

BARNEY, FULMODESTON & CROXTON

NEWSLETTER AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: October/November 2025

Please send small items for inclusion in the next bi-monthly issue of the newsletter by 24th November 2025 to bfcnewsletter@hotmail.com or contact Susan Vaughan on 01328 878295

The 200 Club August/September winners:

Our last two draws took place at the Old School Hall on Wednesday 6th August (Quilting workshop) and Monday 15 September (Coffee morning). Here are the lucky winners:

August:

£50. A. Vaughan	Barney	£25. D. Woods	Little Snoring
£10. J. Fenn	Barney	£10. A. Warren	Fakenham
£10. D. Smith	Fulmodeston		

September:

£50. C. Self	Fakenham	£25. D. Woods	Little Snoring
£10. R. Frost	Barney	£10. L. Fearn	Fulmodeston
£10. L. Main	Fulmodeston		

As always, many thanks to everyone who supports the 200 Club. In July the Club donated £1,150 to the Old School Hall. *John Reilly 200 Club Treasurer.*

OUR PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2025 (AT OLD SCHOOL HALL NR21 ONX)

MONDAYS AT 7PM: 6th OCTOBER, 1st DECEMBER

The next Parish Council meeting is to be held on Monday 6th October at 7.00 pm at the Old School Hall. Our new website is now fully up and running and is fulmodestonwithbarney-pc.gov.uk

Clive Lickley, Parish Councillor

MOBILE LIBRARY

**The mobile library will visit on Fridays 3rd & 31st October and Friday 28th November 2025.
Croxtan (Farm) 10.50 -11.00am; Barney (The Old Bell) 11.05 -11.20am; Barney (Brambledown) 11.25 - 11.35am**

Barney, Fulmodeston and Thursford Food Production Club:

Tuesday 25th November: 7pm for 7.15pm at the Old School Hall, Fulmodeston. Come and meet some of our members demonstrating their favourite family recipes - with tastings. Free for members and new members are welcome to join at this event for the 2026 FPC year. Guests are welcome to attend - £3 per person. Payment by Cash only. *Kerry Harris*

Playing Field Association (PFA):

The Committee are full steam ahead tackling the ongoing build of the new community hub up at The Drift, with painting the exterior of the building the next job on the list. If anyone is able to help in any way, feel free to contact me. As the new chairman of the PFA, alongside our valued committee members, I am looking to drive the project forwards to its completion, with a view be ready for use and hire in 2026. Please do keep an eye out on our Facebook social media page for up to date information on events and help required.

We do need to ask for your support in keeping the Playfield a clean and tidy space for all to use, unfortunately we have seen an increased amount of dog faeces left on the field at Barney. Please could we remind everyone TO BAG IT AND BIN IT. We thank you for your help and support on this matter. **Aaron Riseborough**
07584252963

Barney Cricket Club:

As the season has now drawn to a close and the pitch has been put to bed for another season, I would like to just place on record our thanks to Richard Riseborough for all his hard work in maintaining the Playing fields outfield of which I think everyone can agree on looks fantastic. Also Liam Riseborough of which without his efforts no games would be played up there. As for Barney's season it wasn't the trophy laden success of previous years but still a solid year nonetheless, with a semi-final defeat in the Hunts county cup and a semi-final defeat in the Challenge cup and a third place finish in the league. We also hosted another successful big bash which saw JRP Renegades run out eventual winners with over 100+ people in attendance. A great day was had, with over £400 being raised through match fees towards the Big C Cancer Charity. This year also saw the reintroduction of a Fakenham 4th side which meant the facilities were used every week throughout the summer which is fantastic to see the facility being used to its full potential. Barney also hosted Fakenham 3rd team who had a successful season winning their respective league. *Aaron Riseborough*

News from the Old School Hall:

Thank you to everyone who came to The Macmillan Coffee Morning in September, your support raised £510, an amazing amount from such a small community.

Old School Hall Dates for your Diary:

October:

Friday 3rd: Whist Evening. Doors open 7 pm. Entry £2. Bar open. A friendly evening, new players always welcome.

Monday 13th: Bingo. Doors open 7 pm. Entry £6. Cash Flyer and prizes. Raffle and refreshments. Bar open.

Saturday 25th: Film & Bar Night: Film: 'The Thursday Murder Club' (12A). Doors open 7 pm, film starts at 7.30 pm. Free entry. Donations to Old School Hall.

Friday 31st October: Halloween Evening - Film & Fancy Dress Night: Film: 'Wicked' (PG) with themed Fancy Dress for both children and adults encouraged. Prizes for the best effort. Doors open 7.00 pm. Film starts 7.30pm. Free entry. Bar open. Donations to Old School Hall.

November:

Friday 7th: Whist Evening. Doors open 7 pm. Entry £2. Bar open. A friendly evening, new players always welcome.

Monday 10th: Bingo for Barney & Fulmodeston Playing Field Association. Door open 7 pm. Entry £6. Cash Flyer and prizes. Raffle and refreshments. Bar open.

Friday 21st: Quiz Night for Christ Church Fulmodeston with bring and share supper. Doors open 7 pm. Quiz starts at 7.30 pm. Teams of up to six. £2 per person. Raffle. Bar open.

Saturday 22nd: Strictly Blackpool Special on The Big Screen – Doors open 6.00 pm. Time of the show has not yet been announced by the BBC. Bring and share snacks. Bar open. Free entry. Donations to Old School Hall.

Saturday 29th: Film & Puddings Night: Film: Julie & Julia (12). A selection of puddings will be available on the evening. Donations to Old School Hall. Bar Open.

Upcoming Events for December: Christmas Craft Fayre (6th), Village Party (20th), Christmas Eve Afternoon Film with Mince pies.

Newly Formed Friendship Club at Old School Hall:

Thursday 2nd October: 2.00 to 4.00 pm: Film: 'Go Between'. Tea, cakes and raffle. £3 inclusive

Thursday 6th November: 2.00 to 4.00 pm: Bingo. Tea, cakes and raffle.

Thursday 4th December: Christmas lunch to be arranged

Everyone welcome. Come and join us, chat and make friends. **Jackie Barnes 01328 878400**

Coffee and Chat: Our next dates are Mondays 20th October, 12th November and 15th December. We meet in the Old School Hall between 10.30 and 12.20. On Monday 20th October, our friend Andy, will bring as many drums as he can fit in his car, to let us all have a go at drumming! Please bring 2 wooden spoons with you, if you have them. They make very useful drumsticks and we will need some more of those. Should be a very interesting one! **Christine and Mike Marshall 01328 878053**

Book Group: The next two Book Group meetings will be held on Monday 27 October and Monday 24 November in the OSH at 7.00pm. **Gill Lee 01328 878870**

Knits & Quilts Group: Old School Hall, Wednesdays 8th & 22nd October and 5th & 19th November 2025, 1- 4pm. If interested in joining just turn up to a meeting.

House Group: 10am on Wednesday 15th October and 12th November. For information on discussion topics and venue, please contact Jane Heath on heath991@btinternet.com

The Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride and Walk: At 9am on Saturday 13th September, I joined Tom Marston and his children, Edith 12, Isobel 9 and Tristram 9, as we put on our helmets and mounted our bicycles. Leaving Barney at 9.15, we signed in at Fulmodeston Methodist Church at 9.27 before crossing the road to Christ Church at 9.29. The remainder of the 15 mile trip saw us visiting churches in Kettlestone, Little Snoring, Great Snoring, Great Walsingham, Hindringham, Thursford and Barney. Eleven churches in total. Throughout the journey the weather was kind as we enjoyed a breeze and blue sky and sunshine with patches of cumulus cloud. Each church that we visited had its interesting character. A big thank you to Tom, Edith, Isobel and Tristram for making the day enjoyable. A big thank you also to Josephine Marston and Gill Jarret for signing cyclists in at Barney Church. Over £600 has been pledged so far, half of which will go to St Mary's Barney and the other half to Norfolk Churches Trust. I will publish the final total in the next newsletter. *Paul Mann*

Afternoon Tea in aid of Breast Cancer Now and Little Lifts: We would like to thank all those that helped with and attended the Afternoon Tea we held in August. We raised an amazing £1400 which we have split equally between Breast Cancer Now and Little Lifts. *Julie and Mark Buckle*

Residents of Fulmodeston Parish 2025. Payment date - Fuel Allotment Money: Payment of the Annual Fuel Allotment money will be made on **29/11/2025 at the Old School Hall between 10am and 12 Midday**. If you collected your money last year you do not need to do anything. If you wish to make a new claim, or did not collect your payment last year; please contact me **before 10/11/25**. To be entitled to make a claim you must have been permanently resident in Fulmodeston Parish since **30/10/2024 and still be residing on 30/10/2025**. Second homes do not qualify and only 1 application per address. If you are eligible to claim but can't make the collection date, someone else can collect for you provided you give them written permission, which they will need to bring. **Alison Fearn, afearns@live.co.uk**

Fakenham Choral Society Advance Notice: Fakenham Choral Society's popular Christmas Concert will take place in Fakenham Parish Church on Saturday 13 December at 5.30pm. Further information to follow. *Shirley Collyer, Publicity, Fakenham Choral Society*

Church/Chapel Services October/November 2025

Fulmodeston Methodist Chapel

We continue to hold our services on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 2.30pm.

All very welcome at these services.

October 5th, Members of the Congregation

October 19th, Rev. Neil Vels

November 3rd, Rev. Jonny Bell

November 18th, Members of the Congregation

Christ Church, Fulmodeston

Sunday Services:

October 5th, 4pm: Harvest Evening Prayer. A service of thanks for those who work so hard in the local farming community.

October 12th, 11am: Holy Communion

October 19th, Service at Fakenham

October 26th, 4pm: Evening Prayer

Don't forget the clocks go back one hour on Sunday 26th

November 2nd, 6pm: All Souls Service

November 9th, 10.50am: Annual Service of Remembrance – outside if weather permits.

November 16th, Service at Fakenham

November 23rd, 4pm: Christ the King

November 30th, Services at Fakenham: 8am Holy Communion; **10am Christmas Tree Festival Service**

Quiz Night with Raffle - Friday 21st November at Old School Hall with Bring and Share Supper - Tables of 6 maximum, £2 per person entry.

Our Annual Christmas Craft Fayre with Old School Hall takes place on Saturday December 6th from 10am - 1pm. Local Craft Stalls, Grand Raffle, Bake Stall, Refreshments, 'The Old Timers String Band', Tombola and more!

St Mary the Virgin, Barney

October 12th, 8.30am: Communion

November 9th, Remembrance Sunday: 10.30am: Communion

Fridays 9am: Informal Morning Prayer