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Catney Residents
Association



CATNEY NEWS

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Residents Association News

Airport Update-Night Flying Review

The working group met with representatives of the Airport's review group on the 14th May to discuss the proposals that had been put forward a few days before. As a result of the discussion, it was agreed that the working group would meet separately in an effort to come to a common understanding that could be presented at the next meeting with the Airport. The working group meeting has been arranged for 29th May. Unfortunately, due to the commercially sensitive nature of the data being discussed we are unable to greater detail at this stage but will do as soon as we are able. The items being discussed included nighttime noise levels, number of flight departures at night at various times, types of aircraft able to fly at night and the defining regime for breaching any agreed regulations.

Traffic Calming in Catherine de Barnes

We have been successful in receiving funding from National Highways for the traffic calming proposals and the RA organised an open village meeting in the Village Hall on Tuesday 21st May commencing 7.30pm. This will probably be the last opportunity for villagers to comment on the proposals. The meeting will be attended by our Parish Councillors and hopefully a representative of SMBC Highways.

Planning and Neighbourhood Plan Update

No new planning news

Following a meeting with SMBC the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group have decided to progress the review by amending the draft document in order that it is likely to conform to the Emerging Local Plan (currently stalled) and the adopted Local Plan dated 2013. A revised plan document is currently being prepared which will be submitted to SMBC for an informal opinion and based on the results, the process of getting a new NP adopted will continue.

Village Hall Update

Unfortunately, the heavy rains we have experienced recently, resulted in significant damage to the outside toilet exposing issues with the flat roof. A leaking cistern was also discovered resulting in a very wet building. Quotes are currently being obtained for the necessary repairs which will also include the rendering of the building. Costs in the region of £10k are expected. In addition, the Trustees have applied to National Highways Social Fund for £9600 for new kitchen units and equipment plus their installation. (The fund has a £10k limit) The project will include re decoration of the kitchen which will be needed to be funded separately. Both the Residents Association and the Trustees believe the refurbishing of the kitchen is important and

feel that if we are unsuccessful in securing funding for the project it will be jointly funded by both organisations.

RA Committee members typical activities this month

- Arranging a village meeting re traffic calming
- Preparing and distributing welcome packs to new residents
- Liaising with NH refunding for traffic calming
- Social group organising the variety of matters and issues in preparation for the village hog roast event on 6th July
- Monitoring membership receipts.
- Attended two meetings concerning the review of the airport's Night Flying Policy together with the associated background work
- Liaising with PC and Ward councillors re planning applications still awaiting decision
- Arranged the purchasing of a card machine in order that card payments could be accepted as well as cash.
- Contributing to this newsletter
- Attending the monthly committee meeting and recording
- Sending out communications which may be of interest to residents
- Liaised with Trustees over possible refurbishment of the kitchen in the Village Hall,

Pot holes /Drainage issues/ Faulty Street Lighting/ Fly tipping

If you see issues with any of these - please send details to the PC clerk at clerk@hamptoninarden.org.uk – we find things get attended to quicker that way. If you can send a picture so much the better but please provide details of its location.

Residents Association Committee Meetings

Generally, Committee meetings are held on the first Monday in the month, and the next one is on Monday June 3rd. Any resident wishing to raise any issue with the Committee can do so, at least 48 hours before the meeting, by contacting secretary@catney.co.uk . Any items of importance discussed at the meetings or decisions made, are communicated to members via Catney News, which is distributed to members only.

Catherine de Barnes History

If anyone has any historical pictures, documents etc about the village, and they are willing to donate them to the archive please let Dave /Lesley know.

07824-696137/07776-480813 or send copies to cuthbert488@outlook.com

If anyone would like to learn more about the area, we are so lucky to live in, for £5 you can purchase a book which was co-authored by our Residents Association founder and first Chairman Pete Peters entitled **Catherine de Barnes Past and Present**. Money from the purchase of these books goes to Village Hall funds. If anyone would like a copy, please contact Lesley Cuthbert on 07776 480813

Dates for the Diary

Residents Association

Saturday 6th July

Hog Roast event to be held at the Village Hall. See back page

Saturday 21st September

Village Tidy up meeting at the Village Hall at 10 am -all equipment provided- followed by tea and biscuits – more news later

Saturday 5th October

Butty breakfast at the Village Hall commencing 10.15 am til 12. noon. Members are welcome to a complimentary bacon or sausage butty with a tea or coffee. Non-members welcome to join us for a small charge of £3.

Parish Council

Next Hampton in Arden Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting and is being held on Wednesday 10th July in the Village Hall in CdeB commencing 7.30pm.

If you have any issues you wish to raise, please make the Clerk, Julie Barnes, aware that you would like to speak, with a brief description of the issue, at least 2 working days prior to the meeting. Julie can be contacted at

clerk@hamptoninarden.org.uk or phone 01675 442017

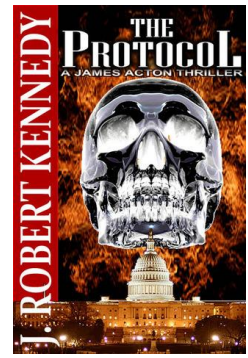
Residents are welcome to attend- it usually lasts around 90 minutes.

**"In early June the world of leaf and blade and flowers explodes, and every sunset is different."
– John Steinbeck**

BOOK REVIEW by JOHN ALDERSON

THE PROTOCOL

An adventure novel by J Robert Kennedy



Professor James Acton (a regular Kennedy protagonist), is on an archeological dig in Peru where he has discovered a beautiful crystal skull, an artefact he has not seen before and of which he has no knowledge.

Suddenly and without warning his camp site is surrounded by members of the elite Delta Force (his own military) who treat Acton and his student staff as terrorists, killing all but Aston who is working in a cave at the time of the attack and manages to escape and make it to England with his new found skull.

He now finds he is being pursued not only by Delta Force but members of a two-thousand-year-old society called the Triarii, who appear to be found in all walks of life and whose raison d'être is to guard and protect these skulls, as he finds there are more of them.

He meets and teams up with Laura, a fellow archeologist and the story of what happens next is the story of this novel.

This moves along at great pace as the Delta people seem to have access technologically to everyone and everywhere, which is quite frightening in a way as this military unit actually exists in the American Military.

Not a bad story, quite a bit of violence, definitely one for the conspiracy theorists.

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE JULY EDITION OF THE CN WILL BE A DOUBLE EDITION TO COVER AUGUST TOO. SO, IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO CONTRIBUTE FOR JULY/AUGUST PLEASE GET IT TO ME BY 20TH JUNE. THANK YOU
CHRIS CLULEY**

"And what is so rare as a day in June? Then, if ever, come perfect days." - John Keats

WELCOME PACK FOR NEW RESIDENTS

If anyone has a new neighbour, knows of a new resident to the village or is in the process of moving, I would very much appreciate it if you could let me know the address of the new resident so that I can deliver a Welcome Pack to them.

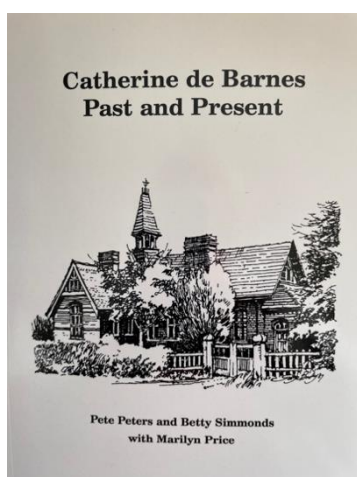
The Welcome Pack contains information of the village amenities, useful telephone numbers and of course information about the Residents Association and the many things we do. Please email me at cuthbertlm@me.com or text/telephone me on 07776 480813 with the address of the new resident. Thank you.

Lesley Cuthbert

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WHAT IS ON IN JUNE

Marie Curie Hospice in Marsh Lane are inviting everyone to a garden visit on behalf of the National Gardens Scheme on Sunday 23 June 11.00am - 4.00 pm

Adults entrance £4, children free. Wheelchair access. Tea and cakes, plant stall, silent auction, children's games. Dogs on leads are welcome.

SOLIHULL MUSIC FESTIVAL AND STREET MARKET

2024 marks a completely new look and feel for the landmark music festival in Solihull town centre.

Being held from 20th – 23rd June, there will be music of all genres to enjoy at our FREE family event with the main stage in Mell Square and plenty of venues around the town centre hosting the action.

The Continental Street Market, organised by RR Events, will be in town from Thursday 20th – Sunday 23rd June with live music accompanying the delicious market delights on Friday 21st, Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd.

Catch some fantastic artists on our Mell Square stage or enjoy more intimate performances in some of Solihull town centre's best hospitality venues. All performances are FREE!

The Strolling Players
present

**Great British
Musicals**

Join us for a stroll around famous British musicals

**Saturday 1st June 2024
at 7.30pm**

Knowle Village Hall

Tickets ~~~ £10.00 ~~~ Available from
Joan Ransom ~~~ 01564 777634



In the Night Garden Live at The Belgrade, Coventry

In the Night Garden Live is coming to The Belgrade, Coventry. 21 Jun 2024 to 22 Jun 2024 10 AM, 1 PM AND 4 PM FOR CHILDREN AGED 1-4 YEARS. TICKETS FROM £20

Igglepiggle, Upsy Daisy, Makka Pakka and friends are back in their fun-filled live show **Igglepiggle's Busy Day!** Join Igglepiggle as he looks for his friends in the Night Garden by following their funny sounds until he finds them all!

You'll see all your favourite characters beautifully brought to life with full-size costumes, magical puppets, and enchanting music. This show lasts just under an hour and your little ones will be amazed when they see a very special visit from the amazing flying Pinky Ponk.

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory at The Alexandra, Birmingham 11 Jun 2024 to 15 Jun 2024 **Mon - Sat at 19:15 Sat at 14:15**

TICKETS FROM £13

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is coming to The Alexandra Theatre, Birmingham. Enter a world of pure imagination with the delicious Broadway and West End musical Charlie and The Chocolate Factory, based on the famous novel by Roald Dahl.



CATNEY RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

VILLAGE SUMMMER EVENT

SATURDAY 6TH JULY 2024 12PM-4PM

FOOD SERVED AT 1PM
CATNEY VILLAGE HALL

Ticket only Event

Adults 14 and over £10, Children £8 (under
5's free)

- * HOG ROAST (VEGAN OPTION AVAIABLE)
- * BAR AND ENTERTAINMENT
- * RAFFLE PRIZES COURTESY TO GENTING HOTEL IN RWB
- * -ONE AFTERNOON TEA FOR 2 IN SKY BY THE WATER
- * -ONE FREE SLOT FOR 2 TO RELAX IN SANTAI SPA !
- * TRADITIONAL GAMES FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN

For ticket inquiries and purchase , contact

Ella Meca at

catneycommunityevents@gmail.com



**WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH THIS EVENT – PLEASE
DO GET IN TOUCH WITH US**

"It was June, and the world smelled of roses. The sunshine
was like powdered gold over the grassy hillside."

– Maud Hart Lovelace