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Editor's Welcome

I am writing this piece on 23rd September – the first day of Autumn. If it were not for the patchy remnants of insipid lawns, you could be forgiven for forgetting the past summer's heat. But many won't forget the intensity of the heatwave, hitting harvest hard with several local wildfires devastating fields near Peakirk and also Carby. At that time, the farming community stood out, neighbours looking out for each other & as a community rushing to help others at the earliest sign of smoke, to limit rampant destruction – our communities and villages were spared any significant damage.

In another way we have on-going community support in the village too, with Baston Beats donating significant sums to two local causes (page 8) and Hunt & Haunt (page 7) and Fireworks (see page 8) in

a month's time. These events raise significant funds that go back into our community, so please support them as much as you can. Last edition we had the central pull-out for the Church 100+ Club – a chance for villagers to support the oldest community building in the village (at a time when significant roof repairs are being investigated) while also possibly winning back on draws if you're lucky. It's not too late to enter, details are available on page 4.

The new village sign adorns the front cover (& more details on page 6 & 14) and is a fitting emblem of our village and community. The carvings show key symbols through time, including a farmer ploughing the fields. There's a fitting tribute to our community, whatever the seasons. All the best, Nick.



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Vicar's View

We are in the season of Creationtide, a time when we are encouraged to pause and notice the wonderful world in which we live. After the extraordinary heat of the summer, it has been lovely to see how quickly the countryside has responded. The rain has come, the grass is greening, hedges seem to have sprung back to life, and everywhere there are signs of growth. Creation is remarkably resilient.

But resilience should never be an excuse for taking creation for granted. We are blessed to live in such a beautiful part of the country, and while we can enjoy and celebrate the changing seasons, we also have a responsibility to consider how we might lessen our impact on the world around us. Small changes, made by many people, can make a difference.

As I write this, we are moving into the harvest season, and before we know it we will journey through Remembrance, Advent and Christmas, and onwards towards Easter.

The Church has a wonderful way of marking the turning of the seasons, helping us to notice the world around us and to reflect on where God is present in our lives.

So, as the seasons change, do keep an eye on what is happening in your local church. There may be more going on than you realise! Harvest celebrations, special services such as All Souls and Remembrance, quiet moments of prayer, Christmas events and community gatherings are all opportunities to come together, celebrate, give thanks and perhaps see our familiar churches in a new way.

Creation keeps turning, and the Church turns with it. Let's make sure we notice.

God Bless,
Carolyn



100+ Club Winners

August Winners

£30	Name Withheld	no. 161
£15	G Mallett	no. 10
£15	E Starsmore	no. 98

September Winners

£30	R Abrams	no. 136
£15	Name Withheld	no. 29
£15	S Plastow	no. 341

The 100+ Club is a fundraising draw for the village church with total funds split 50/50 between the church and prizes. Annual subscription is £12 per number with a draw every month. Subscriptions are usually renewed in October, with details provided in the August issue of the Baston Voice but you can join throughout the year.

Contact Simon Pitchford (see 'Contacts') for details or to check your number. The more people who sign up, the bigger the prize fund! All winners cheques are delivered to you, or can be BACS-ed if preferred.

Baston Church & Ness Group Services

(May be subject to alteration)

October

Sunday 4th	10am	Morning Service
Sunday 11th	10am	Morning Service
Sunday 18th	10am	Group Holy Communion (Thurlby)
Thursday 22nd	10am	Mid-week service
Sunday 25th	10am	Holy Communion

November

Sunday 1st	10am	Morning Service
	6.30pm	All Souls Service (Thurlby)
Sunday 8th	10.50am	Remembrance Parade Service
Wednesday 11th	10.45am	Baston and Kirkstone Schools Remembrance Service
Sunday 15th	10am	Group Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd	10am	Holy Communion
Thursday 26th	10am	Mid-week service
Sunday 29th	10am	Group Holy Communion (Langtoft)
	6pm	Advent Carol Service

Church News

Maryon Avery

Church lunches restart on **Thursday 1 October**. Sue Stanley and her team of volunteers are poised to serve you a bowl of delicious home-made soup accompanied by a roll and butter, followed by a hot dessert, with custard if you wish, rounded off by tea/coffee. Come for lunch. Stay for a chat. All for £6.50. In church 12 noon – 1.30 pm.

Future lunch dates: **5 November, 3 December, 7 January 2027, 4 February, 18 February, 4 March, 18 March**.

Christmas wreath-making on **Saturday 21 November** in church, two sessions - 10 am and 2 pm. £35 per wreath to include all materials, instruction and refreshments. Maximum 12 participants per session so pre-booking is essential. Email bastonctf@gmail.com for further details or phone/text Maryon on 07471 198 497.

HELPING OUR UKRAINIAN FRIENDS (HOUF) will again be taking items to Ukraine this winter as the need is expected to be greater than ever. As previously, we shall be collecting donations in the three Ness Group churches. Look out on Facebook for details of specific items being

requested or pick up a leaflet from church.

Congratulations to our own Hazel Whitfield who has been accepted as an ordinand on the St Hild, Lincoln, "Elizabeth" programme for older people. Hazel already works in local parishes as a lay minister. As an ordinand, she will be building her skills and studying, with the possibility of being ordained to the priesthood in due course.

Celebrations

At St John's we love the opportunity to celebrate weddings and baptisms.

If you would like to discuss your wedding or have yourself, child or baby baptised please contact Janet Low on janetlow1@sky.com

From the Registers

Funeral 19 August

We offer our prayerful sympathy to the family and friends of Bert Flatters.

(A Thanksgiving Service for Bert's life was held in church on 17 August, followed by a wake.)

Baston Organisations

Parish Council

Cllr Adrian Clarke, on behalf of the Baston PC
Good news, hopefully residents have seen the new village sign, funded by the Parish Council with a kind donation from Baston Events, and commemorative bench for Cllr Jim Kelly who passed away. We hope residents agree with these improvements to our village and have the time to stop and enjoy them.

At our September meeting we were pleased to co-opt local resident Tim Edwards as a Cllr. We are lucky to find residents in our village that step up giving their time in supporting our village and way of life. Welcome Tim!

We are currently looking at options for a village Christmas Tree and if this proves possible hopefully it can become a focal point for village Christmas celebrations.

The Wates housing development consultation has been extended to 19th September; the PC are monitoring the ever-increasing documents being submitted by various parties into this consultation.

We honestly do not know when a decision will be made currently.

The passageway from the A15 through to School Lane will have a new street sign "The Jitty" which at the request of residents wishing to maintain the history of our village was completed by the Parish Council in agreement with Mr G Wyman.

Our website is kept up to date, you can view this at bastonparishcouncil.org

Our meetings are on the second Thursday of each month, our next one is **Thursday 8th October** and we encourage residents to come along, see what we are doing and pose any questions they have.

From our District Councillors

*Cllr Vanessa Smith and
Cllr Rosemary Trollope-Bellew*

The scorching days of summer already seem a distant memory as evenings draw in, leaves turn brown and nature prepares for winter. Remember that fallen leaves can make valuable leaf mould and provide important protection for hibernating wildlife. I was delighted to find a baby grass snake in my garden this week!

With food security increasingly in the news, it always dismays me to see how many pumpkins are thrown away after Halloween. Why not make the most of them? Pumpkin makes delicious soup, pie or curry — pumpkin pie is a particular favourite in our house on 1st November.

Closer to home, we welcome the Government's pause on its proposed Local Government Reorganisation for Lincolnshire. The May 2027 South Kesteven District Council elections are expected to go ahead, meaning our district councillor seats will be contested. Lincolnshire County Council elections are next due in 2029.

The 283-home Baston Green development is likely to be decided by SKDC planning committee very soon. We will continue to represent residents' concerns, particularly regarding the A15 and flooding. Further developments are also being proposed at Northorpe/Thurlby and west of Linchfield Road in Deeping, adding to concerns about pressure on the A15.



Finally, our local MP has launched a campaign for a 30mph limit through Baston and Langtoft. I would welcome residents' views. Personally, I wonder whether traffic volume, rather than speed alone, is the greater problem.

Please get in touch if there is anything you would like us to help with.

Baston Playing Fields Management Committee

Chris Greenall

Following a successful Party in the Park - all the way back in May, we are pleased to announce that through match funding with Viasat, we raised **£1,798.12!** This will go straight back into maintaining our

wonderful playing fields and 'The Barn'.

We would also like to thank the parish council, Baston Events and Total Onion for their grants and sponsorship towards the running costs of the event. We are already looking forward to next year's Party in the Park being held on **Saturday 1st May 2027**. If you would like to get involved in helping to organise this, please contact us at partyinthepark@bpfmc.org.

Baston Events

Hunt & Haunt

Amanda Greenall

Baston is getting ready for another afternoon of spooky fun as **Hunt & Haunt** returns to the village on **Sunday 25th October**.



The event offers families a fun alternative to traditional trick-or-treating, with participating houses around the village decorating their homes and putting on Halloween-themed games, activities and surprises for children to enjoy. Families can collect a map from **The White Horse in Baston from 4pm**, before setting off around the village to discover the spooky stops along the route. For the first time you can buy discounted tickets in advance, online for

just £4 and it includes a free hot dog. **Tickets can still be purchased on the day for £5 cash or card**, the event finishes at 7pm.

Hunt & Haunt is always a popular village event, bringing families and residents together while also raising money for charity. This year, the event is proud to be supporting **The Butterfly Hospice Trust**, helping to raise funds for the important work they do providing palliative and respite care for local families.



We are inviting everyone to get dressed up, grab their maps and join in the Halloween fun. There will also be a pumpkin carving competition on the day. For more information and updates, follow **Baston's Hunt & Haunt** on Events on Facebook.

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Baston Events

Baston Fireworks 2026

Nick Rickett

Baston Fireworks returns on **Sunday, 1st November**, our 18th show in the village in recent memory. The Fireworks' committee have worked hard throughout this year on the planning of this event & we hope that we will have the same support & understanding within the village again as last year, particularly regarding parking allocation & spacing.



As always, we have something for everyone: a lively funfair, an extensive food selection including a licenced bar, a dedicated children's fireworks (with music from One Direction). Like last year, local band Listen Like Thieves will perform ahead of the main display, bringing their signature energy and sound to Baston's biggest night of the year.

The evening's finale is another world-class Pyrovision display set to music from Harry Styles. Gates open at the village playing fields from 3pm, with the shorter display scheduled for 5.30pm and the main display at 7.00pm.

Tickets are already available, whether from the village shop (cash only) or on-line again via ticketsource.co.uk/bastonfireworks. Full event details are on bastonfireworks.com

Baston Fireworks is more than just an event—it's a celebration of community while raising significant funds for the village & local causes. Together, we'll keep Baston sparkling!

Baston Beats 2026

Niamh Addy

We're delighted to announce that Baston Beats 2026 has generated **£6,786.49** for local good causes – our highest total to date.

This fantastic amount has been made possible by the much-appreciated funding support we receive from Baston Events, the generosity of our sponsors, £1,000 of confirmed matched funding from Compare the Market, the continued support of The White Horse, the welcome addition of Grasmere Farm this year and, of course, our community – everyone who volunteered, donated, performed, or bought food, drinks and raffle tickets from our charity bar. Thank you!

The funds will support two wonderful causes: Baston CE Primary School, helping towards the much-needed resurfacing and new markings for its playground, and Deep In Kindness, helping to provide Christmas hampers for around 30 local individuals and families, as well as supporting its annual Skegness Beach Day for more than 60 local children, families and older residents.

A huge thank you to everyone who played a part in making Baston Beats 2026 such a successful weekend for our village.

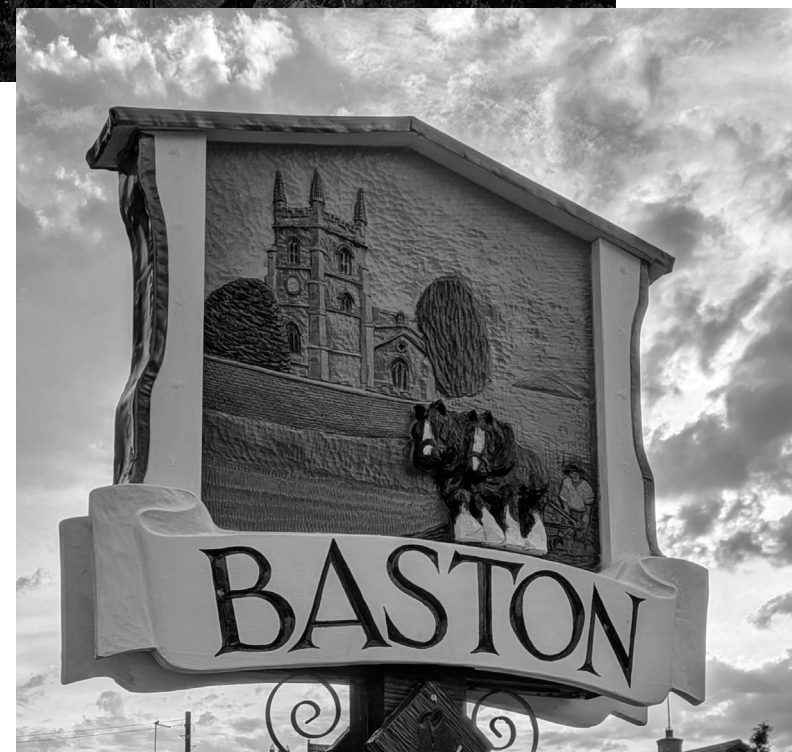
Baston Beats returns for its fifth year from **25–27 June 2027** – and this time, we're going Friday through to Sunday! Watch this space for what we have in store for next year.

Missing Book

Maryon Avery

Diane Savage would like to track down her copy "A Baston Childhood" by David Winn. It was loaned to someone quite a while ago. Please let Maryon Avery know (07471 198 497) if you have any idea as to its whereabouts, and let's see if we can get it back to Diane.

New Baston Village Sign - replaced August 2026



Schools' News

Baston CofE Primary School

Lucy Tyler

It has been a busy and exciting start to the new school year, focussing on a range of creative, practical and hands-on learning experiences that include, inspire and challenge.

Our Year 5 children have been exploring the Underground Railroad, learning about the ways enslaved people used symbols and coded messages as they sought freedom. To bring this to life, they created their own Freedom Quilt, inspired by the symbols, patterns, colours and personal motifs they have studied. Each child designed their own tile before bringing them together to create one collaborative quilt.

Year 3 have begun exploring the Stone, Bronze and Iron Age. To help them understand just

how long ago these periods were, the children created timelines using toilet rolls! This provided a brilliant visual representation of the vast amount of time covered by their topic and helped them to put their historical learning into perspective.

Year 2 have also been making the most of our outdoor spaces as they learn about habitats and living things. They have been exploring the school grounds, searching for different plants and animals and thinking carefully about how living things can be classified

From exploring history through creativity to investigating the world around them, our children are already embracing opportunities to learn, explore and ask questions. Through experiences like these, we continue to prepare the way for our children to grow in confidence, curiosity and understanding.

Kirkstone House Celebrates Summer Success

Corinne Jones

This Summer saw super examination results. 75% of pupils achieved 4+ passes against a national average of 67.3%. Pupils also had a 100% pass rate in all BTEC courses. This is an incredible achievement particularly as the School has a high proportion of pupils who have an EHCP. Pupils have gone on to schools such as Bourne Grammar, Stamford Endowed School and Arthur Mellows. Others have gone on to Stamford College and to agricultural colleges such as Brooksby.

Our Prize Giving incorporated a musical tribute to

Chris Allen and a special award was presented to a pupil in his name. We had pleasure in welcoming back a former pupil, Sam Chapman, who left the School quite a few years ago to go on to be part of the successful 90s pop band 'North and South'. He first learnt to play the piano at Kirkstone and he has now returned to join our Performing Arts Department.

The sun is rising over our fields and the mature, tall trees which Mrs Wyman planted in the 1960s are beginning to turn gold. Our walnut tree is burgeoning with fruit and there is that faint smell of wood smoke; another beautiful season at kirkstone House.

Our Open Evening is on **Tuesday 6th October from 4-6pm.**

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Our Village

Villager Spotlight - Emily Birchenall



How long have you lived in Baston & where did you move from previously?

More like how long haven't I lived in Baston! I have lived here for 23 years since I was 3 years old. Originally from Leicester.

What are you involved with in the village?

I have been a volunteer for the Baston Voice team for over 4 years as publisher and redesigning the layout/design (and to help drink the drinks at the meet-ups...)

What was your previous job/current day job?

I run my own business selling a collection of unique homeware accessories and antique/vintage furniture online. I studied

Interior Design at Falmouth University.

Favourite village memory?

It has to be Party In The Park 2012, it was a memorable event, I sang 'Good Morning Baltimore' from Hairspray at 11 years old on the back of a lorry!

Favourite film/TV series?

Film: Notting Hill, Four Weddings & a Funeral (not just because of Hugh Grant...)

Quote/motto?

"We cannot direct the wind, but we can direct the sails." - Dolly Parton

Tea or coffee?

Tea and I consume way too much!



Local Business Focus

The Lincolnshire Makers Festive Artisan Market returns to Thetford Farm Barn this Christmas, bringing together more than 60 talented makers, artists, designers and independent producers for a festive day of shopping, food and seasonal atmosphere.

Discover beautifully handcrafted gifts, jewellery, artwork, homeware and unique finds, alongside artisan food, festive treats and independent Lincolnshire businesses, all gathered beneath the historic beams of Thetford Farm Barn.

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Clubs & Organisations

Baston Women's Institute (WI)

Steph' Balderson

Nancy Appleyard, with her background in Anthropology, surprised us all at our August meeting by explaining how long we had been endowed with Body Language and no matter what our ethnic background we all display the same body language emanating from our brain.

In September, Graham Magee came to talk to us about Molecey Mill. Supported by a Power Point presentation he shared the history of the Mill and its gardens with members, warmly inviting them to visit his home later in the year.

Maggie and Alan Wood from Baston, who run concerts featuring internationally known Folk and Traditional Music artists in The Barn, will entertain

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Come And Meet Each Other

Julia Willoughby

On 9th September 2026 we were given an interesting talk about the work done in the Village by the late Joyce Rate MBE. Joyce and her husband George ran the Black Horse Inn and the Over 65 Club for many years. They did a lot of Charity Work to raise funds through Clay Pigeon Shoots and Music from the Swinging Blue Jeans and Marmalade. There were coach trips to the Sea and a Christmas Party. Every elderly person in the Village received a Christmas hamper.

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal in Baston 2026

Volunteers, as in previous years will facilitate a door-to-door collection across the entire village from **22nd October to 8th November** Remembrance Sunday. Static collection boxes will be placed in the Black Horse, The White Horse, Style House, Chapel Motor Repairs Ltd, Baston Village Post Office and Store, as well as Baston CE Primary School and Kirkstone House School.

More volunteers can always be accommodated and makes the load lighter for those already

members at the WI Birthday Party on **6th October**.

On **Sunday, October 11th**, some ladies will take part in a 5k walk at The Great Eastern Run for charity, Anna's Hope.

Forthcoming

November: Bletchley Park and Cracking the Enigma Code, Keith Appleyard

This is open to all members of the public. Entry fee £6.00

December: Expedition to Antarctica, Dave Pinion
Meetings are on the first Tuesday of the month in The Barn at 7.30pm. Visitors and new members welcomed. Non-members entry fee is £6.

Please see Contacts' page for more details.

Then Joyce proudly went to Buckingham Palace in August 1993 to receive her MBE medal from Queen Elizabeth II and we were shown various memorabilia relating to her many achievements.

Upcoming events

On **Wednesday 14th October 2026** we are hoping to have Colin Avery to entertain us at St. John the Baptist Church from 2.00pm. The **11th November 2026** meeting will be an afternoon of Tea/Coffee and a chat. Although there will not be a meeting in December we will be having our Christmas Dinner at the Black Horse on **Wednesday 2nd December 2026**.



involved. Door to door collections can be made within the above timeframe at a time to suit yourself. Should you feel able to help please contact Steph' Balderson on 07940 245 375.

Music News

Upcoming Traditional Music

Alan & Maggie Wood

Phone 01778 560 497 and talk to Alan or Maggie to check availability or make a reservation.

Admission is £15, (cash on the door please)

NB New email: alan.maggie.wood@gmail.com.

All shows now start at 7.30pm

Our programme for the Autumn can be seen on our website, bastontradmusic.org, and every month we feature professional acts from the very best on the National Traditional Music scene.

Thursday 22nd October: Will Pound & Jenn Butterworth

An outstanding talent of his generation, harmonica and melodeon player, Will Pound has pushed the boundaries of both instruments, with inspiring performances across the world. Jenn Butterworth is one of the most notable folk guitarists in the UK, previously awarded 'Musician of the Year' at the Scots Trad Music Awards and nominated for the same title at the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards. An excellent collaborator, she can be seen performing with folk powerhouses such as Kinnaris Quintet, Ross Ainslie & Ali Hutton and Treacherous Orchestra.

Together they share an eclectic mix of high energy tunes and uplifting songs.

The Oscar Preston Memorial Trophy

Alan & Maggie Wood

Come and enjoy hearing some of the finest local traditional singers compete for the trophy.

The evening will start and conclude with a 'Wild 'n Woolly' Music & Song session.

The Competition - 2026

Thursday 12th November

The Red Lion, 48 King St. West Deeping PE6 9HP
7.30 for 8pm start

Solo singers are invited to compete for this trophy by the singing of a traditional folk song (or a song composed in a traditional style).

Entrants who need accompaniment must play their own instrument. It must be a solo performance.

Thursday 26th November: Granny's Attic

With exceptional musicianship and boundless energy Granny's Attic are going from strength to strength. Cohen Braithwaite-Kilcoyne (melodeon, anglo-concertina, vocals). George Sansome (guitar, vocals), and Lewis Wood (fiddle, vocals) have honed their skills touring the UK and Europe since 2009. They are much loved by audiences up and down the country with bookings everywhere from Cambridge Folk Festival to Cecil Sharp House.



'Their high-octane take on English folk has brought a whole new audience to the genre' - The Irish Times

'Great tunes, great energy, great arrangements, great stuff' - Jon Boden

The entrant must perform a song from memory and not rely on a prompt from written or printed text.

The winner to be decided upon by votes cast by the entrants.

The winner shall hold the trophy for one year.

The Competition is sponsored by 'Traditional Music & Song at The Barn in Baston'.

Prospective entrants must indicate their choice of song to Alan or Maggie Wood, 01778 560 497 or by email, alan.maggie.wood@gmail.com by **Thursday 5th November 2026**

Nature Watch

Simon Pitchford



Great to see the colourful ‘Hedgehog’ signs around the village! At the time these were displayed, they were reminding us that hedgehogs, and animals in general would be suffering from the drought conditions we had over spring and summer. A plate of water, or food put out in the evenings could indeed save them. Now we are into autumn, and have had rain thank goodness. However, hedgehogs and other wildlife still need food, water, and shelter as they prepare for winter. Please do bear this in mind when tending to gardens, wildlife needs to share these spaces too!

Gold crests and crossbills have been identified in our churchyard, and clouded yellow butterflies have been spotted, possibly as a

Past Times

Peter Rayner - village historian & contributor

Our village sign stands proud again, on Main Street, Baston, by the site of the old village pond.

Unveiled on New Year’s Day January 2000, pleasingly carved by Glyn Mould of Elton from sketches of competitive ideas by school children in early 1999, our painted sign offers a ‘scenic’ history of village life over some 2000 years.

One side depicts a Roman legionnaire, neccesary Amphora and half-buried Urn pot, then a wheat sheaf and sickle overseen by our 17th century local windmill. This rich landscape with hedgerows has the river Glen flowing through, accentuating millennia of farming and wildlife.

The obverse has two powerful shire horses ploughing the stubble in rich soils backed by a modern Baston church tower, clock and



result of our very dry and very warm summer.

We have lots of tips as to how you can encourage wildlife in your garden on our Baston, Langtoft, and Thurlby Naturehood website <https://naturehoodsk.uk>

Erratum: Apologies to Paul Morris for not crediting him for his excellent bat story in the last edition.

entrance porch (both Perpendicular 14th century designs) with bell-cote, enclosed by the walled churchyard and perhaps the early sun rising over the eastern fen.

Beneath these original carved Oak scenes the Baston name features along with two 2 shingles – one depicting ice skates, when two freezing weeks in 1996 reminded us of annual ice covered Fens; the other the millennium, 2000.

Refurbishment in 2014 and this year by Glyn, ensures our sign retains its vigour – utilising the original strong Oak carvings within a new Sweet Chestnut wood background. All suitably painted with ‘Sadolin’ and surrounded by new leadwork for the roof and sides.

A red chestnut tree background, grass sward, cared for flower tubs and commemorative seat completes the scene. See photos on page 9.



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Regular Events

Weekly

Mondays	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Church (Baston)	Games/Social afternoon
Mondays	6.00pm - 7.00pm	The Barn	Pilates session
Tuesdays	10.45am - 11.45am	The Barn	Tai Chi at The Barn
Wednesdays	11.00am - 12 noon	The Barn	Pilates session
Wednesdays	6.00pm - 8.00pm	Tennis Courts	Tennis Social (April to end Sept)
Thurs (not 4th Thurs)	9.45am - 10.45am	Church (Baston)	Chair Based Exercise class
Thursdays	7.00pm start	BPFMC cricket nets	Open session - net practice (seasonal)
Thursdays	7.00pm - 8.15pm	Langtoft Church	Ness Group Choir practice
Thursdays	7.00pm - 9.00pm	Church (Baston)	Stitch in Time/Embroidery Group
Fridays	6.15pm - 7.15pm	Lawrence Park, Thurlby	Beavers
Fridays	6.45pm - 8.15pm	Lawrence Park, Thurlby	Cubs
Fridays	8.00pm - 9.30pm	Lawrence Park, Thurlby	Scouts
Saturdays	9.00am	BPFMC entrance	Harriers Running Group
Saturdays	10.30am - 12 noon	Church (Baston)	Bell Ringing
Saturdays	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Church (Baston)	Stitch in Time/Embroidery Group
Sundays	10.00am (usually)	Church (Baston)	Service, unless a Group Service in Langtoft or Thurlby

Monthly

1st & 3rd Tuesday	2.00pm - 3.00pm	Church (Baston)	Still Point/Community Cafe
1st Tuesday	7.30pm start	The Barn	Women's Institute (WI) meeting
1st Tuesday	7.30pm - 8.45pm	Church (Baston)	Yoga/Wellbeing with Shreyalynne
1st Thursday	8.00pm start	8 Hadrian Drive	BPFMC (Playing Fields & Barn) meeting. No meetings in Jan & Aug
1st Sunday	2.00pm start	Denshire Court footpath	Baston Dog Walkers
2nd Wednesday	2.00pm - 4.00pm	The White Horse	CAMEO
2nd Thursday	7.15pm start	The Barn	Parish Council meeting
	No meetings in Jan & Aug		
3rd Tuesday	11.15am - 11.45am	Main Street StyleHse	Library Bus
4th Tuesday	12.30pm for 1.00pm start	The Black Horse	Ladies for Cancer Research UK (booking required)
4th Thursday	6.45pm for a 7.30pm start	The Barn	Traditional Music & Song (booking required). No performances in July & Aug
Last Friday	7.00pm for 7.30 start	The Barn	Cash Bingo (none in August)
Sunday, fortnightly	7.30pm start	The White Horse	Quiz Night (free entry)
Last Sunday	2.00pm - 5.00pm	Thurlby Methodist Church Hall	Repair cafe



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Events specifically for October/ November

Thurs 1st Oct	12 noon - 1.30pm	Church (Baston)	Church Lunches (restart monthly)
Tues 6th Oct	4.00pm - 6.00pm	Kirkstone House School	Open Evening
Sun 11th Oct	7.30pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Thurs 22nd Oct	7.30pm	The Barn	Traditional Music & Song
Sun 25th Oct	4.00pm - 7.00pm	The White Horse	Hunt & Haunt
Sun 25th Oct	8.00pm start	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Tues 27th Oct	11.15am - 11.45am	Main St by Style House	Mobile Library Bus
Sun 1st Nov	3.00pm site open	BPFMC playing fields	Baston Fireworks
	5.30 & 7.00pm shows		
Thurs 5th Nov	12 noon - 1.30pm	Church (Baston)	Church Lunch
Sun 8th Nov	7.30pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Thurs 12th Nov	8.00pm start	Red Lion, W Deeping	Oscar Preston Mem Trophy
Sat 21st Nov	10.00am & 2.00pm	Church (Baston)	Xmas wreath making
Sun 22nd Nov	7.30pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night
Tues 24th Nov	11.15am - 11.45am	Main St by Style House	Mobile Library Bus
Thurs 26th Nov	7.30pm	The Barn	Traditional Music & Song

Coming soon in December

Thurs 3rd Dec	12 noon - 1.30pm	Church (Baston)	Church Lunch
Thurs 3rd Dec	6.30pm	The Black Horse (start)	Carol Trail
Sat 5th Dec	10.00am - 3.00pm	Thetford Farm Barn	Festive Artisan Market
Sun 6th Dec	7.30pm	The White Horse	Quiz Night

And finally...

Situations Vacant – the Baston Voice is now approaching it's 30th edition, all from the initial concept back in early 2022. Over that time the editorial team has changed, with some leaving and new members joining. A team of six works best to spread the load, and with Emily Birchenall recently stepping down as a founder member (see Villager Spotlight, page 11), we now have two positions to fill within TBV group. It is a great opportunity to be involved in the village, as well as enhancing skills or aptitude in publishing, tech or reporting. We meet just one evening every month, with all other correspondence done remotely. Join us & make a difference – please contact The Editor for more details

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