



Broadway Newsletter

Reaching over 2000 households in the Parish of Broadway

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Nomads Community Bus - Use it or lose it ?

"for local people, by local people"

Folk have gifted their time and money to help their neighbours get out of the house, feel better and enjoy life more.

Nomads Community Bus has been a great success, great fun, been all over the place and has given pleasure to people of all ages.



Broadway Parish Council, Wychavon District Council, Worcestershire County Council, and local businesses and charities have made financial donations and given valuable advice.

Years 1 to 3 were all about talking to local people, understanding the dire need for local transport, learning about regulations and fundraising to get on the road.

Year 4 we got on the road; we set up the operation and continued raising funds and sponsorship to cover leasing costs and insurance.

Year 5 was raising awareness, supported by local sponsors, and increasing the number of groups which use the bus.

Year 6, this year, is a crucial year for the people of Broadway and the surrounding areas. You must decide how, or if, you want this community asset to continue.

Please let us know :

- If your group or club might be interested in using the 17-seater minibus that has a tail-lift to help people get on board?
- Or if you might like to volunteer to drive occasionally for a group?
- Or help the Governing Committee to steer the bus forward for our community?
- Or you may like to make a donation or sponsor us as we drive towards a community where people feel better and enjoy life more?
- Why not help grow and sustain this valuable community asset?

Mark Pickering 07949 296 738

Congratulations Helen!

Thank you for publishing an article in March/April edition of the *Broadway Newsletter* about Broadway resident Helen Jones. She was planning to walk 84 miles for the mental health charity *Mind* in memory of her husband John who had suffered from a form of dementia. Helen completed her series of walks just before Easter raising over £7,000. Helen Jones was presented with £1,289 by Adam Henson and his business partner Duncan Andrews on behalf of visitors to the Cotswold Farm Park. Adam said that each month the farm park has a chosen charity to which they invite visitors to donate, this collection was special as all those taking part in the charity walk were local people.



Brian Thackeray

A new organ for St Eadburgha's Church



In June, the old, broken organ was replaced by a new one. Here, Colin Harper, our organist, watches the installation.

Can you guess where this is?

Neil Hilton has been wandering around the village and discovered this piece of living art.

Have you spotted it?

We are always keen to hear from our readers so contact the editor with any snippets you would like to be considered for inclusion in the newsletter.



Broadway Station Update June 2019

The railway's volunteer workers have been busy with a number of tasks not least of which is the constant effort to keep the station area tidy and the vegetation under control. Some enhancements have been made to the building including fitting the replica GWR posters to the external platform-side wall and the walls of the refreshment room.

The footbridge team is making good progress fitting the decorative 'dagger boards' and support timbers for the roofing sheets. Paving has been laid under the footbridge steps, but there still remain some fiddly bits which will have to wait until the scaffolding has been removed.

Across the forecourt beside the fence, hard-standing is being constructed for the waste bin storage area. The sign and notice board at the bottom of the driveway are being refurbished.

The two big events this year, 'Wartime in the Cotswolds' at the end of April and the Steam Gala at the end of May were both very successful. Passenger numbers so far are, as expected, lower than last year but show a healthy increase compared with those before the opening of Broadway station.

John Blofield

Broadway Activities Week

Our Activities Week will be held as usual at Broadway URC on the High Street from Monday 29th July to Thursday 1st August. We welcome children from 4-17 for 3 mornings of games, crafts, stories and songs (9.30-12.30) and a full day trip on Thursday to Cotswold Farm Park. The cost is £10 for the week including the trip. For an application form, contact Judith Gibbons on 01386 853255 or 07837 515363.



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Sonia Diamond: The Barbara Baker Interview

Sonia Diamond has acted since she was a child growing up in Broadway. Now she juggles being a wife, the mother of a two-year-old, working part-time in Evesham, starting her own business and starring in the annual productions of the Broadway Players.

“I have always been a bit of a performer. When I was young, I liked giving shows to visitors who came to our house and making up little plays. Then, when I was 12, in 1996, Broadway Players started, and they came to the Youth Club in Broadway and asked if any of the children wanted to join. I was very excited because two of us were picked to say a line! I was a fairy in a pantomime that one of the Players had written herself.



Since then I have done numerous shows with them, often as a fairy. I remember having to sing quite a difficult song from ‘Spamalot’ in ‘Red Riding Hood’ and feeling really elated afterwards when I got a big round of applause. I was the good witch in ‘Wizard of Oz’ and, from the first rehearsal, the dog (who had gone through an audition process!) was fine with everyone, but when I started singing, she wouldn’t stop barking. I would stop, and so would she, then when I started singing again, she continued to bark. I laughed so much I could hardly sing at all, but by the first night she had finally got used to me and didn’t bark.

I have been very lucky, playing Cinderella, Princess Jasmine in ‘Aladdin’, and in later years taking the male roles of Dick Whittington and Jack in ‘Jack and the Beanstalk’. One of my favourites was a couple of years’ ago, when I got to play Nancy in ‘Oliver’ – she has always been a dream character of mine. It was fun too, as during rehearsals, to make me laugh, the actor playing Bill Sykes used to bring on different things to kill me with instead of a knife, like a fish from the market scene. Looking back, I don’t know how I managed because my baby was only 12 weeks old then and I was feeding him myself, so he came to all the rehearsals with me. Even during the dress rehearsal I fed him in the dressing room between scenes and songs.

I also feel very lucky living in Broadway. It is a beautiful village with lots of amenities, like the activity park. It can be a bit boring for teenagers, before they are old enough to go to the pub and they have outgrown the park, but it is lovely for adults and children. I went to Broadway First School and then Bredon Hill and Prince Henry’s in Evesham. I have always lived here, apart from when I was a Bluecoat at Pontins for a couple of years and I have also lived briefly in Worcester. All my family are from Broadway: my mum was born in the house owned by my grandparents. I got married in St. Michael’s, as did my parents and grandparents, and we were all christened there.

We rent in the village – if we bought a house we couldn’t stay, as there is nothing affordable. I work part time at Santander in Evesham and I have just started my own business as a TinyTalk teacher on Mondays in Pebworth Village Hall. Babies learn British Sign Language because they can use their hands and arms much sooner than they can talk. I taught my own child and he started signing at about 7 months and it brought on his speech much earlier. Another beauty of TinyTalk is that Arthur can come with me.

My other family is the Broadway Players. We spend a lot of time together at rehearsals – several months – so we get to know each other very well. It is a really nice group. Normally we do one show a year at Christmas (in the Lifford Hall), though unfortunately we have had to postpone it this year as some of the musicians have left for various reasons and we could not find replacements soon enough. We are doing a play next April, ‘Murdered to Death’, a spoof Agatha Christie, and then a musical again in December 2020. There are a lot of people involved, backstage and in the cast, adults and youngsters, some with training, others with none, and we are always looking for more to join. I trained in acting at college but it is a very tough industry. For as long as I can remember I wanted to be a holiday camp entertainer, and yet when I did it professionally, I saw every aspect, and unlike acting as a hobby now, it was not as magic as when it was my dream.”

What's On - Regular Events:

Mon-Fri term time 9am-3pm
Mon/Tues/Wed t/time

MONDAY

Mon 9:15 & 10:30am
Mon 9.30am-3pm
Mon 11-11:30am
Mon 2:30-4pm
Mon 5:00pm AND 7:00pm
Mon 7:00-8:30pm
3rd Mon 2.30pm

TUESDAY

Tues 9:15am
Tues 9:30am
Tues 10:00-11:00am
Tues 10am-1pm
Tues 10am-1pm
Tues 10:15am-4:30pm
Tues 4-8pm
Tues 6:30-8pm
Tues 6:45-9pm
1st Tues 2-4pm
2nd Tues 8:30am
2nd Tues 3pm
3rd Tues 8:45am
Last Tues 7:30pm

WEDNESDAY

Wed 10am-12noon
Wed 12.30-1.30
Wed 7-8:30pm
1st Wed 7:30pm
Alt Wed 2-4pm
Alt Wed 2-4pm

THURSDAY

Thurs 10am-1pm
Thurs 10:30-11.30am
Thurs 10:30am-12noon
Thurs 2-4pm
Thurs 6-8pm
Thurs 6:30-8pm
1st Thurs 10:00am-1pm
1st Thurs 3-4pm
1st Thurs 8pm
2nd Thurs 2-4pm
Last Thurs 1-3pm
Alt Thurs 10-12noon

FRIDAY

Fri 6:30-7pm
Fri 6:30-8:00pm term time
3rd Fri 2-4pm

Broadway & Towerview Playschool, Jude 01386 853780 / 07922025902
Aria Dance Company, classes for ages 5-14; Broadway Youth Club, Arianna 07951277847

Cotswold Pilates; Methodist Church Hall, Michele 07929 035262
Age UK; Signpost Broadway. Info/book a session, call Age UK Hereford & Worcs 01905 740950
Bounce & Rhyme for babies; Broadway Library, 01905 822722
Hatha Yoga – all welcome; Leedons Park Broadway, Marian Moore 07887 339730
Slimming World, Double Session; Broadway United Football Club, Emma 07762 740237
Hatha Yoga – all welcome; Broadway 1st School, Marian Moore 07887 339730
Broadway Library Readers group; Broadway Library, Leamington Road, 01905 822722

Pilates @ Childswickham village hall, for info & other exercise classes Tess 07815 949970

Cotswold Pilates; Methodist Church Hall, Michele 07929 035262
Short Walks; from The Court Back Lane, followed by coffee, Kim 07854717430
Art Broadway, all abilities welcome; Lifford Hall Broadway, Christine 07799404490
Signpost for help & information; 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
Arts courses; Broadway Museum and Art Gallery, 65 High Street, Broadway, 01386 859047
Relate (by appointment); Signpost 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
T'ai Chi – Chen style, suitable for all; URC Hall Broadway, Val 07779 746346
Broadway Whist Drive Club; The Court, Russell's Estate, Patricia 01386 853110
Table Games Afternoon for all ages + Refreshments; URC Hall, Mark 07949 296738
Breakfast Book Group; Russell's Restaurant, Elizabeth 01386 858588
'Tea at Three' All welcome for a cuppa, cake and company; just pop in; St Michael's Church Book Club; Margaret 01386 852120
Broadway Natural History Society; Methodist Hall, 01386 858679 / 01242 620281

Knitting Circle; Tisanes Tearooms High St Broadway, Pat 01386 852444
Line dancing; Leedons Park Hall, Childswickham Road, Broadway, Kleo 01386 858905
Yoga to Relax & Revive; All welcome, Lifford Hall, Enqs Aston 01386 870893
Childswickham Women's Institute; Childswickham Memorial Hall, Pam Folsom 01386 859397
Family History Sessions; Broadway Library, 01905 822722
Neighbours on Line, Computer and Internet classes; URC hall, Mark 07949 296738

Signpost for help & information; 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
Coffee Club by C of E Churches. All welcome; No. 32 High St. Broadway, 01386 852352
Look After Yourself, Exercise to music & Tai Chi; URC hall info Mark 07949 296738
Todays Our Day, Carers relax & cared-for enjoy activities; URC hall, Mark 07949 296738
Broadway Youth Club (ages 5-19); at Broadway Youth Centre, 01386 853013
Hatha Yoga – all welcome; Broadway 1st School, Marian Moore 07887339730
Broadway Embroidery Group; Methodist Hall, Gill 01386 830604
Cancer Support Group; Signpost, 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
The Royal British Legion; Bowling Club, Kennel Lane, Broadway, Les Barnett 01386 858849
N.Cotswold U3A Open Afternoon; Willersey Village Hall, John Bissett 01386 859319
Citizens Advice Bureau (appointment advised); Signpost, 4 Russell Square, 01386 859029
Probus Club Broadway for retired Business/Prof men; local venue Secretary 01386584331

Metafit & 7-7:30pm Piyo; both @ Childswickham village hall, For info Tess 07815 949970
Pilots – fun & activities in a Christian environment ages 4-18; info tel. Mark 07949 296738
Aston Somerville Art. Friendly group/wrk on yr own projects; AS Village Hall, Cliff 01386 858057

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The organisers of the Broadway Car Show are delighted to announce a completely new format of car show for this year. Taking place on **13th and 14th July**, it includes:



Supercar Saturday – Ferraris, Porsches, McLarens, Aston Martins, Bentleys, Lamborghinis will parade through the village before parking, so they can be admired. HR Owen will be bringing some of their new cars, as well.

Fashion show and lunch – A fashion show lunch will be held in the Lygon Arms Great Hall. Tickets cost GBP 35.00 and are available through **Slate Clothing**, with the profits going to the Acorns Children's Hospice.

Formal dinner – in the evening there will be a formal dinner with an excellent speaker, held in the Lygon Arms. Priority will be given to Car Show exhibitors, but there may be some tickets available to buy, nearer the time.

Classic and Vintage Sunday – will be an extravaganza of pre-1970 classic and vintage sports and racing machines. Aston Martin, Bugatti, Jensen, Porsche, Jaguar, Maserati will all be on display.

There will be music and refreshments on the Green and our shops, cafes, and restaurants will be putting on a show with themed contributions to ensure all our visitors have a memorable and enjoyable week-end.

To follow the excitement, go to www.broadwaycarshow.co.uk where you will find a gallery of entries, to date. If you would like to volunteer to help over the weekend, do let us know by sending a message through the website. We hope to see you there.

LOCAL WALKS WITH THE COTSWOLDS VOLUNTARY WARDENS

Windrush Wander – Tuesday 9th July - Strenuous

Castlett Wood, Kineton, a brook and a river – Tuesday 9th July - Moderate

No Rush around Windrush – Tuesday 16th July - Moderate

Bredon Hill Panorama – Thursday 18th July - Moderate

Up and around Nottingham Hill – Tuesday 30th July - Moderate

Chipping Campden Town Walk – Every Tuesday and Thursday - Easy

August

Windrush, Wardens Way Circular – Walk 1 – Thursday 8th August - Moderate

Woodlands in Summer – Thursday 15th August - Moderate

Three Hills – Thursday 29th August - Strenuous

Chipping Campden Town Walk – Every Tuesday and Thursday - Easy

The Wardens run a full programme of guided walks throughout the Cotswolds. For more information see www.cotswoldsaoib.org.uk or Tel: 01451 862000.



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CHURCH SERVICES

✠ **St Michael's C of E:** 1st, 3rd, 5th Sun 10.30am; 2nd & 4th Sundays 8am and 10.30am; Wed 11am.
St Saviour's Catholic: Vigil Mass Sat 5pm only. Daily Mass Tues 10am, Fri 11am.

Methodist: Sun Service 10.30am.

United Reformed Church (URC): Sun 10.30am.

St Eadburgha's: Evensong 6:00pm on Sundays from Easter Day until Harvest Festival.

Church open daily 10am to 4pm in winter, later in summer.

"Home and Away"

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HOUSE AND PET SITTING SERVICE

Experienced and qualified house and pet sitter available for Broadway and surrounding villages (Horse care considered).

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(H) 01386 858736

What's On, July - August 2019 Events:

JULY

Sat 6 July 2pm	Snowhill Village Fete
Sat/Sun 13/14 th July	Broadway Car Show - Classic, vintage and modern racing supercars
Sun 21 st July 1-5pm	NCH Country Fair, Kennel Field, dog show, gourmet food, bouncy castle, local crafts etc
Fri/Sun 26/27/28 th July	GWR Diesel Heritage Festival Weekend, all stations 01242 621405
Mon-Thurs 29 th -1 st Aug	Activities Week, Broadway URC, High Street - Judith Gibbons 01386 853225

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Tues 6/13/20/27 th Aug	GWR Teddy Bear Tuesdays - Winchcombe Station 01242 621405
Sat 10 th Aug 5.00pm	Organ Recital, St Eadburgha's Church – Tickets £10.00 at the door
Sat/Sun 10/11 th Aug	GWR Bricks & Trains Lego Event – Toddington Station 01242 621405
Sun 11 th Aug	GWR Heritage Engineering Skills Day – Toddington Station

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Summer Sunday Teas

Broad Campden Quakers are once again opening their historic Meeting House to visitors on Sunday afternoons from May 26th to July 28th. Tea, coffee and homemade cakes will be served between 2pm and 5pm. There is no charge but we welcome donations to the Uganda Childbirth Injuries fund, a charity founded by a surgeon - brother to one of our members.  The 17th century Meeting House can be reached by a footpath from Chipping Campden - a 15minute walk. All are welcome (dogs included).

Pamela Endicott

The Friends of St Eadburgha's
Celebratory Recital
 by renowned organist, Richard Stephens,
5pm Saturday 10th August 2019
 St Eadburgha's Church, Snowhill Road
 Admission £10 at the door
 Proceeds and donations in aid of the
 restoration and upkeep of the Church

New at Parsons Gardens, Sargent Square, Broadway

Wednesdays Coffee Morning all welcome - Mug and Muffin Cafe

2nd Wed month Carers Group - Maureen Oliver

Thursday AM Reiki Sessions - Ruth Moriarty 07515708072

Fridays Walking 10 –11am Register 9.45am followed by coffee.

Kimmy Dillon 07427474776

Painting Faces: the Art of Flattery

Broadway Museum and Art Gallery opened their new exhibition on Friday 18th May, in association with the Ashmolean Museum. 'Painting Faces: the Art of Flattery' highlights our continuing obsession with self image. Whether applying pigment to face or canvas, the prize remains the same: to render the subject more socially successful and easier on the eye. From the kohl-rimmed eyes of Ancient Egypt to the perfect selfie of today, enter a world of mirrors and make-up to discover how the urge to make new, improved versions of ourselves extends across time and culture. With particular emphasis on the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, this exhibition explores the relationship between cosmetics and portraiture, bringing together moralising vanity prints and Japanese beauties.

The exhibition will be linked to special events at the museum throughout the summer. There will be a children's trail and face painting during the summer holidays. Entry to this special exhibition is included in the normal Museum entrance fee of £5, which also includes entrance to the Willard Wigan: Through the Eye of a Needle Gallery.



William Heath, 1812,
 Regency a la Mode, hand-
 coloured etching.
 © Ashmolean Museum,
 University of Oxford.

The exhibition is open seven days a week from 10am to 5pm until September 8th 2019.