

# YARNTON

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# NEWS

**AUGUST  
2013**

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## CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

Thur. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2 p.m.
Fri. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Scouts, Scout Hut, 7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. ( <i>and every Friday</i> )
Sat. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dance (ballroom and sequence), British Legion, 8 p.m. – 11 p.m.
Mon. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Short Mat Bowling, Village Hall, 10 a.m. ( <i>and every Monday</i> )
Mon. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs, Scout Hut, 6.30 p.m. – 8 p.m. ( <i>and every Monday</i> )
Mon. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Book Reading Group, tel. 371656
Mon. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Explorers, Scout Hut, 8.15 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. ( <i>and every Monday</i> )
Wed. 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m. service at St. Bartholomew's ( <i>and every Wednesday</i> )
Wed. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch Club, Village Hall, 1 p.m. ( <i>and every Wednesday</i> )
Wed. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Beavers, Scout Hut, 4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. ( <i>and every Wednesday</i> )
Thur. 8 <sup>th</sup>	W.I. outing to Poole, 8.30 a.m.
Sat. 10 <sup>th</sup>	Dance (ballroom and sequence), British Legion, 8 p.m. – 11 p.m.
Wed. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 6.15 p.m.
Thur. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2 p.m.
Thur. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.45 p.m.
Tue. 20 <sup>th</sup>	Yarnton-with-Begbroke History Society, 7.45 p.m., Begbroke Village Hall
Thur. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Senior Club outing to New Forest/Christchurch, 9 a.m.
Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Dance (ballroom and sequence), British Legion, 8 p.m. – 11 p.m.
Thur. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2 p.m.

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### **Copy Deadline for September Issue**

Material for inclusion in the September Newsletter should be received by midday on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August.

Copy should be e-mailed to: [ruth@astall.com](mailto:ruth@astall.com) and [helen.anderson4@ntlworld.com](mailto:helen.anderson4@ntlworld.com)

or delivered to Mrs. Ruth Astall, 19 The Spears, tel. 372637.

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Copy date for the October issue is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September

### **HOLIDAY ARK DOG WALKING AND PET SITTING SERVICES**

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the Park from 12.30 p.m. to 2 p.m. on the following days:

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August**

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August**

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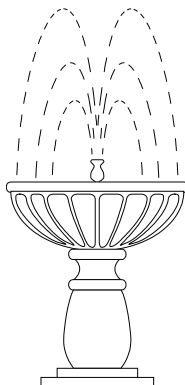
*Yarnton Parish Council*

### **Window Cleaner**

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*Michael Westall*



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## Yarnton Pre-school

Last term we held our annual Summer Fun Day at the Red Lion Pub. The weather held, people were very generous with their time and money and we were thrilled to raise £1000 towards new resources for the Pre-school. Thank you to all who were there on the day, whether behind the scenes or spending your money (or both) and also to the following businesses for their support and donations: The Red Lion, PFS Farm Supplies, Budgens, Yarnton Nurseries, Holiday Inn and Spirit, Michael and Co, Studio 8, Pure Indulgence, Gosford Leisure Centre, Tiffany Nails, Headmasters, Willow and Pea, The Bear Hotel, The Oxford Hotel, Eynsham Hall, Lakeside Kennels, Living Rainforest, Buckinghamshire Railway Centre, Saffron, Cotswold Wildlife Park, Odeon, Heythrop Zoological Park, Spice Lounge and Cogges Farm.

We wish all those children who have just left Pre-school to move to Primary School a very happy transition to 'Big School'. And the Management Committee would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation of those who work at Yarnton Pre-school and to wish them a well-deserved break.

*Yarnton Pre-school Management Committee*

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## Yarnton Medical Practice Trust Fund

We have recently been able to buy more equipment for the practice.

With the very generous donations given in memory of Jackie Hales, we have bought a calibrator for the spirometer that we bought in March, and also a nebuliser, more equipment to monitor and treat patients with breathing difficulties. The doctors and nurses would like to thank Jackie's family and many friends who made donations to provide this specialised equipment. It all helps to make more treatments available in Yarnton and saves patients having to travel out of the village. Donations to the Trust Fund should be sent to the treasurer, John Cherry, 41 Spencer Avenue, Yarnton OX5 1NQ (cheques should be made out to **Yarnton Medical Practice Trust Fund**) and envelopes should be sealed and labelled '**Donation to YMP Trust Fund**'. Please include your name and address so that John can send you a receipt.

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£50 bonus: 98 Mrs. D. Dickenson

113	Mr. A. Dear	41	V. King
174	Vacant number	43	Mr. E. Bairn

## How we found Peter the Pigeon

Hello there, I see that Ellen Cocking has mentioned for 2 months running now in the Yarnton News that Peter the Pigeon is doing well and thriving. I personally am very pleased to read this news, but I'm unsure if many others will know who Peter the Pigeon is. I'd like to tell you the story of when my dog, Casper, and I stumbled across this very poorly birdie...

It was on a reasonably warm afternoon that Casper and I went for a stroll. I decided it would be nice to walk alongside the stream on the A44 dual carriageway. It was so warm that as we crossed the little footbridge from Meadow Way onto the footpath of the dual carriageway that Casper decided to climb straight down the bank and lie down full length at the bottom of the bank into the cool waters of the stream that runs through there.

I crouched down beside him, letting him cool off, and as I looked around my eyes lazily wandered along the stream to see a pigeon, sitting in the water, about 15 feet up from where we were. I was puzzled. I had never seen a pigeon standing in water like that before. I thought through the birds that I had seen in water before: a duck, a swan, a coot hen, a heron ... but a pigeon...? As I looked at the pigeon, he was looking straight back at me with his bright yellow eyes, and I noticed his feathers all around his bottom were wet through. Something wasn't right, I came to conclude.



Casper continued to steam as he lay in the cold stream happily cooling off and had no interest whatsoever in the pigeon.

As Casper eventually climbed out of the water I coaxed him over to the bridge and tied his lead to the wooden post. I had decided this pigeon needed a closer inspection. With my training shoes and jeans/t-shirt on, I walked slowly and quietly along the bank towards the pigeon. I considered trying to stand with my legs astride on either side of the bank standing over the pigeon to reach down with my arms and lift him out of the water, but I quickly realised my arms weren't that long. No, I'd have to get into the water myself. The water didn't penetrate my waterproof trainers at first! But then the pigeon decided to make a walk for it and inevitably the water sloshed over the edges of the trainers and yes, my feet were soon submerged.

As the pigeon tried to scamper away from me I could suddenly see the full extent of the difficulties this poor chap was in: he had been hit by a car, I guessed, and one of his wings with all the feathers was completely broken in half and hanging off, blood smeared everywhere. I managed to put my hands around him and splint his broken wing in my hands, holding it against his body. We both emerged from the stream and up the riverbank, out of the low undergrowth and into the sunlight of the footpath. Now what, I thought to myself?

As I was standing there with both my hands around the bird, not really knowing how I could help him and walk with my dog, I saw two women approaching from the direction of the Budgens garage, one with a bicycle. As they approached I walked towards them asking if they could help me. And blow me down with a feather (pun intended!) it was Ellen Cocking, who was accompanied by a friend who had first spotted the pigeon and went to get Ellen to help. I happily handed the pigeon to Ellen as we wrapped him in a tea-towel and gently placed him into a soft canvas bag she had brought along, covering his head to keep him calm, and placed him in the front basket on her bicycle. Ellen remarked to me at the moment she took him from me how nice and warm he felt, which I hadn't noticed. But clearly he had been rescued in time.

It was quite extraordinary that I saw him, to be honest. Had Casper not got into the stream I would never have seen him and had it been two weeks later the undergrowth was so suddenly spurting in growth that again, I couldn't have seen him.

A bird marked, for sure, for saving. I am thrilled that he is doing so well. I really didn't think he could survive with such a nasty broken wing like that. But clearly, Ellen is a great physician and she reports that he is doing really well.

So, Peter the Pigeon, it seems, one exceptionally lucky bird, and a great team who rallied and were able to rescue the wee chap. Thanks to Ellen and to her friend who went to find her for help. This feel like it is a success story indeed and one to warm the heart.

*Dawn Barker*



## Neighbourhood Watch

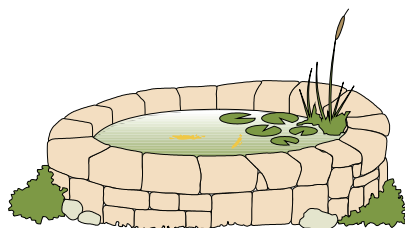
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## Yarnton W.I.

We do not have a meeting in August, as we have our outing to Poole on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>, travelling by coach and leaving Yarnton at 8.30 a.m. and leaving Poole to return at 5 p.m. The cost will be £11.50; this is for the coach only, as once there you will be free to do as you wish. If you require any further information, please contact Rosemary Barker on 730188 (evenings only). There may still be spaces available and any visitors would be welcome to join us on this trip.

We return to the Village Hall in September, when our speaker on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> will be Martin Maw, Curator of the Oxford University Press Museum, who will give us an insight into the museum's artefacts.

### **Date for your diary:**

We have arranged a visit to Aston Pottery on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September, for a tour of the pottery at 2 p.m. We shall travel by car, so you can make your own arrangements for the rest of the visit.

*Ruth Astall*

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## Senior Club

In June we sang Happy Birthday to four ladies: Jean, Heidi, Pat and Julie, and gave our good wishes.

On 27<sup>th</sup> June we had a trip to Bognor. The weather was windy but at least we saw the sun; rain was forecast for the evening, and that was true, so on our return journey we had to sit in the coach to do our raffle. We were in the Services, not travelling along the road. We thanked Norman, our driver, who helped to display the prizes – it caused a few laughs, so it was a happy ending to our day. We did welcome several new faces, including Barbara's granddaughter and her two friends from Germany. We are still hoping someone will come forward to be our Secretary – we would be most grateful.

*Jose Green, tel. 375644*

## Yarnton Bandits Golf Club – update

**Mapledurham.** This was a close contest, with Ricky Smith just prevailing over Paul Kilcoyne on countback.

Full result: 1<sup>st</sup> Ricky Smith, 2<sup>nd</sup> Paul Kilcoyne, 3<sup>rd</sup> Mark Davies. Nearest the pin Mark Davies, nearest the pin in 2 Mark Davies.

### Chipping Norton golf club

Honours went to Steve Enoch, with Mike Walton a close second.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup> Steve Enoch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Walton, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sue White.

Nearest the pin Ben Davies, nearest the pin in 2 Paul Kilcoyne.

### Southfield golf club (Captain's Day)

This was another close contest, with Sam White just getting the better of Steve Enoch.

Result: 1<sup>st</sup> Sam White, 2<sup>nd</sup> Steve Enoch, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sue White.

Nearest the pin Sam White, nearest the pin 2 Lee Parson.

*Sam Radley*



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*Mrs Jenny Bodinham, Administrator, Woodstock Partnership  
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Village residents: £10

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### New people to join Village Hall 200 Club

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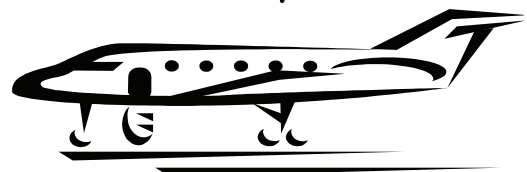
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The Book Reading Group's book for discussion on 5<sup>th</sup> August is 'The Bell' by Iris Murdoch. September's book is 'The Loved One' by Evelyn Waugh. Meetings start at 7.30 p.m. New members most welcome. Contact number: 371656.

*Helen Anderson*

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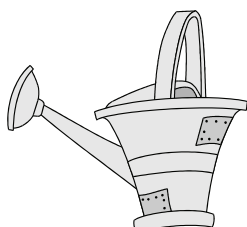
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The Kidlington (Yarnton & Begbroke) Netball Club, established in this area several years ago, continues to offer outdoor netball to women and girls of all standards. Due to club expansion we have been able to enter three teams into the senior league for the Summer, playing on Monday and Thursday evenings at the Oxfordshire Netball Centre in Marston, and all but one match this season has been won. **Club Night** has continued on Tuesdays at Rutten Lane, Yarnton throughout June and July. All new players are welcome – the sessions are suitable for beginner/returner players and offer a relaxed atmosphere to come into the sport.

U16, U14, U12 and Highfive sessions are supported by our coaches, with six teams playing in the Oxfordshire Junior Winter League on Sunday mornings, and training continuing throughout the summer term. Please contact Tess [tessa.horn@gmail.com](mailto:tessa.horn@gmail.com) for further information on our junior sessions.

Whatever your age, if you are thinking that netball could be a fun and fitness activity which you would like to participate in, do consider coming along to our club. For updated information please contact: Club Secretary - Paula - [kidlington.netball@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kidlington.netball@hotmail.co.uk).

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### August Bank Holiday

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## Yarnton Parish Council

**Clerk:** Lynne Whitley

**Office:** Village Hall, The Paddocks, Yarnton, OX5 1TE.

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The Parish Office is open **Mondays and Thursdays**

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**Future Meeting dates:** 14<sup>th</sup> August 11<sup>th</sup> September in the Village Hall at 6.15 p.m., then every second Wednesday in the month.

**Meeting Minutes:** The minutes of all Parish Council Meetings are available on the village website once they are approved, [www.yarnton-village.org.uk](http://www.yarnton-village.org.uk)

### **Parish Council - contact numbers**

#### **Parish Council Chairman**

Fred Jones. Tel: 373871

#### **Parish Council Vice-Chairman**

Brian Newell. Tel: 842253

#### **Parish Council Members:**

John Burford. Tel: 849750

Harry Carrier. Tel: 841733

Michael Gibbard. Tel: 849435

Carol Green. Tel: 371355

Anna Isles. Tel: 372895

The above-named were declared elected as Parish Councillors without a contest as from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011 for a four-year period. Michael Gibbard was declared elected as District Councillor as from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011 for a four-year period.

Co-opted Parish Councillor: 10<sup>th</sup> August 2011:

Graham Thompson. Tel: 461479

Co-opted Parish Councillor: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013

Keith Johnston: Tel: 372266

### **Planning Applications:**

13/00831/TP0. 9 Poppy Close, reduce overextended sections of canopy, etc. Remove deadwood, etc.

### **Planning Decisions:**

13/00520/F. 14 Merton Way, two-storey side extension and conservatory. Granted 25.6.13.

13/00390/F. 50 and 52 Church Lane, erection of new dwelling (amended plan) and change of use of highway land to residential cartilage. Granted 5.6.13.

13/00503/F. Land to rear of 50 and 52 Church Lane, erection of stabling. Granted 11.6.13.

13/00583/F. Exeter Farm, 124 Cassington Road, construction of stone wall and gates, provision of car park area, etc. Granted 20.6.13.

R3.0048/13. William Fletcher School. planning permission for retention and continued use of single classroom pre-fab building, etc. Approved 26.6.13.

**New Pavilion:** Demolition of the old pavilion has taken place and construction of the new pavilion is now in progress.

**Burial Ground:** The gate on Church Lane leading to the Burial Ground is frequently used for burial-related vehicles and occasionally used for emergency vehicles. It would be appreciated if the notice on the gate could be adhered to, so PLEASE LEAVE THE GATE CLEAR AT ALL TIMES. One day it might be you that is affected by vehicles blocking the gate.

**Overgrown Hedges and Trees:** There are still several properties in the village where hedges and trees are well over the boundary, making it difficult to walk on the path especially with pushchairs and wheelchairs. If yours is one of these properties, it would be appreciated if you could cut the hedge back to the boundary. If it is not possible for you to do this yourself, there are several contractors in the village who will happily give you a quote for carrying out the work.

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**Dog Fouling:** There are still incidents of dog mess around the village. Dog faeces can be harmful to human beings and it is an offence not to pick your dog's mess up. Dog wardens from Cherwell District Council are regularly in the village and will issue fines to dog owners breaking the law. Dog waste bags are available free of charge from the Parish Office.

### **Welcome to Yarnton Booklets:**

The booklet can be viewed on the website [www.yarnton-village.org.uk](http://www.yarnton-village.org.uk) and is available from the Parish Office at opening times, and also from the Post Office at Budgens Shop.



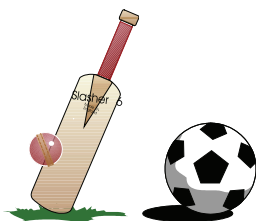
## Yarnton Sports Pavilions

Redevelopment of Little Marsh Sports Pavilion is well under way, with demolition completed and groundwork started. Approved access to the site is only available through the Project Manager via the Parish Council, in accordance with Health and Safety regulations. Site restriction notices are in place and the public is asked to respect the instructions.

Yarnton Park pavilion has undergone upgrading of the kitchen, electrics and toilets. Yarnton Blues FC has taken the lead on these improvements and should be congratulated for their efforts in providing facilities for the young people in our community. A second phase of the upgrade will be to the rear storage area and surround of the building. Fund-raising is currently underway to enable this work to be done.

The Parish Council and Playing Field Committee sincerely thank all those who have given their support to the projects.

*Yarnton Parish Council, Yarnton Playing Field Committee*



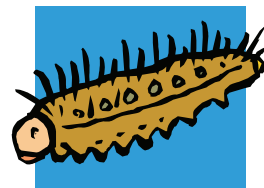
## Lollipop Lady?

I am sitting writing this in our field on the edge of Otmoor. The green winged orchids and cowslips have all gone over, but very excitedly I have found eight common spotted orchids – only ever found one before. Butterflies are everywhere, the grass, which is knee high, is gently blowing in the wind. The white moon daisies and purple hardheads are in flower. Birdlife is quiet as most of the young birds have fledged.

I biked off down towards Murcott, the next village, and was thrilled to watch six fluffy black baby moorhens on the pond – so light they seemed to be walking on the pondweed and not swimming.

Then (as you do!), I had a happy few minutes being a lollipop lady to some caterpillars! I saw one and watched it safely cross the road, only to be followed by three more. Obviously the moth eggs had recently hatched in the hedge and they all knew they had to cross the road to do the next bit of their development into moths. One of them was going round in circles, so fearing it would be squashed, I gave him a helping hand (haven't identified them yet). Whilst out biking in Yarnton recently I bumped into (not literally) a dear old lady being pushed in her wheelchair. She was so excited to share a chat about nature and things she had seen. She was beaming a lovely big smile. Hopefully seeing things in nature makes us stop and smile.

*Ellen Cocking*



## Yarnton Park Football Goal

2/3 years ago, at the request of local youths, the Playing Field Committee raised funding to install a goal in the park adjacent to the Multi Use Games Area. The goal had been well used without problems until recently when an incident involving the junior netball team and a few local men occurred. This was quickly followed by damage to a resident's property. The Committee, aware of its duty of care to park users and residents alike, removed the goal until the issue could be resolved. This decision was not taken lightly.

The Committee is pleased to say that following a meeting with youth representatives the goal will be reinstalled, on the understanding that similar incidents will not re-occur.

*Yarnton Playing Field Management Committee*



## Plant a Poppy Commemoration of the outbreak of WWI and beyond

On hearing about the Royal British Legion's 2014 Real Poppy Campaign to commemorate the outbreak of the First World War, that could also see the British countryside turn itself back into how it looked back in 1914, I feel that if the public engages with this in large numbers, social benefits far exceed the British Legion's aims. I normally write solely about wildlife gardening, but this project should perhaps be focused on and rolled out as a well-oiled larger campaign, which I am hoping to start in these articles.

To commemorate WW1, the Royal British Legion is distributing poppy seed to the public and asking them to scatter them in random places, i.e. hedgerows, traffic roundabouts, empty back garden borders, planters, preferably not somewhere mown regularly. Then this time next year when they all flower, we will be looking at a display of poppies in remembrance of all that happened during the Great War. We could make this a global movement. This not only benefits the countryside, but if communities get involved this could be the trigger that ignites a lifelong interest in nature for children.

Poppies are a poignant reminder of the Great War, as the battlefields after the war were colonized soon with poppies, and this is because poppy seed needs to be on the surface of bare soil to germinate. It would be no good scattering the seed where vegetation is growing. Plough almost any area of the countryside, leave the area bare, and poppies will grow. This is much the same as what happened after the end of WWI, or what happens when areas are disturbed by road works, etc.

I must warn though, care needs to be taken with this project; although I am not aware of poppies being on any list of proscribed weeds that can be a pest, like ragwort and creeping thistle, this needs doing methodically. Some areas may contain rare species in themselves, which need protecting from unfocused acts of seed sowing. Many areas though would benefit from an increased plant diversity which would improve food chains. It's the balance we strive for. To do nothing isn't always going to help that balance either.

Many of our wildflower meadows have disappeared, so there is room for redressing that, without causing an imbalance in doing so. If, for example, practices in agriculture changed, poppies would spread once again. That would probably be considered acceptable, so giving a helping hand, if managed properly, isn't too much of an issue in my view, especially as much of our soil contains poppy seeds anyway.

We must avoid spreading the seed near Sites of Special Scientific Interest, and also avoid farmers having to spray more herbicides to control the poppies - do not sow near farmland. Perhaps the problem on farmland is as follows: In the old days crops were harvested in late August and September. By this time, the poppy seeds had burst out of their pods and were lying on the ground so they would not get mixed in with the crop seed. Nowadays, crops are harvested much earlier, and before the poppy seeds have dispersed, so the crop seed gets mixed with the poppy seed. This apparently is not a good thing.

I'm promoting this idea in all the wildlife gardening tutorials and lectures I give, and in all the articles I write, and even in the independent wildlife radio show I make. I'm happy to assist with anyone who wants to get involved with this. After all, engaging people with Mother Nature is my job. It is my belief that we should start a campaign to build on the British Legion's idea; this should be done yearly until we get our poppies back. People just need to be aware that the bare soil they are sowing onto needs to be disturbed each year and not compacted, otherwise the seed just won't germinate. How can this fail if we all do our bit?

If this works, we can all in some small part experience the countryside as a past generation did, and in the process bring communities together, with grandparents working alongside children, etc.

*Stuart Mabbutt, Wildlife Gardening Specialist, tel.01865 747243*



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## Yarnton Lunch Club needs a new Volunteer Cook

If you enjoy cooking but like me have no catering background, this voluntary, once a month, role may be for you, so please read on.

Every Wednesday at the Village Hall about 25 older members of the village community meet for lunch and conversation, catered for by a small group of volunteers including the cook and helpers. The group is affectionately known as 'The Lunch Club'. To join, a phone call to the organiser Brenda Louch is all that is needed. However, the Lunch Club can only continue if we have enough cooks, and at present we need at least one more person to take on this role, so Brenda asked me to tell the Yarnton News readers what it's like to be a cook.

I have no catering training and am a part-time office worker now. Cooking though is one of my loves: for the family, for friends and my kids' parties and sleepovers. Cooking for the Lunch Club is a bit like cooking for the family, but five times over, although it doesn't take five times as long.

Most of it is fun: choosing what to cook, usually traditional dishes like cottage pie, but also a bit adventurous like Moroccan chicken with sweet potato.

Home-made puddings are much appreciated, whether traditional trifle, rice pudding or crumble, but occasionally when time is short we have to admit to the diners that we bought ready-made puddings. They understand.

Buying the food, getting best value, as we are all trying to do today, and learning to keep the costs down so that income from the diners does not exceed the costs of the Village Hall and the food, for which we get reimbursed.

Ensuring 25 meals get served on time and hot, and the really good feeling that comes from having achieved that with the support of the other helpers

The quiet of the diners eating, the empty plates coming back with the compliments about how everyone has really enjoyed the meal. This instant feedback and thanks as diners go home leaves me happy too, knowing that it has been a job well done.

There is a down side.

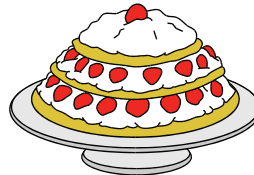
It's quite hard work for something over half a day a month. Four kilos of potatoes and carrots to peel on a Tuesday night can be daunting. I enlist the support of the family.

It can get a bit scary if the potatoes don't want to roast brown and it's 12.45 with lunch due at one! Brenda, the helpers and the diners are very understanding and forgiving, especially if one is new or trying something different!

By 2.30 when everything is finished, the need for a cup of tea and a sit down is very strong, but I go home knowing I've been involved with 25 other people's enjoyment of the day. That's grand and I'm still doing it after nine years!

If you'd like to know more, do get in touch with Brenda our organiser on 374126, and come and see us one Wednesday before you make up your mind. If you decide to join us you'll get lots of support from us all.

*Celia Cohen*



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### **'Prayers and Parties'**

This was a phrase often used by Jack Nichols, onetime bishop of Sheffield. By this, he was trying to describe the work of the church, and how it is experienced by those within it. It serves just as well today, and at a local level. The next few months seem to be filled with all sorts of activities all involving fun, celebration, laughter, food and wine. Prayer, and parties in Yarnton and Begbroke are in full swing!

The church can sometimes be seen as a relic from the past, or a depository of history and tradition, all things which I am happy to be associated with. It is also a lively and lovely place, filled with great men and women who are here to worship God, but also to have a good time. Does that sound odd? When you think of church, do you think of having a good time? Look round many congregations, and often blank expressionless faces look back at you. Not here. We take our praying seriously, and our partying. I make no apology for this, for this is what Jesus wants.

When an archdeacon once chastised me for having wine after a large service (in my old diocese), I pointed out that Jesus' first miracle was turning water into wine, not something he would have done had he been disapproving of the odd tippie and a party. He knew what fellowship and friendship was all about. He knew that in order to get to know someone, you have to break bread with them, share a glass of something tasty, and enjoy what we Christians like more than anything, a good old natter, sharing stories and fun. Getting together and growing together is what we are all about.

As I write, I am preparing the service for Sunday, where one of our number, a young chap called Hugo, is about to be admitted to communion. This is an exciting time for him and for us as a community. This is yet another person making a further step on the journey of discipleship, just like our confirmation candidates who will be celebrating next week with Colin in Woodstock Church. Things are moving, things are growing, bit by bit. We are welcoming Hugo into an international church that has its issues, that is suffering growing pains, just like all community groups and organisations at this time. There will be times in his future when he wonders what it's all about, when doubt creeps in, or a nagging voice takes over. The moment when all this is swept away is at 11.00 a.m. on a Sunday morning.

As I look at the faces of my parishioners (and I can now see them, thanks to moving the altar), I see a group of friends, some of whom are in church because they are curious, some because they are exploring discipleship, and some because they enjoy a good sing song. Some have been coming to church for decades, and some are new to faith. We are all there because we all enjoy being part of a community.

When Jesus got his mates together, sat on the seashore, cooked on an open air BBQ and had a good old time, he was setting us an example. Surely, if he could come to our lovely church, he would be pleased with what he saw?

*Nathan*

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11 a.m. Holy Communion, Common Worship, at St. Bartholomew's  
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### Weekday Service

Wednesday 9.30 a.m., St. Bartholomew's

## WEDDINGS

If you wish to be married in St. Bartholomew's we will be happy to do all we can to make your day as special as possible. You are advised to contact Rev'd Nathan Jarvis or Canon Adrian Daffern as soon as possible in your planning if you wish to be married in church.



## BAPTISM

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**Churchwarden: Charlotte Rayner**, 3 Paternoster Court, Yarnton, tel. 01865 849534

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## Reflections on the Healing Eucharist - from a member of Yarnton Church

It is a privilege to be asked to share personally what the recent Healing Eucharist meant to me because, as a relative newcomer to Yarnton, I have found weekly gatherings around the Communion Table to be a wonderful gift. What is it about the Eucharist, and this time a Healing Eucharist at St. Bartholomew's, that took it beyond just a religious ritual, and made it, in the midst of our daily lives in Yarnton, a profound meeting place?

Entering the sacred space of St. Bartholomew's church, even with others present, we find, in the quietness and peace, space to be with our own thoughts and feelings – why have I come? What is it that I am hoping for? In the liturgy, this is helpfully called 'preparing our hearts'. God is aware of us here, always listening, hoping, looking into our hearts, inviting us to look for Him. As we join in with worship and the journey of the liturgy, we are reminded by our welcoming priest Nathan, of the hospitality of God, and of his indescribable love for mankind. He extends again the invitation of Jesus, to come to the communion table, to receive from Him. Jesus designed this special meal and menu for us to share in again and again. He specifically asks us to 'His meal', and to meet him at 'His table' but doesn't demand that we RSVP by a certain date nor worry about a dress code. Instead he invites us to come anytime, in faith just as we are, in sorrow and in joy, but with a desire to remember.

Whether we join in with the words of scripture within the liturgy or just listen and reflect on them, we hear once again the truth of what God has done in sending his Son Jesus to suffer to the uttermost in his self-sacrifice on our behalf, to identify with us humanly. This both softens our hearts and strengthens our faith, to recognise that Jesus really can meet us in our circumstances, in our own need for healing or concern for others. He didn't go to the cross just to identify with us in our humanity and leave us there. No, our journey doesn't stop there – because we are led to remember the wonderful truth and power of his Resurrection. He rose again, for us, to triumph over death and sin, and was reunited with his Heavenly father and Holy Spirit in relational wholeness. Christ's journey from heaven to earth and back is why we can come to God, through faith in Jesus to seek healing and wholeness. This triune heavenly relationship is not exclusive, because a place has been created through Christ for us, here, now and into eternity.

In walking ourselves, or with the support of others, up to the altar to receive the sacraments, we are taking our place at God's table of grace. We can encounter God's healing in Jesus' broken body in the taking of the bread, and cleansing by blood shed, in the wine, whether or not we expect it. God promises that we can find what we need in putting our faith, however minimal, in Jesus as Saviour, the one who gave his life to bring us wholeness, restoration and transformation, 'to make all things new'. God's unconditional love enables us to come again and again, and to ask Him to reach into the very core of who we are, into places hidden away in our hearts, places of pain and constriction, diseases, fears, exhaustion, anger. Nothing is hidden from Him and he invites us to be honest with Him and with ourselves. He wants to show us what needs putting right, to restore his Kingdom of Love, in our lives and communities.

Beautiful cello music was played during the Communion to help us focus on meeting with God and to reflect on the amazing gifts of Christ's Body and Blood so freely given. Holy water to symbolise God's cleansing was sprinkled lavishly on those who wanted it, outdoors in the warmth of evening light. Laying on of hands and prayer were available in a quiet space within the church. Sometimes out of my own experience of these moments when I don't clearly know what I need from God, or can't find a way of expressing that – simply choosing to receive from God whether through the sacrament, prayer or Holy Water, can often be the most powerful.

Meeting with God and with one another as part of the body of Christ, in the Healing Eucharist was significant for me personally. There is something beautiful and deeply moving about God's sons and daughters, friends and strangers shoulder to shoulder, acknowledging their individual need of God, but coming together in unity, to receive from Him. The Healing Eucharist is a meeting of reality and mystery, a stepping stone or starting point to restoration, a profound life giving meeting with God and others.

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There are no Methodist churches in Yarnton, but you will find one in both Woodstock and Kidlington. Details of our forthcoming services are below, but there are also various midweek activities, details of which can be found on the appropriate website. Everyone is welcome to come and join us at any time.

**Services in August**

**Woodstock**

4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Julie Todd ( <i>All-age worship</i> )
11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Judith Atkinson
18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Jonathan Todd
25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Philip Beuzeval ( <i>Holy Communion</i> )

We also have a Junior Church which meets every week at 10.30 a.m. and ranges in age from two to early teens. The first part of the morning is shared with the adults in church before we then go round to the church hall to share in our own activities. We are always delighted to see new members, whether with or without their parents!

Every Friday we meet at 9.30 a.m. for a short informal time of prayer followed by coffee. On the third Friday of the month, this incorporates a celebration of communion. All welcome!

**Kidlington**

4 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Malcolm Bromhall
11 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Joanna Tulloch
18 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Rev. Judy Turner-Smith ( <i>Holy Communion</i> )
25 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Local Church Group ( <i>Café Church</i> )

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## Glyme Valley Probus Club for Ladies

Our speaker in June was David Shepherd, who came to talk to us about The Buttle Trust. This is a splendid charity which was set up in the 1920s for young people in need of practical help. The Founder, Frank Buttle, felt real concern for the children, often illegitimate, who suffered at the hands of carers or parents, who were sometimes alcoholic and sometimes in need of help themselves. The mention of two very small children found wandering alone in London may have been the beginning of his remarkable story. Boarding education for children who can flourish at boarding school is now the main focus of this trust, which in turn gives protection and a safe environment for the child and space for the parent, grandparent or carer. David spoke enthusiastically of some of his own experiences as Headmaster of Kingham Hill School, where children have benefitted from this type of sensitive and forward thinking care. We were interested to learn Buttle UK has benefitted from the BBC Children in Need charity. We are on the brink of an exciting change in Ladies Probus, since we are shortly off to a new meeting place and we will all learn more in the coming months. We have a short waiting list and for further information about the Club please contact 01993 812025.

*Sandy Rasch*

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## Yarnton Gardening Club

Our speaker in August is Rob Cole whose talk is entitled 'Some New Zealand Plants and Gardens'. Don't forget to bring along your tomatoes for the competition – 5 fruits from the plant you were given in May. We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.45 p.m.

There may still be spaces on the coach for the visit to Wisley Gardens on 7<sup>th</sup> September, so give John Cherry a ring on 373083 for further information. The gardens are always worth a visit and they are holding their annual Flower Show that weekend, which is an added attraction. The coach fare is £10, and entrance is free as the Gardening Club is affiliated to the RHS.

*Ruth Astall*

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OxLogs suppliers will specify the volume, moisture content, type of wood (hard or soft) and length of the wood. When you buy logs, ask for OxLogs!

If you own a woodfuel boiler – chip, pellet, log batch or wood burning stove with back boiler – please fill out a short survey at [www.surveymonkey.com/s/9SZBD9T?](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9SZBD9T?)

The results will help others who are thinking about installing similar boilers.

If you own a woodland that needs managing, or are interested in working outside in return for logs, do join the programme's Logs for Labour scheme as either a 'log offer' or a 'labour offer'.

The woodfuel programme will have a stall at the Elder Stubbs festival on 17<sup>th</sup> August; and the Wychwood Fair on 1<sup>st</sup> September. Do come along!

For more information on any of these please see [www.oxonwoodfuel.org.uk](http://www.oxonwoodfuel.org.uk).

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## Yarnton-with-Begbroke History Society

August's meeting, on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>, has a talk by Martin Way, entitled 'God for Harry, England and St. George'. Martin Way, a local historian, is interested in shepherding and nineteenth century transport. We have enjoyed past visits from him when he told us about canals and beermaking.

The talk at Begbroke Village Hall starts at 7.45 p.m.

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**Chairman:** Peter Luke, tel. 372932, **Secretary:** Bernie Connors, tel. 372944, **Treasurer:** John Appleton tel. 460496.

**Members:** Jaqueline Carpenter, Judy Mitchell, Brenda Louch, Graham Thompson, Fred Jones.

Services available:

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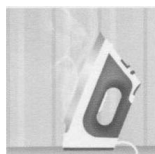
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