

Your Village Fete ... The latest news...

The Buckland Newton Village Fete is almost here!

Monday 26th August midday til 4pm at the Gaggle of Geese

The Fete is an opportunity for the village to come together, raise money for village causes and celebrate the talents of those that live here. From brownies to scarecrows, photos to tug-of-war get involved in the day and competitions! Details below:

Cake Competition – Brownies & Cupcakes – inviting entries in either type of cake. Entries welcomed in two age categories; under 16 and adults. Please bring batches of 8 cakes to the Tea Tent before 12.30pm; judging is at 1pm. Spare cakes from entries will then be sold in the Tea Tent.



Scarecrows – celebrating our rural community, we will be running a fun scarecrow competition. Display your scarecrows around the village in the lead up to the Fete before dropping them in to the Gaggle by the 25th August. The scarecrows will be dotted around the fete and judged on the day at 1pm.



Photography Competition – we are fortunate to live in beautiful surroundings with a thriving village community and we are hoping you will be able to capture this through our photo competition with the topic of 'Village Life'.

Please drop entries (with name and contact details written on the back) in to the pub and email a digital version to info@gaggleofgeese.co.uk.

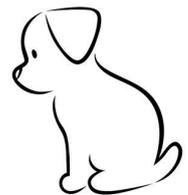
Entries will be displayed at the Fete in the Skittle Alley and the winners chosen by popular vote on the day.

The winning photos will be included in a Village Calendar with all profits going to the Fete community fund.

Tug-Of-War – calling for teams of six! Register a team and prove you can be Buckland Newton Fete Champions 2019! Competition starts on the day from 1pm.



Dog Competition – the very popular Dog Show returns for another year. Bring your dog and register on the day. Rounds start from around 2pm.



The Fete Committee is really grateful for all of the help given on the day by the volunteers who step in to make the event run smoothly. Stall holders, parking helpers, first aiders and those that help us to set-up / takedown.

For those who would like to know more about the day, we will be holding an open hour of the next Fete Committee meeting – for all stall holders and those that would like to know how they can volunteer & help.

Stall holder / volunteer meeting 6:30pm Tuesday 13th August at the Gaggle

We are also looking for donations for the various stalls – bottles, plants, books, raffle prizes, cakes & bric-a-brac. Feel free to drop them in to the pub and will pass them on to the relevant stall holders.

Look forward to seeing you all at the Fete!

The fete committee

Please would you give us lots of **jewellery and handbags and scarves** for our stall at the Fete?

Fizz and Bridget, 345521 or 345386

Help - your fete still needs more Stuff and Things to fill it's stall again.

It's that time of year again when I need to start collecting unwanted Christmas presents, bric-a-brac, unusual items, garden tools or garage stuff, electrical, kitchenalia, toys, games, puzzles, musical instruments and indeed anything saleable.

Last year we sold everything from a wet suit to a café table and 2 chairs and we raised over £1,200 for local good causes. It would be great to beat that target this year.

You can drop stuff off in our porch or the carport of 3, Alington Cottages (off Lanscombe vale) or phone Chris Hildred on 345 850 who can pick stuff up.

P.S. Help needed on the day. It's good fun!

Raffle/silent auction appeal 2019

What a wonderful village and Parish we all live in, with such a talented, diverse and interesting community.

If you possess a particular skill or talent would you please consider offering this as a raffle/silent auction prize for the Buckland Newton Fete this year.

If you are musical, it could be playing at an event or teaching/introducing somebody to your musical instrument. If you are a cake maker, it could be supplying a cake for an occasion or demonstrating how to make or decorate a wonderful cake. You may be keen on astronomy and offer to sit with a family on a clear village night to acquaint them with the stars and planets or you may have a gift for identifying wild flowers or...these are some ideas that come to mind but the possibilities are almost endless.

If you feel able to offer your skills/interest for an hour or so and support this wonderful community then please do get in touch with me on 01300 345688 or email me at alansimmons8@hotmail.com

I look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks, Alan

Buckland Newton village fete photograph competition 2019

This is an exciting new feature of the Fete this year.



The subject is 'Village Life' and can be of anything you like as long as the photos are taken in Buckland Newton and the surrounding areas. Colour or Black and White and must have been taken this year.

Entries will be accepted from any age group and we must receive all entries by Friday 23rd August 2019

We will be exhibiting the photographs in The Gaggle of Geese on Fete day for people to vote for their favourite so if they could be at least 7" x 5" please and we will also need a digital copy. Photo entries can be sent in to the Gaggle. Please write your name, contact details & brief description of the subject / location of the pic on the back of the photo. Digital versions can be emailed to info@gaggleofgeese.co.uk

We will be producing a 'Countryfile' style calendar using the 12 winning photographs with one overall winner for the front cover and January

Happy snapping!

Why not have some jolly good fun?

Join in the crazy mid August, pre-fete,

'Scarecrow Happening'

to help publicise this years village fete.

You can help make it another great success by having a go at some creative scarecrow making. They will be popping up all over the place round the village! All shapes, sizes, styles and designs are welcome.

The fete committee would like to have a 'Grand Scarecrow Gathering' event during the fete - and prizes are to awarded in different categories – so if your one can be portable, bring it along a.m. on the day

For more info, help and advice phone Chris Hildred on 345850

Scarecrow Lymeric Doodles - for perhaps some B.N. Fete competition inspiration?

A Scarecrow called Herbert the Horrible

Was stuffed with some straw and looked terrible

He entered the Fete

Along with his his mate

To win it - (completely impossible).

Young Sally the Scarecrow was pretty

Fair hair, blue eyes and so witty

She made everyone giggle

When she walked with a wiggle

But no prizes she won - what a pity

Now Zebedee Zits was a card

His turnip head covered in lard

The sun was so hot

It melted the lot

So Zebedee's Fete finished thard (*third*).

Young Scarecrow, Jack Red Hat was happy

Even though his teeth were all gappy

He so looked the part

That none had the heart

To make him come bottom - poor chappy

If you wanted a toff of a scarecrow

Then Horatio Fitzwilliam was a sure go

His bow tie was knotted

And his w'stcoat was spotted

But his pantaloons all a farrago!

Boris Johnson was top of the tree

His hair just the best straw you see

He knew how to win every test

Bluster and fluster were best

And even make friends with a Trumpty Tee.

My sister had a go but didn't quite understand the format. This is hers which is more 'how to make a Scarecrow' I think. Good though isn't it.

She picked herbs
and twigs from
the hedgerow
And mixed with
cement to a soft
dough
In the oven 'til
four
Then out of the
door
Came a gaggle
of geese and a
scarecrow

Fizz Lewis

