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Editorial

This month offers several opportunities to get out and be sociable in the village, including a social evening at the IW, a musical evening at the church and an autumn walk around Birlingham.

So before you get too comfortable in front of the fire, there are three great opportunities to go out and meet people.

Memorial Service for Christopher Lawrence

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There will be refreshments available in the Village Hall after the service. All are welcome to attend.

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Birlingham IW

Thursday 17th October

by Caryl Mills



Our next meeting on Thursday 17th October will be a Social Evening. All welcome to come and join us for a glass of something, and to chat and discuss any suggestions you may have for future activities.

If you are new to the village please come and meet your neighbours. The meeting starts at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

St James' Church, Birlingham

MUSICAL EVENING



FRIDAY 18 OCTOBER
19:00
St James' Church

Featuring Sesto, a newly formed classical choir, several flute and clarinet pieces, plus contributions by villagers of all ages with a variety of instruments and musical styles

TICKETS £5
Includes a glass of wine or a soft drink, and nibbles.
Payable on the door by cash or card. Proceeds to St James' Church.

ALL WELCOME

St James' Church



Churchwarden: Adrianne Woodward
(Tel. 01386 750936)

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Musical Evening

There will be a fundraising Musical Evening on Friday 18th October at 7.00pm in St James' Church. Admittance is £5.00 (cash or card), which includes a glass of wine or a soft drink, and nibbles. The programme will include a mix of musical genres featuring the classical choir Sesto with clarinet and flute pieces plus contributions from villagers using a variety of instruments. Do come, it should be a very enjoyable evening.

Autumn Walk

You are invited to St James' Autumn Walk around Birlingham on Sunday 27th October. Please bring a dog or a friend . . . or both!

Meet at the War Memorial outside the church for 3.00pm. After the walk there will be refreshments and pet blessing in the church.

Remembrance Service

Birlingham's annual Remembrance Service will take place on Monday 11th November, Armistice Day. Please assemble around the war memorial by 10.50am. The service will be taken by Peter Stansbie and there will be refreshments available in the church afterwards.

Airband Broadband Problems

A number of issues relating to Airband Broadband have been reported in the village WhatsApp group recently.

On the morning of 25th September there was a general outage, which affected all Airband customers, including those in Eckington and Bredon.

However, a number of problems have affected only individual customers and these could be related to the type of router. Airband has acknowledged that the Nokia router is a known problem, causing unreliable service. If you have this type of router and are experiencing problems you can ask Airband to replace it with a Linksys router (there should be no charge).



Reflections at Nafford, 16th September
(Photo: June Hiden)

West Mercia POLICE

Safer Neighbourhood Team Drop-in Session

Friday 11th October

by Alex Prentice, Police Constable, Evesham Safer Neighbourhood Team

We are encouraging the public to have their say on Friday 11th October, 2.00-3.00pm, Eckington Village Hall.

This community event gives you the opportunity to raise any concerns and to find out what we are doing to tackle the issues that matter to you. This will also allow the community to meet your new officers, PC Prentice and PC Trowman.

Everyone is welcome and it would be great to see you there.

For more information please contact me at alexandra.prentice@westmercia.police.uk.



St James' Church, Birlingham

AUTUMN WALK AROUND BIRLINGHAM



SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER 3.00PM

Meet at the War Memorial for a walk around Birlingham, led by Canon Claire

Bring a dog, a friend, or both!

REFRESHEMENTS AND A DOG BLESSING IN THE CHURCH AFTER THE WALK

Letters to the Editors

We welcome brief letters to the Editors on any subject relating to Birlingham. The Editors reserve the right to shorten letters and we cannot guarantee that all letters will be printed.

Please send letters to:

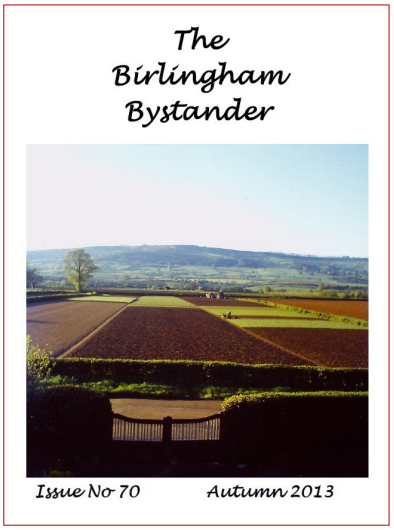
news@birlingham.org



Autumn cyclamen in the churchyard, 16th September

(Photo: Nikki Hollier)

Bystander Archives



The Autumn 2013 edition of the *Birlingham Bystander* begins with the second half of the 1983 article from the *Berrows Journal* (supplied by Joan Hollier), detailing some of Birlingham's history.

This is followed by a review of an evening of music at the Village Hall, 100 years of Birlingham Cricket Club and reports of sundry village events, including the Evening Fete, the Christmas Show and Social, and the Flower & Produce Show. There is a report from St James' Church and one for the IW, along with the second (and last) Family Sports Day.

Mark Yeomans recounts his trip to Largs in his 76-year-old Lagonda and George Revill provides information on Jim Quarrel and Tom Allard, former Birlingham growers. Nick and Mary Sadler talk about the Quiet Garden Movement.

Baxter Hoyle was baptised; Tim Mackenzie and Lisa Henney were married. Helen Wyatt and Jon Komor were welcomed to the village (and, as newest residents, opened the Evening Fete), as were the Leighfields of Gardeners Cottage. Cathy Brunet and Richard Morgan left the village for Drakes Broughton.

Issue 70 of the *Bystander* can be viewed at:

www.birlingham.org/village/bystander/issues/bystander070.pdf

Dates for your diary

October

Fri 11	Police Drop-in Session, 2.00-3.00pm, Eckington Village Hall
Fri 11	Memorial Service for Christopher Lawrence, St James' Church, 3.00pm, St James' Church
Thu 17	Birlingham IW – Social Evening, 7.30pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Fri 18	Musical Evening, St James' Church, 7.00pm, St James' Church
Sun 27	St James' Autumn Walk, 3.00pm, War Memorial

November

Wed 6	Cuppa & Chat, 3.00–4.30pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Mon 11	Remembrance Service, 10.50am, War Memorial
Wed 20	Birlingham Parish Council, 7.00pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Thu 21	Birlingham IW – details to be confirmed

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The copy date for the next edition is Monday 21st October (for publication on Wednesday 23rd October). We regret that we cannot guarantee to include any items submitted after that date.

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