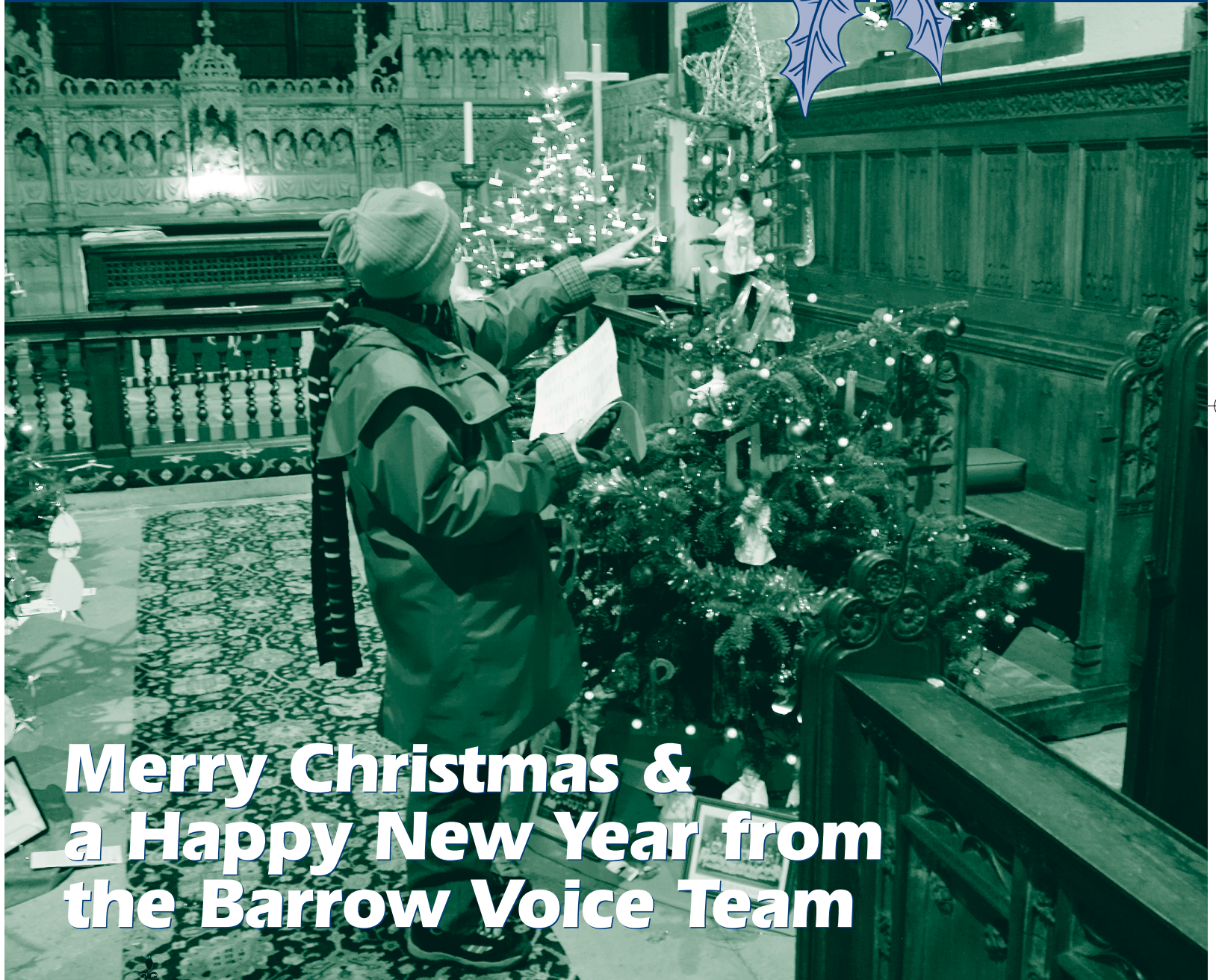


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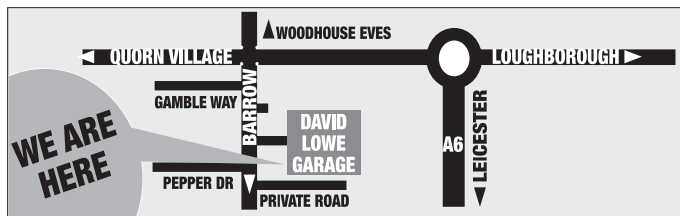


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4. Bring to the boil, stirring occasionally.
5. Simmer for 10 minutes
6. Serve hot straight from the saucepan.

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## Editorial

# Memorable year

**Christmas is coming .. and I couldn't let it get to the end of the year without the usual thanks - to our advertisers and loyal band of distributors, to the people at Mulberry Square and to the Barrow Voice team.**

This has been a memorable year with the publication of our 100<sup>th</sup> edition of BV in this format. Many of you commented how much you enjoyed the special colour edition and we had great fun a skittles evening to mark the occasion.

The Barrow Voice team members are all volunteers and give time as and when work and family commitments allow. If you are interested in joining the team and would like to come along to our next meeting and see what's involved please get in touch.

Have a great Christmas and see you in the New Year.

*The Editor*

## Barrow wins Best Village Award

**Keen-eyed residents will have noticed an addition to the Cotes Road corner area. It is the Leicester Mercury sponsored Best Village Award sign, won by Barrow in the Leicestershire & Rutland Best Village Competition (for villages with a population over 5,000).**

So how has this come about? In March a small group of parish councillors met to produce Barrow's entry. With the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline looming, they and Parish Clerk Lesley Bell, are to be congratulated in submitting such a comprehensive but concise bid.

The competition is divided into seven categories but every entry must include 'Building community life' and in addition Barrow chose 'Village Venture' and 'Older People'. Under the first category, the village was easy to promote. Here is an excerpt from the submission:

'Barrow offers something for all its residents, from the youngest to the oldest, from the fittest to the less so; it caters for wide and varied interests and has a vibrant and caring community. We have thriving shops, library, excellent schools and pre-school groups, comprehensive health care, good transport links and pubs, restaurants and takeaways to suit most tastes. We have good children's play areas and the Council of Churches is reinvigorating Christian life within the village.'

### Community spirit and inclusion

Answering 14 searching questions under the headings 'Community spirit and

inclusion', 'People in need' and 'Facilities and activities', the group was able to highlight what makes Barrow a lively place. Community groups together with contact numbers are listed in the Community Association publication 'Who Goes' (available at the Library and on the village website [www.barrowuponsoar.org.uk](http://www.barrowuponsoar.org.uk)) and you may be surprised at their number and range including sport, keep fit and slimming, groups for young and older people, gardening, panto, dance, churches and twinning. A grand total of 15 annual events are held from Christmas lights and street fair to the summer bike rides. The community and parish council websites, Barrow Voice and other newsletters and notice boards keep villagers informed.

Mike Morley, chair of the Millennium Group produced an interesting entry for the Village Venture category. He described the conception and progress of the Millennium Park, its time zone and sculpture. Native tree planting, wild flowers and future ambitious plans for the Delph Hole were all featured.

### A hive of activity and fun

In the 'Best project by or for elderly people', Tina Long of the Bishop Beveridge Club president and her committee wrote a compelling submission. Did you know that their membership is 110+. Their extensive activities and support for their members is astonishing. Owning its own beautifully maintained premises, the Club is a hive of activity, fun and information. If you are over 60 and not a member, you are missing out!



The judges toured the village unaccompanied and then met Parish Council, Millennium Group and Bishop Beveridge Club representatives before visiting both sites. The results which were announced later at the Leicester Mercury building were:

Winner of the Best Village Award (over 5000 people) – Barrow upon Soar - £500  
Winner of Category 6 (Older People) – Bishop Beveridge Club - £300.

Tina Long accepted the well-deserved award from Coun. Marie Slater at a club meeting which included cake and champagne. PC chair Ted Rodgers received the village award from Lady Martin on behalf of Barrow. It recognises that community life is thriving, with voluntary and community groups working alongside the Parish Council to make Barrow a desirable and enjoyable place to live – and certainly a busy one!

*Lilian Middleton*

*With thanks to the Parish Council for supplying information for this article.*



# Barrow Scouts to celebrate 50 years

**On Saturday May 5th 1956 the Scout Headquarters was officially opened by Sir Arthur Curtis, the Leicestershire Scout County Commissioner. No doubt many readers will be able to recall the day the opening took place in the early evening to avoid clashing with the FA Cup Final in the afternoon!**



*Official opening by Sir Arthur Curtis  
Scout leaders and committee circa 1950*

Cubs and scouts from the surrounding villages attended the event, together with guides and brownies from Barrow. The day was the culmination of many years of hard work by a volunteer group of leaders and committee members which included the raising of the money required to purchase the derelict piece of land, known as Freestone Square and the installation of the prefabricated structure. The building shell was made and erected by John Ellis Ltd, the local concrete product manufacturer but the foundations were dug by volunteers and the final fit out carried out in a similar fashion.

Over the past 50 years several generations of young people have enjoyed the facilities initially started by a group of far sighted people who have left a legacy which the whole village can be grateful for and proud of. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the official opening, the Scout Group will be holding an open day on Saturday May 6th 2006 when anyone in the community is invited to visit, particularly past uniformed and lay members. The afternoon will consist of

various activities by the present day members and photographic displays depicting the past five decades of scouting in Barrow. If you have any memorabilia which you would like to loan or donate to the



*Back row: F Thompson, D Hudson, F Court, J Wright, E Barker  
Middle: G Clarke, W Scragg, L Elphick, J Houseley, F Wilford  
Front: D Hudson, B Harbour, E Clarke, I Court, J Wright*

group, please contact Trevor Ranson, Group Scout Leader; tel 01509 416928.

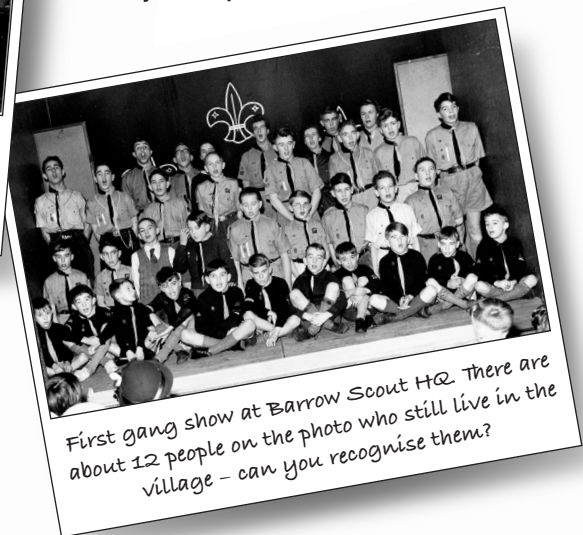
In the 50 years since the Headquarters was opened, there have been changes. The world has moved on but the basic Scouting principles have not altered. The names and uniforms may have changed – boy scouts, wolf cubs, short trousers and large pointed hats may have gone but in their place are scouts, cub scouts, beavers and

explorers, all offering a full and wide range of activities designed to cater for young people from 6+.

Camping and the outdoors still remain an important and fundamental aspect of Scouting and opportunities still exist for members around the world to join together and meet. Our Scout Group is planning to join in 'Charnwood 2006', a locally organised camp next year at Long Whatton, which is attracting scouts from all over the world. Opportunities also exist for the younger beavers and cub scouts to meet and take part in activity days.

Barrow Scout Headquarters has been the venue for a lot of fun and activities over this past 50 years and with a waiting list of 40+, this is likely to continue for the foreseeable future. The Scout organisation celebrates its centenary in 2007 and Barrow Scout Group plan to organise some activities in the village suitable for everyone to join in.

**John Wilford**



*First gang show at Barrow Scout HQ. There are about 12 people on the photo who still live in the village – can you recognise them?*



## News

# Willow Way – the latest information

Unfortunately, there is little, new, to add to my report in the last Barrow Voice (Issue 101, Autumn 2005). There was a delay in the developers submitting detailed plans to Charnwood Borough Council and at the time of writing this, mid November 2005, the planning committee has not yet debated the application.

My guess is that the plans will be approved and work will start in the New Year with the building of the distributor road. Rumour has it that the various

landholders have been paid and the developers now own the land they need in full. I think that that means that they are now confident that the estate WILL be built in the near future.

There has been concern within the Parish Council that the promised payments to the community – for the school, the Health Centre, and so on – may not all be obtained. As I understand it, the developers are obliged to pay as promised and intend to do so but if the detailed proposals are changed too much (eg if the highway authorities at County

level decide that it is not feasible to make the cycleway at the Soar Bridge precisely as proposed) then the promised money may be lost. The Parish Council is keeping a close eye on this and is determined to fight for the best deal for the village.

Arthur Gardner

## The Parish Plan is nearly done!

**'The Parish Plan is in draft and will be completed very early in the New Year' says Arthur Gardner, Chair of the Steering Group. At an open meeting in Bishop Beveridge Club, 15 November 2005, the Parish Plan team gave a first public airing of the community's 'wish list' of improvements to the village.**

2300 questionnaires were distributed to all households earlier in the year and the 1190 replies have now been analysed - a mammoth task! The results form a huge database of 65 pages of numerical tables and written comments. All the data will be put onto the village website with copies for the library and the Parish Offices so that anyone interested can see the results for themselves.

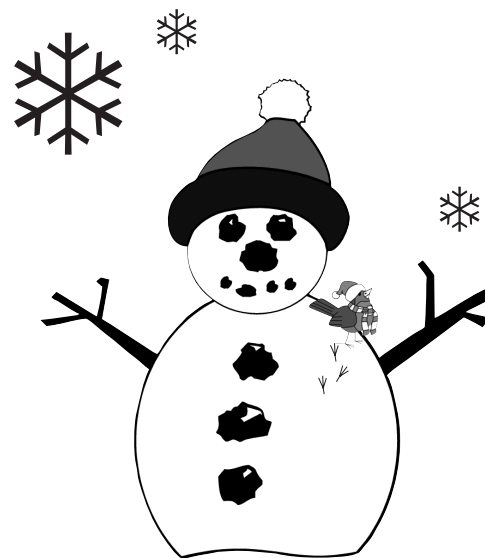
The team has identified 24 high-priority issues which they recommend should form the basis for the Parish Plan. These cover topics such as 'keep Barrow an attractive place to live', 'improve the traffic flows', 'maintain a wide variety of

shops in the village', 'make the health services more accessible', 'make better provision for young people', 'improve the sports and social facilities', 'create an even better sense of community', and 'enable the funding of local activities'. Within each such heading, they have recommended a number of specific targets which are the priorities for action.

The next steps are to finalise the report and send it to the funding authorities and service providers at county level (eg the County Council, the Primary Care Trust, the Police) to tell them what the village wants. There will then be a second open meeting - the official launch of the Parish Plan, hopefully in January - at which the various authorities attend and ask questions about our requests. They then undertake to respond to our Plan with comments about what they see as possible.

To make the plan happen, we will form several Action Groups of volunteers from the village who will look into ways of following-up the recommendations in

the Parish Plan so that the actions are community led. About 120 people have already said they want to know more about these Action Groups. Please send your name to Arthur Gardner (95 Cotes Rd) if you want to help make Barrow an even better place to live. Tell him what you are interested in and he will tell you how to get involved





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## People

# J Brooker and Son

**When I arrived to talk to John Brooker about the end of an era of horticulture for him and his family in Barrow, he was supervising the dismantling of what remained of the greenhouses at the family's nurseries on Cotes Road. John commented that he did feel sad to see all of it go but also realised that the time had come for him and his wife, Margaret, to welcome their retirement. They will enjoy having the time to relax but will also, I am sure, reflect on some of the happy times they have had working for the family business.**

John was keen to emphasise that what he had to say about the family firm should concentrate on the work that his mother and father spent building it up to a flourishing nursery, producing, at its peak, 60,000 plants a year, including geraniums, fuchsias, begonias, pansies, 7,500 bedding plants plus planting 30,000 chrysanthemums and over a ton of daffodil bulbs for cut flowers and 5,000 pot plants each Christmas. I feel exhausted just typing out these details but what an amazing achievement for a small family business!



Jack Brooker came to Leicestershire, from Kent, in 1922. He and his wife Dorothy moved to Barrow with their young son John in June 1950. They came to live at the Old King Bill on the corner of Church Street. This piece of information, John tells me, solves a question posed in a previous Barrow Voice when Jenny Hamilton asked who lived there after 1949.

Mr Brooker, senior had always been keen to start his own business and saw this as the ideal opportunity to begin in a small way. He built two 10 foot greenhouses, at the back of the Old King Bill and started to grow bedding plants for selling locally.

At this time he was employed by Ind Coope and Allsopp to clear the gardens at the Lodge Hotel in South Street. The gardens here were a total wilderness as during the last war servicemen had been billeted there and looking after the gardens was not a priority. Jack also did gardening work around the village and bar work at the Lodge. One of the bar regulars was Harry Perkins the local builder. Harry owned the land, on South Street, next door to the Lodge and Jack saw the potential for this piece of land as a site for his expanding horticultural business. In 1953, a deal was struck between the two business men and in exchange for the planting of privet hedges on Babington Road, The Retreat and Ellis Close, that Mr Perkins had recently finished building, he agreed to Jack renting this plot of land.

This gave Jack the opportunity to build more and larger

greenhouses where he grew bedding plants, tomatoes, lettuce, cucumbers, pot plants and flowers for cutting. Harry Perkins built two houses on the front of the South Street site. Jack, Dorothy and John moved to one of these in 1955. Also, at this time Jack worked at Drivers factory, on Sileby Road, from midnight to 6am where he cleaned the hosiery machines. He would come home at 6 in the morning, go to bed for a few hours and then get up to work in the greenhouses. All of this hard work paid off when Jack was able to buy his rented land in 1958.

Dorothy was also very much involved with the business. She had spent some time at Mr Powells' flower shop, in Loughborough, working and learning floristry skills. This enabled Brookers to provide splendid bouquets and flowers for weddings and funerals. There was a time when they provided the flowers for the majority of village weddings and they were supplying sprays and wreaths for four local funeral directors.

When John married, in 1970, his wife Margaret joined the business, having been trained in floristry skills by Dorothy. In 1981 the families moved to the Cotes Road site mainly because of the lack of parking space in South Street.

Many were sceptical about this move and commented that customers would not want the long walk up to Cotes Road to buy their tomatoes. However, Jack, Dorothy, John and Margaret were keen to concentrate their efforts and future development of the business on plants and flowers. This is the time when they were producing plants and flowers by the tens of thousands. Some years they were selling up





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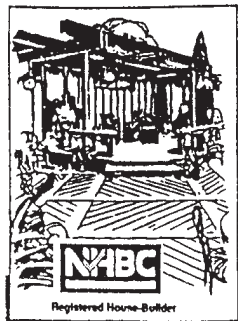
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## People

to 2000 hanging baskets alone and not just to the locals. Brookers' hanging baskets have gone as far afield as Derbyshire, Oxford, Carlisle and London in the UK and have even made it across the English Channel to friends of a customer in France.

Dorothy and Margaret had to give up the floristry side of the business in 1990 but both of them were still actively involved in other ways. Sadly, Dorothy died in 1998 and Jack became ill three months ago and is in hospital. However, John and Margaret have continued to wind things up at the Cotes Road site.

I asked John about the best and the worst bits of his lifetime working with his family and the plants. He was quick to tell me

that the worst was the worry of going to bed on a night when the wind was howling, listening for the sound of shattering glass. Similarly, on frosty nights when he needed to be sure that the boilers were working. If they broke down he would have to get standby heaters working to save the plants from the cold.

The best thing he says has been the people that have worked with them. Many of them have been customers, who have subsequently become friends and have then helped out, usually for therapeutic reasons. In fact Dr Shirreffs used to comment that Brookers was better than any convalescent home as it was a place for people to meet together while they did some 'pricking out' of the seedlings and to talk with friends.

John and Margaret will continue to live in their bungalow on Cotes Road and are looking forward to their retirement. They will have the time to pursue their hobbies and I am sure they will reflect, as I mentioned earlier, on many of the people that have worked with them at both South Street and Cotes Road and the happy times they have had with them.

*Ginny Willcocks*

### **J Brooker and Son 1953-2005**

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## Hall Orchard welcomes new head

Jane McKay, the new head teacher at Hall Orchard School, has been teaching for 20 years and before coming to Barrow was Head Teacher at Keyworth Primary & Nursery School for four years. The total number of pupils at Barrow is approximately 70% more than at Keyworth, so quite a challenge in the 'getting to know you stakes'. Hall Orchard gets the thumbs up from Jane, who thinks that it is a lovely school and the staff have been very supportive of their new Head.



Jane's vision for the future is to keep all the positives within the school, and also to strive for even higher standards and attainments, so that each one of the children reaches his or her potential. The children must always come first.

Speaking to Jane she comes over as a very bubbly, happy person, one that cares a great deal for the children in her care. I'm sure this will be reflected throughout the school, so welcome to Hall Orchard, Jane. May your Headship be a long, happy and rewarding one.

*Val Gillings*





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Audio-only models such as the Netgear MP-101 are available and more expensive models include the D-Link DSM-320 and Netgear MP-115 which play audio and video.

Other brands include Pinnacle Systems, Roku and Buffalo

There are several alternatives available and I suggest research on the Internet using a search engine to find one that meets your requirements and budget.

Remember to ensure your wireless network has secure encryption enabled to prevent unauthorised access to your data and broadband connection.

Have a Merry Christmas!

*Ian Knowles*

## It truly is a snout thing

Oh, the local businesses I talk to for these articles just get better and better. For this issue I met with Emma Barker of Snout – a vibrant and modern designer textile and homewares business, the brain child of a husband and wife partnership - he being an artist and interior designer whilst she is a textile artist and creative dynamo.

Obviously, I was intrigued by the name – nothing to do with pigs I was assured – Snout actually reflects the ability of dogs to sniff out unusual and unique things.

Having lived here in Barrow for the previous five years, Emma and her partner established Snout as a website 18 months ago (<http://www.snoutthings.co.uk/>). Already the site showcases a wide range of items: from children's T shirts featuring rockets and funky fairies; through chunky, nubby shrugs and scarves; textural handbags that are even more attractive in the flesh; all the way to highly detailed, limited edition botanical illustration prints and home furnishings of cushions, napkins and the most desirable tableware in surprising materials – timber and leather. One of the outstanding qualities of the business is its personal touch. As items are made in small quantities or to order, it is often possible for customers to specify colour ways or design tweaks – perfect if you need a handbag to go with a special outfit or you want your place mats to match your dining room décor.

Snout, as well as being available on line, has been seen at charity events being displayed by catwalk models and has a presence in outlets in Nottingham, Buxton, Leicester and Sleaford. More locally, Emma has recently held shows in the Roundhouse and has more planned for the future. Local support for previous shows has been positive and naturally it is hoped that many more villagers will enjoy viewing the products on offer.

I for one have a certain drill T shirt at the top of my Christmas shopping list but shh... – don't tell my husband or son!

*Laura Hegarty*

## Webbie Wonders

For this edition, what could be better than a trip around the best Christmas websites?

For starters, let's try <http://www.santasearch.org/> Here you can not only write a letter to Santa, read what others have written or send an e- card: you can also read Santa's journal, investigate Christmas traditions, play games, listen to Christmas tunes and even find out what the weather is like at the North Pole

By the time this edition comes to you, the best Santa tracking website of all <http://www.noradsanta.org/> should be on line. All I can say is – go and see on Christmas Eve!

If you want to worry yourself about how little time you have left to do all of the things you have to do to prepare for the big event, how about <http://www.blackdog.net/holiday/christmas/countdown.html> - there's lots of child friendly Christmas stuff on this site too!

Ever seen a disco dancing santa? Try <http://www.northpole.com/Clubhouse/DancingSanta/> and see if you can keep a straight face

Finally – I was astounded to find a religious explanation for 'The Twelve Days of Christmas' at <http://smatterings.topcities.com/partridge.html> . I've no idea whether the claims are true, but it makes for interesting reading

May you all have a happy and peaceful holiday season.





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## Letters

## Loughborough Shopmobility

Loughborough Shopmobility, in common with all registered members of the federation does have copies of the 'Shopmobility Directory' and could at least advise on the availability of federated shopmobilities in other areas.

Loughborough Shopmobility is free to use, but membership is necessary (at no cost). On the first visit a little extra time is required to complete the registration forms (proof of identity will be required), instructions and assessment of individual's ability to use the equipment will be provided.

On Friday only it is possible for the John Storer House Community Bus to collect Shopmobility users and their helpers from their own homes; the return journey following about four hours shopping time in the town centre

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**Sileby Road**

*This is a follow up to Olwen Spiers' feature on services for disabled people. If anyone has any further information which they would like publicising, please get in touch.*

## 'Seasonal horror'

**I have just read of yet another 'seasonal horror'. It is the nightmare scenario of a child balancing near railings, falling and impaling themselves and dying (Daily Mirror, 23 September 2005).**

Why does this happen at this time of year? – because of conker collecting. I see the same setting by the side of Holy Trinity Church. Every year I see eager children (often watched by their parents) clambering around the churchyard and I dread a tragedy happening. Could the spikes be sawn off? It wouldn't necessarily detract from their function and it would be safer.

I don't profess to know all the answers and I do make mistakes but this has really bothered me for ages. Can something be done?

**Sandra Chamberlain**

**Beaumont Road**



## Out of the loop?

**I could not find any reference to the proposed Car Park and Picnic Area on Fishpool Way adjacent to the Millennium Park. Have I over looked this in your publication or are you, like the rest of us, completely out of the loop as far as the Parish Council are concerned?**

I feel the Parish Council is being very underhanded at getting this proposal through. There are no planning notices on any of the surrounding lamp post that are normal when proposed plans are being put forward. In addition to that only a handful of people on the Fishpool Way estate have been informed about this development. If those individuals had not seen fit to inform the rest of the estate what was going on just metres from their homes none of us would have been any the wiser.

Up to now we have been well informed about all the developments that have been carried out on Fishpool Way so why has this particular plan been brought in via the back door?

I would be interested if anyone else knows about this proposed Car Park and Picnic area or is it just the Parish Council and the odd resident that they informed?

**Susan Sharpe**

### **When asked for a comment on the subject of the proposed car park, the Parish Council had this to say:**

The idea of creating a car park so that people could visit the Millennium Park without leaving their cars on Fishpool Way has been suggested and discussed at Parish Council meetings and minuted ever since the land was transferred to Parish Council ownership approximately four years ago. All PC minutes are displayed in the PC office window, in the library and on the PC website.

Recently, the PC submitted a planning application for a car park in the enclosed green space between Brook Lane Farm and Nottingham Road. The Charnwood Borough Council

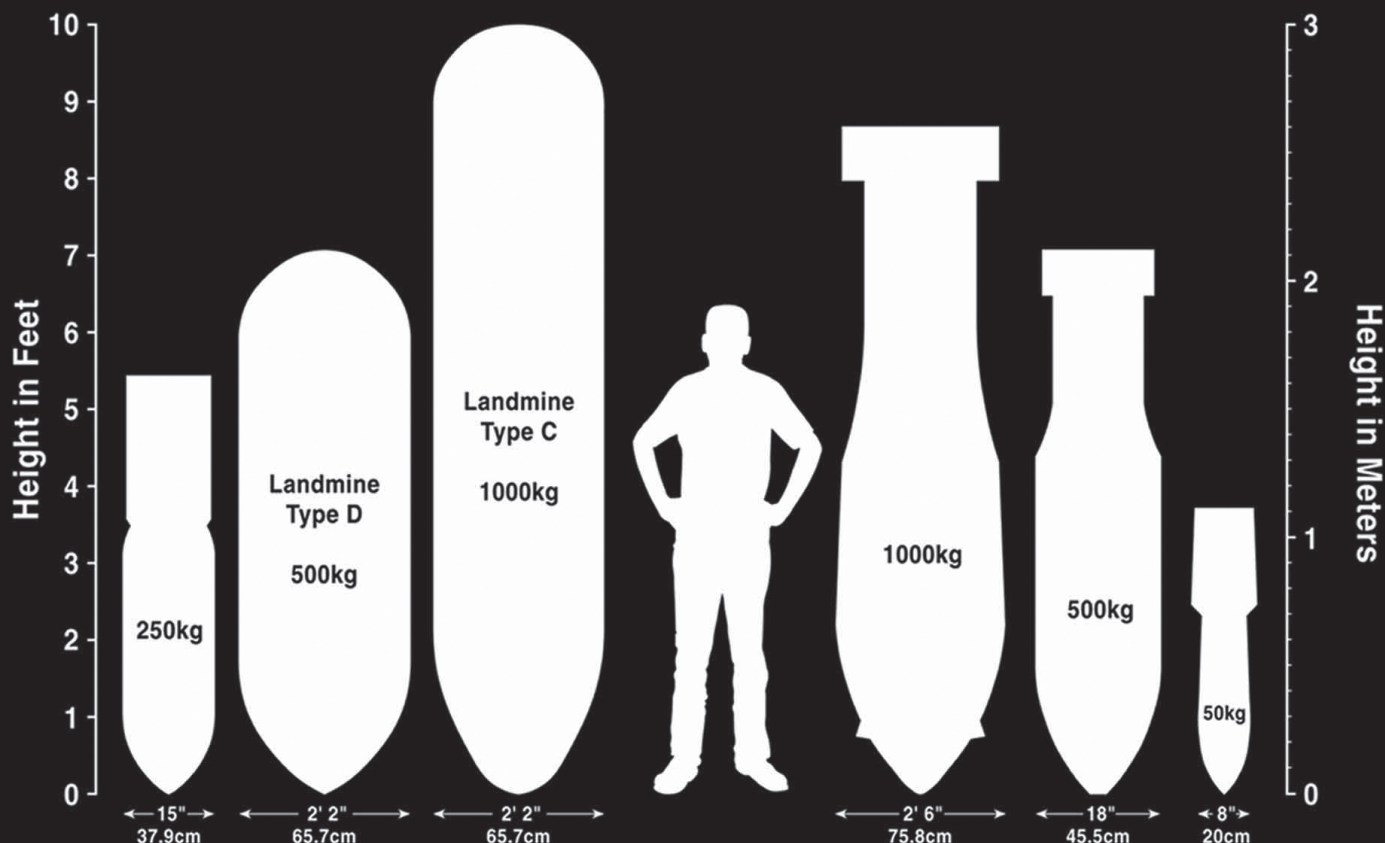
Planning Department is currently considering this application and will have notified the households that might be directly affected, as is their remit. The Parish Council will not be able to make comment about the application because it is an "interested party". However, several letters from residents have been received and they will be very seriously considered, as an agenda item, at the PC meeting on December 6th, starting at 7.15pm. As always, the public are very welcome to attend these meetings and take part in the Public Participation slot (which nowadays is scheduled to be much earlier in the meeting than previously).

*Barrow Voice will be following up this issue in the next edition.*



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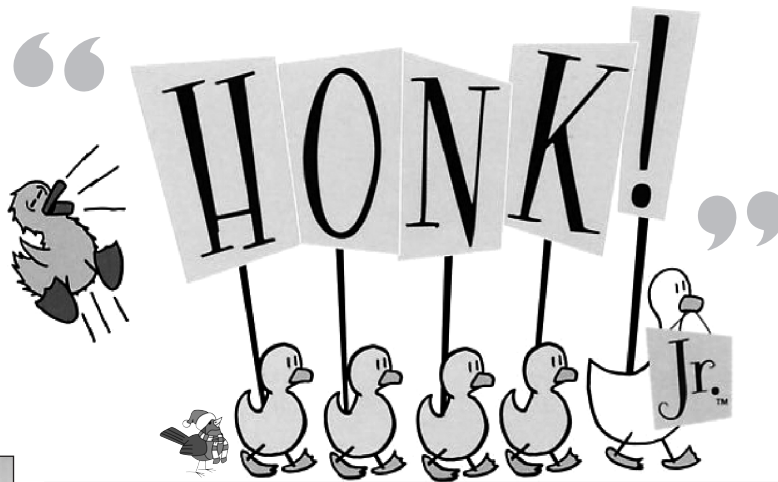
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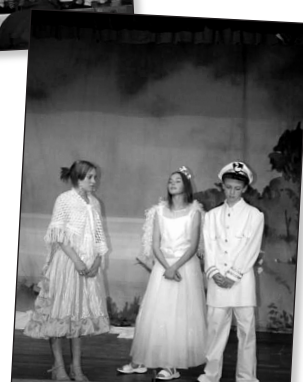
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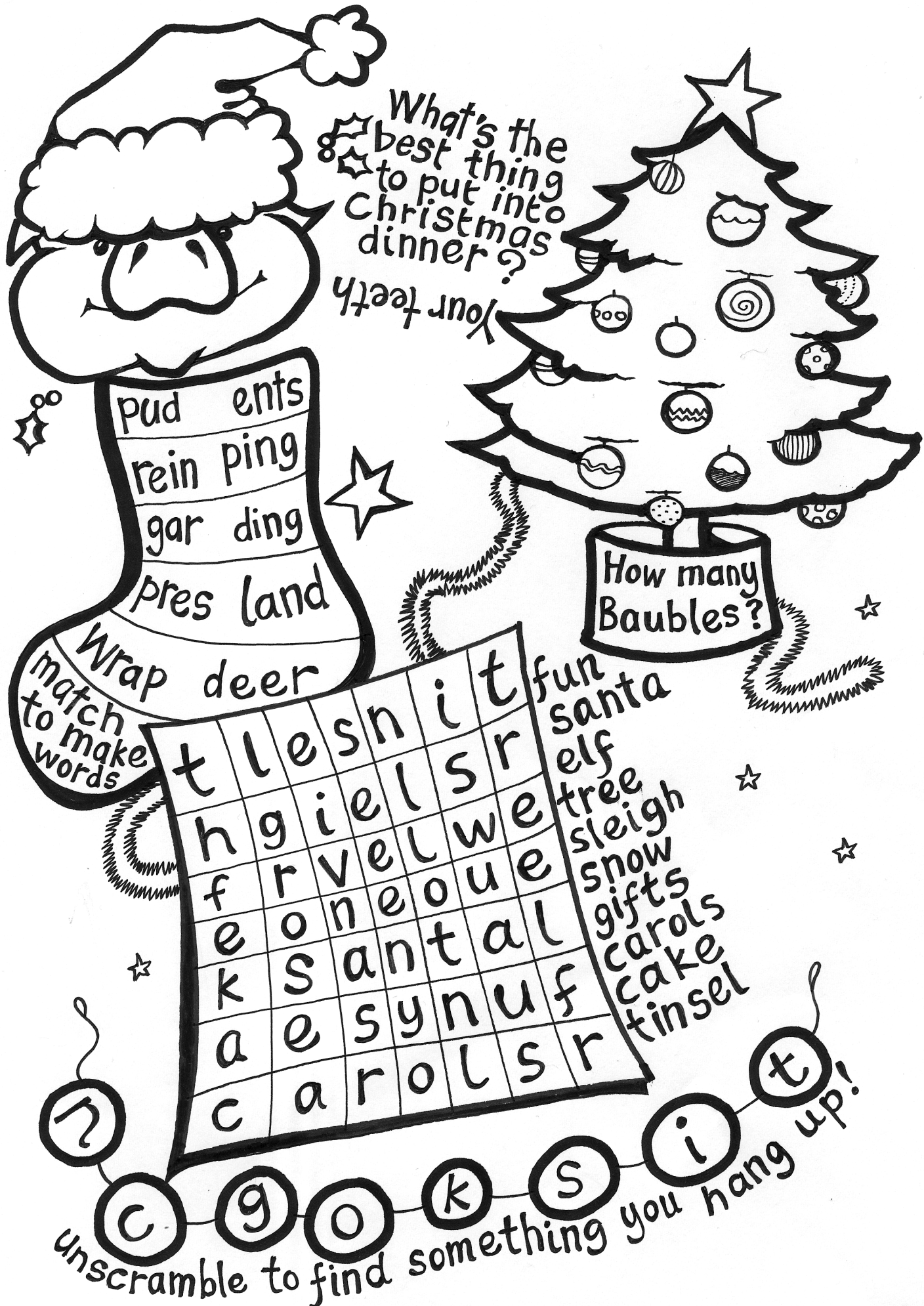


Here are some pictures from the wonderful production of 'Honk' by Barrow Youth Theatre, Juniors of The Barrow Panto Group



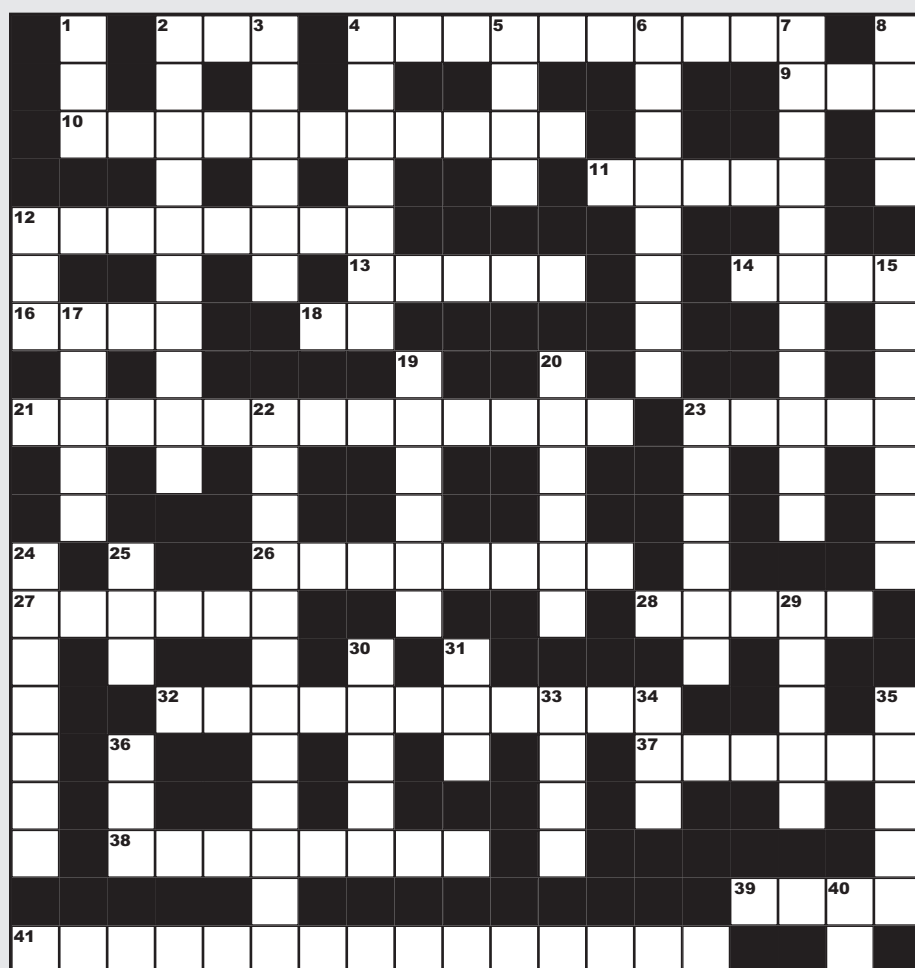


# Percy's Christmas Fun Page



# Regulars

# MOVIES, MOVIES, MOVIES,



## ACROSS

2. What 9000 series computer had a problem with Dave and an affection for singing the 'Blue Danube'? (3)
4. Gene Hackman's character 'Popeye' Doyle went up against a drug racket nicknamed *what* in this 1971 film (10)
9. The company that sponsored the Robocop project (3)
10. The surname of the occult film character played by Keanu Reeves in 2005 and based on a series of comics by Alan Moore (11)
11. First name of award winning composer in the band 'Nine Inch Nails' and who won awards for his score in 'Seven' and 'Resident Evil' (5)
12. What monster got a new special effects makeover for this 1998 Roland Emmerich extravaganza? (8)
13. First name of the director of 'Mrs Doubtfire' (5)
14. Christian name of the schoolteacher who falls in love with Yul Brinner in 'The King and I' (4)
16. New blockbuster featuring 'the Rock' and based on a classic PC video game (4)
18. Who wanted to 'phone home' in Steven Spielberg's 1982 blockbuster? (2)
21. The Force is strong with this one (4,9)

23. Brad Pitt played 'Achilles' in 'Troy', a character from which epic historical poem? (5)
26. Joss Whedon traded writing about Vampire Slaying to direct this movie based on his short run Sci-Fi series (8)
27. Will Smith ran into Asimov's law of robotics in what 2004 Sci-Fi? (6)
28. F W Murnau's famous epic tale of God and the Devil wagering over an alchemist's soul from 1926 (5)
32. Grab a shell dude! This Disney fishy cartoon film was a great success in 2003 (7,4)
37. Surname of latest Harry Potter director (6)
38. Charlize Theron stars in this new Sci-Fi blockbuster set 400 years in the future, directed by Karyn Kusama and starring Jonny Lee Miller and Pete Postlethwaite (4,4)
39. What was the name of the sheep who was saved by Wallace and Gromit in 'A Close Shave'? (4)
41. Director of 'The Sixth Sense', 'Unbreakable' and 'The Village' (1,5,8)

( answers on  
back page  
of Barrow Voice )

## CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD

by yogavenger

## DOWN

1. What 3 letters precede the starship Enterprises 1701 code classification in the hit series and movies? (3)
2. Composed the 'Gladiator' soundtrack (10)
3. Stuart *who*? (6)
4. Jodie Foster played 'Ellie Arroway' in this 1997 adaptation of a Carl Sagan Novel (7)
5. The number of the Nazgul? (4)
6. How many hours does 'Sarah' have to get to her baby brother 'Toby' in 'Labyrinth'? (8)
7. Where did Huge Grant's character 'William Thacker' have a book shop in which Julia Roberts frequented looking for travel books? (11)
8. The Planet Kevin Spacey said he came from in this 2001 adaptation of Gene Brewer's award winning novel (4)
12. Whom did Alanis Morissette play in the film 'Dogma'? (3)
15. Winner of the Best Picture Oscar 1982? (7)
17. Name of the Lieutenant who stared as the communications officer on the original Starship Enterprise? (5)
19. Albus Dumbledore's Pheonix in 'Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets'? (6)
20. *What* was it said '... had killed the beast' in 'King Kong'? (6)
22. This actress was a hit from an early age and went on to success in 'Spiderman', 'Bring it on', 'Wimbledon' and many others (7,5)
23. Val Kilmer's character's callsign in 'TopGun' (6)
24. Crooked cops. Sexy dames. Desperate vigilantes. Name this film with Bruce Willis and Jessica Alba directed by Roberto Rodriguez (3,4)
25. Billy *who* Thornton? (Actor who married Angelina Jolie in 2000) (3)
29. Morgan Freeman and Brad Pitt find themselves against Psycho Kevin Spacey in this 1995 thriller (7)
30. What was the destination, according to the title, for the teens who avoided death in a plane crash in this James Wong 2000 thriller? (5)
31. A mammoth, sloth, sabre tooth and 'Scrat' feature in which 2002 animated tale called ice *what*? (3)
33. The title of Douglas McGrath's 1996 film based on Jane Austin's book (4)
34. *How many* flew over the cuckoos nest? (3)
35. This Actress is married to David Duchovny of X Files fame. Last name Leoni, first name *what*? (means goddess) (3)
35. Ridley Scott's thrilling 70's Sci-Fi with Sigourney Weaver (5)
40. Abbreviated title of Steven Spielbergs 2001 expensive Sci-Fi movie originally to be directed by Stanley Kubrick (before his death) (2)



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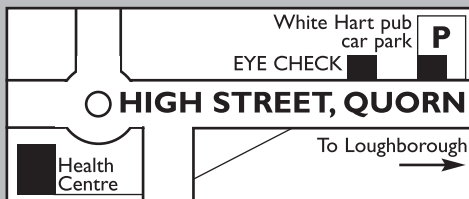
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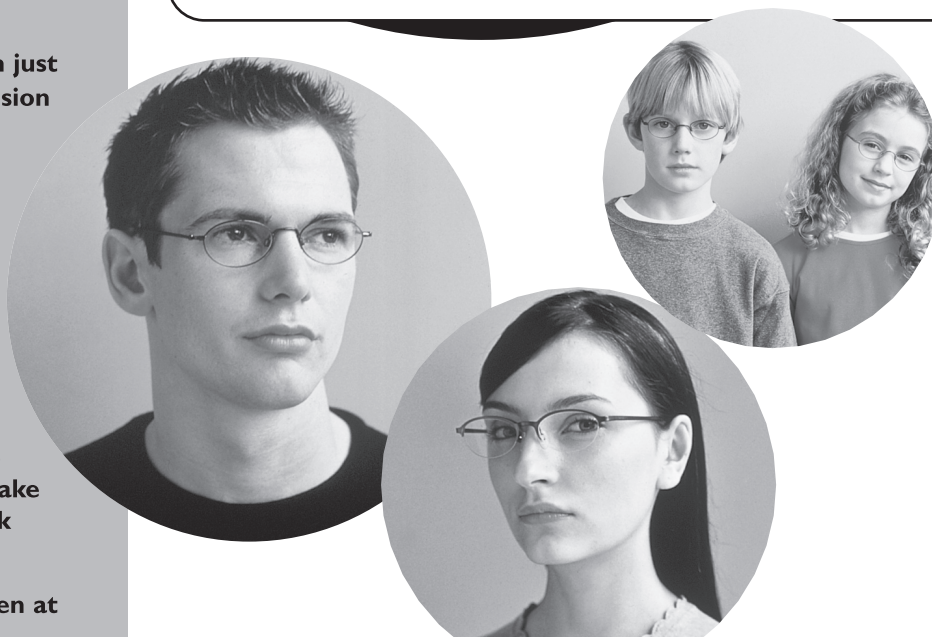


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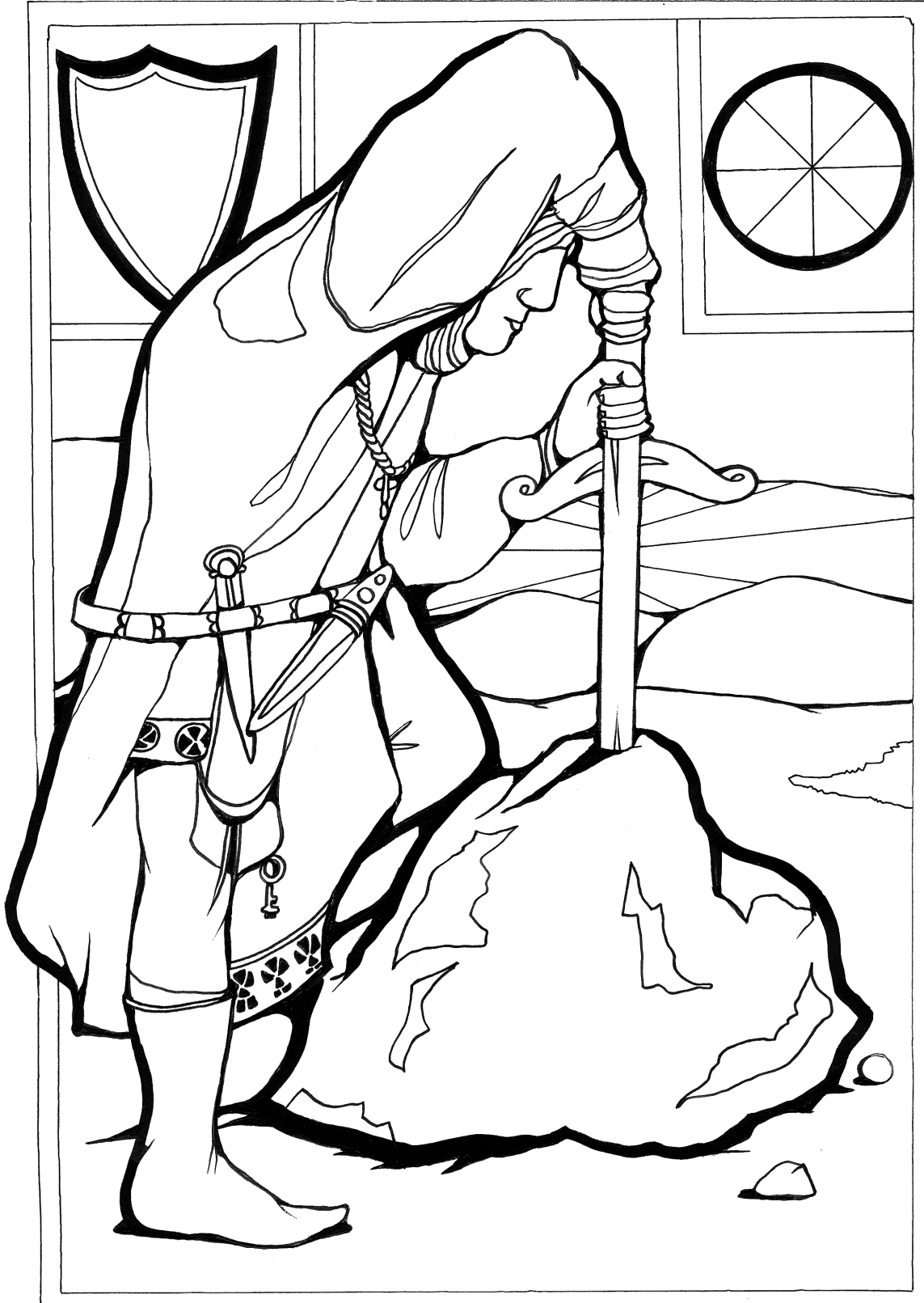
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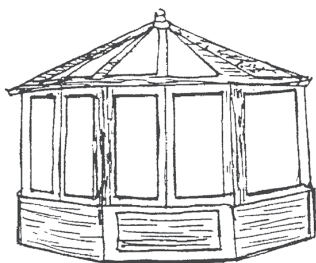
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and are looking to recruit more volunteers from the community and business. Full training is provided, free of charge, and every mentor is CRB checked.

If you can spare an hour a fortnight/month to mentor a student and feel you have the right skills

(ie communication/listening/sensitivity, etc), please contact Angela Taylor at Humphrey Perkins School (412385) for more details.

"Mentoring of individuals and groups has proved successful in inspiring and motivating young people" (White paper 'Excellence in Schools' July 1997).

## Barrow Youth Work to be Re-started

As we reported in the September edition of Barrow Voice, there are moves afoot to get youth work re-established in Barrow. We hope that, by the time you read this, there will be two newly-appointed Youth Workers doing street-based youth work on Tuesdays between 7.00 and 9.00pm. Posters will advertise where to meet. The first priority is to find out what our young people would like to do in a programme of weekly meetings. One thing that may be on the cards is to form a steel band. The group may be looking for occasional indoor venues.

*Barrow Voice Team would like to extend best wishes for the new venture.*

## Village Life

# Local Removals and House Clearance Service takes off!

Early this year, and in response to demand, Age Concern Leicestershire & Rutland launched a first-of-its-kind local House Clearance and Small Removals Service, with a dedicated vehicle based at Blaby. The service has proved to be a great hit and the charity is so delighted with progress that the service has been extended to cover the whole of Leicestershire and Rutland.

The comprehensive and competitively priced service is operated by experienced, well trained and fully insured operatives. Whilst most enquiries so far have involved older people who are downsizing and solicitors acting for clients, the team adopts a flexible approach.

Age Concern Leicestershire & Rutland is very much a local charity, despite its nationally known brand, with all the funds raised staying in the two counties. Anthony Donovan, Executive Director,

commented, 'We are determined that the service will continue. It helps our target group of often frail and needy local older people, by generating some income to help us to provide vital services. At the same time, our Clearance and Removal customers know that they are getting a decent deal from a trusted supplier'

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## Village Life

# Scouts aim to top 2000s cards delivered

**The Scouts Christmas post delivery service in Barrow will be raising funds for the Scout Group once again this year.**

Stamps cost 15p and will be available from the Paper Shop in the High Street, from the Library in North Street, from Feather 'N Fur Pet Supplies in Babington Road and the Scout HQ in Grove Lane. Post boxes will be at the same places.

Only cards addressed to people in Barrow village will be delivered by the scouts and by the adults who 'supervise' the delivery service. Cards placed in the collecting boxes will be delivered during the weekends in December and before Christmas with a final delivery on 23rd

or 24th. In both 2003 and 2004 nearly 1900 cards were delivered. It is hoped that the number will top 2000 this year.

By using this scheme, you can save a little money and help raise much needed funds for scouting in Barrow. If readers have any questions about the scheme and/or would like to volunteer to help, please contact Graham Hobbs on 01509 414077.

## Leader and helpers

Barrow Scouts has a fast growing membership and is very fortunate to have a team of dedicated volunteers who give freely of their time in order to provide interesting programmes for

young people to participate in. At present the Beaver Colony and the Cub Pack are full and there is a considerable waiting list for Beavers. A second cub pack was opened in September this year but there is still a small waiting list. The Scout Troop is full too. This all combines to create a very difficult situation for any young people who would like to join.

The Scout Group needs more leaders and helpers and with additional help we may be able to give all the youngsters who wish to do so the opportunity to join scouting in Barrow.

**Interested? Contact Trevor Ranson (Group Scout Leader). Rose Cottage, South Street who can arrange to meet with you and discuss the possibilities.**

## NW aims to inform all

**The Barrow upon Soar Neighbourhood Watch is unique in that it is one of the very few Neighbourhood Watch schemes that covers a whole village or large area.**

It prides itself on trying to ensure the monthly crime sheet/newsletter is delivered to all residents. However, inevitably, some residents do not receive it. This is usually due to new properties being built or deliverers moving.

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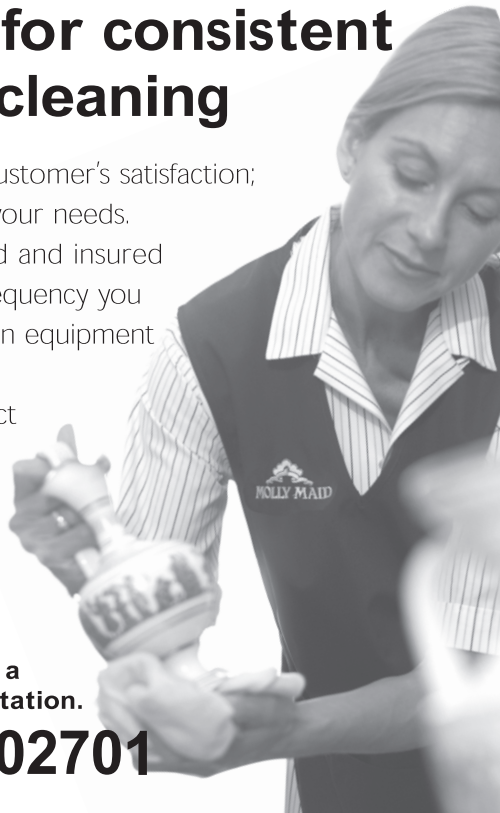
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We would like to have even more gardens open in June 2006 so if you are prepared to join us or want more information then please contact

**Mike Morley 01509 412982 Roger Chappell 01509 620357.**

## Dates for your diaries

The Community Association is organising the following events.

<b>December 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Christmas Street Market in conjunction with the Parish council's switching on of the lights
<b>December 9<sup>th</sup></b>	'Festive Frolics', another gem from Centre Stage
<b>December 31<sup>st</sup></b>	New Years Eve dance with Danny Rogers Big Band
<b>January 7<sup>th</sup></b>	'Come Dancing' with Ian Shank
<b>February 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup></b>	'Excaliber, the Panto' (Oh yes it is)
<b>February 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Valentines Dance
<b>March 4<sup>th</sup></b>	Salsa Party with Carlos
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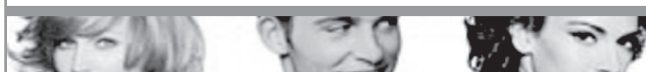
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# Directory looking for a home

I had a surprise visitor in the summer. It was Harry Squires who used to live in Barrow but moved to Canada in 1957. Harry is an enthusiastic reader of Barrow Voice and keeps in touch with a number of Barrow residents. He and his wife Nora arrived in Barrow for a holiday and called on me bearing a splendid first edition book, 'The History, Gazetteer and Directory of Leicestershire' by William White, published in 1846. An extract from the section on Barrow appears below; the second part will appear in the next edition.

Harry's father was James Squires, the local Haulage contractor (Warner Street garage) and operated South Street Garage. James was a pioneer in the transportation field and also had a bus line and the Loughborough - Sileby route which he sold to the Midland Red in the mid-thirties. Continuing in the family business, Harry and Nora operated the South Street garage from 1954 to 1957. Incidentally, Harry was born at 39 South Street, recently demolished to build houses.

In 1957 the Suez crisis was affecting life and business in Britain and when Harry's father passed away, the property at South Street had to be sold according to his will. Britain was in crisis, so Harry and Nora decided to emigrate to Vancouver with their three children (5-3-1).

Harry is offering the Directory for sale to the highest bidder. The website [www.addall.com](http://www.addall.com) puts a value of about £200 on this edition. Alternatively, if no-one wants to buy it, he asks for someone to give it a good home and keep it as a resource for the people of Barrow.

Enquiries to Judith Rodgers on 01509 412063.

### HISTORY, GAZETTEER, AND DIRECTORY OF LEICESTERSHIRE, AND THE SMALL COUNTY OF RUTLAND 1846 by WILLIAM WHITE

Extract from the entry for

#### BARROW – UPON - SOAR PARISH

BARROW-UPON-SOAR, a large village, which has for ages been celebrated for its excellent limestone, is pleasantly situated on the east side of the navigable river Soar, and on both sides of the Midland Counties Railway, on which it has a station, 2 miles N. of Mountsorrel, 3 miles S.E. of Loughborough, and 9 miles N. of Leicester. Barrow Township contains about 2300 acres of land, and had 1099 inhabitants in 1801; but in 1831, they had increased to 1638; and in 1841 to 1841; but in 1831 it is in East Goscote Hundred, but its Parish comprises also the townships and chapelries of Mountsorrel North End, Quorndon and Woodhouse, with Woodhouse Eaves and Mapplewell hamlets, all of which are in West Goscote Hundred. The area of the whole parish is about 7900 acres; and it had 5560 souls in 1821, and 5782 in 1841. Barrow has a Post Office, two well-endowed Hospitals, a Free School, and several Charities for the poor, &c.; and gives name to a large Union. The Marquis of Hastings is lord of the manor, but the soil belongs chiefly to the Barrow Hospital, &c. Trustees, the Rev. J. S. Highley, Messrs. T. P. Stone, J. Jelley, W. Lee, Thomas Bradshaw, and several other proprietors, some of whom are residents, and have neat houses here. It is chiefly a strong clay, fertile both in corn and grass. Mr. T.P. Stone's family have been noted for about a century, as breeders of Leicestershire sheep, for which he won the first two prizes(sic) of the Royal Agricultural Society, in 1843 at the meeting held at Derby.

In 1086, Hugh Lupus, Earl of Chester, held the manor, and had 15 carucates and 4½ ploughs in the demesne; and here two men servants, 40 villains, and 13 borders, with 11 ploughs; three mills; a wood, one mile long, and 160 perches broad; 4 tenants, holding 12 carucates; and 30 socmen, with 15½ ploughs. The manor afterwards passed to the Edringtons, and passed from them, in 1461, to Sir Richard Neale and from him to Lord Wm. Hastings. The common and open fields were enclosed, and the tithes commuted under an act passed in 1760.

THE LIMESTONE, which is extensively got and burnt here, is found in great abundance. The upper stratum has a yellow tinge, and below this are several others of a bluish colour, which are in general about six inches thick, and two feet asunder; the intervals between which are filled up with calcareous earth – one hundred parts of which yield 46 of calcareous matter, and 54 of fine clay. It is probably owing to some portion of manganese being combined with it, that the Barrow Lime possesses that valuable property of becoming hardened under water. As cement for building docks, piers, bridges, &c., it is in high repute in all parts of the kingdom, and great quantities of it have been exported to Holland, for these purposes. It is often used to coating water cisterns instead of lead, and was used in the building of Ramsgate Pier, after the Dutch terras and other cements had failed. It is equally celebrated for the number and variety of its fossil productions, consisting of shells, chiefly of the marine kind; the Cornu Ammonia, or snake stone; and numerous fossil fish, from one to fifteen inches in length; with some singular specimens of the Ichthyosaurus, one measuring 15ft in length, and some of them having spines three or four inches in circumference. Mr. Bradshaw has a petrified shark, between six and seven feet in length, and the curious in these antediluvian remains will find here a very extensive collection, in the possession of Mr. William Lee, which affords much gratification to visitors. One of the



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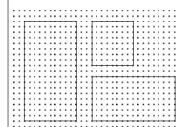
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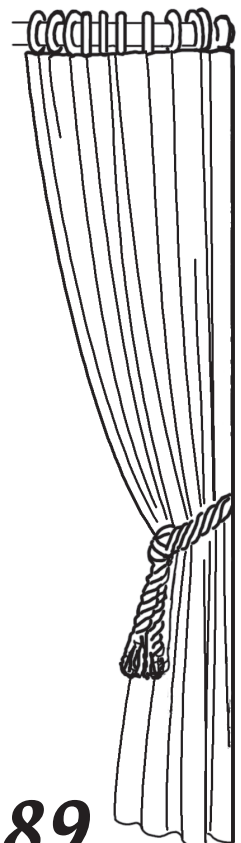
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petrifications found here, was described by Mr. Jones, in 1781, as the 'figure of bream, more than a foot in length, and of a proportionate depth with the scales, fins, and gills fairly projecting from the surface, like a sculpture in relievo, and with all the lineaments, even to the most minute fibers of the tail, so complete, that the like was never seen before.'

THE RAILWAY is cut, through the lime strata, and one of the streets is carried across it, by an arch of 30 feet span. The streets were thoroughly paved, and the causeways flagged, in 1840; and the greater part of the village is between the railway and the navigation, which here avoids, by a straight cut, a circuitous reach of the Soar, and is crossed by two bridges, one to Quorndon, and the other to a small island. Barrow called in ancient writings Baro, Barhoo, Barwe, &c., had its name from an ancient tumulus, or barrow, and was held by Earl Harold, in the time of Edward the Confessor. In the reign of Stephen, Ralph de Gernoniis gave the church here, and the chapel at Quorndon, to the Abbey of St. Mary de Pratis, at Leicester.

THE CHURCH (Holy Trinity) is a large ancient Gothic structure, with an embattled tower, containing five bells; and the benefice is a vicarage valued in. K.B at £15. 2s. 1d., and in 1831, at £326 per annum, derived chiefly from 155A. of glebe, mostly allotted at the enclosure, in 1761, in lieu of tithes. The Master and Fellows of St. John's College, Cambridge, are patrons, and the Rev. Richard. Gwatkin is the incumbent and has a good residence. There is in the village a Chapel, and also three Chapels belonging to the General Baptists and the Wesleyan and Primitive Methodists. Sunday Schools are all attached to all the places of worship. The parish feast is on Trinity Sunday.

THE FREE SCHOOL was founded in 1717, by Humphrey Perkins, who endowed it with a house and land at Ratcliffe, for the support, of a master to teach the children of the inhabitants and parishioners of Barrow, after they can read the Bible, "in all sorts of learning, and free from any expense to their parents.' He vested it in trust with the vicar of Barrow and rector of Loughborough, and directed that the master should be a graduate of one of the Universities. Since the enclosure of Ratcliffe, the school estate has consisted of a farm of 64A. 1R. and 9P., let for about £111 a year, which, after deducting £2 for the two trustees, and £3.17s.1d. for land tax and quit rent, is paid to the schoolmaster, who has also a house, which was built partly with £100 left for that purpose, by Benj. Bewicke, in 1728. Attached to the house is 1½ rood of garden ground. There are generally about 30 free scholars. Seldom more than one or two require instruction in Latin, but all are taught reading, writing, and arithmetic.

The next extract covers Barrow Hospitals, Clarke's Charity, Bishop Beveridge's Charity, Barrow Town Lands and Barrow upon Soar Union.



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- Moving around generates extra body heat, so any kind of activity will help keep you warm. Try not to stay sitting still for long periods. Spread chores through the day to alternate between rest and activity.
- Try to keep a temperature of 21°C (70°F) in all rooms during the day. If this is not possible, at least keep the living room warm and warm the bedroom and bed before going to bed. Keep the bedroom window closed at night.
- Set central heating to come on before you get up and off when you go to bed.
- Ensure your home is properly insulated.

**For further advice please contact Age Concern Leicestershire and Rutland on 0116 2992233.**

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## Village Life

# Ralph's Story continued (recollections of Barrow 1920-40s)



A real gentleman, Jack Illston, kept the Three Crowns at the same time as Aunt Sarah had the King Bill. He had a horse and dray, coaches and Landaus (open carriages). Some were kept in the coach-house, which is now the pub restaurant (fig 3), and others in Melton Road. He was also the village undertaker. He would pick up parcels in the village for the fast train from Loughborough to London and would deliver any that came back. He kept racing pigeons, and when I was about 10 he would take me on some journeys as a treat. When we reached Cotes, he would let the pigeons out of their wicker basket, and joked that if they didn't come back he would shoot the lot!

When I was young we used to play "pin and button". We were rather naughty, because we would take a piece of thread, pin it to the woodwork of someone's window, and loop the thread around a button. Then we would pull on the thread and tap on the window so they would come out to see who was there (we were hiding). We played this trick on Mr Stocks who was the lock-keeper. We took the cotton from the lock-keeper's cottage over the bridge by the lock (entrance to Proctor's caravan park) and pulled from the other side. When he came out, we pulled the thread taut so he couldn't see the button, but one of the lads with me laughed. We all ran into the fields (now Proctor's) thinking we were safe, but no,



Mr Stocks fetched his wife to stand on the bridge, and then went up to the next bridge by the Navigation. We were trapped, and had to walk across the fields to Mountsorrel before we could get home. We were late back and got the expected belting.

There was a sweetshop in the front room of one of the cottages opposite the boathouse (now the Riverside Inn), which was kept by my aunt, Mrs Caunt. The photo (fig 4) shows her wedding in about 1915, with my mother on the left.

I and two of my three brothers were in the church choir when it went on strike – there was an article about it on the front page of the Leicester Evening Mail. Mr Moore, the choirmaster (whose son is a well known author) had been sacked. He was not reinstated, and we never went back. The vicar was Rev Thomas. Mum used to give us a penny to buy liquorice, and my brother was caught eating it during a sermon. Afterwards, the vicar said to him "I am going to fine you seriously – one halfpenny". We only got paid a penny for each service, which went towards church outings, so it WAS serious!

My brother Gilford played football for Barrow on a field on Sanders' farm. One day he had a bad cold and couldn't play. However, he turned up to watch, and the opponents arrived with only 10 men. He agreed to play for them in his day-clothes, and got very wet, letting his clothes dry on him before coming home. On the Monday he developed rheumatic fever and spent 12 months in bed including two long spells in hospital. Doctor Grey, the village GP visited him 3 times a day, even on Sundays. When Gilf was finally better, mother asked Dr Grey for his bill: he said "Mrs Pearson, forget it". I can still remember her tears of relief and gratitude.

A Mrs Dilks made ice cream in the cottage at number 5 Cotes Road, which her son sold from a tricycle. Cornets were a halfpenny and a penny, and wafers were twopence. It was all made from fresh full-cream milk from Sanders' farm. We used to help churn it so we could lick the scrapings afterwards.



I remember the junior school mistresses Miss Page and Mrs Mason (pictured circa 1931, fig 5), and the village bobbies, PCs Childs and Ainsworth – they'd give you a clip round the ear if they found you misbehaving.

I left Barrow during the Second World War. Prior to joining the RAF I was conscripted into the Home Guard. We spent our nights in the clock tower of Quorn Kennels, looking for Germans – I don't know what we'd have done if we saw one, as we never had any guns!

I moved to my present house in Loughborough in 1950. Harry Litherland was a chimney sweep who lived opposite the Hammer and Pincers in the yard behind Mrs Basford's shop. He came to sweep a chimney opposite my house while there were workmen on the roof. As he put the brush up, the workmen unscrewed it. He said to the lady of the house "I've lost the brush, I'll have to put the scraper up to remove it". Of course, when the scraper emerged, the workmen took it off and put the brush back on. The sweep then said "This house is haunted – I'm off"... and he went!

My sincere thanks to Ralph Pearson and his wife for their hospitality and help with this article.



Back: Sid James, Mike Hull, Sanders, K Swaine, Stan Musson, ?George Lewin  
Front: C Freer, Cyril Sutton, Ryder, Ralph Pearson, Geoff Allen

The final photo (fig 6) shows Ralph in 1935. Young Mr Sanders is the son of the Landlord of the Bishop Blaise. I am planning an article on this pub, so if anyone has stories or information, I shall be pleased to include them.

Contact me on 01509 412196 or  
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- Sun 4<sup>th</sup>

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup>

Tues 6<sup>th</sup>

Wed 7<sup>th</sup>

Fri 9<sup>th</sup>

Sat 10<sup>th</sup>

Mon 12<sup>th</sup>

Tues 13<sup>th</sup>

Sat 17<sup>th</sup>

Sat 24<sup>th</sup>

Mon 26<sup>th</sup>

Thurs 29<sup>th</sup>

Sat 31<sup>st</sup>

Sat 7<sup>th</sup>

Mon 9<sup>th</sup>

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sat 4<sup>th</sup>

Tues 7<sup>th</sup>

Sat 11<sup>th</sup>

Sat 18<sup>th</sup>

Holy Trinity Christmas Tree Festival

Methodist Minimart; 10.00am; Church Hall

Hall Orchard School Christmas Fayre

Switching on of the Christmas Lights and Street entertainments; 5.00pm

Parish Council meeting; 7.15pm; Parish Office

Gardening Club; 7.30; HPHS Community Lounge; AGM and Members night

Baptist Church Luncheon Club; 12.30

Centre Stage comes to Barrow again: "Festive Frolics" by the Grand Theatre of Lemmings; Tickets pre-paid £5.00 (£4.00 concessions) from The Paper Shop or Betty Turner 01509 416185 or Sue Rodgers 01509 416533.

Clock Club at Church Rooms; 10.00 - 11.30; Surplus to Help the Aged; Everyone welcome. Mince pies and jollity!!

Bishop Beveridge Christmas Fair with tombola, cakes and raffle.

WI at Bishop Beveridge Club; "Helping Hedghogs" by Mrs Coleen Powell; 7.30pm

Neighbourhood Watch meeting; Conservative Club; 7.30pm

Holy Trinity Wives Deanery Carol Service (Loughborough) followed by Wine and Cheese; 8.00; Church Rooms

Holy Trinity coffee morning; Church Rooms; 10.00-11.30

Holy Trinity Church Crib Service

Barrow Runners Boxing Day Handicap Race; starts at the Three Crowns car park; 11.00am; entry forms from Mick Ballard

Carol service at Holy Trinity Church

New Year's Eve Ball and Party with Danny Rogers Big Band; HPHS; 8.00 - 1.00; Tickets £19.00 from Betty Turner 01509 416185 or Sue Rodgers 01509 416533

Methodist Minimart; 10.00am; Church Hall

Parish Council meeting ; 7.15; Parish Office NOTE UNUSUAL DATE

Barrow Panto: "Excaliber"; HPHS; 7.30; Tickets from the Paper Shop

Methodist Minimart; 10.00am; Church Hall

Barrow Panto: "Excaliber"; HPHS; 2.00 and 7.30; Tickets from the Paper Shop

Parish Council meeting 7.15; Parish Office

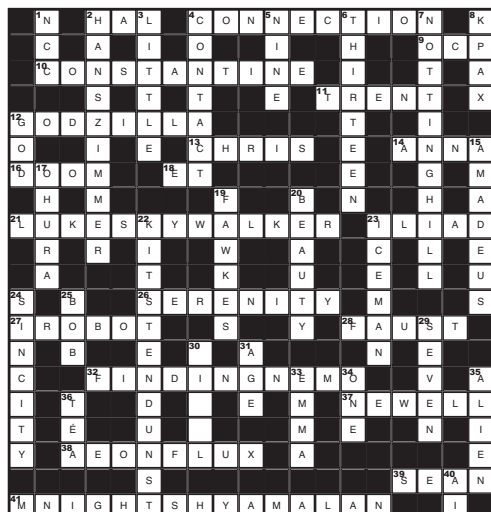
Community Association Valentine Dance; "Just Us" duo; HPHS; 7.30

Holy Trinity coffee morning; Church Rooms; 09.00-11.30

DECEMBER

JANUARY

FEBRUARY



## MOVIES, MOVIES, MOVIES – CHRISTMAS CARD CROSSWORD (answers)

### ACROSS

2. HAL
4. CONNECTION
9. OCP
10. CONSTANTINE
11. TRENT
12. GODZILLA
13. CHRIS
14. ANNA
16. DOOM
18. ET
21. LUKE, SKYWALKER
23. LLIAD
26. SERENITY
27. IROBOT
28. FAUST

32. FINDING, NEMO

37. NEWELL

38. AEON, FLUX

39. SEAN

41. M, NIGHT, SHYAMALAN

### DOWN

1. NCC
2. HANS, ZIMMER
3. LITTLE
4. CONTACT
5. NINE
6. THIRTEEN
7. NOTTINGHILL
8. KPAX
12. GOD

15. AMADEUS

17. OHURA

19. FAWKES

20. BEAUTY

22. KIRSTEN, DUNST

23. ICEMAN

24. SIN, CITY

25. BOB

29. SEVEN

30. FINAL

31. AGE

33. EMMA

34. ONE

35. TÉA

35. ALIEN

40. AI