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Forthcoming Events

May

- 1st WI Meeting
- 2nd Mobile Library - 9.15 - 9.35am
- 5th ~~Spring Fayre~~ - Cancelled
- 6th Village Service - 10am
- 8th Baginton Walkers
- 21st Baginton Gardeners - Planting up Summer Pots
- 23rd Mobile Library - 9.15 - 9.35am
- 18th Copy Date for June Newsletter
- 25th Film Night

June

- 3rd Village Service - 10am
- 3rd The Big Lunch - 12 noon
- 5th WI Meeting
- 7th Parish Council Meeting

Regular Village Activities

Kaisho Karate – Village Hall – Monday/Tuesday from 5.30pm and Friday from 6.30pm
Contact: Jane Hemmings 07581 126279 or email janebooth1@hotmail.com

Baginton Gardeners – generally a Monday every other month 7.30pm – see
Gardeners section in Newsletter for specific dates
Contact: Robert & Anne Taylor 024 7630 1104

Baginton Dog's Club – Village Hall - Monday from 7.30pm
Contact: Dawn Richardson 024 7630 2667

Parent & Toddler Group – Village Hall – Tuesday 10.00 - 11.30am - Term-time only
Contact: Alex 07757 871396

Art Group – Village Hall – Tuesday 2.00 – 4.00pm
Contact: Avril 07837 785921

Children's Swimming Club – Tuesday 6.00pm @ Kenilworth Pool
Contact: Jo Fricker 07760 181539 email jo@fricker-family.co.uk

WI – Village Hall - first Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm
Contact: Dawn Richardson 024 7630 2667 and Rosemary Sowter 024 7667 3381

Village Hall Committee Meeting - second Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm
Contact: Doreen Ebbrell 024 7630 1205

Baginton Walkers – group walk – second Tuesday of each month 9.45am
Contact: Alan & Brenda Brown 024 7630 5509

Card-making Club – Village Hall – Wednesday 9.30 – 12.30pm
Contact: Olwynne Frankton 024 7641 0268

Kundalini Yoga – Village Hall – Wednesday 7.30 – 9.00pm
Contact: Geraldine Rowland 07811 385699 email gr@kundaliniyogacoventry.org.uk

Parish Council – Village Hall - first Thursday of each month 7.30pm
Contact: Phil Clark 07746 521087

Pilates – Village Hall – Thursday 6.30 – 7.25pm and 7.35 – 8.30pm
Contact: Lisa Boden 07710 087933 email lisaboden@hotmail.co.uk

Football Coaching for all aged 5 - 11 – Millennium Field – each Saturday 9.45 –11.00am
Contact: Justin Watt 07810 000999

Church - St John the Baptist – Sunday Service 10.00am
Contact: Reverend David Wintle 024 7630 1283
Churchwardens – Sue Williams 024 7630 7255 & Dawn Richardson 024 76 302667

Village Hall, Frances Road
Contact Della Thomas/Christine Hughes for bookings email baginton.vh@gmail.com

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WI News

Our April meeting began with our usual meeting where Jane organised for a group of us to lunch at the Cottage on 12th April. There will also be a trip to Evesham Country Park in May.

After this we were entertained by Ruth McCartney, who gave a talk and demonstration on spinning. She told us about different types of fleece, ranging from varieties of sheep to camel, alpaca and yak. She included silk and flax, passing around skeins of wool and thread that she had spun. Ruth demonstrated different types of spinning on the equipment she had brought along, offering us a go. She explained the dyeing processes, showing us vibrantly coloured wools and garments she had produced from fleece to finished item.

Are you thinking about joining us? Why not come for a taster evening to see if you enjoy yourself. The cost is £3 for the evening. Membership for 2018 is £41.

We are a friendly group and will make you very welcome
Dawn Richardson

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Baginton Parish Council

Dear Residents,

Crime & Organised Social Events

Warwick District Council have indicated that large organised events that bring many people into our region may be associated with an increase in local crime – Is that a surprise to anybody?

Advice is that when festivals, fairs, markets or other events are taking place, please report any crimes or incidents to Police via 101. If certain Social Events are proven to be associated with increased criminal activity, injunctions may be possible to limit or even cancel the events in future years.

Housing Needs Survey

By now you should have received your survey questionnaire. This is **incredibly** important for controlling how our village develops.

Baginton has been designated as a **GROWTH** Village within the WDC Local Plan, which means new housing is going to happen. Up to 70 new homes are suggested within the WDC Plans. What type of housing should it be? Affordable, sheltered, executive, family, retirement? Maisonette, bungalow, flat, terrace, semi-detached?

Are you looking to upsize, downsize, return to Baginton, bring relatives back to Baginton. Please answer the questionnaire and return it in the envelope provided. Take this opportunity to indicate what you need, so that future housing development in the village can be tailored to meet villager's requirements.

Whitley South and Gateway South Developments

I wrote about these in March 2018. Whitley South is the approved Jaguar Land Rover development along Rowley Road. Development representatives have agreed to attend future Parish Council meetings, along with holding surgeries with residents once suitable offices are established on the site. At our last meeting, developers indicated that work would soon begin on site again and the next stage would run for about 12 months. They promise to communicate with residents and businesses via posters, newsletter updates and their website.

The proposed Gateway South development is much bigger than the JLR development. It is planned to occupy land off Rowley Road, behind Edinburgh Villas, Bromleigh Villas, The Row, Oak Close, the Oak Public House and to join the Bubbenhall Road from the Airport before bordering the Bubbenhall Road down to the Stables at Bubbenhall Bridge. It hasn't

been approved yet, but is currently under consideration by WDC (Application W/18/0522). The reported closure date for comments was 6th April, but an extension into May has since been approved.

As stated previously, people will view these developments differently. Some will see jobs, opportunities, investment, security and benefits. Others will see disruption, aggravation, congestion, pollution and loss of amenity.

Irrespective of your viewpoint, please let WDC know your opinions: - via their website www.warwickdc.gov.uk

or by post to Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. CV32 5HZ.

Annual Assembly

This took place on 12th April and various reports were received.

Police incidents totalled 16, down from 21 the previous year.

Planning Applications had increased from 19 to 28.

Village Hall bookings are very healthy, but lack of interest continues to see traditional events such as the May and Christmas Fairs being cancelled.

Ideas for new events are being considered e.g. integrating the Village Hall events with the Big Lunch Event in June.

The Lucy Price Relief in Need Charity continues to perform well, donating almost £35,000 to qualifying residents over the last 12 months.

The Baginton United Charity is also performing well, providing free tea and coffee to qualifying residents at Village events.

The Lucy Price Sunday School Trust & the Wasperton Estate Charities are looking at major reconstructions. Income is currently from rental of farmland, but this is only delivering a 1% return on the land value. It proposes to sell the farmland at Wasperton and the land in Baginton with the Lucy Price schoolroom, which has planning permission for two dwellings, investing the proceeds in a diversified portfolio with a reliable income of 8% to 10%.

This will also facilitate the building and continued support of a new building which 'provides within the parish of Baginton religious instruction in accordance with the tenets of the Church of England by means of a Sunday School or otherwise'.

Next Parish Council Meeting: - Thursday 3rd May, 7:30pm at the Village Hall.

Phil Clark – Clerk to Baginton Parish Council.

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Odd Jottings

I have this friend who lives at the top end of Anchorway Road and twice a week, weather and Hay Fever permitting, he walks down to Stoneleigh, crosses the Sowe and returns via the footpath. On Monday 26th March, I at last caught up with him. He asked me, did I know where Wolston Castle was situated. At that time I could not remember but after we had parted the thought came that it was somewhere down near the Church. The following Thursday my nephew Kim came on one of his Spasmodic visits, so I asked him if he knew. His answer - down by the church but on the other side the Avon. This then started a discussion on Castles.

After the Norman Conquest, you could only build a castle if you obtained permission to do so and it must be built to certain laid down criteria; you must also be above a certain minimum rank. There are numerous places around this Area, so to name a few — Fillongley, Maxstoke (do not forget the Priory) and of course Kenilworth and Warwick. Then of course we come to our neighbour – Coventry; once a fortified town with its own Castle on its Central Mound. The Castle was eventually demolished to allow St Mary's Hall to be built. The town was also the centre of a county which came down to the Sowe. Until just over 100 years ago this was under the See of Lichfield, while Baginton was under the See of Warwick and had no connection with Coventry - even the roads never went there. All the woodlands and forestry in this Area were at one time under the control of

the See of Warwick. Back to Cofa's Tree, within that county of course you had Caludon Castle which no one in the Area should unaware of, as it has a School named after it, but also for its affinity with Gosford Park, part of which still exists as Gosford Green, and Sir William De Bagot's involvement with the future King Henry.

You often find when reading up on these sort of things the terms MOTTE and BAILEY. In case you did not already know, a Bailey is just an area with a protective Curtain Wall which can be many forms from an Earth bank, wooden palisades, or a full stone built wall; other countries call it a Laager (Hence Laager Bier - a quickly brewed beer for the Encampment). The people travelling across America with their caravan trains used to form them into a circle when attacked, same idea. A MOTTE is just dry deep ditch round the curtain wall - Fill it with water and it becomes a MOAT. The Master who taught me (Well tried) Architecture and the ones who taught history, did get through to a certain extent.

That's it for now - just think 52 days and the nights start drawing in!!!! - Methusleh

Fancy a Paper Round?

We have two vacancies for a paper delivery person to cover the morning paper deliveries in the Baginton area 3 / 4 days per week. It would be ideal for someone able to cover a 40 minute round, who would also be willing to help, on occasion, from 6.30am to prepare the papers for the rounds.



Further details are available at Baginton Store, 1-2 Market Corner, Coventry Road Baginton CV8 3AA or contact us on 02476 304961

Baginton Spring Fair

It is with reluctance that the decision has been taken to cancel this year's Spring Fair, which was due to take place on May 5th. Unfortunately, due to the majority of the planned entertainers letting us down, as well as a lack of bookings for stalls, it was decided that it would be unfair on the few people who had wanted a stall to continue with an event that was unlikely to draw people in.

Baginton Open Gardens 2018

Please put the date for the Open Gardens in your diary, and invite your friends round to join you, in exploring the wonderful gardens on show in Baginton!



Baginton Open Gardens 2018
Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th June

This event is organised to raise much needed funds to support our beautiful village church. It is also a perfect chance to meet people who live in our village and explore the great variety of gardens that make up Baginton.

Would you like to be part of this event in June 2018?
Would you like to share your garden?
We would love to hear from you 😊

Sue Williams
76307255

Running the London Marathon and Raising Funds for Baginton RBL

Place overall	Place gender	Place cat.	Name	Club	Runner no	Category	Half	Finish
17554	5007	64	» Parkes, Frances Joyce (GBR)		16519	60-64	02:07:17	04:37:18



Well done Frances! In the hottest temperatures ever recorded at a London Marathon, Frances completed the course in an amazing 4hrs 37 min and at that point in time had raised **£505!**

The closing date for donations is 11th May.

For an update on Frances's marathon time and fund-raising visit

[justgiving.com/crowdfunding/frances-parkes](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/frances-parkes)

A BIG THANK YOU to Frances and all those who supported her marathon run by donating.

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Bagot's Castle – May 2018 News

At the end of April beginning of May the site has a wonderful display of bluebells and the scent is amazing. Please check our website for update on the best time to visit during this time www.bagotscastle.org.uk
Admission to the site is: Full Admission £4, Concessions £2, Family Ticket £10 and English Heritage Members half price.

Our Easter Egg Hunt weekend was attended by many who braved the weather to hunt for eggs in the castle grounds. This year we had “Guess How Many Eggs” in the jar and the person winning the jar of eggs lived in Lighthorne naming the correct number of 153.

Unfortunately we were down on attendance from last year due to the weather and we have 6 trays of small chocolate eggs left (30 eggs per tray) - so if any of you mums would like a tray for £6 a tray to melt down the chocolate eggs for cooking, please pop along when we are open at the weekend or email us delia@bagotscastle.org.uk and we could arrange to drop a tray off to you. We will also be giving away a chocolate egg to each child that visits the castle, so Mums & Dads hurry along to receive your child's free egg before the stock runs out.

Bagot's Castle is a great place to visit with children and only costs £10 for a family and under 5's are free. Bring your children along and let them take part in our children's trails and find the artefacts, plus we have family games for both adults and children. The cost of the children's trails is 50p a sheet. The children can now also have a dig around in a small area to find artefacts and a small reward will be given for their finds. We have seating around the site so bring a picnic and let you children run around burning off their energy in the safe surroundings in the fresh air. We also have Bagot Goats and Herdwick sheep.

Looking forward to welcoming you to Bagot's Castle.
David Hewer, Custodian of Bagot's Castle

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The Big Lunch 2018



A date for the diary

Sunday 3rd June

Join **family, friends** and **neighbours**

on **The Millennium Field** at **12 noon**

Bring a **picnic** and join in the **fun** and **games**

*The UK's biggest annual get together for neighbours!

A great way to meet and get to know more people who live in the village.

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Baginton RBL Club

Family, dog friendly club, Snooker, Pool, Darts & Skittles.

Large TV for sporting events and WiFi.

BINGO Tuesday 8pm win up to £100 a house.

Concert Room for Hire

Tel. No.02476301332 07716348908

Opening Hours

Monday - 7pm to 11pm

Tuesday - 7pm to 11pm

Wednesday - 6.30pm to 11pm

Thursday – Closed (except Auction Day)

Friday - 7pm to 12midnight

Saturday - 6pm to 12midnight

Sunday - 12noon to 4 pm

By prior arrangement opening times can be amended to suit

50/50 Draw At approximately 8pm every 3rd Saturday. Participants pay £4 a month and are allocated a number. 50% of takings goes to the winner and 50% goes to the up keep of the club. The more that join the bigger the prize money. Come and join us, Come and join us, better odds than the lottery. The December winner won £66.

Film Night, takes place on the Last Friday of every month, 7.30pm start. Only £3. Sit in comfort with friends with your favourite tippie

Party in the Park

Tickets sales are progressing well. A reminder that it is **£6 per ticket for advance purchase** until midnight on 30th June. Any tickets sold between 1st and 14th July are £10 each.

We require volunteers to help us with marshalling, car parking, the pig roast and also manning the gate. If anybody can spare an hour on the evening to help us then please get in touch.

We hope that as many of you as possible will come along and support the event and anybody requiring any further information or wishing to volunteer to help with the event - can contact Gayle Goodwin on 02476 518855 /07739 694133 / gayleattheoak@aol.com.

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St John the Baptist Church

Services for May

6 th	6 th Sunday of Easter/ Rogation Sunday	10.00am	Village Service
13 th	7 th Sunday of Easter/ Sunday after Ascension Day /Sunday in Christian Aid Week/World Communications Day	10.00am	Holy Communion
20 th	Pentecost/ Whit Sunday	10.00am	Holy Communion
27 th	Trinity Sunday	10.00am	Holy Communion

Baginton Gardeners

Well, I hope you're all ready for World Naked Gardening day on May 5th, wellies polished and tools sharpened.

The garden finally woke up this week, the birds are singing and some people wished they had put their lawnmowers in for a service in the winter as they had originally planned.

Our local Garden Centres are full of great quality plants, fresh ideas and good advice from the very knowledgeable staff.

Our next meeting is on the 21st May where we welcome **Matt Curtis** from Smiths who will advise us on "Planting up Summer Pots – Trends and Techniques" at 7.30pm in the Royal British Legion Club in Kimberley Road, Baginton.

In the meantime soak up the joys of spring.

Subs. Membership is £10 for the rest of the year plus £1 per meeting for members or £3 per meeting for visitors. Members get 10% off ALL full price purchases at our 4 local garden centres.

For more information please contact Anne or Robert Taylor on 02476301104 or e-mail anne@taylorhousehold.f9.co.uk.

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The following article is from the Warwick Rural East Safer Neighbourhood Team April Newsletter

A Warm Welcome to PC 1642 Ross Kirby



Ross joined Warwickshire Police in 2004; initially working in Rugby as a response officer. In 2007 Ross joined the task force, which provided armed and traffic support in Warwickshire. After five years Ross returned to incident response, working from Greys Mallory, which involved attending emergency and priority incidents in the southern rural area. Since April 2015 Ross has worked within Warwick District Safer Neighbourhood Teams as a PC and also as acting Sergeant. Ross recently qualified as a Wildlife Officer, and is looking forward to adapting his skillset on the Warwick Rural East and Warwick Rural West area. We would like to wish Ross all the best on his new rural adventure.

Housekeeping!

Local Baginton resident available for

General housework

Ironing

Dog walking

Pet sitting

I am reliable, trustworthy, friendly and professional.

Local references available.

Please email bagintonhousekeeping@yahoo.com

Or call for a chat on 07432 518655

Kaisho Karate

We have lots of tournament news – it has been a busy month!

We took a small team of older fighters to Orleans, France. The individual categories had between 60-80 athletes; it was a huge competition. Niamh Cosgrove and Sukhy Sohal each came 3rd in their sections, and Adam Giles came 5th in his.

The team also took part in CHKA Open Championships in Hornchurch. Elsie Scott put in a great kata performance in her first ever tournament – well done, Elsie! Tom Conway won his second ever gold medal for kata. CHKA Kumite (fight) medals: -

Tom Conway	Boys' 6-7yrs	Gold
Jesse Betts	Girls' 10-11yrs -35kg	Gold
Kyle Mackay	Boys' 12-13yrs -45kg	Bronze
Sukhy Sohal	Boys' 14-15yrs -55kg	Gold
	Boys' 14-15yrs Open	Silver
Christie Horrillo	Boys' 14-15yrs +55kg	Bronze
Adam Giles	Boys' 14-15yrs Open	Bronze
Carys Jones	Girls' 14-15yrs +50kg	Gold
	Girls' 14-15yrs Open	Gold
Lydia Woollatt	Girls' 16-17yrs +55kg	Silver
Paul Stanley	Mens' 30+ Open	Silver

Kaisho finished 3rd overall on the medals leaderboard out of 40 teams.

Our last tournament for April was the English Championships for some of our older fighters/higher grades. In the individuals Niamh Cosgrove, Sukhy Sohal and Edrees McFarlane won golds, Carys Jones won silver and Christie Horrillo and Lydia Woollatt won bronzes. The boys' team won gold and the girls' team, bronze. We finished 4th overall with only 10 fighters. What a brilliant month! We're very proud of the whole team, from the little ones right through to our older black belts. They never fail to train hard and bring their all to tournament.

We have a double tournament weekend coming up in May: Some of our older fighters and Sensei Ben will be travelling to fight in the Youth League in Bulgaria, whilst a small team of younger fighters (7-13yr olds) will be competing in the British Championships in Leicester (which will be a little different to what they're used to). Wish them luck!

We're looking forward to our fundraising fun run at Draycote Water on Saturday 12th May and would like to thank everyone who has sponsored any of the children so far. We have numerous tournaments abroad across the year and are always working to raise funds towards supporting the cost of travel and accommodation for our competition team. Again, this month we were able to cover the cost of entries for the CHKA tournament in Hornchurch with funds from the 100 club for all those families who take part in the club.

The **Bank Holiday Monday 7th May** class is still running (hall permitting). Our training sessions run 5.30pm-6.30pm Monday (fight class only) and Tuesday, and Friday classes are split to accommodate numbers and the different skill levels: 5.30pm-6.30pm red belt and below (including novices), 6.30pm-7.30pm yellow belt and above.

Please note on Friday 25th May there will only be one session starting at 5.30pm – everyone who normally attends the 6.30pm class should join the 5.30pm one instead for this week only.

Squad Training in Halesowen: Sunday 13th May

No classes w/c 28th May (return Monday 4th June)

If you are considering joining and would like more information, please get in touch with Jane Hemmings on 07581 126279 or by email at janebooth1@hotmail.com.
Sensei Jory Chather

Editorial

If you would like to advertise in the Newsletter, you can contact Doreen Ebbrell on 024 76301205 or email bagintonnews@btinternet.com Costs are £12 per page per issue or £6 per half page per issue, with 10 issues of the Newsletter a year.

The copy date for the April Newsletter is Friday 18th May. Copy should be sent to bagintonnews@btinternet.com Should you wish to have something included in the newsletter but you are unable to send your contribution electronically, please drop it off at Baginton Village Store FAO Anne or Julie and it can easily be written up.

Please note that views expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily those of the editors.

Julie Keightley (7621 0163) and Ann Bush (7630 3515)

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Baginton Walkers

Waking to a rather grey and drizzly day confirmed the wisdom of choosing to enjoy the benefits of the firm under-footing around Draycote Water for our April walk. It also enabled our two youngest participants to cycle ahead of our group of eleven more mature members, stopping occasionally to allow us to catch them up.



Once booted and suited we left the car park and chose to take the anticlockwise direction, past the visitor centre and following the curve of Hanborough Hill. After some time we realised that one of our party was missing so an emissary was sent to check on said person who had taken advantage of the centre facilities en route. The tarmacked path topped a raised bank which ran parallel to the hamlet of Draycote and provided a good view across the reservoir. The weather had not deterred the fishermen who were dotted around the banks with their kit beside them, while a few hardy souls were fishing from boats. The amount of kit surrounding some of them was impressive but overtaken by the lengthy rods strapped to the roof rack a car which passed us en route. To the ill-informed it was puzzling to understand why such equipment is needed to trap the humble trout.

At approximately half way we stopped for refreshments at a clearing near the tiny village of Thurlaston, home of llamas, historic buildings and a windmill without sails, and were met by a cloud of midges which followed us for the remainder of the walk. Once back at base and with bicycles secured on their high spec rack we returned to Baginton and a tasty lunch at The Oak. Thanks to Gayle and Chris Goodwin for accommodating us in spite of the wallpaper hanging etc in the dining area.

For our next walk on Tuesday 8th May we will meet at The Windmill Inn Main St. Badby NN11 3AN (SP557 592) Estimated driving time from Baginton 35 mins. Please contact Brenda Brown 76305509 if you need a lift or more information.

