

CARLTON NEWS

May 2025

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Arts and Crafts Weekend - June 28th and 29th

The ladies of the St. Andrew's Sewing Group are organising a display of the work of local arts and crafts. Please join us from 11am to 4pm to view the displays and enjoy tea and cake, which will be on sale. For more information, please contact me on 292542.

Pat Lockwood

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Ride & Stride- 13th September

This annual event raises money for the "Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust". Participants ride, walk, cycle around named churches, within the area. St. Andrew's will be one of these churches. Participants from Carlton name St. Andrew's as their church and raise sponsorship on our behalf. Half of the money raised will then be returned to the church, the other half goes to the Historic Churches, who use the money to support churches all over Leicestershire.

If you would like to take part, sponsor forms are available from "Bumble Cot", Shackerstone Walk



Murray Lockwood Churchwarden

Carlton Open Gardens, Sunday 1st June

On Sunday 1st June six very different and interesting gardens will be open to the public in Carlton from 10.30am - 4.30pm for the NGS (National Garden Scheme). The gardens are at 64 Main St, Bumble Cot, Drovers Barn, Hillsdon, Home Farm House and Woodmill.

Tickets will be on sale at the church on the day and at participating gardens. The £6 ticket allows entry to all six gardens, children under 16 go free.

Teas and cakes will be on sale at the church and locally grown plants will be available to buy at Home Farm House.

This is the third time in recent years that Carlton has hosted NGS open gardens, but the first time we have opened in June. This time you can look forward to seeing peonies, delphiniums and roses in full bloom and visiting a new garden.

You can enjoy that cuppa and lemon drizzle cake knowing that your contribution is going to charity.

80% of this year's profits from teas and plant sales is split equally between St Andrew's and the Friends of St Andrew's. 20% will go to NGS along with 100% of the entry ticket sales. In 2024 NGS raised a staggering £3.5 million nationally for well known charities including Marie Curie, MacMillan Cancer Support and Hospice UK. Leicestershire raised £90,000. Full details on ngs.org.uk

If you can help by making a cake, or serving teas on the day, even for a couple of hours, please contact Sue Sarson on 290733.

Liz Alun - Jones and Judith Boston
290584 291880

Carlton Village Fete

After many years of hard work, Mrs. Pat Lockwood has stepped down from the huge role of organising the fete on the village green. A committee of enthusiastic local people has taken on the challenge to continue to develop the event to raise money for Carlton Church and charities. Some significant changes have been introduced so please read on.

When: **Saturday 30th August, 2025 from 12 noon until 4pm.**

Where: A new location: **The Rectory, Congerstone Lane**, with the kind permission of Julie Wibberley and family.

Entry fee: £2 for adults, children free.

How can I get involved on the day?

We would love people to come along and help make the fete a success. Please contact either Sally Frazer on 07767310659 or Judith Boston on 06640945332.

What else is new this year?

Many of the regular attractions will be at the fete but there will also be:

Live music

A vintage car display

Dog show

Food and refreshments

Stalls

Horticultural show on site

Plant sales

Tombola

Cake sale

Raffle

Live auction

Who is performing?

Live music will be provided by local band Banjaxed and the popular Carlton Rock Choir.

Vintage Car display - what's in your garage?

We thought that it would be a great idea to display local vintage / classic/ interesting cars, tractors and motorbikes at the fete this year.

If you have an interesting vehicle stashed away in your garage and would like to bring it along, contact Paul Boston on paulboston@btinternet.com

Free entry to the Fete for exhibitors.

Carlton Horticultural & Produce Show

Now is the time to start growing your flowers and vegetables for exhibition.

This year the show will be held in a marquee at The Rectory. **Please note that staging will be at the earlier time of 9-10.30am.** Entries cost 50p, first prize £2.

There will be four classes for young people – a colouring competition for those under 10 years old, and competitions for the tallest runner bean plant, a decorated stone or pebble and five decorated cupcakes for everyone under 18 years old. Please contact Judith for a colouring sheet or a magic bean to plant.

Other sections are open to all ages:

Flowers - a vase of garden flowers, a specimen flower, three flowers of one variety and an indoor pot plant.

Photography - a picture of Carlton evoking Spring, Summer, Autumn or Winter.

Fruit - six soft fruit and five stoned fruit.

Cookery - a jar of chutney, a jar of jam, five chocolate brownies, five shortbread biscuits, five fruit scones and a Victoria sandwich cake.

Vegetables - an amusing vegetable, longest runner bean, two courgettes, three beetroot, three onions, three carrots, a truss of tomatoes, six runner of French beans, four potatoes, and an arrangement of garden vegetables and foliage.

The full schedule will be published in the August issue of Carlton News, but please ask if you would like more details before then.

Chris Peat (01455-290934), Judith Boston (07740-945332, judithboston@btinternet.com)

Carlton Defibrillator Volunteer Group

For those new to the village: we have an emergency number you can call if you suspect cardiac arrest and want a volunteer to bring the village defibrillator to you. We will carry out CPR, if necessary.

Every second counts so please put the emergency number **056 0368 0268** in all the family phones so you can call us immediately after calling **999**.

We depend on volunteers and are therefore pleased to welcome Hazel Davenport as a new volunteer with the Carlton Defibrillator Group.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact me. It is unlikely you will ever be called upon but if so, you will have the confidence to take action that might save a life.

Nigel Axelrad **nigel@bankfarm.org**

Carlton Book Club

We are a lively group that read and discuss a chosen book every six weeks. Our last book was *In The Blink Of An Eye* by Jo Callaghan.

We are currently reading *The Rose Code* by Kate Quinn and will meet in April to discuss it and also choose a book to read in May. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 28th May.

Should you like any more information please feel free to contact me.

Sue Sarson **01455-290733**

Church News

A new Rector has been appointed to The Bosworth Benefice, of which we are a part. The Rev Paul Betts will be licenced at St. Peter's, Market Bosworth on June 1st at 6.30pm. We hope that his ministry here will be long and fruitful.

Murray Lockwood **Church Warden**

Pancake Party

We had a very successful Pancake Party in St. Andrew's Community Hub, on Shrove Tuesday. Thanks to everyone who supported the event and the pancake makers, who provided us with a wide variety of pancakes, both sweet and savoury. £450.00 was donated to the church.

Pat Lockwood **01455 290733**

Primrose Sunday

Thanks to everyone who attended our pop-up event on 6 April - a walk in Bull's Nook Wood with light refreshments. The event raised £120 in donations for the Friends of St Andrews Church.

Chris & Irene Peat

CARLTON EDUCATIONAL AND YOUNG PERSONS GRANTS

These are non -means tested grants and available to all young people living in Carlton between the ages of 16 and 23 years of age that meet the criteria below

ARE YOU STUDYING AT UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE?

ARE YOU ATTENDING A TRAINING COURSE?

ARE YOU BEING SUPPORTED WITH COACHING IN YOUR STUDIES, SPORT, MUSIC ETC ?

ARE YOU STARTING A BUSINESS?

HAVE YOU GOT FEES OR EXPENSES TO PAY?

WOULD £300 BE A HELP TO YOU?

4 grants were awarded to young people at the March meeting helping towards the cost of University fees and educational trips

The next meeting is in November 2025 but you can apply at any time by contacting Franco Onesti at the email address below

Email: franco@onesti.co.uk or davenportthazel@gmail.com for all the details and an online application pack



33rd Carlton Litter Pick 16 March 2025

Three young people and 18 adults participated this year, and we were able to cover all the roads leading to our neighbouring villages.

This year there was an exceptional number of glass bottles in the ditches and hedgerows, particularly in Lount Road and Bosworth Road. Car debris from recent floods and hedgerow accidents included front wing pieces, wheel trims and number plates. There was also a nice variety of 'miscellaneous items', including two pairs of trainers, a greenhouse heater, catering size squeeze cream cannisters, and three car tyres. Prizes were awarded as usual for the most useful, the most interesting, and the most decorative finds. There were no entries for the most disgusting item this year.

We thank the Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council Clean Neighbourhoods Team for the loan of equipment and for disposing of all the rubbish collected.

Thank you to all who took part. Please join us again in 2026!

Irene Peat, Chairman Keep Carlton Tidy Group Tel 290934

Please do not park on pavements

- doing so could force a vulnerable pedestrian onto the road.

This is simply a matter of common sense and courtesy for those around us. The bottom line is that **IT IS AN OFFENCE** to drive on a pavement and **IT IS AN OFFENCE** to block pedestrian access on a pavement.

Neighbourhood Watch

There were 11 reported crimes in Carlton in the three months December 2024 to February 2025. These were violence and/or sexual assault (6), anti-social behaviour (2), public order (1) and criminal damage and/or arson (2). These figures mirror national trends where violence and/or sexual assault continues to account for nearly 40% of reported crime. We have around 80 e-mail addresses on the Carlton NHW circulation. If you would like to be included on the monthly NHW circulation giving details of crime in Carlton and surrounding villages please email me, Rosi Yule on chalkstorm@btopenworld.com. You can sometimes get discounts on your house insurance by being a member of a local NHW group.

Market Bosworth Beat Team

The team's priorities are anti-social behaviour, road safety and rural crime including burglary. Listening to community concerns is at the very core of what we do in Neighbourhood Policing. We rely on members of the public telling us what's happening so as that we can act and prioritise our patrols. As well as relying on your reporting to us for information gathering, we seek all opportunities to engage with members of the public at locally advertised events. To report a crime or suspicious activity contact Leicestershire Police call via the online portal www.leics.police.uk/report-online, or by calling 101.

In an emergency, with a crime in progress, **call 999**. For any fraud or cyber scams Action Fraud is on **0300 123 2040**.

To report a crime or suspicious behaviour anonymously you can call Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**.

Two men were recently arrested following a burglary in Market Bosworth where a vehicle was taken. Upon being disturbed by neighbours they abandoned some of their loot and made off in the stolen vehicle. Unfortunately for them the vehicle contained an electrical tracker. Warwickshire Officers tracked the pair and after a short chase through a field they were promptly arrested. Enquiries are ongoing about further offences in the area.

Burglary and vehicle crime is fairly rare in Carlton but do consider a tracker if you have a vehicle that would appeal to thieves. And, as this case shows, a neighbour's intervention can be very helpful in catching criminals.

*Rosi Yule
Carlton Neighbourhood Watch, 292212*

Parish Council News

Shackerstone Walk – will be closed on 2nd June to allow LCC Highways to repair the damaged drain which has given rise to flooding over the past two years.

Accounts – The Parish Council's accounts and supporting documentation will be available for inspection from 3rd June to 14th July 2025. In practice most financial information is published on the PC website, and I am happy to answer questions about the accounts at any time.

Noticeboard – A new noticeboard has been installed near the Main Street/Barton Road junction.

Church Gate – This has been repaired and now closes properly. Volunteers from Market Bosworth Rotary Club have kindly offered to clean it up and repaint it.

Diamond Jubilee Orchard – has been entered into the 2025 Royal Horticultural Society's *It's Your Neighbourhood* scheme.

Miles without stiles – More stiles have been replaced by kissing gates:
the stile on footpath S78 at the western boundary of Westfields Farm;
the stile next to the footbridge over Carlton Brook near Harcourt Mill;
the stile at the southern end of the jitty opposite the church gate in Nailstone.
We thank local landowners, the Parish Councils concerned, the County Council Rights of Way Team and Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council for their support.

Parish Councillors - *Stuart Tupling* (Chairman) Bufton Lodge, Barton Rd, 290301

Robin Arnold, 53 Main St, 293663

Judith Boston, 64 Main St, 291880

Ian Sarson, 74 Main St, 290733

Mick Vann, 91 Main St, 290976

Clerk - ***Chris Peat***, 7 Main St, 290934

E-mail: clerk@carltonpc.co.uk

Website: www.carltonpc.co.uk

Speed and traffic monitoring

The Speed Indicator Device (SID) was deployed in Bosworth Road in January, checking the speed of northbound vehicles entering the village. 15,494 vehicles were monitored, an average of 567/day with an average speed of 34mph and an 85th percentile speed of 42.3mph.

In February the SID was sited in Barton Road, checking the speed of northbound vehicles leaving the village. 23,234 vehicles were monitored, an average of 857/day. The average speed was 21mph and the 85th percentile speed 29.6mph, but the counts were artificially high and the speeds artificially low because of false counts due to bad weather.

The intention of these two sets of counts was to monitor the speed of northbound vehicles passing through the village along Bosworth and Barton Roads. Full details of this exercise can be found in the report dated 17.2.25 on the PC website.

In March the SID was moved to Nailstone Road, checking the speed of southbound vehicles. 24,118 vehicles were monitored, an average of 851/day with an average speed of 30.3mph and an 85th percentile speed of 36.3mph.

Parish Clerk

Dates for Your Diary

Progressive Whist Drive at The Community Hub, Wednesdays 2 - 4.30pm

Coffee Morning at The Gate Hangs Well - Fridays 11am

May

11 th	Sun	9am Communion, St Andrew's Church
14 th	Wed	7pm Annual Parish Meeting, followed by Carlton Parish Council Annual Meeting, Community Hub
25 th	Sun	9am Communion, St Andrew's Church
28 th	Wed	Carlton Book Club

June

1 st	Sun	10.30am to 4.30pm Carlton Open Gardens
1 st	Sun	6.30pm. Licensing Service for Rev Paul Betts, St Peter's Church, Market Bosworth
8 th	Sun	9am Communion, St Andrew's Church
22 nd	Sun	9am Communion, St Andrew's Church

July

9 th	Wed	7pm Carlton Parish Council meeting, Community Hub
13 th	Sun	9am Communion, St Andrew's Church
18 th	Fri	Deadline for August issue of Carlton News
27 th	Sun	9am Communion, St Andrew's Church

August

30 th	Sat	12.00pm Carlton Village Fete, and Horticultural & Produce Show, The Rectory, Congerstone Lane, CV13 0BU
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September

10 th	Wed	7pm Carlton Parish Council meeting, Community Hub
13 th	Sat	Ride and Stride

Emergency contact numbers

Dial 999 and ask for Police, Fire or Ambulance if there is immediate danger or a crime is being committed. If a cardiac arrest is suspected the ambulance service will give you the code to access the community defibrillator. Ring 05603-680-268 for a volunteer to bring the community defibrillator to you.

Crimes are best reported on-line at www.leics.police.uk/report-online. The alternative is to ring 101, but be aware that this service can be very slow. Individual officers can be contacted by voicemail by ringing 101 and then quoting their collar number.

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