

# BARTONIAN

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Barton Arts Week 2003 is only weeks away. As always it opens on the last weekend in June with the Art at St. Peter's Preview Evening on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>. The exhibition runs for the full nine days to Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July and this year there is a wide variety of events to excite and stimulate.

Undoubted highlights for the festival will be the London Community Gospel Choir on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June and The Black Dyke Band on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July. The London Community Gospel Choir have been at the forefront of gospel music for many years under the guidance of Basil Meade and their performance at the Queen's Jubilee concert last year was truly outstanding. Regular television appearances including Parkinson have increased their reputation as the best choir in their field. Black Dyke return to Barton after a three year gap and they will again make St. Mary's resound with perfect rhythm and harmony as only one of the country's top brass bands can.

Sandwiched in between these two fantastic evenings is a mixture of drama and music. The new play by Roy Clarke of *Last of the Summer Wine* fame, *Mr Wesley* adds to the drama provided by festival regulars

Heartbreak Productions who bring Shakespeare's 'The Merry Wives of Windsor' to Baysgarth Park. Heartbreak describe the play as the nearest Shakespeare ever comes to 'Carry On'. Not to be out done by Shakespeare, North Country Theatre are to stage a production of *Moll Flanders* in their own inimitable style. Goldstone and Clemmow return by popular demand to the town to perform a special rendition of a Lincolnshire Posy by Grainger and Holst's *Planet Suite*, this year on two pianos. In addition to all this there will be garden parties, open days, open gardens, bell ringing, an organ recital, comedy, exhibitions at The Ropewalk and Chink in the Wall and much more.

The programmes will be available at the joint Barton Arts and Barton Civic Society Coffee morning to be held in St. Mary's Church hall on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May. Adult tickets for the London Community Gospel Choir and Black Dyke have a £2 reduction if purchased before the end of May and they are already on sale with the tickets for all other events

at The Ropewalk, Davis Electrics and Barton Local Link. Earlier in the year Barton Arts appealed for more members and we have been overwhelmed by the number who have joined – thank you your support is greatly valued. A vote of thanks must also go to the sponsors who have already come forward to offer support for the 2003 festival. Grants and donations have been pledged from Barton Town Council, Kimberly-Clark, W.M. Codd and North Lincolnshire Council. These supporters and others who have yet to confirm will be acknowledged on the programme as without them the Arts Week would simply not happen.

So gather your strength and prepare to over dose on culture brought to you in the comfort of your own town. Don't miss out and be told how good it was by a friend or neighbour, come and experience live entertainment for yourself.

For further details and ticket booking contact Barton Arts on (01652) 637487

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## BARTON ON HUMBER CIVIC SOCIETY

The Civic Society's first open meeting of 2003 was held on Friday 14th February, at the Assembly Rooms. The talk by Brian Peeps, entitled "A Trip from Barton to Hull by Ferry", proved even more popular than anticipated with an audience in the region of 130 people! I certainly cannot recall a meeting with an attendance anywhere near this total—many people had to sit upstairs in the gallery which is again unprecedented in our history. Everyone found a seat, however, and thanks to our team of helpers, all were served with a cup of tea during the interval.

The talk was based essentially on pure nostalgia, a theme which is eternally popular among people of all ages, and

which we will endeavour to repeat in our future programmes. The event was particularly well publicised with leading articles in both the Scunthorpe Telegraph and The Yorkshire Post, and this obviously had a beneficial effect on the attendance level. The topic of publicity is something which we have improved considerably over the past year or so, thanks to the appointment of Susan Webster as Publicity Officer. This has helped to raise the profile of the Society and hopefully the townspeople are now much more aware of our activities.

The full programme for 2003 appears below, with the next public meeting with John Bevers which I highlighted in the last issue. Later in the year, on May

9th, Kevin Leahy, from North Lincolnshire Council Museums Service, will be speaking on "The Anglo-Saxons in Lincolnshire". The nostalgia theme may not be quite as relevant for this talk, however!!

All our public meetings are open to all, and for the time being continue to be free of admission charges. We would, however, urge people to support the regular raffles and other fund raising activities such as the annual coffee morning, in order to maintain the Society's financial well being.

Andrew Robinson, Chairman.

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## Barton-upon-Humber Civic Society 2003 PROGRAMME

Friday 14 February	<b>A Trip from Barton to Hull by Ferry</b> Brian Peeps 7.30pm, Assembly Rooms	29 June - 7 July	<b>Barton Arts Week</b> 28 June, 10am—3pm, 51 Fleetgate open
Saturday 1 March	<b>Tree Planting</b> —9.30am Volunteers please meeting at the Railway Station	Friday 11 July	<b>Annual General Meeting</b> Civic Society Projects Update—Panel
1 March	<b>Newsletter items requested</b>	13/14 September	<b>National Heritage Week</b> 51 Fleetgate open, 10am—3pm
Friday 21 March	<b>Home and Away</b> —slide show John Bevers 7.30pm, Assembly Rooms	Friday 19 September	<b>Lincolnshire Dialect, Poetry and Origins</b> Loretta Rivett 7.30pm, Assembly Rooms
1 April	<b>Subscriptions due</b>	Friday 17 October	<b>Life on 2nd World War</b> Lincolnshire Airfields Dr Philip Swan 7.30pm, Assembly Rooms
Saturday 3 May	<b>51 Fleetgate open</b> 10—3pm	Friday 21 November	<b>The Imagery of English Churches</b> - in wood, stone, paint and glass Geoff Bell 7.30pm, Assembly Rooms
Friday 9 May	<b>The Anglo-Saxons in Lincolnshire</b> Kevin Leahy 7.30pm, Assembly Rooms	28/29 November	<b>Barton Christmas Festival</b> —51 Fleetgate open Fri 28 Nov, 5pm—9pm / Sat 29 Nov, 10am—3pm
Saturday 17 May	<b>Civic Society / Barton Arts Coffee Morning</b> Bring & Buy, Plants, Cakes, Books, Raffle 10—12 noon, St Mary's Church Hall		

All articles intended for inclusion in the Bartonian must be checked for accuracy, eg. dates times etc. before submission to the Editor. No responsibility will be taken for inaccurate information published. All articles must include a contact name and address.

### **B A Y S G A R T H D O E S M O R E F O R A L L O F I T S P U P I L S**

If you are reviewing the alternatives for your child for next year, then Baysgarth deserves serious consideration. Because it is a Community school, it attracts a broad range of ability pupils, which is reflected in the published exam results. But Baysgarth prides itself on getting the **BEST** out of **ALL** its pupils. We are immensely proud of all those who achieve A\*'s and A's, but equally delighted by those that achieve or improve on their predicted grades at whatever level, as a result of their hard work and the dedication of the staff. For further information or for a copy of the Baysgarth Report, please contact Pat Crofton, Deputy Head on 01652 632576.

**If you want your child to do well, they will get on very well at Baysgarth School.**

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## COMPACT—WHAT IS IN IT FOR THE VOLUNTARY AND COMMUNITY SECTOR?

The National Compact is an agreement formed in 1998, between the government and the voluntary and community sector, to improve their relationship for mutual benefit. Following on from this agreement the government set a target for all 388 English local authorities to be covered by a published Local Compact by April 2004. On November the 8th 2002 North Lincolnshire launched it's local compact at a conference at Baths Hall, Scunthorpe, after extensive consultation with the community and voluntary sector.

The North Lincolnshire local compact "Better Together", outlines a framework how best the public, voluntary and community sectors should work together in partnership for the local community, and is aligned to the North Lincolnshire Strategic Partnership.

Copies of the local compact are available at the council offices, local links and Scunthorpe Library. Alternatively you can contact me Heather Burks at Pittwood House, Scunthorpe on 01724 296668 or Heather.burks@northlincs.gov.uk. I am the compact Development Officer for North Lincolnshire and have been recruited by voluntary Action North Lincolnshire and seconded to North Lincolnshire Council at Pittwood House for a period of 2 years. My role is to ensure that the compact becomes a living document, which is further developed, and to persuade as many voluntary and community groups to see the benefits and to sign to the compact.

So how does such an agreement really benefit the voluntary and community sector you may ask?

No longer does the public sectors solely provide services for the community. The voluntary and community sector provides increasingly more services for the local community, some under service agreements through the local council. In the past it has seemed very much that voluntary and community groups have been seen as the junior partners in the provision of welfare services. However, the aim of the compact is to address this by making them full and equal partners who have a say in policy decisions and how services should be provided.

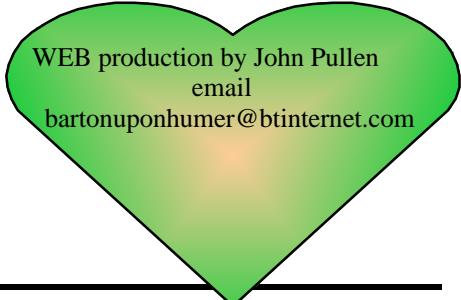
The voluntary and community sectors tend to work with the community at the grass roots. For example Age Concern understand the requirements in provision of services for the elderly population within the local community. Health groups such as M.S. Society, Asthma campaign, Arthritis Care etc, are well aware of the needs of their members. Who better to consult than black minority and ethnic groups who face discrimination when forming policies regarding equal opportunity? The emphasis is now upon partnership work and extensive consultation. Before decisions are made regarding policy making and service provision these type of groups representing the local community will be consulted, giving the community a voice and ensuring that the decision making process is more democratic.

However small an organisation you represent your input is as important as any of the larger organisations. The compact will offer a sense of empowerment to voluntary and community groups and the communities they represent.

Over the next few months five codes of practice will be developed covering funding, consultation, community groups, volunteering and black and minority ethnic groups to stand alongside the compact. Further to ensure the compact is adhered to there will be a complaints procedure put into place.

Finally if any groups would like me to give a presentation on the compact they can contact me at:

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**“Greetings from the Colonies”**

My Great Great Grandfather, Robert Henry Rawson was born in Barton upon Humber in 1825. Following his marriage to Sarah Nainby, from Cadney, in December 1852, Robert and his new wife immediately embarked for Australia, on the sailing ship “James L. Bogert”, arriving in Melbourne in April 1853. Robert kept in touch with his family in Barton by correspondence, until his death in 1898. I have an old Family Bible which, after more than 100 years, still houses letters addressed to Robert from his brothers in England. One of these letters, was from his older brother, William Minto Rawson, a Tallow Chandler, who operated a candle making factory in Barton for many years and also had a long association with St. Peter’s Church. I have, for some time now, been attempting to research the family from 12,000 miles away in Australia and I would love to hear from anyone who may have any information at all concerning the Rawson or Mackrill families of Barton or relating to the Candle Factory or Brickworks. I may be contacted by mail :- Denise Douglas, P.O. Box 79, Olinda, 3788, Australia or by e-mail at denisedouglas25@hotmail.com

**The weather in Barton during 2002**

Some 844.75mm (c.33¼ins) of rain fell on Barton during the year 2002. This was 160mm (6¼ ins) more than 2001 and so continued a rising rainfall trend dating back to the mid-1990’s (see table)  
 It is interesting to note that over 100mm fell in each of the months July, October, November and December—a total not reached in a single month in 2001.  
 The heaviest rainfall—some 32mm—was recorded on 29 December whilst in the previous month there was only four rain-free days.  
 Another notable feature was the dry spell which lasted from 20 March to 25 April during which period only .25mm of rain was recorded.  
 The year’s warmest day was 17 August when 30°C was recorded and the coldest 1 January at minus 5°C.

*Information below supplied by Geoff Bryant*

<b>2002</b>	<b>844.75mm</b>
<b>2001</b>	<b>681mm</b>
<b>2000</b>	<b>788mm</b>
<b>1999</b>	<b>649mm</b>
<b>1998</b>	<b>588mm</b>
<b>1997</b>	<b>542mm</b>
<b>1996</b>	<b>532mm</b>
<b>1995</b>	<b>491mm</b>

**DID YOU KNOW ?**

Did you know that to have access to Broadband in Barton that at least 200 people have to register their interest via their Website:

[http://www.bt.com/btbroadband/register/ns\\_register\\_intro.jsp](http://www.bt.com/btbroadband/register/ns_register_intro.jsp)

It costs nothing to register and there is no commitment to take the service once it is available. Once they reach the 200 mark they will “enable” the exchange and all those on 01652 will be able to sign up with the provider of their choice if they wish to.

**FAMILY TREE**

I have recently started to trace my family tree and I found that my great grandfather came from Barton on Humber, his name was Albert Field born approximately 1856, he moved to Hartlepool with his three brothers; Thomas, John and another one who died before 1881 (I do not know his name), their father was called James and their mother was Sarah Ann. I believe James was a mariner in the Royal Navy. Albert married in Hartlepool on 17/04/1876 to Sarah Ann Howes (birth place Ipswich). If anyone can help with any more information I would be very grateful, please email: [kathryn.reid@ntlworld.com](mailto:kathryn.reid@ntlworld.com)

**Letters, Articles, Comments, Praise, Blame, Adverts**, all these—and anything **YOU** want to see or hear about in the next issue of the Bartonian should be sent (by the 1st June 2003) to: The Council Office, Assembly Rooms, Queen Street, Barton-upon-Humber, DN18 5QP. Tel: 01652 633598 Fax: 01652 637763 email [bartontownclerk@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:bartontownclerk@tiscali.co.uk)

**IT’S YOUR NEWSLETTER, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SEE IN IT?**

# Down the Garden

Once again it has been a funny start to the year, with the hottest January day on record in Scotland one day and ice and heavy snow the next. The Royal Horticultural Society have had so many calls for advice on adapting to erratic weather, they have set up a helpline, [www.rhs.org.uk/advice](http://www.rhs.org.uk/advice) They did identify five new alien pests last year and ADAS revealed they had found two more vine weevils, all here because of the warmer weather. More information can be found on [www.defra.gov/planth](http://www.defra.gov/planth) and [www.cameraria.de/cameraria-e.html](http://www.cameraria.de/cameraria-e.html)

A number of garden pesticides are also being withdrawn, however some will be reformulated and re-launched i.e. Rose Clear 3. Fortunately biological controls such as nematodes for vine weevil, slugs and snails and *Bacillus thuringiensis* for caterpillars are more readily available and can be used in the open garden.

At Westonbirt Arboretum,

one of the places I recommended last time, the October gales caused considerable damage.

They are taking advantage with 200 new plantings including rare maple *Acer oliv-erianum* ssp. *Formosanum* and *Acer triflorum* plus a magnolia relative *Michelia doltsopa*.

This year also sees a number of new varieties of plants becoming available, including some striking lupins: 'Ruby Lantern' (crimson), 'Dreaming Spires' (pink), the bicoloured 'Manhattan Lights' and 'Bubblegum' from West Country Nurseries in Devon. D.H.Brown have a new winter cabbage 'Cloe' a savoy/white cross for harvesting October to March. Marshalls have produced an entirely new potato 'Inca Sun' using a wild South American potato in the cross, it has golden yellow flesh and a rich nutty taste.

I have had a number of questions about soil pH, this is a measure of how acid or alkaline a soil is, different plants are naturally adapted to living in soils of different acidity/alkalinity and may not thrive if the pH is wrong for them. The pH is measured on a scale running from 0 (very acid) to 14 (very alkaline). Most plants grow better in a

neutral (pH 7) to slightly acid soil (pH 6). The acidity effects how soluble and therefore how available plant nutrients are. Its worth checking your soil pH with a simple testing kit as it will give you a guide as to what will do well, and if it would benefit from organic matter to lower pH or liming to raise it.

Established lawns can be scarified with a brisk raking with a springtime rake to remove accumulated thatch. The area can then be aerated by pushing a garden fork in at regular intervals and rocking it back and forward to open up the soil. Sharp sand brushed into the holes will improve drainage and help prevent moss growth, a dressing of weed and feed can also be applied.

Onion sets and second early potatoes can still be planted, salad crops, summer cauliflower's and main crop potatoes can be sown. Try using some horticultural fleece over your sowings, it does help warm the soil and protect the plants from airborne pests. Herbs, such as dill, fennel, marjoram, thyme and parsley can be also sown, fresh herbs are far superior in flavour to dried ones.

Hardy annuals can be sown outside. If you are sowing in drifts, mark these out with

sand and sow the seeds in straight lines inside the marked shape. The seedlings are easier to keep weed free this way.

Give your houseplants a spring clean, wash off the dust, clean off dead foliage repot if necessary and feed with liquid feed. Houseplants can be propagated now by cuttings, division, layering or offsets, depending upon species.

Gardens worth a visit: Rosemoor at Gt. Torrington, Devon (R.H.S.) and Branklyn garden, Nr. Perth in Scotland (National Trust Scotland) and nearer to home the gardens and woodland walk at Bishop Burton College, Nr. Beverley. 'Vegetation is now in full activity, the temperature increases rapidly, frosts are less frequent, and showers and sunshine alternate in their mutual endeavours to clothe the earth with verdure and flowers.' Sutton's Culture of Vegetables and Flowers 1902.

I do hope so! Enjoy your garden.

Jim Dowdy.



Picture on the left on Beretun Green of Members of Barton Town Council, Barton Civic Society, Barton Lions Club and Barton Rotary Club who took part in the Town's Annual Tree Planting Scheme on Saturday 1st March,



The Barton Lions Beer Festival  
Important Announcememnt



The Barton upon Humber Lions Club 7th Annual Beer Festival will be held at a new location.

The Festival will be held on Friday 30th May, Saturday 31st May and Sunday 1st June 2003 at:

The Ropery, Proudfoots, Barton

By kind permission of Ian Proudfoot and Store Management Neil Terry and Anne Robinson.

As in previous years there will be a wide selection of real ales, ciders, largers, wines and soft drinks, great entertainment at all sessions featuring live local bands and food from the Lions catering unit.

Help us make this the best festival yet.

See you there

Friday 5pm to 11-30pm  
Saturday 12 noon to 11-30pm  
Sunday 12 noon to 5-00pm

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Energy Efficiency

### **SAVING YOU MONEY ON HOUSEHOLD ENERGY COSTS**

It is estimated that the average household spends about £200 more than they need to each year on fuel and power, and the situation in rural areas is widely believed to be worse than that in big towns and cities. But people do not need to continue throwing money away - there are many ways in which energy can be used more efficiently and North Lincolnshire Council have recently appointed a member of staff to advise the public on just what is available and what can be done.

Ian Green is employed as a Rural energy advisor, his job is to help members of the public to become more energy efficient. His work involves arranging grants for loft insulation, cavity wall insulation, draught-proofing or even central heating.

In particular, people qualify for grants if they have children under 16 or they are over 60 and claim the following benefits:

- Income Support
- Council Tax benefit (other than the single residents discount)
- Housing allowance
- Income based Job Seekers allowance
- Working families tax credit.

Disabled people also qualify, providing they are receiving:

- Attendance Allowance
- Disability Living Allowance
- Disabled Persons Tax Credit
- Industrial Injuries Disablement benefit which must include constant attendance allowance
- War Disablement Pension which must include mobility supplement or constant attendance allowance
- Severe Disablement Allowance
- Council Tax Benefit which must include a disability premium or constant attendance allowance
- Income Support which must include a disability premium
- Housing Benefit which must include a disability premium

He gives up to the minute information about the many reduced cost schemes available from energy providers and other bodies which is particularly useful to those who do not qualify for grants. He will visit people at home to carry out energy surveys and give advice or, if it is appropriate, simply pass information by telephone. Big savings can be made at no cost just by knowing how to be more careful

The service is completely free of charge, advice is accurate and totally impartial, giving you the power to decide what to do, what to spend and whether you need to spend it.

So if you could be warmer, or your fuel bills could be less, contact Ian Green. He will be pleased to help Tel 01724 297636 Office or 07967 050471 (Mobile)

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# BARTON-UPON-HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL

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## BARTON-UPON-HUMBER ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

1st April 2003

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is given that the Annual Town Meeting will be held in the Assembly Rooms, Queen Street, Barton-upon-Humber, on Wednesday 23rd April 2003, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk

### AGENDA

1. Prayer.
2. Welcome by the Town Mayor, Councillor N Turner.
3. Apologies for absence, if any.
4. To note that Notice of Meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12 Paragraph 14(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.
5. To receive and consider the Barton-upon -Humber Town Council Annual Reports for 2002/2003, previously circulated with the April 2003 issue of the Bartonian:-
  - (a) Community Regeneration Committee. (Councillor Mr J Oxley);
  - (b) Environmental Regeneration Committee. (Councillor Mrs J Oxley);
  - (c) Finance and General Purposes Committee. (Councillor Mrs W Witter);
6. Questions for the Humberside Police.
7. Questions for the North Lincolnshire Council.
8. General questions from the floor. \*
9. To consider any items for discussion or report at the discretion of the Chairman.

**PLEASE NOTE:** \* If it is your intention to raise a matter please give prior written notice to the Clerk or Chairman before the meeting.  
It would also assist if, prior to speaking, you would give your name.

A Copy of the Annual Report is enclosed and copies will be available in the Meeting.



# BARTON UPON HUMBER TOWN COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORTS 2002/2003

## FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

### Chairman Councillor Wendy Witter

This has been a year of reviewing and updating our management and operating systems. In practical terms this has meant that we have been subjected to new and increased legal requirements and have had to change to comply with them. Even what was a relatively simple matter of having a Remembrance Service at the War Memorial has become shackled by red tape and has required staff and councillors to fill in forms, make applications and act as stewards.

Issues of Disability Discrimination, Health & Safety, Personnel, Audit, Code of Conduct and Publication of Information Legislation have all had their effect. The outcomes have been a review and updating of policies, employment of an internal auditor, training, improvements to computer systems including computerised accounts and increased staffing hours. However the results of these actions are that the new Council will be able to work more efficiently, effectively and transparently with a greater accountability, in compliance with the law. Full details are in the Committee and Council minutes which together with the accounts can be seen at the Council Offices between 9.00am to 1.00pm Monday—Friday or by ringing Barton 633598 for an appointment. A very useful explanation regarding the Council's finances, prepared by our Clerk and Finance Officer Mrs Hibbert for the Council when it confirmed its budget in February will be available at the Annual Town Meeting at 7.30pm on Wednesday 24th April 2003 in The Assembly Rooms, or afterwards from the Council Office.

The local rate that we have levied to meet next year's expenditure from 1st April 2003, is slightly down on last year. We have been putting money aside for some years to meet the requirements of the D D A and the refurbishment of the Assembly Rooms. These works will start in the Summer, and will be paid for from money set aside in reserves, a grant and a loan. This loan will of course have to be repaid and provision for this has been included in our budget. There have been no staff changes this year, and the work of the Finance & General Purposes Committee has been supported by the Personnel Committee, Audit Sub-Committee and Assembly Rooms Sub-Committee.

It would be remiss of me to conclude this report without expressing appreciation and thanks for the support and contributions of the Committee Members and to the Town Clerk and her Staff.

Thank You

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## ENVIRONMENTAL REGENERATION COMMITTEE

### Chairman Councillor Janet Oxley

The recently formed extended Committee is now beginning to show its potential. The Committee is now a partnership between the Town Council, Barton Civic Society, Barton Lions Club and Barton Rotary Club, all of whom have a desire to improve the Environment of our town.

Once again we had a good turn out for the continuing bulb planting programme and I am sure that you will agree the Town is a blaze of colour at this time. I would like to thank Barton Scouts once again for helping with the bulb planting. On 1st March phase one of the tree planting scheme took place resulting in 16 trees being planted around the town this project being lead by the Civic Society.

Each of the road entrances to the town have been improved beyond recognition over the past few years and has resulted in other North Lincolnshire towns following suit. We have once again entered the Yorkshire in Bloom competition under the following categories Best Small Town, Caravan Camping and Chalet Parks and Best Kept War Memorial and the Spring judging will take place sometime between Monday 31st March and Thursday 17th April.

Barton Lions Club have agreed to take over the project of clearing out the Haven and I thank them very much. I would also like to thank Michelle Button and her Local Neighbourhood Services Team for their hard work in keeping our town clean despite the actions of a few who seem determined to make a mess particularly with graffiti and the poor disposal of refuse.

On a brighter note the Community Garden is making slow but positive progress. All of this work, of course, could not be done without the enthusiasm and effort put in by the Committee members, I thank them for achieving so much again this year and look forward to seeing the results of their future efforts.

## COMMUNITY REGENERATION COMMITTEE

### Chairman Councillor John Oxley

The Community Regeneration Committee has once again achieved a remarkable year of events by the hard work of the Members. Its main aim is to make sure that the most special thing about Barton, its 'Community', is supported in its own efforts to make Barton an even better place to live.

The Committee has once again this year not only organised its own events but has also supported other Town organised events including Barton Carnival, Barton Lions Fireworks Display, Barton Bike Night, Barton Arts week and the Humber Half Marathon. Each of the events are growing in both size and popularity and continues to attract visitors from outside of both the town and the county. Once again this year's Picnic in the Park was badly hit by rain but those hardy people who turned up enjoyed the afternoon. Like the other Town Council Committees, we encourage people who are interested in our work to become involved. They may attend the planning meetings and get involved with the practical aspects of particular projects.

The Christmas Festival was, in my opinion, the biggest and best ever, we have received many compliments regarding the event this year and this time no complaints.

As the Festival grows more and more, Health and Safety legislation is being introduced and it is important to realise that more and more people are needed to help at the event itself. Anyone willing to help for even an hour or two over the weekend then please contact Barton Town Clerk, Mrs Hibbert, and leave your name and phone number in order to contact you closer to the day.

Last years event had more craft stalls than ever before and I am confident that the number of these will be at least doubled this year. Finally I would like to thank all the members of the Committee, but I would particularly like to thank Councillors Pete Davis and Alan Todd and the Town Clerk, Ruth Hibbert, and the Deputy Town Clerk Carol Clark, for their outstanding efforts throughout the year.

As the days of this current Council are numbered, there is an Election on the first of May, I would like to thank everyone who supported the Town Events and hope that this continues.

## BARTON EVENTS IN 2003

- ◆ Annual Town Meeting 23 April
- ◆ Local Elections 1 May
- ◆ Annual Mayoral Meeting 14 May
- ◆ Barton Lions Beer Festival 30 May-1 June
- ◆ Barton Arts Week 27 June-6 July
- ◆ Barton Bike Night 9 July
- ◆ Barton Carnival 19 & 20 July
- ◆ Waterside Festival 10 August
- ◆ (Town Council supported event replacing the Picnic in the Park)
- ◆ Barton Lions Bonfire & Fireworks Display  
5 November
- ◆ Barton Christmas Festival 28 & 29 November

## BARTON NOVELISTS

During the latter half of the 20th century there was a spate of novel writing in Barton-on-Humber. Dr T.H.Kirk wrote several children's books. Henry Treece, published more than 70 books. Ted Lewis wrote 10 novels, one of which was made into a film.

Born in 1899, Tom Kirk came to Barton as assistant to his Uncle Dr. Naismith, who had taken over the Morley practice in Burgate in 1921. In 1924 Tom took over the practice himself, and his uncle returned to Northumberland. In 1927 Dr. Kirk took George Gilmore into the practice as his partner. Soon after this Dr. Bradnack, partner to Dr. Birtwhistle in the rival practice, married Nora Kirk, Tom's sister. The Kirk practice and the Birtwhistle practices amalgamated. During the war Tom's Peggy joined the practice to replace Dr Gilmore who had joined the RAMC.

Tom and Peggy Kirk were very active in the town, and joined in many activities. The Dramatic Society benefited when Tom wrote a number of plays for them. These they produced, and performed on the stage of the Oxford Cinema in Newport. One of the plays was submitted to the BBC, who twice broadcast it on the radio. Before he retired and returned to Northumberland in 1965 Tom wrote several novels. These were published in the 1960's. These were in the style of Arthur Ransome, and aimed primarily at young readers. Copies of three of them are held by the North Lincs Library. These are:-

**"Back to the Wall"**

**"The Ardrey Ambush"**

**The River Gang"**

A later arrival in Barton was Henry Treece, who was appointed as a master to Barton Grammar School in 1939. Within a few months of him taking up his appointment the war started. In 1940 Henry enlisted and was commissioned as an Education Officer in the Royal Air Force. When he was demobbed at the end of the war Henry returned to his post at the Grammar school, where he was a very successful teacher. In the mid 1950's he started writing novels, many of which were based on historical themes or on Greek Mythology. These proved so successful that he retired from teaching in 1959 to devote himself to writing full time. He was a prolific writer. More than 70 of his books were published. Copies of 38 of his titles are held by the North Lincs Library Service. These are:-

**The Exiles  
Last of the Vikings  
The Great Captains  
War Dog  
Hounds of the King  
The Viking Saga  
The Jet Beads  
Red Settlement  
The Windswept City  
The Dark Island  
Dylan Thomas  
Bury Your Dead  
Castle and Kings**

**Killer in Dark Glasses  
The Golden Strangers  
Man with a Sword  
Horned Helmet  
Viking's Sunset  
The Invaders  
Splintered Sword  
The Rebels  
Electra  
Don't Expect Any Mercy  
The Eagles Have Flown  
Bronze Sword  
The Children's Crusade**

**Fighting Men  
Legions of the Eagle  
Herbert Read  
Vinland the Good  
I cannot go Hunting Tomorrow  
Swords from the North  
The Road to Miklagard  
The Queens Brooch  
The Crusaders  
Dream Time  
Ask for King Billy  
The Burning of Njal**

Ted Lewis was born in 1942, and came to Barton as a child, when his father became manager of the Quarry and Lime Works at Melton Ross. During much of his childhood he lived at 20 Westfield Road. Educated at Barton Grammar School, where he was doubtless influenced by Henry Treece, he started to write soon after leaving school. He was an accomplished artist, producing many fine drawings and paintings. He left Barton and lived in a number of places in the South, where most of his writing was done. Sadly he started drinking heavily, and this not only led to the break up of his marriage, but also led to his premature death in 1982. Some of his line drawings of Barton are held by the Civic Society, and are used on their Notelets. Copies of 10 of his books are held by North Lincs Library Service. These are:-

**All the way Home, and all the Night Through  
Jack Carter the Mafia Program  
Jack Carter's Law  
The Rabbit**

**Billy Rags  
GBH  
Jack's Return Home**

**Boldt  
Get Carter  
Plender**

In view of the big contributions which they made, both to literature and to the repute of the town, the Civic Society proposes to erect plaques to commemorate these three on the houses in which they lived.

In addition to these major authors, Dr. John Swaby, who was Vicar of Barton in the 1960's had a book published entitled "The Marshmen". Three ex pupils at Barton Grammar School went on to publish novels after leaving both school and town. Although we still have much talent in the town, our current authors write non-fiction. Rex Russell, Geoff Bryant, Ron Newton, Enid Bryce and numerous members of WEA classes have been writing up aspects of the history of the town, and of the town's contribution to the 1939-1945 war, and these excellent books have been privately published by the WEA. Novel writing however is different. It requires the imagination to invent plots as well as the ability to fashion them into a story which "grips" the reader. For about 50 years novel writing flourished in Barton. Will anyone continue the tradition into the new millennium?

**Jim Robertson, (on behalf of Barton Civic Society)**

**Book Review****The Later History of Barton-on-Humber—Part Three. Great Changes in Barton: 1793—1900 by Rex C. Russell published by the Barton-on-Humber Branch of the Workers' Educational Association (2002)**

This book is the first of a proposed five-part series to be published on the History of Barton from 1086 to 1900. It looks at four great changes which took place in the 19th century and which in many ways made the town what it is today. The first was the enclosure of the three great open fields in which each farmer had a number of scattered strips.

This revolutionary transformation gave us today's landscape of hedged fields and scattered farmhouses. During the 19th century the population of the town more than tripled—a previously unprecedented rate of growth which had enormous social and economic consequences. The necessary increased provision of houses and employment will be studied in a later book in the series. The century also saw the rise of Methodism as an alternative to the established and somewhat moribund Church of England. It quickly gained enormous support and attracted massive congregations to its various chapels. Finally, the book ex-

plores the growth in educational provision for both children and adults and studies the consequence for those who benefited from this provision. For instance, in 1800 some 60% of Barton brides were illiterate; by 1900 that figure had fallen to 8%. For bridegrooms the figure fell from 25% to 2%.

As with all Rex Russell's work the book is meticulously researched and provides a most stimulating and enjoyable read. It is 112 pages long and is generously illustrated with maps, line drawings and photographs. It costs £7.00 and can be obtained from 8 Queen Street, Newton Printers or The Ropewalk.



### TOWN AWARD 2003

The Town Award winner for 2003 is Mr Ray Smithson, he was presented with his award at the Mayor's Civic Dinner on Friday 14th March 2003. Mr Smithson was nominated in recognition of his work with Barton and District Amateur Operatic Society, and fundraising with "Lets Make Music".

Other local people to be nominated this year all received a Certificate of Merit in recognition of their nomination, they were:-

Mr Nigel Land, Miss Wendy Fowler,

Mrs Joan Spillman, Mr Malc Bennett Mr John Kneeshaw, Mr Geoffrey Bromfield, Mrs Brenda Lait, Mrs Nadine Dickinson and

### *NLRCT Easter Treasure Hunt*

#### **North Lincolnshire Rural Community Transport**

37 Whitecross Street Barton Upon Humber, DN18 5EU  
Tel/Fax: 01652 661226 Booking Line: 01652 636292

Contact: Shaun Couldstone, 12 Holydyke Barton Upon Humber. Tel: 01652 635350

Date: Sunday 11 May 2003

Time: 2pm – 4.30pm

Start: 37 Whitecross Street, Barton Upon Humber

Young charity fundraiser Shaun Couldstone is organising a Treasure Hunt to raise money for North Lincolnshire Rural Community Transport Scheme. The event will start at their offices, at 37 Whitecross Street in Barton Upon Humber. The event will take place on 11<sup>th</sup> May and it is hoped that it will help boost the charity's funds and help towards the charity's general day to day running costs.

The Treasure Hunt is open to anyone – single people or teams can enter. A prize will be awarded to the winner and it is ideal for everyone. The treasure hunt will consist of a series of cryptic questions and is suitable for those who are unfamiliar with the area as well as native Bartonians. Question Papers are priced at £2 each and are available from the Car Scheme office, where the walk is designed to start and finish. For anyone unable to take part on the day, the Treasure Hunt questions will be available from the Car Scheme office during opening hours – 9am – 12 noon, Monday – Friday.

The Manager of the Scheme, Averil Robinson said 'This event provides the ideal opportunity to enjoy yourself, whilst being in with a chance to win some prizes too! You will also be supporting the work of the Car Service which is greatly valued by many residents of the town, and for those who are in the surrounding areas.' She went on to say how much everyone who is associated with the scheme is valued and appreciated, especially by those who benefit from the service.

North Lincolnshire Rural Community Transport provides low cost transport to residents in the Parishes of North Lincolnshire who are elderly, frail or have disabilities. Transport is also arranged to hospitals, doctors, health-related appointments, visiting and other social journeys from the rural areas of North Lincolnshire.

Everyone you speak to seems to have used the Voluntary Car Service at some point or other. The scheme covers the whole of North Lincolnshire and is invaluable to the people who use it. Any extra funding will help to keep the service running so that it is there whenever you need it.

"I hope many people will come to Barton to take part in the Treasure Hunt and in doing so provide some Treasure to the Car

Article kindly supplied by Mr Charles Watkinson.

## MASLEM HALL - DO YOU KNOW WHERE IT IS?

Some Barton residents will know where Maslem Hall is but I had better describe its precise location. It is on the East side of Barton to Brigg Road at Bonby top, between the road going East to Barrow and the slip road from the A15, as one comes from Barnetby top. Two large houses, formerly farm workers dwellings, now stand here. They were almost derelict but have now been given a considerable rebuild and renovation. Between these houses and the road to Barrow there is, at present, a tangled mass of trees and bushes. Before the A15 was driven through this area, the road to the East at Bonby top, from Brigg Road to Barrow, was called Blackmold, and it made a nice Sunday walk from Barton going along Brigg Road, turn onto Blackmold and return to Barton via Deepdale and Caistor Road. A short time ago my son was driving my wife (Edna Towle as was), and myself from Scunthorpe and as we turned off the A15 and up the slip road to return to Barton I remarked upon the very good job of work that had been done on the two houses. Then I said that the Old Chapel which had stood there, among the trees, must be in a parlous state, if, in fact, it was there at all. My wife said she, and other children who attended the Primitive Methodist Sunday School, had been to that Chapel to some Sunday morning services. This would be about 1930, she said the Chapel was very small, she thought they had been taken to the Sunday morning service to swell the usually small congregation. The Sunday School Superintendent was George Smith, of Drewery & Smith fame, he had used his largish car which also served as a taxi. I think that the Methodist Minster at that time would probably have been Rev. Williamson, followed by the Rev. Upright. I never went there but I can remember Mr George Day, a Methodist lay preacher, soberly dressed in a dark suit, polished boots, walking the Brigg Road on his way to preach the Gospel at that Chapel. Mr Charlie Lawtey was another who officiated in like manner. This Chapel and others like it were strategically placed in rural areas to accommodate farming folk who were of a particular Non-Conformist persuasion. Barrow Haven had a Chapel, I am sure there must have been others. I wonder how many now in Barton were among the many children from the various Chapel Sunday Schools who, dressed in their best, set off from the individual Chapels, carried on the horse drawn, decorated, flatbed four wheeled rullies on the Whit Monday ride through the town, the procession finishing in the orphanage field (the Fire Station, Harrowdyke and the Bowmandale estate are built on it). The Primitive Methodist's May Queen and her Attendants took pride of place in their part of the Procession. Each Chapel had a Banner carried by the older children, one to each pole and one to each of the four guy ropes, most of the children were carried, but the teachers and some of the older ones walked. After arriving, en masse, at the Orphanage Field the processions dispersed, the children were conveyed back to their own Chapels where they were given Tea.

After Tea they walked back to the field where sports and games were enjoyed. And why did the weather always seem to be kind?

At that time, as well as the 'Prims', there were several Chapels in Barton, the Congregational in Chapel Lane, (the Congoes), the Wesleyans, one in Holydyke, one on Waterside. The Salvation Army was strong and active in the town. I don't think that the Established Churches, three C. of E., St Mary's, St Peters, St Chad's and St Augustine's, the Roman Catholic Church took part in this Whit Monday procession. I may be wrong.

## Barton Town Council Members

*If you think that they can help you with anything then please contact one of your Town Councillors:*

### Bridge Ward

G.E. Appleyard [C]	25 Bowmandale	Tel. 01652-632105
D.M. Brown[L]	42 Far Ings Road	Tel. 01652-636404
M. Maddison[C]	2 Varah Close	Tel. 01652-636050
K.L.A. Davis [I]	82 High Street	Tel. 01652-632652
P.N. Davis [I]	82 High Street	Tel. 01652-632652
D.G. Evans[L]	1a Westfield Road	Tel. 01652-660282
L.J.D. Oxley [I]	17 Warrendale	Tel. 01652-632064
J.E Oxley [I]	17 Warrendale	Tel. 01652-632064
M. Sidell.[C]	12 Birchdale	Tel. 01652-632512
R. Stokes[L]	14 Providence Cres	Tel. 07867-932293
K. Vickers [C]	Horkstow Road	Tel. 01652-633951

### Park Ward

A. Cole.[C]	32 Whitecross St.	Tel. 01652-633690
D. Cressey[L]	79 Providence Cres	Tel. 01652-634774
F. Coulsey [C]	29 Pitman Ave	Tel. 01652-632999
E. Longbottom.[L]	64 Meadow Drive	Tel. 01652-632103
M.W.S. Osgerby[L]	19 Barrow Road	Tel. 07939-416905
R.L. Patterson [C]	2 Beck Hill	Tel. 01652-634853
D. Pearson.[I]	16 Barrow Road	Tel. 01652-632249
C. Read.[C]	10 Ferriby Road	Tel. 01652-632420
A.M.Todd[L]	8 Orchard Close	Tel. 01652-634539
N. Turner[L]	3 Caistor Road	Tel. 01652-635365
W. Witter.[I]	6 The Bridges	Tel. 01652-632675

C = Conservative. I = Independent. L = Labour.

Members serving on North Lincolnshire Council  
Cllrs. Appleyard. Sidell. Vickers.

You can also write to the Town Clerk at:

**Council Office, Assembly Rooms, Queen  
Street,**

**Barton-upon-Humber. DN18 5QP.**

**Tel. 01652 633598 Fax. 01652 637763**

**email bartontownclerk@tiscali.co.uk**



# Barton upon Humber Lions Club



I thought that I would start by giving you some facts about Lions throughout the world.

- 1) The International Association of Lions Clubs is the largest clubs organisation in the world.
- 2) Almost 1½ million members belonging to nearly 42,500 clubs in 178 countries and geographical locations.
- 3) Latest clubs have been formed in Albania, Belarus and Russia.
- 4) There are nearly 1,000 clubs in the UK and Ireland with almost 21,000 members.
- 5) Generally most of the club activities concentrate on the needs of their local community.

As you can see we are a worldwide organisation helping where ever we can. Although we mainly concentrate on the local community we also help in third world countries. Some examples of the projects which Lions Clubs get involved in are as follows:-

- 1) Funding for water wells. (50p can give a person clear water for life)
- 2) Eye camps—many thousands of peoples' eye sight have been restored by eye camps which are sponsored and manned by Lions, particularly in the Indian subcontinent (just a few pounds gives someone the gift of sight).
- 3) Clubs give voluntarily to an international fund which provides help in an emergency such as earthquake or flooding.
- 4) Over the past year or so Barton Lions have contributed amongst other things to the following:-

- 1) **Senior Citizens trip to Scunthorpe;**
- 2) **Children's toys to Viking Resource Centre;**
- 3) **First Steps Playgroup;**
- 4) **Voluntary Car Service;**
- 5) **St Andrews Hospice;**
- 6) **Disabled person trip to Malta;**
- 7) **Hearing dogs for the deaf;**
- 8) **Youth Football;**
- 9) **Eye Camps;**
- 10) **Water Wells;**
- 11) **Handicapped vehicle;**
- 12) **South Ferriby Primary School;**

- 13) **Allotment Society Prizes;**
- 14) **Barton Rugby Club;**
- 15) **New Holland Junior Football Club (newstrip)**
- 16) **Local Churches;**
- 17) **Cheshire Homes;**
- 18) **North Lincs Badminton;**
- 19) **Shopping trolley for disabled;**
- 20) **St Peter's School;**
- 21) **Barton Scouts;**
- 22) **Flight to Amsterdam for 92 year old person;**
- 23) **Lindsey Lodge Hospice;**
- 24) **Riding Carriage for the Disabled;**
- 25) **Meningitis Trust;**
- 26) **St John Ambulance;**
- 27) **Disadvantaged Children's Holiday;**
- 28) **Household appliance for Handicapped Family.**

These were some of the donations given totalling some £18,000.

Obviously in order to give donations OUT we have to have monies coming IN. I would think that most of the local residents have contributed in some way at one of our events such as the Barton Beer Festival, Caravan Food Sales at various events, Easter Egg Draw, Golf Day, Barn Dance, Harvest Festival Auction, Bonfire Night Display and Lions Lottery.

Events planned for this year so far are:-

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|-------------|---|
| 14 March    | Sportsman's Dinner<br>(All proceeds to St Andrew's Hospice) |
| April       | Easter Egg Draw   |
| 30/31 May & |   |
| 1 June      | Beer Festival   |
| 7 July      | Golf Day at Elsham Golf Club                                |
| 2 August    | Barn Dance  |
| 5 November  | Bonfire & Fireworks Display                                 |

We shall also be attending many other local events with our food caravan and also be marshals at many events. May I take the opportunity to thank you all for your help in the past and hope that you will continue to help us to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

Many thanks Lion John Oxley

## BARTON YOUTH CENTRE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Are looking for a Manager for next season to run Their Under 9 squad, They have teams in every age group next season from Under 9- Under 16's They also want more players for their Under 10's - this seasons squad will be splitting between two age groups for next season.

Any girls Under 12 want to play in an all girls team why not get in touch!

Training throughout the Summer at Pasture Road.  
Interested ?

Contact the Club Secretary on Barton 635611 or ask any Manager

## BARTON AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

The collectors would like to thank everyone who contributed to their recent collection. 1st year's collection in Westfield Road raised more than £50. Previous collections in West Acridge and Pasture Road have raised similar amounts and we would once again like to thank all concerned for their generosity.

# APPEAL FOR DRIVERS

The Voluntary Car Service is looking to recruit drivers for their much-used service.

If you have a car, a few hours to spare and a desire to help others please contact the office at 37 Whitecross Street, Barton or telephone 01652 636292. To help with running costs of volunteers' cars, expenses are paid.

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Our Service is open to anyone who has **genuine** difficulties with transport. We ask for at least 24 hours notice. To protect our drivers and clients under the terms of our Employers' Liability Insurance, all bookings must be made directly through the telephone booking line 01652 636292. Calls can be taken between 9 am and 12 noon or a message left on our answerphone.

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

To be held in Baysgarth House at  
**7.30pm:**

**Wednesday 7th May 2003;**

**Wednesday 14th May 2003**

**(Mayoral Meeting)**

**Monday 19th May 2003;**

**Wednesday 4th June 2003;**

**Monday 16th June 2003;**

**Wednesday 2nd July 2003.**

Cyril Doughty recently celebrated his 70th Birthday, at his Party guests gave donations to 2 Charities instead of presents.



Cyril presents Andrew Binns of Macmillan Cancer Relief with £136-½ proceeds of 70th Birthday.



Cyril presents Margaret Credland (centre) and Sonia Last (right) of North Lincolnshire Voluntary Car Scheme with £136-½ proceeds 70th Birthday.

# ROGER BURNETT PRESENTS Baysgarth PUPILS WITH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Baysgarth School's Annual Prize Giving, held in December, celebrated successes right across the school.

Roger Burnett, ex world motorcycle champion, ex Baysgarth pupil, who now runs the highly successful Roger Burnett Promotions, PR & Advertising Company, presented the awards for a wide range of achievements. From outstanding academic results at A' level and GCSE, to community awards for involvement in extra curricular activities, such as Rock Challenge, Fashion Passion, Talent Contests & raising money for charities. From brilliant sporting achievements to specialist subject prizes, and recognition of effort and attainment at all ability levels.



*Roger Burnett, ex world motorbike racing champion, presenting awards to Baysgarth pupils, with Pat Crofton, Deputy*

## Baysgarth is proud to celebrate such success for so many of its pupils.

Pupils from Barton, awarded special prizes included –

**Headteachers Awards for Academic Excellence-** Andrew Roff, Verity Gardner, Kayleigh Chapman, Penelope Chessell, Adam Gardner, Hannah Bray and James Codd

**YEAR 7** Governors awards to Glenn Martin, Lucy Wright

**YEAR 8** Governors awards to Rachael Dunderdale, Scott Smaller,

Rebecca Stevens. **YEAR 9** to Richard Oxley **YEAR 10** to Lucy Clayton **YEAR 11** to Matthew Austin. **YEAR 7 Effort** Jodie Sweeney. **Attainment**, Laura Coupland, Steffi Earle, Georgiana Turner.

**Community** Stacey Gillyet, Emma Wright, Rachel Cowling, Keren

Brannan, **YEAR 8 Effort**, Nicole Doughty, Leonie Pearson, Kirsty Shepardson. **Attainment** Jessica Ransford, **Community** Shaun

Couldstone, Victoria Watkinson, Lee Ward.

**YEAR 9 Effort** Gemma Chapman, Daniel Cook, **Attainment**. Stephen Bromfield, Philip Dyer, Richard Oxley, Philip Turner,

**Community** Andrew Riley, Ben Woodbridge.

**YEAR 10 Effort** Kay Jeffrey, David Whittingham,

**Attainment** Kirstie Goodwin, Helen Kirby-Hawkins, Matthew Mabbot. **Community** Michael Lewis.

**YEAR 11 Effort** Tracey Love, Melanie Knowles, **Community** Lisa Pounds.

**YEAR 12 Effort** Gina Chow, Emma Cartledge,

**Attainment**, Laura Tuplin

**YEAR 13 Effort** Paul Whittingham. **Community** Lauren Fairbank

**Henry Treece Memorial Prize** Rebecca Skelton

**English Subject Prize** Jack Anderton

**English Endeavour** Rachel Huteson

**Maths and Art** Andrew Roff

**Mathematics and Science** Adam Gardner

**Technology** Christopher Catley, Sarah Taylor

**Information Technology** Rachael Bollington, Stephen Bromfield

**Physical Education** Matthew Austin

**Languages** Naomi Sampson, Penelope Chessell, Ben Woodbridge

**Humanities** Rebecca Baxter

**Expressive Arts** Rachel Parker

## ExpRESSIVE ARTS FACULTY APPLIES FOR 'ARTS MARK' AWARD

This national award recognises the considerable involvement of Baysgarth School in a wide range of activities. R. N. Smithson and Chris Bulman supported the application. This year, Baysgarth

has led the way in taking drama workshops out to the primary schools in the area with the help of Hull Truck and Street dance.

Baysgarth's Christmas Concert included music, dance and drama presented by pupils from Years 7-13, together with primary school pupils performing works they had produced during these workshops.

A team from Baysgarth performed a dance & drama routine at the Environmental Festival of Arts at the Baths Hall Scunthorpe. Last year's Rock Challenge entry was invited to open and close the Life Style awards ceremony at Hull New Theatre.

The school orchestra has continued to entertain and recently the recorder and soloists performed with the Grimsby Orpheus Male Voice Choir.

Drama pupils have visited Amsterdam, London, Hull Truck, and Immage Studios etc.

A highly entertaining Talent Show demonstrated the depth and range of talent within the school and auditions have taken place for this year's Rock Challenge performance.

## PARTNERSHIP WITH BARTON CHAMBER OF TRADE

Baysgarth is building on the successes already recognized by the prestigious national awards – Schools Curriculum Award, School Achievement Award and Quality in Careers Education and Guidance Award

We are developing our business partnership with the Barton Chamber of Trade, to increase the number of representatives from local businesses and the community, acting as mentors to individual pupils to give them extra support from outside the school.

Also we are expanding our programme of work-based learning and work experience in local businesses to allow pupils to see the real world of work.

Baysgarth are also creating a new Careers and Community Award for 14-16 year old pupils with local business support to add greater credibility and status to it. Plus a Rewards Scheme for 11-14 year olds for involvement in community based projects and arts events.

*Jeff Teasdale – Parent Governor*