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RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Planning Update

Planning application/s

PL2023/00901/PL/2023/00901/PNCUDW | Prior notification for change of use from agricultural buildings to 1 No. smaller dwelling and 2 No. larger dwellings. | Heath Farm 26 Henwood Lane Catherine De Barnes Solihull B91 2TH

This is a permitted development and change of use application and as such, after discussion with the case officer at SMBC the Committee will not be making a response

Battery Storage Facility Proposals Still no news

Solar Farm Proposals: No further news on this proposal

Motorway Service Area – Update

You may recall that the design of this relied on this section of the M42 being converted to All Lane Running (ALR) rather than the current system of Dynamic Hard Shoulder Running. The Govt have now decided that no new ALR schemes will be commissioned for safety reasons. There had been over 30 deaths attributable to the system up until this point. The access to the MSA will, we believe, need to be re-designed thereby rendering the current approved application void. A new planning application will need to be submitted to which we will all be able to respond. We understand that this is also the understanding at SMBC. We can only wait for such an application to be lodged and will keep you all updated as matters develop. The fight against it goes on.

Emerging Solihull Local Plan Review: No further news

Airport News

A representative from the RA Committee will be attending the Airport Consultative Committee meeting on the 8th June

CdeB Residents Association Committee Meetings

Generally, Committee meetings are held on the first Monday in the month except there is no meeting in August . Any changes to the date will be notified on social media and our website .The June meeting will be held on Monday 5th. Any resident wishing to raise an issue with the Committee can do so, at least 48 hours before the meeting, by contacting secretary@catney.co.uk . Any items of importance discussed at the meetings or decisions made, are communicated to members via Catney News, which is distributed to members only.

Committee Activities this month

- Held 2 coronation event meeting to finalise the event –
- Held a debrief meeting and discussed possible further social events
- Further liaising with our ward councillors concerning the Newlands Bishop Licence application
- As a member of the Airport ACC Steering Group attended a teams meeting finalising the agenda for the next meeting
- Prepare and hold a further meeting with residents at Catherines Close to discuss agenda items for meeting with SMBC on the 22nd May to discuss residents noise concerns
- Monitored planning applications
- Deliver the hard copies of Parish News to distributors and prepare items for next issue.
- Attended a Teams meeting with our MP Saqib Bhatti and members of the PC to discuss the current situation with the Motorway Service Area possible development and possible outcomes.
- Update Frances, our secretary and Glenn, who manages our Facebook page, of notices of various types, including road closures that would be of interest to members and others
- Distributing such notices by email to members

Pot holes

If you see potholes, please send details to the PC clerk clerk@hamptoninarden.org.uk – we find things get attended to quicker that way

Dave Cuthbert, Chair

Dates for the Diary

Next RA Committee Meeting is Monday 5th June

If you have any issues you wish to raise or would please contact secretary@catney.co.uk

Next Hampton in Arden Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting is being held on Wednesday July 12th in the Meeting Room next to the new Soho Tavern in Marsh Lane, Hampton in Arden 7.30pm. Residents are welcome to attend.

If you have any issues you wish to raise, please make the Clerk, Julie Barnes, aware that you would like to speak, with a brief description of the issue, at least 2 working days prior to the meeting. Julie can be contacted at clerk@hamptoninarden.org.uk or phone 01675 442017

Butty Brunch in the Village Hall Saturday 9th September 10.15am 'til 12.00 noon. Come and join us for a complimentary bacon or sausage buttie (we have a veggie option too) and a cup of tea/coffee – donations to the RA welcome!

WELCOME PACK FOR NEW RESIDENTS

If anyone has a new neighbour, knows of a new resident to the village or is in the process of moving, I would very much appreciate it if you could let me know the address of the new resident so that I can deliver a Welcome Pack to them. The Welcome Pack contains information of the village amenities, useful telephone numbers and of course information about the Residents Association and the many things we do. Please email me at cuthbertIm@me.com or text/telephone me on 07776 480813 with the address of the new resident. Thank you. Lesley Cuthbert

Catherine de Barnes Past and Present

If anyone would like to learn more about the area we are so lucky to live in, for £5 you can purchase a book which was co-authored by our Residents Association founder and first Chairman Pete Peters entitled Catherine de Barnes Past and Present. Money from the purchase of these books goes to the Village Hall fund. If anyone would like a copy please contact me Lesley Cuthbert on 07776 480813

Membership Report for 2023:

We are happy to announce that 189 households have joined us this year which is encouraging and only just 11 short of our goal of 200. Our sincere thanks to all new members and those who have renewed their memberships and for your subscriptions and many generous contributions. It is never too late to join, so if you know of anyone in the village who hasn't yet joined, please encourage them to sign up!

Frances Cook secretary@catney.co.uk

Village Hall News

The new outdoor children's play area is proving to be very popular and it's great to see and hear the kids really enjoying themselves. In addition to our regular hirers of the hall, we are now starting to take a growing number of bookings for children's parties and family celebrations at weekends. People who have not been to the hall before are genuinely surprised and delighted to see how nice the facilities are upon viewing. Outdoor sockets have been installed at the side of the hall and a space allocated for bouncy castles to add to the fun. It would be lovely to see a few more bookings from our local residents though. Don't forget, members of the Residents Association get a discount on the hire charge!

Steve Dodsworth

"The castle grounds were gleaming in the sunlight as though freshly painted; the cloudless sky smiled at itself in the smoothly sparkling lake, the satin-green lawns rippled occasionally in a gentle breeze: June had arrived." – J.K. Rowling

CORONATION HOG ROAST 7TH MAY 2023

What a fantastic event the Coronation Hog Roast turned out to be, the weather couldn't have been better, the food was brilliant and our licensed pop up bar was a great success. Our thanks go to Chris Elston and his friend Terry for providing live music which added to the amazing atmosphere.

There was a children's fancy dress competition, face painting and games for the children. The organising group worked really hard both before the event and on the day itself, a very big thank you to you all for all your efforts.









"In early June the world of leaf and blade and flowers explodes, and every sunset is different."

— John Steinbeck,

Join Us in Shaping our Community: Participate in our Event Survey!

Following a very successful Coronation Community Event we would like to hear from you what type of event you are interested in attending. We are excited to announce that we are in the process of organizing our next community event that aims to bring us together again and create memorable experiences. To ensure that this event reflects the needs and desires of our diverse community, we are conducting a survey to gather your thoughts, preferences, and suggestions. Your participation is vital in shaping an event that truly represents our community spirit!

Survey Details: The survey is designed to capture valuable insights from every member of our community, regardless of age, background, or interests. By participating, you will have the opportunity to voice your opinions, contribute ideas, and influence the event's theme, activities, and overall atmosphere. **Access the Survey**: Look out for the survey link from Survey Monkey on behalf of Residence Association, which will be shared very soon through community newsletters, social media platforms and via email.

RA Social Events Volunteer Group

17th Arden 9-mile Road Race Sunday 18th June 2023

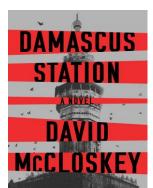
10.30 am Starting from the Sports Club grounds the 300+runners approach Catherine-de-Barnes from Bickenhill Lane, turn right over the canal bridge, crossover by the NISA shop/Boat Inn and then turn left along Henwood Lane. Traffic at the canal bridge will be held up for about 20 minutes from 10.40 am – 11.00 am.

Apologies for any inconvenience

John Eccleston
President Hampton-in-Arden Sports Club Limited
07917 673401

BOOK REVIEWby John Alderson

DAMASCUS STATION A Spy Thriller by David McCloskey



David McCloskey is a former CIA analyst working across the Middle East and as such experienced all the problems of working in Syria first hand. I understand David Petraeus former Commander of US forces in the Middle East and Director of the CIA apparently couldn't put the book down!

This is McCloskey's first novel and at times is a tough read. It's a work of fiction but clearly shows the hand of experience. It is well written with references to real events and people, showing Damascus to be a violent place in the throes of Civil War.

The basic story is that of a CIA case officer, Sam Joseph, being sent to Paris to recruit and then run in Damascus, a Syrian Palace official, Mariam Haddad, which leads us not just to the problems of spying in Damascus but also addresses the issues of personal relationships in times of great conflict.

Whilst I think McCloskey tells us a warts-an-all, love and brutality story, he also pokes a little fun occasionally at the workings of the CIA bringing a little relief to what is a very gripping tale.

I enjoyed it.

"And since all this loveliness cannot be Heaven, I know in my heart it is June." – Abba Woolson

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

The AD Concert Band comprises 50-60 musicians playing a brass complete range of woodwind, and percussion instruments. The Band rehearses weekly in Solihull and performs in about 15 concerts each year at a variety of performance venues including local community halls, concert halls, churches, retirement villages, band stands and village fetes. Concerts take place around the Midlands and occasionally beyond. The Band performs extremely varied repertoire including arrangements of orchestral music, pop and rock song medleys, themes from films and musicals, jazz and swing music as well as specialist wind band music.

AD Band concert series 2023

'A Concert Fit for a King'

performed by the





Professor Trevor Farren

with the Curdworth Parish Choir led by Anton Rawson

Saturday 10th June 2023 at 7:30pm

Shirley Methodist Church, Stratford Rd, Solihull B90 3AL

Advance Reservations:

https://adband.org.uk/fit-for-a-king/ or call Steve on 07816 829 273

> Adult Ticket price: £8 Under 18s: Free





adband.org.uk
Registered Charity Number: 506756



BBC Gardeners' World Live is back at the NEC from 15-18 June!

WHERE

National Exhibition Centre National Exhibition Centre, North Avenue Birmingham, B40 1NT

WHEN

15 - 18 Jun 2023

COST

From £13.00

Look forward to an inspirational day out filled with plants, shopping, live entertainment, expert advice and your favourite Gardeners' World presenters, including Monty Don, Adam Frost, Carol Klein, Frances Tophill plus Alan Titchmarsh and more.* Experience stunning Show Gardens, Beautiful Borders, the Floral Marquee and Plant Village to shop from a vast array of nurseries with an unbeatable variety of plants. You'll find ideas big and small that you can take home to your own garden space.

Plus, tickets include entry to the BBC Good Food Show Summer packed with tasty, seasonal treats, live workshops and hundreds of artisan producers – so that's two great BBC Shows with just one ticket!!

"What is one to say about June, the time of perfect young summer, the fulfillment of the promise of the earlier months, and with as yet no sign to remind one that its fresh young beauty will ever fade." – Gertrude Jekyll

THE BIG BANG FAIR

WHERE

National Exhibition Centre National Exhibition Centre, North Avenue Birmingham, B40 1NT

WHEN

21 - 23 Jun 2023 **COST** Free

End the school year with a Big Bang! Spark curiosity and excite students with the world of science and engineering at The Big Bang Fair 2023 on 21 to 23 June.

Attend the UK's biggest STEM celebration for young people for free – join us at the NEC in Birmingham to inspire and amaze young people with science, engineering and technology.

The Big Bang Fair 2023 is open to year 6 to year 8 (England and Wales

Explore The Fair in our morning session (9am to 12pm) or afternoon session (1pm to 4pm) on Wednesday 21 June to Friday 23 June. Families, home educators and community groups are welcome to discover the wonders of STEM at The Big Bang Fair Unlocked, running from 4:30pm to 7:30pm on Wednesday 21 June.

THE CREATIVE CRAFT SHOW

National Exhibition Centre National Exhibition Centre, North Avenue Birmingham, B40 1NT

WHEN

23 - 25 Jun 2023 COST From £10.00

The Creative Craft Show is back for the second of three Birmingham shows in 2023!

This show is a haven for knitting, cross stitch, paper crafting, jewellery & dressmaking and stitching enthusiasts, offering all the very latest supplies, ideas, and innovations in the craft & hobby world. Here you'll find everything from kits, charts and patterns to fabrics, yarns, threads, and buttons. You'll have opportunities to gain advice from industry experts, as well as the chance to try something new in our Creative Den workshops.

[&]quot;Spring being a tough act to follow, God created June." - Al Bernstein

FEEL LIKE CELEBRATING?



World Milk Day 1st Jun 2023

An international celebration of milk and the milk industry. It was established by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations to recognize the importance of milk as a global food.

World Bicycle Day 3rd Jun 2023

This UN created day celebrated the bicycle as a simple, affordable, clean and environmentally fit sustainable means of transportation. The day is celebrated globally by organising bike rides at a local and national level.

Sausage Roll Day 5th Jun 2023

A day dedicated to the tasty treat that is the Sausage roll. Whether you like to make you own or purchase them ready made, today you must eat a sausage roll! (Vegetarian sausage rolls do count).

World Environment Day 5th Jun 2023

The United Nations' principal event for encouraging worldwide awareness and action for the protection of our environment.

World Ocean Day 8th Jun 2023

Event organised by The Ocean Project to raise awareness of the oceans and the living creatures that make their home there.

Worldwide Knit in Public Day 10th Jun 2023

Go public and let everyone just how much you love to knit. All you have to do is grab your needles and knit where you can be seen.

The King's Official Birthday 17th Jun 2023

Celebrations of the monarch's official birthday are held in June across the Commonwealth, and include the Trooping of the Colour in London.

Father's Day 18th Jun 2023

Father's Day is the celebration of fathers in the UK, the US and most of Europe and many other parts of the world.

Summer Solstice (Northern Hemisphere) 21st Jun 2023

This day is the first day of astronomical summer in the northern hemisphere. (Longest day)