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Langar cum Barnstone Parish Newsletter

Imogen Skirving will be fondly remembered by many parishioners for her contribution to the community and the great spirit and character for which she was renowned at Langar Hall. She will be sadly missed. Our condolences and best wishes go to her family.



Imogen Skirving 1937-2016



Barnstone Fright Night!!!

Saturday 29th October

7.30 til Late

Live Band: 'Don't Tell Cate'

£5 per ticket



Prizes for spookiest outfit! Licensed bar & nibbles

Join us if YOU Dare...

Email : sarahfleming_uk@yahoo.co.uk

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I am pleased to welcome you to the latest edition of Signpost. It has been a busy summer in the parish. The scaffolding is down at long last from the Unicorns Head with assurances that it will reopen in time for Christmas. Fingers crossed. The Post Office in Langar has closed sadly and we wish Tim well with his retirement. The recent art exhibition was a great showcase of local talent and proved to be a popular event. I for one look forward to the next.

August saw the Parish's experimental visioning meeting. Usually the Parish Council do not meet in August. The visioning meeting was an opportunity for councillors to meet informally with members of the community and listen to suggestions and ideas for improving where we live. Some issues were also raised and it is the Parish Council's intention to discuss these at our regular meetings over the next few months. More details about what was raised at the visioning meeting can be found later in this newsletter.

In May I was privileged to become Chairman of the Parish Council. It is my intention to stand in the role for one year as I believe it is important to keep things fresh. I strongly feel that everything that happens in the parish should not be the responsibility of the few councillors on the council. I see the council's role to support ideas and projects led where possible by champions from the community. By working this way, I believe more people can and will engage in actions that are personally and socially important. We are blessed in this Parish as there are many active groups, clubs and societies engaging all members of the community both young and old. It is always a pleasure to hear what people have been up to at the Parish Council Annual General Meeting in April.

It is a given that we are all busy. However we are desperately in need of new Councillors. Take it from me, it's a bit of effort but is entirely rewarding.

Alan Carter Davies, Chairman, Langar cum Barnstone Parish Council



12th November 2016
7.30 to 11.00pm



Adults £10, children £5 (under 14)
Bar available



Tickets available from:
Joan and Andrew on 01949 861446
Alison and Malc on 01949 844561

Barnstone Village Hall
Main Road, Barnstone, NG13 9JH

All proceeds will go to:
Nottingham Breast Institute,
Nottingham City Hospital
Proceeds from ticket sales
and
Scarrington Friends of
Cancer Research
Proceeds from the raffle



Come and enjoy a drink of tea, coffee, hot chocolate or squash with a sausage, bacon or egg bap or slice of homemade cake while chatting with friends and neighbours.

Then, look through our selection of used books and swap or buy, browse and buy from stalls selling locally produced bread, eggs, vegetables, homemade cake, biscuits, preserves, meat pies & greetings cards

*Open on the second Saturday of each month in
Barnstone Village Hall 10 am - 12 noon*

*Forthcoming events
Saturday 8th October, Saturday 12th November,
Christmas Special - Saturday 10th December*

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**FOUNDED IN 1974 STILL TEACHING TODAY
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Mondays & Thursdays

Cotgrave Candleby Lane School

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Everyone welcome to train

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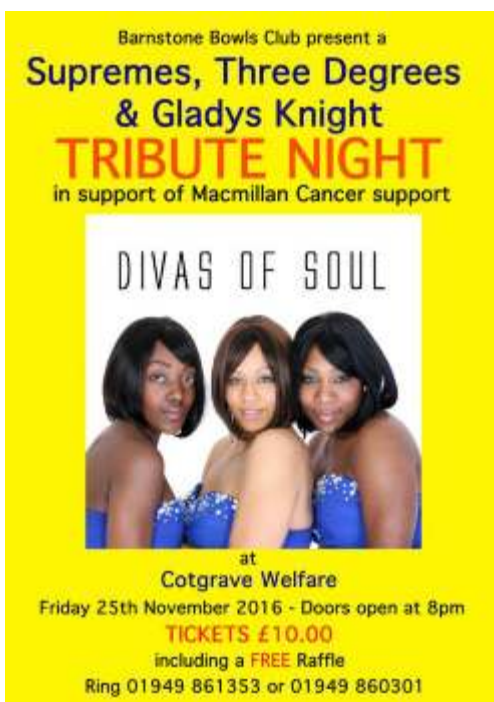
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1st Lesson FREE



Tribute Night at Cotgrave Welfare

Just for the uninitiated, over the years, it has been necessary for Macmillan Cancer Support to help more than one of Barnstone Bowls Club's members during illness. In return the Club has held fund-raising events twice a year for the last 11 years and sent donations to this excellent cause. These events take the form of Tribute Nights and so far £28,897 has been raised. Those of you who have attended before can stop reading now, except for taking note of the date and artist of the next one.



We have had Tributes to Neil Diamond, Tina Turner, ABBA, Elvis, The Beatles, Roy Orbison, Rod Stewart, Dusty Springfield, Elton John, The Bee Gees, Meatloaf, Cher, Cliff Richard and Freddie Mercury to name but a few but we would love you to help take it over £30,000 by supporting the next one on 25th November. We are really privileged to have three lovely and talented girls called The Divas of Soul coming to do a full show from the songbooks of Diana Ross and The Supremes, Three Degrees, Gladys Knight, Martha Reeves, Aretha Franklin etc etc. Brilliant!

The theory is that everyone who attends has a great night, Cotgrave Institute sells plenty of drinks and Macmillan Cancer Support receives much-needed funds. "Everyone's a winner baby" to quote Hot Chocolate.

They are really well attended which is why we have to hold them in Cotgrave Welfare and Institute. It's the only place big enough to hold 250 - 300 people. Everyone has a big party for Macmillan. It works though because people seem to come back again and again and bring their friends. We have one couple who travel up from Reading to every event. Come and join us and find out what you're missing and don't worry that you won't know anybody because you definitely will.

If you fancy it, tickets are on sale and already going well. They cost just £10.00, which includes a free raffle and are available from Steve Wrate 01949 861353 or John Parker 01949 860301. We accept donations too. All money raised will be passed to Macmillan.

Reporting Highway problems online

If you spot a streetlight out or a pothole in the road, did you know that you can now report these problems online to Notts County Council as well as by telephone? Copy the following link into your browser and choose the relevant heading:

<http://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/roads> You will be asked to identify the location and provide basic details, then press submit and your report will be investigated. Tel 0300 500 80 80.

The same process applies when you report problems to Rushcliffe Borough Council, fly tipping or street cleaning for example. Click on the following link:

<http://www.rushcliffe.gov.uk/environmentandwaste/streetwise/keepingrushcliffclean/> and select the right heading, follow the instructions given and submit the report. Tel 0115 9819911.



Calling all cake lovers. Did you know you can eat cake and raise money at the same time?!

Plus Raffle, Mini Facials & Hand Treatments.

Join in on Friday 30th September from 1pm at Barnstone Village Hall. For more information please ring Justina 07811 919802 or Josie 07791 878938

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18 - 26 June 2016

For this year's festival the 1970's hit for the band Free, *Fire & Water*, should have been our theme tune. Jeremy and Beth had great plans for a Caribbean themed day based at the Unicorn's Head but sadly the work required to restore the pub following the fire meant that they were not able to go ahead with the event. Hopefully they will be able

to run it in 2017. The previous three festivals had been largely unaffected by the weather. Sadly, this year was not the case as the heavy rain in the days leading up to the start of the festival resulted in both the Gymkhana and Cement Works Site Visits being postponed on safety grounds. The rain struck again for the last event, *An Uncivil War*, resulting in all the action taking place in St Andrew's rather than at a number of locations around Langar as originally planned.

Despite these setbacks the Festival provided the usual mix of events with most organisers seeing good attendances at their events, notably the Boots Orchestra Concert, the Ceildidh, Festival Cafe, Brownies Open Evening & Ice Cream Parlour, Quiz Evening and the visit to Merrivale Energy's AD Plant at Barnstone. The Medieval Graffiti Exhibition at St Andrew's attracted over 20 visitors, who were shown some of the fine examples of graffiti to be found in the church. Feedback from people who attended events has been very positive showing that the efforts of all those volunteers who organise events is appreciated.

Two new events were the Short Story Competition and the Lego Grand Prix. Although entries for the former were less than hoped for the quality of the winning entrants was outstanding. You will be able to judge for yourself as we will be including the stories in the December issue of *Signpost*. The Lego Grand Prix was less successful. Despite a lot of pre-event interest being shown only two teams entered, one of which failed to appear. Fortunately a scratch team was quickly assembled to ensure that a few races could be held with both teams receiving Lego kits for their efforts. Another disappointment was that for the organisers of the Ball Room Dancing evening at the Village Hall. Many of the dancers, as well as their coach, had travelled some distance to demonstrate the various dances and help people learn the steps. Sadly, this was all in vain as no-one attended the event.

A very big thank you goes to all of the organisers who freely volunteered their time and energy in putting on a varied programme and to the continuing support of the Parish Council. Thanks also to everyone who attended the events.

Report from Vision Meeting held on Thursday 18th August

A big 'Thank you' to all those who attended the meeting, and put forward the following ideas:

- New Footpath between Langar Woods and Coach Gap Lane
- Improve local mobile reception
- Obtain funding for Community Apple Crusher – organise 'Apple Day'
- Obtain funding for Community Garden Waste Shredder
- Install Hearing Induction Loop in Village Hall
- Arrange Community Waste Collection for large items
- Tackle problem of speeding cars through villages
- Address urgent problems at Barnstone Fishing Lakes
- Improve parking at Village Hall
- Install new gates to Community Field
- Find location for new Post Office
- Improve Langar Pond
- Install additional equipment at Barnstone Play area
- Village Information boards



If you are interested in helping to take forward any of these excellent projects, please contact the Clerk at langarbarnstoneclerk@gmail.com or 01949 860123.



Karen Seaton

Introducing Luke Mazers

Luke was appointed in June as our new 'Parish Lengthsman', and has been doing a great job since then, checking on the roads in our villages, tidying unkempt areas and reporting any highway related problems. If you see him out and about please say hello. He has a dedicated email address if you need to report a problem: lengthsmanlangbarn@outlook.com





Vale Arts Group – Art Exhibition Saturday 3rd September

The rush to be ready is over, the hall was set up and pictures displayed with minutes to spare – then the doors opened! The VALE ARTS GROUP ART EXHIBITION began! People flocked to see what we had on display, in and out of the hall from 11am to at least 1.30pm, then after lunch we had more people come along, even some late arrivals, just as we were about to dismantle.

Our thanks go to all those who came to share in the Artwork from around the Vale and beyond – artists, helpers and visitors, also to the Langar cum Barnstone W.I. for taking care of folks' thirst and hunger. We are thrilled to let you know that we raised £170.15 for Pancreatic Cancer, people were so generous.

Thank you all so very much.
Gillian Clarke



KEEPING THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION IN OUR COMMUNITY

The British Legion was founded in 1921 as a voice for the ex-service community. It was granted a Royal Charter in 1971 to mark its fiftieth anniversary. The RBL is dedicated to helping members of the Royal Navy, British Army, Royal Air Force, Reservists, veterans and their families all year round. It also campaigns to improve their lives, organise the Poppy Appeal and remember the fallen. It is a national charity helping people in local communities by providing information, advice and guidance to help the Armed Forces community find and access the support they need. Although it is a national organisation, it works in local communities across the UK, delivering information, advice and support where it is needed most, including outreach services for the most vulnerable. Whether it's money worries, a seaside break with the family, careers advice after Service, independent living or care in later life.

The RBL has nearly 2,500 branches around the country and members are dedicated to helping the Legion to achieve its aims. Our local branch was formed in 1923 and has continued to provide local collections for the annual Poppy Appeal as well as helping to organise and participate in the annual Service of Remembrance in November, both of which are valued by our community. Over the years we have seen a number of changes in membership and if we are to survive we need to recruit more members within our local community. We have the officers necessary to keep the Branch operational, but we need more members to keep the Branch viable. You do not need to have an armed forces background to become a member of the Legion, just a commitment to share in the common cause of supporting our Service community. Membership costs £16 per year and apart from getting involved in the local Branch activities, members also receive regular copies of the Legion Magazine, receive concessions on a variety of Legion products, including Remembrance Travel and have the opportunity to take part in ceremonial events including the annual Festival of Remembrance at the Royal Albert Hall.

If you would like to know more about the work and activities of our local Branch or would like to become a member and help our local Branch survive, please contact Andrew Charlett by telephone on 01949 861446 or by e-mail on acharlett289@btinternet.com. Time is of the essence. If we do not recruit more members to ensure the Branch is viable by the end of this year we will have to close it.





There has been a lot of outdoor shooting for Belvoir Archers with Club Nights of Tuesday and Thursday and Club day on Saturday being very busy.



Belvoir Archers did well in the Oregon Challenge (where Nottinghamshire and Oregon in USA compete against each other in two rounds) with three members being selected for the team: Ian Davies for the Recurve Team, Bryan and Sue Haynes for Compound team. Ros Creasey narrowly missed making the Nottinghamshire Recurve team and was awarded a Sharpe Goblet in recognition.

Photo above (Left to Right): Ros Creasey, Sue Haynes, Paige Jones, Ian Davies and Bryan Haynes.

The Nottinghamshire Archery County Championship in July saw a number of Belvoir Archers taking top places. Martin Jones won to retain his Nottinghamshire County Longbow trophy. Paige Jones became Junior Lady Compound Champion. Ros Creasey came 2nd in the lady's recurve.

Paige Jones who completed her beginner's course last year and has had an amazing year of shooting.

Paige won the Metric 3 Junior Ladies Compound at Welbeck Archery Competition on 17 July 2016.

Paige has been selected to shoot for EMAS Team as well Nottinghamshire Junior Team in the Sydney Bond which took place on 24 July 2016. It is a competition between the juniors from the East Midlands (Notts V Lincs v Northants V Leicestershire & Rutland v Derbyshire). Paige helped the junior compound team to 2nd place at this competition with a team score of 3729 (narrowly missing out on 1st place - 3732).



Paige has also been awarded her "Junior Master Bowmen" classification A Classification which can only be achieved at UK record Status or Work Record statues tournaments.



Saturday 23rd July 2016 saw the 3rd Record status Windsor being held by Belvoir Archers. There were 61 archers in attendance from across Nottinghamshire as well as from Lincolnshire, Staffordshire and Norfolk. The weather was very sunny with a little breeze and the day went very well with 2 National Records being shot (subject to Ratification) .



Mr V Tindell was the Lord Paramount for the day and celebrated his birthday.

Congratulations to Neira Miljkovic for winning the Ladies Compound, Richard Haydock for coming 2nd in Gentlemen Compound and Paige Jones who came 2nd in the Junior Ladies.





Photo above (Left to Right): Left to Right: Steve Evans, Ros Creasey, Martin Jones, Vicky Jones, Steve Burdett and Bryan Haynes.

Over the past year the Club has strengthen its coaching team with the addition of 1 coach with Ros Creasey passing her level 1 coaching course in May.

Martin and Vicky are about to commence the Level 2 coaching course which will start on 18 September for 9 months.

We hope by March 2017 this will give us 3 Level 2 coaches and 3 Level 1 coaches (6 coaches in total).

Belvoir Archers Winter Windsor is schedule to take place on the 1st October 2016 and we already have a lot of interest in this competition.

Start of November will see the club moving indoors to Cotgrave Leisure Centre where the indoor competition will commence where some of the head to heads from last year will be replayed.

The Club has also arranged for the use of Barnstone Village Hall on Tuesday evenings as well as Thursday or Friday Evening and Some Saturdays for the Junior Club as well as training sessions for our members.

If you are interested in trying archery please contact us or come have-a- go..... it is very addictive. More information about Belvoir Archers and how we are doing can be found on our web page www.belvoirarchers.co.uk

Articles for next newsletter (December) should be sent either directly to Heather Whitaker lbparishmag@gmail.com or to the Clerk or any members of the Parish Council by 6th November at the latest

Speedwatch

Please help stop speeding cars in our villages by becoming a Speedwatch volunteer. Training provided. Contact Cllr Trevor Simpson at cllr.simpson.lcb@btinternet.com



On the podium at Glasgow with her gold medal



Eleanor in action at the European Championships in Madeira in May.

Eleanor Robinson

Rio Paralympic Games participant, Eleanor Robinson, is the granddaughter of Roy & Mary Gretton of Langar.

Eleanor has a rare form of dwarfism, which puts her in the S6 classification for disabled sports. She trains at Northampton Swimming Club and is a pupil at Northampton High School for Girls.

Eleanor now holds four British records in butterfly and freestyle events, and a World Record in the 100 metres butterfly. She qualified for the Rio Paralympic Games in April this year when she won gold at an International Meet in Glasgow.

She will be competing in four events at the Rio Games:

September	9th	50 metre butterfly
	10th	50 metre freestyle
	12th	400 metre freestyle
	17th	100 metre freestyle

At the time of going to print, Eleanor will already have competed in the Paralympics – we wish her the very best of luck in this fantastic event.

STOP PRESS!!

At the time of going to print, Ellie Robinson has won GOLD in the 50m Breaststroke and BRONZE in the 50m Freestyle competitions – what an achievement! Congratulations Ellie!!

1st Barnstone Brownies

How time flies! We have had a very busy few months at Brownies.

In May we celebrated the Queen's 90th Birthday with a party and decorated the phone box in her honour. We all dressed up in posh frocks, made fascinators, practised our curtsies and ate dainty sandwiches and cakes.

Thank you to all who supported our Ceilidh and also our Open Evening with the Ice Cream Parlour in June. We made over £300 for our funds and enjoyed every minute.

We've finished the Seasons Badge and Sports Badge, and prepared pictures to go on show at the Art Exhibition in the Village Hall on September 3rd. Here's hoping they sell well.

Our next adventure is Pack Holiday in Linby at Hanson House in September.

Sadly we say Goodbye to some amazing Brownies....Lola, Olivia, Christie and Amelie...and wish them well for the future.

The Owls





1916

Part 2



In the June issue of Signpost we heard the stories of the first two soldiers from Langar and Barnstone who were killed in action during the period of the Battle of the Somme. In this issue we tell how the remaining four met their deaths.

Friday 15 September 1916 saw the introduction of tanks in battle during the Battle of Flers - Courcellette as this part of the Battle of the Somme was called. The tanks were to be used to support the attacking infantry by attacking and knocking out German machine gun posts and other strongholds, something which the artillery had failed to do in previous attacks. This date would also mark the day on which two of our men would die.

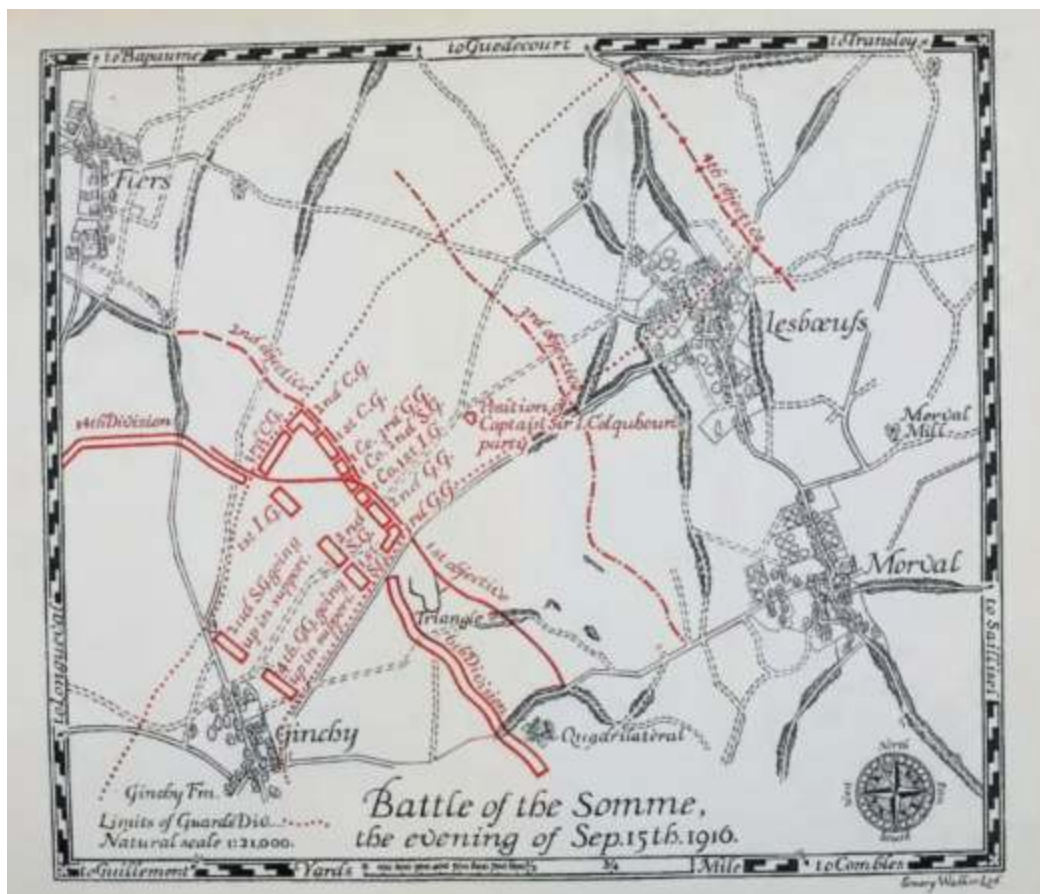
Cecil Samuel Jackson was born in 1891 in Barnstone, the son of Thomas and Jane Jackson. Thomas was the Parish Police Constable. Cecil attended Langar school until his father was transferred to Beeston. By 1911 Cecil had become a Railway Porter and was lodging with George Andrews and family at Newton, near Alfreton.

It is not known when he enlisted but it must have been in late 1914 or early 1915 as he arrived in France on 2 November 1915 as Private 15398 Cecil Samuel Jackson, 1st Battalion, Coldstream Guards. He was part of draft of 29 Other Ranks who joined the battalion on 5 November at St Hilaire. The battalion spent the rest of 1915 and early 1916 in the Laventie and Merville areas of the front line and then on to Ypres, where they saw considerable action.

The battalion moved to Morlancourt on the Somme on 1 September 1916. On 10 September it was at Happy Valley before moving to Carnoy on the 13th ahead of the proposed attack from Ginchy towards Lesboeufs. At 6.20 a.m. on the 15th the British artillery opened up a barrage on the German positions and the Guardsmen advanced some 30 yards behind this. The enemy were thought to be some 1000 yards away but were actually strongly entrenched much closer at around 250 yards. This plus the non-arrival of the British tanks led to a great deal of confusion. Despite this the advance continued and the first line of trenches was taken with most of the enemy killed and following a re-organisation of the advancing troops the attack continued and the second line of trenches was taken. However, this came at a very high cost to the Coldstream Guards as almost all of the officers had become casualties and the men had become split up and spread across the battlefield. Undaunted the battalion continued in action all day and into the next tenaciously holding on to the ground gained and taking large numbers of prisoners. By the end of the 16th the remnants of the battalion were relieved by troops of the 20th Division.

Of the 17 Officers and 690 Other Ranks who went into action only 3 Officers and 221 Other Ranks came out. One of those not to return was Cecil Jackson. His body was never recovered and he is commemorated on Pier and Face 7D & 8D of the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme. His name does not appear on the Parish War Memorial or the Roll of Honour.

On 28 March 1918 Cecil's brother, Evelyn Arthur, born in Cropwell Butler, also a Private in 1st Battalion, Coldstream Guards, died of wounds and is buried in St Hilaire Cemetery, France.



The area attacked by 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards on 15 September 1916.

To the left of the Guards Brigade was 5th Battalion, Oxfordshire & Buckinghamshire Light Infantry, one member of which was Private 32524 Bertie Reeve. Bertie was born in 1893 in Barnstone, the son of John and Sarah Reeve. John was a labourer at the Barnstone Lime Works but Bertie became a farm hand and in 1911 he was working for John Haseldine at Field Farm, Trowell.

On the outbreak of war Bertie was one of a group of men from the Parish who quickly volunteered for the Army. On 31 August 1914 he attested to join 8th Battalion, King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. However, he would only last with this unit until 21 November 1914, when he was discharged as being medically unfit for military service. Undeterred he enlisted in 1/8th Battalion, Sherwood Foresters, a Territorial Battalion with, possibly, lower medical standards. He then transferred at some time to 5th Battalion, Ox & Bucks Light Infantry. It is not known with which unit, but he arrived in France on 27 October 1915.

The Ox & Bucks were not involved in the Battle of the Somme until 24 August 1916 when they took part in an attack on the German trenches near Delville Wood and suffered heavy casualties. On 15 September the battalion was near Montaubon and under orders to advance through Delville Wood and capture the German stronghold at Gueudecourt. Reveille was at 4.00 a.m. and the battalion formed up in battle formation at 5.00 a.m. The attack started at 6.20 a.m. and the battalion made good progress and captured territory up to the Bulls Road Trench a little short of Gueudecourt. A large number of German prisoners were taken along with a number of machine guns and 8 field guns. The advance was halted at this point to match progress made by other units on either side of the Ox & Bucks. The Germans countered attacked and shelled Bulls Road with little success and the Ox & Bucks were relieved by troops from another division at 4.30 a.m on the 16th and returned to Montaubon.

Total casualties for the day were 8 Officers wounded, 14 Other Ranks killed, 119 wounded and 23 missing. Sadly, one of those killed was Bertie Reeve. He has no known grave and is also commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme on Pier 10A to 10D.

STATEMENT of the SERVICES of No. 13456. Name <i>Bertie Reeve</i>					
Corps in which served	Regt. or Depo	Promotions, Reductions, Casualties, etc.	Army Rank	Dates	Signature of Officers certifying correctness of Entries
				2. 9. 1914	
Service towards limited engagement reckons from 31-8-14					
Joined at <i>Southampton</i> on 31-8-14					
<i>404th S. B.</i>	<i>8th</i>	<i>Attended</i>	<i>Lt.</i>	<i>31-8-14</i>	<i>W. H. H. H.</i> <i>W. H. H. H.</i> <i>W. H. H. H.</i> <i>W. H. H. H.</i> <i>W. H. H. H.</i>
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"	"	<i>Posted</i>	"	<i>3-9-14</i>	
"	"	<i>Discharged</i>			
		<i>Medically unfit for Service.</i>		<i>21-11-14</i>	

Bertie Reeve's Army Record showing his discharge due to being medically unfit for military service in November 1914. Unfortunately, this would not save him from being killed in action in 1916.

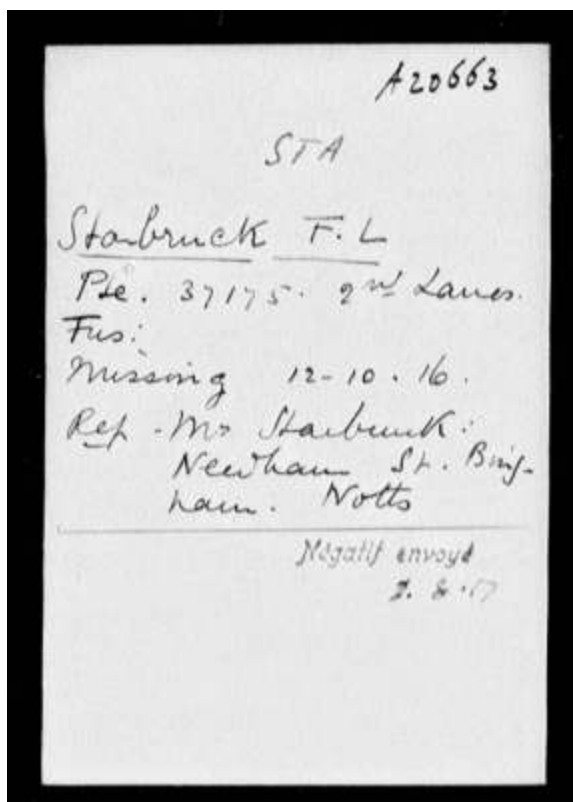
Almost 4 weeks later on 12 October, Private 371375 Frank Lawrence Starbuck, 2nd Battalion, Lancashire Fusiliers was to go into action for the last time. Frank was born in 1890 in Cotgrave, the sixth son of George and Emma Starbuck. Shortly after Frank's birth George died and Emma remarried in 1893 to George Wade of Barnstone with whom she had another son, Samuel Butler Wade.

By 1911 Frank was working as a farm labourer and living in Barnstone with his mother and stepfather. In 1915 he married Emily Howard and they lived at Newham Street, Bingham. It is not known when he enlisted but he served in France with "C" Company, 2nd Battalion, Lancashire Fusiliers.

On 12th October 1916 the battalion was in the front line near Trones Wood on the Somme battlefield arriving there on 9th October and suffered a number of casualties from enemy shellfire on the days leading up to the 12th. The objective for the battalion was to attack and capture a German trench called Zenith. Frank and his comrades assembled in a trench called Spectrum at 3.20 a.m. ahead of a zero hour of 2.25 p.m. Just before they were due to attack a group of Germans were seen to leave their trench and run to the British lines with their hands held up in an act of surrender. Seven of these were captured by Frank's "C" Company but the others were killed while crossing Noman's Land. At zero hour the battalion left Spectrum Trench and were immediately hit by machine gun and rifle fire resulting in mass casualties and confusion as to how the attack was progressing. Some of the battalion had made it to the German lines but others had been killed by machine gunners hidden in a small trench in front of Zenith that was found by Frank's Company Commander, Lieutenant J.W. Watkins, but had not been identified by reconnaissance prior to the attack. Due to the level of casualties the attack stalled and the next 12 hours or so was one of small groups of men sheltering in shell holes making the best of the situation until the decision to retire was made.

In total the battalion lost 4 Officers and 62 Other Ranks killed, 6 Officers and 162 Other Ranks wounded and 1 Officer and 100 Other Ranks Missing. Frank was one of the missing and a request to the Red Cross for information from the Germans dated 2 August 1917 confirmed that none was available and the War Office assumed that Frank had died on or after 12 October 1916 and Emily received confirmation of the sad news.

With no known grave Frank is another to be commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme on Pier and Face 3C & 3D. Initially, Frank was not listed on the Langar & Barnstone War Memorial when it was unveiled but his name was added later. He is also not listed on the Parish Roll of Honour. He is, however, commemorated on both the Radcliffe on Trent and Bingham war memorials.



Red Cross Report on Frank Starbuck showing that no information had been found. (left)

Frederick Wright's Medal Record Card (below)

Name	Corps	Rank	Regt. No.
WRIGHT	Notts & Derby R.	RA	5668
Frederick	R. War R.		27435
Name	Regt.	Page	Remarks
WRIGHT	2/104 B37	7970	
Frederick	- do -	- do -	
The date of War first served is Date of entry therein			

The final casualty occurred on 18 November 1916, the last official day of the Battle of the Somme. This was Private 27435 Frederick Wright, 10th Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment. Although Frederick is recorded on both the Parish Roll of Honour and on the War Memorial it has not proved possible to say exactly what his connection with the parish was other than he gave Barnstone as his place of residence on enlistment. He was born in 1889 in Bingham the son of Vincent and Ann Wright of Moor Lane , Bingham. Vincent was a Platelayer on the railway.

In 1911 Frederick was working as a Farm Labourer for Francis Marriott at Codnor Park Farm near Alfreton. Initially Frederick served with 1/7th Battalion, Sherwood Foresters, "The Robin Hoods", and then transferred to 10th Battalion, Royal Warwickshire Regiment. When he went to France is not known.

On 18 November 1916 the 10/RWR were part of an attack from the Old German Line (OG1) with the aim of capturing ground around the second Old German Line (OG2). Zero hour was 6.20 a.m. and the battalion set off following a creeping barrage. Attacking in a blizzard the battalion moved up Battery Valley but quickly became disorientated due to the poor visibility. German resistance was strong and the casualty rate was very high. Although a small number of troops made it to OG2, there were insufficient numbers to hold the position and the decision was taken to withdraw back to OG1. With this act the Battle of the Somme came to an end. In total the battalion lost 2 Officers and 17 Other Ranks killed, 7 Officers and 121 Other Ranks Wounded and 3 Officers and 65 Other Ranks Missing. It is likely that Frederick was one of the Missing as his records list his date of death as being on or since 18 November 1916.

Frederick also has no known grave and is commemorated on Pier 7, Face 9A, 9B & 10B of the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing of the Somme.

Nigel Wood

Recycle, Recycle, Recycle! by Claire Pegg

I recently had the opportunity of taking part in a group visit to Veolia's Materials Recovery Facility, (MRF), in Mansfield. It was a real eye opener! I consider myself to be a reasonably good 'recycler' but was surprised at the number of items that cannot be recycled, (shredded paper for one!), and how much more I could be recycling.

The MRF organises regular free open days with craft sessions. For more information contact Lesley Taylor, Recycling and Education Officer, e: lesley.taylor@veolia.com t: +44 (0)203 567 4391 m: 07900 197556 <http://www.veolia.co.uk/nottinghamshire/GetCraftyWithRecycling>

Lesley has included a list of recycling tips below based on experience of common mistakes found at the MRF plus some material facts and figures.

Useful Recycling Tips

Aerosol Cans

When empty put them in your recycling bin. Remove any plastic lids but do not try to remove the spray nozzle. Do not puncture or crush the can as they can explode.

Books

Paperbacks can go in your recycling bin but not hardbacks.

Plastic bottles

Remove bottle tops & rinse out before putting them into your recycling bin. The lids are removed because they are often a different type of plastic.

Metal Food Cans

Please rinse these out & then put them in the recycling bin

Cardboard

Dry cardboard can go in your recycling bin but please do not put wet cardboard in as it makes it difficult to sort the mixed recyclables.

Catalogues & Brochures

Soft backed catalogues can go in your recycling bin but please leave out hard backed versions

Egg Boxes

Cardboard egg boxes can go in your recycling bin but not plastic ones

Jiffy Bags

These cannot go in your recycling bin as they contaminate the paper recycling

Yoghurt Pots & Margarine Tubs

Please rinse out & remove the lids before putting them in your recycling bin. The lids are often a different type of plastic

Shredded Paper

Most dry paper can go in your recycling bin but please do not put in shredded paper as the small pieces can cause problems in the machinery used to sort the recyclables.

Cereal Boxes

Please take out the inner plastic bag before putting these in your recycling bin

Pizza Box

Do not put these in your recycling bin as they are contaminated with food waste

Sunday Newspaper Magazines

These can go in your recycling bin but if they are in a plastic bag please remove this first as plastic bags are not suitable for recycling

Wrapping Paper & Cards

These can go in your recycling bin but not if they have glitter on them or are made from foil

Common mistakes people make when recycling at home

These things **do not** go in your recycling bin at home:

Bubble wrap	Aluminium	Foil	Carrier Bags & Bin Liners
Clothing	Fruit punnets	Food Sachets	Food Trays
Pizza Trays	Glass	Shredded Paper	Crisps Packets
Bottle Tops	Hard Plastics	Jiffy Bags	Polystyrene
Nappies	Plastic Wrappers	Large Metal Items	Juice Cartons
			Wood

Material Facts & Figures

INTRODUCTION

- UK recycling saves 10 – 15 million tonnes of carbon emissions a year. That is equal to taking 3.5 million cars off the road
- Manufacturing using recycled materials uses 75 – 95% less energy than using raw materials

PAPER

- In the UK we use 12.5 million tonnes of paper a year
- A forest the size of Wales is need to supply the paper consumed in the UK every year
- Recycling paper cuts down on energy use and CO2
- 1 tonne of paper requires 17 fully grown trees
- If everyone in the UK recycled 10% extra waste paper we could save 5 million trees a year
- Every tonne of paper recycled saves enough energy to power a home for 1 year.

STEEL

- The UK produces 13 billion steel cans each year which is enough to stretch to the moon and back 3 times
- Every UK household uses an average of 600 steel cans per year
- All new steel products in the UK from paper clips to bridges contain up to 57% recycled steel
- Steel is the most recycled metal in the world
- Recycling a can uses 95% less energy than making one from new

ALUMINIUM

- Aluminium is extracted from Bauxite ore
- 9 billion aluminium drinks cans are sold in the UK every year
- Last year in the UK we recycled 3.5 billion tonnes of aluminium
- Recycling 1 can saves enough energy to run a TV for 3 hours
- 75% of aluminium ever produced is still in use
- Aluminium is an 'infinitely' recyclable material

PLASTIC

- In the UK we use 15 million plastic bottles every day
- We now use 20 times as much plastic as we did 50 years ago
- In a recent beach 'clean up' 8000 plastic bottles were collected- that is an average of 160 per mile of beach
- Only half of the plastic bottles used in the UK are currently recycled
- Recycling a single plastic bottle saves enough energy to light a 60w bulb for 6 hours.

Barnstone Plant has been progressing well since the last update back in May. As is common in this situation, our new owners CRH have been taking their time in learning about their new acquisition. We have also been getting used to their structures and protocols and looking for plants within our area that we can team up with for mutual learning and sharing of best practice. We, at Barnstone, are lucky in that we have a sister CRH plant just up the road in Newark. Their manager has already paid us a visit and attended our Health & Safety meeting and we intend to reciprocate in the near future. On the production front sales have held up reasonably and as yet we have seen no effect of the Brexit vote although it is very early days.

Our busiest time of the year is now coming to its end and just as the retail industry begins planning for the next Christmas even before the last bunting has been removed from the present so we are now planning for 2017 Spring/Summer. For us, for the remainder of this year is our opportunity to stand each one of our 4 packers down in turn and to carry out some much needed cleaning and maintenance. Like all machinery the better it is maintained the more reliable and robust it becomes. However as our machines process very abrasive materials such as sand and cement it becomes a war of attrition and whilst we do all we can to fend off the effects of these products, over time the equipment does wear.

To give it some context, it would be like driving your car as per normal and then, just for fun, now and again adding a wee teaspoon of sand into the oil filler cap! The outcome would be interesting. To deal with the inevitable wear and tear we have on site a very talented and dedicated engineering function comprising some 20 people. Included within this number are a range of skills encompassing mechanical, electrical, PLC programming, design, project management and many more, in fact everything that is needed to be self sufficient and self reliant. This gives the works great strength as it means we do not have to rely on machine manufacturers or service engineers, except in extreme circumstances to repair our plant. This gives us quick breakdown response times and improved run times.

As for the future, we are training 3 apprentices at the moment with a view to starting more in the future. We offer a comprehensive well funded 4 year apprenticeship, so is well worth considering when the opportunity arises.

From the outside Barnstone plant may look a very industrial environment and not at all welcoming to our furred and feathered friends.

However looks can be deceptive as within our bounds live a wide variety of wildlife including Muntjac Deer, foxes, rabbits, peregrine falcons, butterflies and our very favourite visitors who have returned and bred for the second year in succession the swallow family. They breed in the wash room and the grainy picture below shows the fledglings in 2015 perched on the paper towel rack, resting, during their “work up flight” period.



I hope that they are some of the birds that returned to us this year! Although looking at the way their parent is shouting at them I wouldn't be surprised if they stayed away!

Kind Regards -
Chris Stephens

VFR in Bingham and The Vale recognised with the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service for 2016

The Vale First Responders have been awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, the highest award given to local volunteer groups, having the standing of an MBE. Recognising the outstanding work they perform within their communities. Minister for Civil Society, Rob Wilson, said: "I would like to congratulate all groups who received this award in recognition of their fantastic achievements. The huge amount of work and commitment these organisations put into their local communities is surpassed only by the passion and motivation of the individuals who volunteer."

What sets this award aside is the fact that they were nominated by local people who have previously benefited from the services VFR provide. The Trustees of Vale Responders were first interviewed by the Deputy Lord Lieutenants of Nottinghamshire, followed by the interviewing of EMAS personnel in relation to the support Vale Responders provided to the Ambulance Service. The application still then had to go through selection at the cabinet office, the prime minister's office and eventually the Palace itself for final approval. Upon notification of the award, Henry and Gill Clark, founding members of Vale Responders, were asked by the group to represent them at a Buckingham Palace garden party where they met the Queen and other royalty.

"We are overwhelmed by the public support and are honoured to receive the Queen's Award in recognition of our voluntary work for our local communities. This is a fantastic achievement for a very dedicated group of people. It's a complete privilege to call them all my friends and colleagues" says Rod Whitehead, VFR Chairman and EMAS Coordinator.

Based in Bingham and in the villages throughout the Vale of Belvoir, Vale First Responders has been in existence since April 2005 and have attended well over 3,000 emergency calls.

Made up entirely of volunteers, VFR are a team of around 18 qualified, experienced responders, drawing their team from Bingham and the Vale of Belvoir, responding to emergencies in local villages. Often arriving within minutes of the 999 call, the team are trained to beyond the nationally recognised "FPOS" standard at both level 2 and level 3, and support EMAS (East Midlands Ambulance Service) on scene pending the arrival of an ambulance crew. They are always looking for additional volunteers.

No previous medical experience is necessary, full training, uniform etc., is provided so all you need is a willingness to help others and a few hours to spare. If you think that might be you then come and help us to save lives - go to www.valeresponders.com or email join@valeresponders.com

NOTES

Vale First Responders is a registered charity number 1115596

It was founded in Harby, Leicestershire in April 2005 and still has many original members on the team.



BELVOIR HEALTH GROUP

Bingham, Cotgrave & Cropwell Bishop

FLU CLINICS 2016

For patients 65+, in a clinical risk group or pregnant women

Patients who are registered with our Bingham, Cotgrave & Cropwell Bishop surgeries are welcome to attend any of our flu clinics irrespective of where you are registered

At this year's FLU clinics, if you are eligible, you can also have a SHINGLES & PNEUMONIA vaccination at the same time as your annual flu vaccination.

CLINIC DATES

Patients under the age of 17 years should not attend these clinics as they will be invited to attend clinics at a later date

Bingham	Saturday	17 th September 2016	9.00am – 3.30pm
Cotgrave	Thursday	22 nd September 2016	2.00pm – 6.30pm
Cropwell Bishop	Tuesday	27 th September 2016	2.00pm – 6.30pm
Cotgrave	Thursday	6 th October 2016	2.00pm – 6.30pm
Cropwell Bishop	Tuesday	11 th October 2016	2.00pm – 6.30pm

THESE ARE DROP IN CLINICS YOU DO NOT NEED AN APPOINTMENT

Bingham Medical Centre
Newgate Street
Bingham
Nottingham
NG13 8FD

Cotgrave Surgery
Candleby Lane
Cotgrave
Nottingham
NG12 3JG

Cropwell Bishop Surgery
Fern Road
Cropwell Bishop
Nottingham
NG12 3BU

THE VALE MEDICAL GROUP FLU VACCINATION CLINIC & HEALTH FAIR

SAT 15th OCTOBER (9.00-12.00 NOON)
LONG CLAWSON VILLAGE HALL

Patients are asked to book their appointment for their vaccination via Reception at their Surgery. The theme of our Health Fair this year is Life Style Choices. What can we do to maintain good general health?

What worries us after retirement? Can we delay the onset of problems such as Falls, Loneliness, Dementia?

Meet the people working both inside and outside the NHS who will be happy to explain or demonstrate their work. Examples are:

- Leics, Derbyshire and Rutland Air Ambulance
- Leics Stop Smoking Service
- Leics Health Watch
- Melton Sports and Health
- Health Care Assistants who can measure your BMI, blood pressure, and find your blood group.
- Long Clawson First Response CPR demonstration
- Melton Foot Clinic
- University of the Third Age for healthy body and mind.
- View the Health Poster Competition by local school children

There will also be an opportunity to talk to your PPG who are very interested to listen to your views about your Surgery and healthy refreshments will be served by Harby WI!!

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Parish Council Meetings

Generally held on the 3rd Thursday of each month except August. Full meeting calendar available on the website under **Your Council**.

Members of the public are welcome to attend all Parish Council meetings. There is a special Open Session at the start of each meeting between 7.30 – 7.45pm, for residents to ask questions or raise items of interest.

Agendas and Minutes are available on the village noticeboards and on the website at www.langarbarnstone.com

Future Meeting Dates

2016

Thursday 20th October
Thursday 17th November
Thursday 15th December

Articles for next newsletter (March) should be sent either directly to Heather Whitaker (lbparishmag@gmail.com) or to the Clerk or any member of the Parish Council.

Deadline 6th November for publication approximately early December

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Saturday 17 September 2016 7.30pm

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Enescu:

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