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RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Planning Update

Planning applications

PL/2023/01173/PPOL Outline application for residential development for the construction of up to 95 dwellings with associated infrastructure and open space with all matters reserved except access.

Oak Farm Hampton Lane Catherine De Barnes Solihull B92 0JB

Still no news on this.

Battery Storage Facility Proposals

Still waiting news

Solar Farm Proposals

No further news on this proposal

Motorway Service Area – Update

No further news

Emerging Solihull Local Plan Review

No further news

Airport News

A representative of the RA Committee will be attending the Airport Consultative Committee (ACC)meeting on the 7th September when the results of the recent Noise Action Plan consultation will be presented and the programme for the review of the Night Flying Policy will also be presented.

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 September meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th September.

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.

Lugtrout Lane

After considerable chasing by the RA and the Parish Council over the years, the lane (or most of it) has finally been re-surfaced – all we need now are the traffic calming measures that are currently under discussion with SMBC and National Highways whom we are hoping will finance it.

Committee Activities this month (a quieter one this month thank goodness) ☐ Held a further meeting with residents of Catherines Close concerning the recent visit to Newlands Bishop by representatives of the RA and a Councillors regarding couple of parish planning application PL/2023/01031/PPFL ☐ Further liaising with our ward councillors concerning the Newlands Bishop planning application and submitting a response to the application for the retention of the triple tepee- which we support only if it is to be used as indicated on the application and conditioned that no musical events be held in the installation ☐ As a member of the Airport ACC our representative participated in a meeting of the ACC ☐ Monitored recent planning applications. ☐ Liaised with ward councillors over the recent tarmacking of Lugtrout Lane and the concerns over the rumour that speed bumps were being installed at the same time as the re-surfacing. ☐ 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. ☐ Attended Hampton History Archive Group meeting to discuss the archiving of the various paper, photos, books and documents etc held about Catney. If anyone has any historical pictures, documents etc about the village, and they are willing to donate them to the archive please let Dave /Lesley know 07824-696137/07776-480813 or send copies to cuthbert488@outlook.com

Pot holes

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

If you can send a picture so much the better but please provide details of its location

Dates for the Diary

Next RA Committee Meeting. Wednesday 6th September 2023.

If you have any issues you wish to raise or would like to talk to us about – please contact secretary@catney.co.uk Thank you

Butty Breakfast Saturday 9th September in the Village Hall 10.15 'til 12.00

Members are welcome to drop in for a complimentary bacon or sausage sandwich and a cup of tea/coffee – it's an ideal opportunity to meet your local Ward Parish Councillors and neighbours.

If you can spare a couple of hours on the Saturday morning to help with the event please let Dave know by calling/messaging 07824 696137

Please note date correction

Next Hampton in Arden Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting is being held on Wednesday September 13th in the Meeting Room next to the new Soho Tavern in Marsh Lane, Hampton in Arden 7.30pm.

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

Residents are welcome to attend

"September: it was the most beautiful of words, he'd always felt, evoking orange-flowers, swallows, and regret."

Alexander Theroux

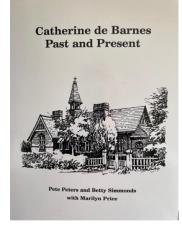
WELCOME PACK FOR NEW RESIDENTS

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

"By all these lovely tokens, September days are here. With summer's best of weather and autumn's best of cheer."



Revd. Clare Dean, Assistant Curate at Hampton Parish Church will be leaving soon to take up her new post as Vicar of the Stour Benefice in Dorset, where there are seven churches. Her last service at Hampton will be at 11 am on Sunday 10th September followed by a Bring and Share farewell lunch with presentation in the church hall. There is a form in church to add your name and what you will bring to share if you wish to stay for the lunch. All welcome.

Christmas Craft Fair November 25th 2023,

11.00a.m. to 3.00p.m.

Catherine de Barnes Village Hall

The Catney Christmas Craft Fair is now an annual event and will always take place on the last Saturday in November, so put this date in your dairies. Following the 2021 Fair which was affected by Covid rules and very bad weather, the 2022 Fair was our best ever and was well attended. These events are hard work but are generally enjoyed as a village social event, which brings in quite a few visitors, and raises funds for the village hall. Many people come in for a browse, a chat and tea and homemade cakes.

Once again, we are looking for local people with talents of all sorts to rent tables to sell their wares. I am aware that there are people who are new to the village, and I am hoping that there may be some with crafting talents who would like to exhibit and sell their products. In the past we have had tables selling fused and stained glass, fabric and knitted items, cosmetics, cards, scented candles, recycled wood items, jewellery, art work and a wide variety of items including homemade jams made by members of the Catney Craft Club.

As the space in the village hall is limited, please indicate your interest in renting a table before the 8^{th} September as tables will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Tables are £12 for a large one [6foot] or £6 for a small one [3foot] Those who wish to rent a table please contact Liz Boxall on 0121 705 7531, Text to 07939 073416 or email at liz@boxall.info

"Happily we bask in this warm September sun, which illuminates all creatures."

— Henry David Thoreau

BOOK REVIEW by John Alderson

LOVE, REVENGE AND BUTTERED SCONES

A novel by Bobby Darbyshire



I am currently the Chairman of Arden u3a, a body welcoming retired and semi-retired people, offering social contact, education and entertainment. We meet every Monday morning to hear a guest speaker and recently hosted the author Bobby Darbyshire.

I have never met a published author and her talk on her work and those of other authors was fascinating. She has had four books published so far and I bought Love, Revenge and Buttered Scones from her.

Reading a book by a novelist one has met, I found to be a strange experience. All the characters in the book are a very disparate crowd and I couldn't help trying to relate this quiet unassuming lady with some of the more outrageous people in her book.

The story is simple. Three very different people, unknown to one another, are drawn to a meeting of a book club at the Public Library in Inverness. It is wintertime and all are seeking something specific from who they are hoping to meet there.

Harry is a retired divorced bank manager hoping to meet the author Margery Macpherson, who is addressing the book club. Elena, a Spanish lady currently working in Brussels has a serious Spanish Civil War issue with the author of a poem which is to be discussed. Peter is a rather uncouth hippy type who calls himself a poet and is also seeking the author of the poem but for completely different reasons.

A severe snowstorm throws these people together in a local hillside hotel which is owned by the Urquat family, the head of whom, Angus Urquat, is the poet in question but writing under the pseudonym Calum Calum. The dramatic interlinking of the three principal characters over twenty four hours produces a fascinating story with unexpected consequences. Bobby Darbyshire draws her characters and their backgrounds in beautifully and in a prose style that occasionally touches on poetry.

I found this book difficult to put down and really enjoyed it.

If anyone is interested in joining Arden u3a please contact me on 0121 704 2853.

Live Choral Music in Hampton

There are 2 great opportunities to hear live choral music in Hampton this Autumn. First, on Saturday 9th September, Ex Urbe Chamber Choir will perform their concert of Eternal Light;. Inspired by many composers through the ages including Durufle, MacMillan, Rutter and many more, this will be held at 7.00pm in Hampton Church. If you can't make the concert in Hampton, Ex Urbe will also be performing on Sunday 10th at 4.00pm at St George & St Teresa Church, Dorridge. Tickets are available on the website - www.exurbe.org

On Sunday 8th October, 4.00 pm, in Fentham Hall, Hampton Singers will perform Carl Orff's Carmina Burana. Joining Hampton Singers in this rousing performance are pupils from George Fentham School, with an accompaniment of 2 pianos and rather a lot of percussion.

Tickets are available from choir members and from the website. www.hamptonsingers.co.uk

Live Concerts on the Mighty Compton at Fentham Hall

Monthly concerts continue at Fentham Hall, Marsh Lane, Hampton-in-Arden, B92 0AH. Doors open 1.30 pm, curtain up at 2.30 pm. No need to book. Admission £10 cash on the door, including interval refreshments and parking. Visiting organists play to a wide variety of tastes and offer a wonderful afternoon's entertainment.

The organ is available for individuals to play, by arrangement. We look forward to welcoming you.

Forthcoming concerts:

Sunday, 3rd September 2023 – Mark Laflin - currently Director of Music at Kingston Grammar School.

Sunday, 1 st October 2023 – Richard Hills - Richard is a Fellow of the Royal College of Organists and Musical Advisor to our Society.

Sunday, 5th November 2023 – Michael Carter – Michael comes from just down the road in Balsall Common and he plays both electronic and theatre organ.

Sunday, 3rd December 2023 – Organists on Parade – a selection of our local organists with the widest repertoire – a concert not to be missed.