimonos along with underneath garments to demonstrate to members how they are worn. Dressing is a long-winded process and certainly one to be reserved for special occasions - fascinating.

The new WI year begins on April 2nd with Horace Liberty, who will give an illustrated talk on Liberty's: Family, Firm and Fashion. Horace has worked as a teacher and Associate lecturer with the Open University and is a member of the Betjeman Society.

### WI PROGRAMME 2024

May 7th	Bakkavor, the largest food producer that you have never heard of.	David Plant
June 4th	Vintage Shop Advertising Figures	Keith Talbot
July 2nd	The Social History of Afternoon Tea	Eileen Dille
August 6th	Out and about with my camera.	Geoff Evans

Meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month in The Barn at 7.30pm. Visitors and new members are always welcome. Non-members entry fee is £5. Please see 'Contacts' page for more details.

### CAMEO

First off I would like to thank Jo Richardson for allowing us to use The White Horse as our new venue for the monthly meetings. In February Robin Jones and his daughter Vicky gave us a very lively talk on the photographs he takes on his regular walks around Baston. In March Jenny Collins aided by David Hitchcock gave us a presentation on The Oddfellows, a Friendly Society, based in Market Deeping which is not only for meeting friends but also offers a range of benefits. It was very informative and interesting. Next month we are hoping for some musical entertainment. Are there any Bastonians who would be willing to share their talents/skills with our Group? If so, please contact me (see contacts page) *Rosa Coia*

### BASTON EVENTS

So far we have had two tender requests for Baston Events funds - for support as per last year with subsidising fund-raising for Baston Beats, and also head-lining the new Easter Trail event on 30th March. We are also looking to subsidise Baston's social tennis again (see Sports page) and have started dialogues with the village Cricket Club. Funds are still available & it's not too late to submit a tender for donations – please contact Nick Rickett, BE Treasurer. *Nick Rickett*

### TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND SONG

Admission is £15 and you can bring your own drinks. We have the summer break during July and August, then more music from September onwards.

#### 25th April: Tom McConville & Michael Biggins

<https://tommcconville.co.uk>

Tom's fiddle and Michael's piano and accordion playing are amongst the finest there is with a range of songs performed in great style from Ireland, Scotland, Bluegrass and Jazz and songs from the North East of England and beyond.

#### 23rd May: Katie Doherty & The Navigators

[www.katedoherty.co.uk](http://www.katedoherty.co.uk)

Award winning Teesside singer and songwriter Katie is joined by Dave Gray on melodeon and Shona Mooney on fiddle. Katie is also known for her work with theatre and has composed music for the RSC, Northern Stage and November Club. She has toured and supported artists such as Kathryn Tickell, Karine Polwart and Ray Davies. *Alan Wood (edited)*

# Sport News

## BASTON CRICKET CLUB

The season is nearly upon us! Net sessions are run on a Sunday morning at Witham Hall Prep school from 10-12. Existing and new players are very welcome.

We are still seeking match day sponsors for our nine home games. A donation of £50 will ensure your business receives publicity through our Instagram and Facebook pages. Funds received would be well used for maintaining our pitch throughout the season. Private sponsorship is also welcome. Do get in touch with one of us using the email addresses below if you are interested in joining us or sponsoring one of our games.

## SOCIAL TENNIS

After an encouraging start to the Baston Social Tennis scene through late summer of 2023, we'll be repeating the offer this coming spring/ summer. Once again, BPFMC and Baston Events have kindly agreed to support the initiative – and we've booked the two hour "open session" for every Wednesday evening, starting at 6pm.

The first session will be on Wednesday 17th April, with the earlier start to the season meaning that we should all be up to speed with our serve and volley by the time Wimbledon comes around in July. We look forward to seeing you down at the courts. You just need to bring along suitable shoes, a racquet and some balls; we'll provide the opponents and the fun! Any queries, get in touch **07834 310 594**. *Jack Wilder*

The club is desperately in need of funds so please keep your ear to the ground as we publicise our fundraising events. *Dave Conlon (Club Captain), Andy Burrill (Edited)*

### 2024 home Fixtures (all Saturdays 1pm start unless stated):

- 1st June Billingborough 2nd XI home
- 15th June Skegness 2nd XI home
- 22nd June Grantham 3rd XI home
- 6th July Castor & Ailsworth 2nd XI home
- 20th July Belton Park home
- 3rd August Orton Park 2nd XI home
- 17th August Moulton Harrox 2nd XI home
- 7th Sept Burghley Park 2nd XI home
- 14th Sept Newborough 2nd XI home

# Music News

## Traditional Music and Song

### TRADITIONAL MUSIC AND SONG REVIEW

#### CHRIS SHERBURN, DENNY BARTLEY & EMILY SANDERS 22nd February 2024

It's nearly six years since Chris, Denny and Emily graced the Barn at Baston and this was indeed a welcome return visit, the trio being Chris Sherburn (vocals and concertina), Denny Bartley (vocal and guitar) and Emily Sanders (vocal and fiddle). When they were here before I referred to them not as Sherburn, Bartley & Sanders, nor Chris, Denny and Emily but merely as CDE (possibly well-known A-level grades). Songs included Adieu Sweet Lovely Nancy, Roseville Fair, The Banks of Newfoundland, Bright Blue Rose, The Old Triangle, New Railroad and Confessions of a Lock Keeper

Those resilient enough to brave the almost incessant rain were treated to another fine evening of music and banter of the highest order. Once again CDE are musical proof that folk clubs/live music are alive and well. Nothing extravagant, nothing over-the-top or too flashy. CDE sound good and make you smile and are a great mix - a true chemistry lesson. Let's hope they return and see us before another six years elapses. Goodness knows where we'll all be in 2030! *Toby Wood (edited)*

# Nature Watch

We have now put up bird and bat boxes in the church yard, and bug hotels in the woodland copse by the playing field. We shall be organising an insect hunt and wildflower spotting afternoon in the churchyard in June/July, more details in next edition. The wider Baston, Langtoft and Thurlby Naturehood group will be promoting wildlife gardening this spring, please keep a look out for information on our Facebook page. We shall be running the photo competition for the 2nd year as well, so keep a look out for those terrapins in the village drain...must have been a mild winter!



A reminder, as part of the Baston, Langtoft and Thurlby Naturehood group, We now have a website up and running: <https://naturehoodsk.uk> Please take a look! *Simon Pitchford*. If you have any queries, please see Contacts page.

# Past Times

The mid-Victorian era (1850s) saw a craze for Sequoia seeds in Britain, imported by William Lobb, a plant collector, and others, from the West Coast of America. Uniquely, these were placed in favoured churchyards and country house parks.

Our vicar, Rev. Colton (1837-1865) residing at Thetford House (Rev. Charles Denshire, the landowner), along with village benefactors and farmers, such as the Picks, Rubbins, Ardens, may well have had foresight in ensuring Baston church acquired a sapling of this gigantic tree, with visibility along Main Street. An early church photograph from 1880 includes this as young tree, as do village photos since then.

The 'closed' churchyard around the church nowadays is shadowed by ivy covered trees (cedars, yew, redwood, whitebeam, holly, oak), including the Wellingtonia (Sequoiadendron giganteum) now a massive evergreen 160-year-old specimen. It sports a girth of 4.5 metres, is higher than the church tower, with a 5 metre branch spread. If healthy they can live for over 500 years in their natural habitat.

Trees are a comforting presence to village life as springtime beckons green leaves and blossoms everywhere; so too are burial grounds, offering seclusion and calm. The two are linked from time immemorial, but care is needed to enhance their tree landscape. Baston has two churchyards, a 'closed' one surrounding the church (SKDC's responsibility); and since 1908, a detached churchyard in Thetford Avenue, maintained by our PCC. Both are calmness to behold and enjoy!

*Peter Rayner – village historian/contributor (Edited)*

# Regular Events

## WEEKLY

Mondays	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Church (Baston)	Warm Welcome gathering
Mondays	6.00pm - 7.00pm	The Barn	Pilates session
Tuesdays	10.45am - 11.45am	The Barn	Tai Chi at The Barn
Wednesdays	11.00am - 12 noon	The Barn	Pilates session
Wednesdays	6.00pm - 8.00pm	Tennis Courts	Tennis Social (mid-April to end Sept)
Thurs (not 4th Thurs)	9.45am - 10.45am	Church (Baston)	Chair Based Exercise class
Thursdays	12 noon - 1.30pm	Church (Baston)	Lent Lunches (fortnightly during Lent)
Thursdays	7.00pm - 8.15pm	Langtoft Church	Ness Group Choir practice
Thursdays	7.00pm - 9.00pm	Church (Baston)	Stitch in Time/Embroidery Group
Fridays	6.15pm - 7.15pm	Lawrence Park, Thurlby	Beavers
Fridays	6.45pm - 8.15pm	Lawrence Park, Thurlby	Cubs
Fridays	8.00pm - 9.30pm	Lawrence Park, Thurlby	Scouts
Saturdays	10.30am - 12 noon	Church (Baston)	Bell Ringing
Saturdays	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Church (Baston)	Stitch in Time/Embroidery Group
Sundays	10.00am (usually)	Church (Baston)	Service, unless a Group Service in Langtoft or Thurlby

## MONTHLY

1st Tuesday	7.30pm start	The Barn	Women's Institute (WI) meeting
1st Thursday	12 noon - 1.30pm	Church (Baston)	Church Lunches (fortnightly during Lent)
1st Thursday	8.00pm start	8 Hadrian Drive	BPFMC (Playing Fields & Barn) meeting
1st Sunday	No meetings in Jan & Aug 2.00pm start	Denshire Court footpath	Baston Dog Walkers
2nd Wednesday	2.00pm - 4.00pm	The White Horse	CAMEO
2nd Thursday	7.30pm start - no meetings Jan & Aug	The Barn	Parish Council meeting
3rd Tuesday	11.00am - 11.45am	Main Street StyleHse	Library Bus
4th Tuesday	12.30pm for 1.00pm start	The Black Horse	Ladies for Cancer Research UK (booking req)
4th Thursday	8.00pm start - No performances in July & Aug	The Barn	Traditional Music & Song (booking required)
Sunday, fortnightly	8.00pm start	The White Horse	Quiz Night (free entry)
Last Friday	7.00pm for 7.30 start	The Barn	Cash Bingo
Last Sunday	2.00 - 5.00pm	Thurlby Methodist Church Hall	Repair cafe

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# Events Specifically for April / May

Thurs 4th April	8.00pm	The Barn	BPFMC AGM
Sun 7th April	8.00pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Mon 8th April	7.45pm	Church (Baston)	Annual Parishioners Meeting
Mon 8th April	8.00pm	Church (Baston)	Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Thurs 11th April	7.00pm	The Barn	Annual Parish Meeting (PC)
Wed 17th April	6.00pm - 8.00pm	Tennis courts	Tennis Social (new season)
Sun 21st April	8.00pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Thurs 25th April	8.00pm	The Barn	Traditional Music & Song
Sun 5th May	8.00pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Thurs 9th May	7.30pm	The Barn	Parish Council AGM
Sun 19 May	8.00pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Thurs 23rd May	8.00pm	The Barn	Traditional Music & Song

## Coming Soon in June

Sat 1st June	1.00pm start	Playing Fields	Cricket match (1st home game)
Sun 2nd June	8.00pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Sat 8th June	All day	The White Horse	Baston Beats
Sun 9th June	All day	The White Horse	Baston Beats

## And Finally...

... as well as a time for celebration, anniversaries can also be about change – maybe the intrepidation of becoming a teenager, or the excitement of retirement – or is that the other way round? As ‘The Voice’ celebrates its second anniversary, we too now face a change, as one of our founding members plans to step down to enjoy new activities. We are a small team and will need someone to fulfil this role, so we’d welcome any volunteers to step forward please. You could be a student, a grandparent with spare time (if that’s possible?), or any age in-between, but we do need new support to keep this community project viable. As an editorial team, we try to meet up one evening every month to review editions and have some laughs over refreshments, otherwise most other work is done remotely. There will be a proper hand-over period to explain responsibilities. Please contact the Editor to join the team – and make a difference to your village community.

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