

# **BIERTON SPRING NEWS**

JUNE 2021



## **BIERTON EVENTS GROUP**

Bierton Events Group aims to get the community together and raising funds for local charities/good causes.

Events have included the Easter Trail, Easter Eggsercise, annual run, Santa sleigh drive, quiz evening, outdoor cinema, Christmas family films, gate to front door and art competition. Follow Bierton Events on Facebook or Instagram for updates and see articles for current events.

## **BIERTON WALK**

With longer days and warmer weather, it's a great time to explore Bierton. A new walk around the village is available on www.biertonvillage.org.uk or is available at plotaroute.com ID:1330751. Why not take a look and enjoy some of our lovely local area? The photo on the right is of Great Lane.

## WELCOME

Welcome to the first edition of Bierton news, providing local updates and information to residents. We're planning a quarterly update.

Please give us feedback and share ideas for future articles, by emailing diary@biertonvillage.org.uk or facebook messaging Bierton Parish Council or leaving a message on 07932 738733



Would you have a little spare time to help with the local poppy appeal? Joan Arnold is looking for someone to cover Burcott Lane in October/November.

*If interested, please get in touch with Joan on 01296 428903.* 



#### CALENDAR PHOTO COMPETITION

We'd like to promote our lovely village and our talented residents. Bierton Events Group would like to invite you to take part in a photo competition to win a place in the first Bierton calendar.

- Upto 3 entries per person. A maximum of one photo per person will be selected for the calendar.
- Landscape orientation photos only.
- They must show a feature or view of Bierton.
- If a person appears in your photo and can be identified, please submit their written permission.
- Photos taken from September 2020 onwards can be submitted.
- Entrants will be notified of the results by 9th October. Judging will be carried out by the Wellington Camera Club (Somerset)

Prizes for the best photo and runner up. Please email your high resolution, entry to biertonevents@gmail.com by 13th September 2021

#### GATE TO FRONT DOOR CONTEST

Make your front garden as appealing as you can as viewed by your Postie or Amazon delivery driver. Whether you go traditional, contemporary or off-beat - it's up to you. Size is no object, we're interested in quality.

The winning garden will feature in the Bierton calendar and judging will take place on 26th June

# PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meetings will be held at 7pm in Jubilee Hall on 21st June, 19th July and 20th September, all at 7pm and all at Jubilee Hall. The annual meeting will take place on 21st June, just before the regular monthly meeting.

The Parish Council has continued to meet regularly on zoom during Covid. In addition to responding to local planning applications, the Parish Council has delivered a number of local improvements including new gym/play equipment in Burcott Lane, replacing the Sports Centre flooring and arranging the installation of the footpath from Burcott Lane to Muddy Lane.

If you have thoughts on what the Parish Council needs to discuss, please get in touch or attend a monthly meeting.

Parish Councillors: Sheila Cotton, Bob Dewis, Lorna Fisher, Mike Glyn, Mark Grieves, Steve Knowles & Alan Webber. Parish Clerk: Jo Payne



If you would like to take part, please visit the village website biertonvillage.org.uk or email biertonevents@gmail.com or call Steve Knowles on 07870 266642 for an entry form.



#### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Work is progressing well with the neighbourhood plan. Currently the NHP group is working through comments from residents and stakeholders on the draft plan.

For more information visit https://www.bwbnplan.co.uk/

# **COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

Our Community Group is still active and here to help residents with shopping, telephone contact and general support.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Community Group by doing shopping and collecting prescriptions etc If you need any help, please call Gemma on 07879 634720 or Dan on 07872 160247.

The Mike & Claire Griffin Charitable Trust are offering support to residents impacted by Covid, with non-repayable grants to people in immediate financial difficult. Support is available to residents of Bierton and Hulcott. Please get in touch griffintrustees@gmail.com



A community allotment has been setup in Great Lane, in partnership with the Aylesbury Garden Town. Everyone is welcome whether you want to get involved in gardening, maintenance or simply come up for a chat and pick some produce To find out more, email allotment@biertonvillage.org.uk Please pop along and have a look.

## **BUSINESS NEWS**

**Dynamic Driving Range** - is open as is Bay 19 Monday to Friday 11-10 pm (Thursday Friday Saturday they have artisan pizza van serving from 5:30 pm onwards

**The Barn** is open as usual from 26th May, Wed -Fri: 9.30am - 2.30pm. Sundays 12-5.

**The Doghouse Inn** is open as usual with indoor and outdoor seating.

**JSH Carpentry** - for all your carpentry needs call 07581 306584

## CONTACTS SHEET

Enclosed with this newsletter is a contact sheet giving you details of local public and community support contacts as well as local businesses and groups/clubs.

Please keep this somewhere safe, we'll be updating it every 6-12 months.



- May to 13th September photo calendar competition see article
- 19th & 20th June Wingrave open gardens 12-6 £6 for map from shop/church
- 26th June Gate to front door garden competition (BEG) see article
- 26th June Church Summer Fete (StJ)
- 10th July All Saints Church, Hulcott. Summer Fete on the Green.
- 25th July Teddies from the Church Tower (StJ)
- 3rd Oct Harvest Festival (StJ)
- 5th Nov Scouts bonfire, Burcott Lane
- 14th Nov Annual Bierton fun-run (BEG)
- 11 Dec Christmas Bazaar (StJ)
- 11& 12 Dec Santa Float (BEG)

BEG - contact Bierton Events Group - follow them on facebook or instagram for more info. StJ - contact StJames church - see their website for more information.



St Osyth was Anglo Saxon princess born at Quarrendon Palace c700AD. Reputedly beheaded in the woodland at St Osyth Priory in Essex by the Danes after having earlier drowned in a stream and been revived by nuns.

Bierton was on the route that her body was taken from the priory to her final resting place of St Mary the Virgin in Aylesbury. It's said that her funeral procession stopped in Bierton and laid her body down at the wells current spot, where a spring started to form and it is for this reason that the well is dedicated to her.

#### ST OSYTHS WELL -THEN & NOW

Historical photos of the well show a house (possibly a school at one time) where there is now a kissing gate leading to the field behind the school. It would have been the main supply of water for villagers before mains water was introduced between the wars. It's also known as Upper or Uptown Well by locals.



The well is now a very pleasant area to sit and enjoy the plants, views and pond.

The summer edition will be published in August/September. If you have any articles, feedback, news or thanks you would like to share, please email diary@biertonvillage.org.uk or facebook message Bierton Parish Council or leave a message on 07932 738733