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YARNTON

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CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

Mon. 3 rd	Short Mat Bowling, Village Hall, 10 a.m. (and every Monday)	
Mon. 3 rd	Cubs, Scout Hut, 6.30 p.m. – 8 p.m. (and every Monday)	
Mon. 3 rd	Book Reading Group, tel. 371656	
Mon. 3 rd	Explorers, Scout Hut, 8.15 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. (and every Monday)	
Wed. 5 th	9.30 a.m. service at St. Bartholomew's (and every Wednesday)	
Wed. 5 th	'Little Sheep' (and every Wednesday in term-time), 10.15 a.m., St. Bartholomew's	
Wed. 5 th	Lunch Club, Village Hall, 1 p.m. (and every Wednesday)	
Wed. 5 th	Beavers, Scout Hut, 4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. (and every Wednesday)	
Thur. 6 th	Sing-along music group for babies and pre-schoolers, (and every Thursday in term time),	
	Village Hall, 10 a.m.	
Thur. 6 th	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2. p.m.	
Fri. 7 th	Scouts, Scout Hut, 7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. (and every Friday)	
Sun. 9 th	Act of Remembrance, St. Bartholomew's, 3 p.m.	
Wed. 12 th	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 6.15 p.m.	
Thur. 13 th	W.I., Village Hall, 7.45 p.m.	
Sat. 15 th	Fireworks Show, Littlemarsh Sports Field, firing at 7.30 p.m.	
Thur. 20 th	Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.	
Thur. 20 th	Senior Club Christmas Lunch, Village Hall, 12.30 p.m.	
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Copy Deadline for December Issue

Material for inclusion in the November Newsletter should be received by midday on Friday 7th November. Copy should be e-mailed to: <u>ruth@astall.com</u> **and** <u>helen.anderson4@ntlworld.com</u> or delivered to Mrs. Ruth Astall, 19 The Spears, tel. 372637. The Editorial Committee reserves the right to cut, edit, or omit articles, or refuse advertisements for reasons of space limitation, suitability, etc. Their decision is final and no correspondence can be entered into.

Copy date for the January 2015 issue is Friday 5th December.

Yarnton Youth Bus is back for 2014/2015

Thanks yet again to Agrivert Ltd., Budgens, Oxfordshire Chill Out Fund and Yarnton PC the bus will visit:

Wednesdays 5.30 p.m. - 7 p.m. until 25th March 2015

Find us in Yarnton Park. The bus provides activities for young people in the age range of 8 – 16 years. Come and find out what it's all about and enjoy yourself with your friends. It's completely free.

Public access defibrillator

The Parish Council would like to raise enough money to buy one or more defibrillators to be located within the village for use in an emergency. Each defibrillator, including the cabinet that it would be housed in, costs approximately £1400. In the event of somebody having a cardiac arrest, a member of the public would dial 999 and be told where the nearest defibrillator is and the code number needed to gain access to the machine. These can be used by anybody, as the machine tells you what to do and the operator would stay on the phone to assist you if needed while an emergency vehicle is on its way to you. In order to raise sufficient funds to purchase this equipment we will require contributions from residents and village organisations towards the cost. Donations, or pledges, can be made either personally at the Parish Council office or by email <u>clerk@phonecoop.coop</u>. We would also welcome comments and suggestions of suitable places within the village, and ideas for fundraising, Yarnton Parish Council

Calling all JIGSAW Fans

With the weather on the turn and daylight hours shortening, now is the time for inside activities. I have a large stock of jigsaws of varying sizes and scenes that I have either purchased over many years as new or I have bought from charity shops. The jigsaws have kept my mum and her friends busy in their later life. I am happy to run a local jigsaw library if there is sufficient local demand, in return for a small donation to the Oxford Animal Sanctuary which does a great job looking after many homeless dogs, cats, rabbits and horses. If you are interested, then ring me on 374906. *Karen Bushell*

Cassington Nurseries Yarnton Road Cassington 01865 882550

Dry hardwood logs in builders' bags £65.00 a bag, free delivery

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A large range of dog and cat food in stock now

Winter bedding plants all looking good now SUNDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICES



Joint Eucharist with Act of Remembrance, 9.30am, Begbroke Church

Main Act of Remembrance and placing of candles. 3.00pm, Yarnton Church

Yarnton Medical Practice

Yarnton Medical Practice would like to thank the family of the late Mrs. Betty Cox. They kindly donated a sum of money to the Practice in her memory, which will be spent on updating our spirometry equipment.

- Are you over 65? If so, you are entitled to a free flu jab. Call 01865 379345 to book your appointment.
- Find out more about our IT developments concerning your Electronic Patient Records. Visit our website: <u>www.kidlingtonandyarntonsurgery.co.uk</u> or pick up a leaflet in the Practice.
- Appointment Reminders. If you would like to receive a text the day before your appointment, please call in to the practice and complete a form.
- We now have a Comments and Suggestions box in the Practice. Your feedback is important in helping us provide good patient care. Please do let us know what you think.

Louise Hill, Team Leader - Yarnton Medical Practice

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Cogges will close for the end of this season on Sunday 2^{nd} November and reopen next March.

Winter Events

Cogges Christmas Panto – Aladdin. 30th November 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. Join us in the Wheat Barn for the annual Cogges Christmas Panto! Prepare to be swept off your feet on a magical carpet ride to the wondrous world of Agrabah. Join Aladdin and his best friend, the mischievous yet loveable monkey Abu, as they go from rags to riches with just one rub of an extra-ordinary lamp. With everything from flying magic carpets to amazing special effects, M&M's fantastic version of Aladdin is sure to have your children on the edge of their seats. Adult £10/Child £8.50.

Cogges Christmas Market. 7th **December 10.30 a.m. – 4 p.m.** Join us in the Wheat Barn for the annual Cogges Christmas Market! Father Christmas - mulled wine and mince pies in the manor house - choirs and carols -Christmas market in the Wheat Barn with over 30 stalls: gifts, local crafts, festive decor and garlands, food, jams, treats...

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Thames Valley Police, Kidlington - October Update

The month of September was relatively quiet in comparison with other months this year, in terms of both bulk crime and the force's priorities. There were five recorded thefts from motor vehicles this month and also one case of criminal damage. There has been a small increase in anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the last month but this has remained much lower than previous years. Regular patrols and visits to known suspects have contributed in the reduction in crime and ASB, but we are still interested in hearing from you for information that will lead to the arrest of offenders and stolen property being recovered.

Most of the thefts from vehicles were number plates. To help reduce the risk of being a victim of this type of crime, the Neighbourhood Team can provide security screws for number plates that cannot be removed. Just ask one of the PCSOs when you see them about or ring 101 and ask to speak to one of the Neighbourhood Team. These screws are free to residents in the Kidlington Neighbourhood area.

We would like to take an early opportunity to remind people that Thames Valley Police and the Fire and Rescue Services across Thames Valley are urging people to take extra care at Bonfire Night parties. Having your own fireworks party or celebrating with family and friends can be great fun, but by far the safest way to enjoy these seasonal activities is to attend a professionally organised event. We want everyone to enjoy a safe and trouble-free Bonfire Night and are working closely with Trading Standards to ensure fireworks aren't sold to those who are under 18. Please think of others and remember that fireworks cannot be let off between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. It is also an offence to let any firework off in a public place or road.

If you want to get in touch with the team you can either call 101 or email us at

<u>KidlingtonNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk</u> PC Ian Ledger



Fireworks

Show

Sat. 15th November 2014

Firing at 7.30 pm at Littlemarsh Sports Field (behind the Turnpike pub) in Yarnton



Tickets in advance from Paternoster Farm Shop Yarnton Post Office The Red Lion : £3 a person or £10 for a family (2 adults and 3 children)

Tickets on the gate from 6.30pm : £3 a person (12 years and under) or £4 a person (over 12 years) or £12 for a family ticket

Refreshments

Stalls

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The great English autumn

I am writing this on a journey to a friend's wedding in Leeds.

The sunlight made the changing leaves on the trees look beautiful, and I felt how fortunate we are to live in this part of England with so many lovely and interesting things in nature to see and places to visit at this autumn time. I biked early at 7.45 a.m. before we left; it was one of those bright, crisp, chilly autumn days, and as I rode I watched the moon setting. One day I took two photos at almost the same time – one out at the front of the full moon setting and one at the back of a wonderful sunrise.

I have been thrilled to see (and hear) so many geese flying over Yarnton. One of my favourite sounds as they whoosh overhead. I think there are more than I have ever seen – does anyone know where they are going to and from? Our caterpillar family have been moved to their winter home – a plush flowerpot filled with nettles, where they will hopefully be happy during the winter months until they pupate and turn into wonderful Scarlet Tiger moths. I love seeing the bright yellow flowers of the winter jasmine – it is out already. There are also lots of bright red holly berries – does that mean we are in for a hard winter I wonder?

At this time of year I have many happy memories of me and my mum making toffee apples ready for firework night. They were the best I ever tasted! Hope you enjoy the fireworks! *Ellen Cocking*



Yarnton W.I.

Our Harvest Supper in October was as usual an excellent evening. Approximately 40 members and friends enjoyed a meal of quiches, cold meats and salads, followed by delicious puds.

In September we also enjoyed a visit to the O.U.P. museum, when Martin Maw, who came to speak to us a while ago, took us round. Many thanks to Rosemary for organising this.

This month our speaker is Andrew Hall from Philosophy Hair, who will talk about the history of hair. We shall have our usual book stall, and tea hostesses are Dorothy Cherry, Jacqueline Cook and Sylvia Davis. We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 13th November at 7.45 p.m. and visitors are always welcome.

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YOGA in YARNTON

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Begbroke Bowls Club

As the season for Green Bowls is put to bed for the winter, the volunteer green-keepers get to grips with top dressing and final cutting, to do all that is possible to ensure a good green for play next year. The past year has gone well, with new people coming along, and a mix of fortunes in the results of our friendly matches. We look forward to the new season next spring, and welcome any enquiries to play. Please contact Malcolm Blackshaw 01865 377200 or Joan Woodmore 01235 528568.



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Table Tennis

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Yarnton Gardening Club

This month Steve Moll will be telling us about 'The Incredible World of the Honey Bee', a very topical subject given the worrying decline in numbers of bees. Our meeting is in the Village Hall on Thursday 20th November at 7.45 p.m. and we are always pleased to welcome visitors..

Our A.G.M. and Christmas Social will be on Thursday 18th December. As usual we ask that members bring along food to share – wine and soft drinks will be provided. Gill Rowbotham has the refreshment list, so please contact her on 377623 to let her know what you will be bringing. *Ruth Astall*

Yarnton Parish Council

Clerk: Lynne Whitley

Office: Village Hall, The Paddocks, Yarnton, OX5 1TE. Tel. 378476. e-mail:<u>clerk@phonecoop.coop</u>

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

9 a.m. to 11 a.m. If the Clerk is not available when you call, please leave a message on the answerphone and a response will be made as soon as possible. If the main door of the Village Hall is locked, please ring the door bell by the post box at the left end of the Village Hall.

Future Meeting dates: 12th November and 10th December in the Village Hall at 6.15 p.m., then every second Wednesday in the month. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Meeting Minutes: The minutes of all Parish Council Meetings are available on the village website once they are approved, <u>www.yarnton-village.org.uk</u>

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 5th May 2011 for a four-year period. Michael Gibbard was declared elected as District Councillor as from 5th May 2011 for a four-year period.

Co-opted Parish Councillor: 10th August 2011: Graham Thompson. Tel: 461479 Co-opted Parish Councillor: 15th May 2013 Keith Johnston: Tel: 372266 **Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer:**

Lynne Whitley. Tel: 378476

District Councillors:

Michael Gibbard. Tel: 849435 Trevor Stevens. Tel: 451800 **County Councillors:** Maurice Billington. Tel: 842235 **Yarnton Village Hall** Bookings: Tel: 07948 722633

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Planning Applications:

14/01375/F. 7 Aysgarth Road, erection of white PVCu framed roof canopy to the side.

14/01523/AGD. Worton Farm, open-fronted barn. 14/01403/F. Yarnton Leisure Building, Yarnton Nurseries (Retrospective), removal of 4 precast concrete garage show buildings and replace with a new timber-framed display/storage building at south end of show site. 14/01427/F. 6 Sandy Lane, 3-bay garage.

Planning Decisions:

14/01243/TPO. 3 Poppy Close, trim and reshape 1 beech tree. Granted 4.9.14.

14/01266/F. 16 Stoutsfield Close, variation of condition 1 of 97/00030/REM, to enable the erection of pair of purpose-built wooden gates on private drive. Granted 17.9.14.

14/01263/F. 1 Broadfield Road, roof lights to side elevation (retrospective). Granted 6.10.14.

14/00750/F. Garage block to rear of 63-65 Spencer Avenue, demolish garages and erect 2 maisonettes and 5 garages. Granted 1.10.14.

14/01135/F. 151 Rutten Lane, demolition of existing garage. Erect single-storey side and rear extension. Granted 8.9.14.

Planning Applications/Comments: Lists of planning applications received by the Parish Council are now being published on the four Parish Council notice boards in the village within a few days of receipt. The notice boards are located outside the Village Hall, by the shops in Spencer Avenue, at the playing field in Rutten Lane and on the grass verge between The Paddocks and Cresswell Close near the bridge. Members of the public can also view and comment on all planning applications via Cherwell District Council's website at <u>www.cherwell.gov.uk</u>.

Notice of Conclusion of Audit: BDO LLP have reported that Notice is hereby given that the audit for the year ended 31st March 2014 was completed on 1st September 2014, and the accounts are now available for inspection by local electors in accordance with Section 14 of the Audit Commission Act 1998. There were two matters which came to the attention of BDO which required the issuing of a separate 'additional issues arising' report.

Entry to Primary School: If your child was born on or between 1st September 2010 and 31st August 2011, you need to apply for a primary school place now. You must still apply even if your child already attends a nursery attached to the school. Closing date is 15th January 2015. Apply online at <u>www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions</u> or on paper (forms available from the County Council website or a local school).

Grants: Village organisations are reminded that applications for a grant from the Parish Council must be received in writing to the Clerk by 31st December 2014, and cannot be considered after that date. Applicants must explain why they are making the request, specify the sum they are applying for, enclose their latest statement of accounts, including information on fundraising by themselves during this year, and also confirm that any grant awarded last year was used in the manner applied for. Successful applicants will receive the grant in April 2015.

Burial Ground: If anybody wishing to visit the burial ground in Church Lane finds it difficult to do so on foot, please contact the Parish Clerk who can arrange access for you to take a vehicle there.

Fixmystreet website: www.fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk is an easy to use website designed to help Oxfordshire residents to report, view, or discuss local highway faults directly and quickly to Oxfordshire County Council by simply locating them on a map. You can report faults linked to amenities or problems that are broken or dirty, damaged or dumped, or need fixing, cleaning or clearing such as: abandoned vehicles, dog fouling, flyposting or graffiti, flytipping or litter, unlit lampposts and potholes. Please make use of this website if you think anything in the village needs reporting, as by using the website you can see if it has already been reported and any update applicable.

Winter Weather: The Parish Council would like to remind residents that it is their responsibility to purchase sandbags and salt for their property. The grit bins in the village are filled once each winter by Oxfordshire County Council for use by residents to grit the road near the bin to make life easier for themselves and other motorists on roads where OCC don't grit. This grit is not intended for private individuals to take for their own personal use.

Parish Council Elections: An election for all 9 Parish Council seats in Yarnton will take place in May 2015. It is anticipated that nomination papers for residents to nominate people to stand for election will be available in February 2015. As soon as details are available the information will be put on the village noticeboards, the village website and in the Village News.

Compostable Caddy Bin Liners: Caddy bin liners can still be purchased from the Parish Council Office in the Village Hall on Mondays and Thursdays between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., or will be delivered by arrangement if more convenient and not possible to collect. The price is £3 (three pounds) per roll of 40 liners. Telephone 378476.

Welcome to Yarnton Booklets: The booklet can be viewed on the web site <u>www.yarnton-village.org.uk</u> and is available from the Parish Council Office at opening times, and also from the Post Office at Budgens Shop.

Yarnton Care Committee: The Care Committee was set up in 1974 to give help where needed to residents of Yarnton. Services provided focus predominantly on older residents and/or those less mobile.

Chairman: Peter Luke, tel. 372932; Secretary: Bernie Connors, tel. 372944, Treasurer: John Appleton, tel. 460496. Members: Jacqueline Carpenter, Brenda Louch, Graham Thompson, Fred Jones, Mick Teeling. Services available:

Surgery or hospital appointments: Transport is available for appointments where no other is available. A small charge is made for hospital visits. Contact Mick Teeling, tel. 376801. If you cannot get a reply on this number please call John Appleton on 460496.

Shopping Bus: A fortnightly minibus to Kidlington on a Tuesday morning 9.45 a.m. – 12.15 p.m. Door-to-door service with help to carry the shopping. Donation by each passenger of £1 per round trip. Contact Fred Jones, tel. 373871.

Lunch Club: Every Wednesday in the Village Hall 12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. A two-course meal with tea or coffee for just £3. Free transport available for people with limited mobility. A companionable meal in friendly atmosphere. Contact Brenda Louch, tel. 374126.



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Tickets: for Wed., Thurs. and Sat. nights

Price: £8.00 (concessions £7.00) Doors open: 7.15 p.m., Performance: 7.45 p.m. Available in advance from Denise Santilli, Publicity Officer, 07721 744020, <u>bart.players@gail.com</u>, **AND NOW ONLINE** from

http://www.bartholomewplayers.ticketsource.co.uk/ from Evenlode DIY in Eynsham, or on the door

Tickets: for FRIDAY 28th Nov – must be purchased in advance by 21st Nov. Advance Tickets only: £16.00. Doors open: 6.15 p.m., Food served: 6.45 p.m. – 7.45 p.m.,

Performance: 7.45 p.m. **Available:** in advance from Denise Santilli, Publicity Officer, 07721 744020, <u>bart.players@gmail.com</u> (not available online)

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Closing date for applications

is 15 January 2015

Yarnton Village Hall 200 Club

Winners of the draw on 2nd October were:

24	Mrs. S. Hawkins	20	Mrs. L. Whitley
58	Mr. P. Newin	166	Mrs. J. Green

Senior Club

In September we sang Happy Birthday to five members – David, Jim, Harold, Frances and Barbara. We went to Weston-Super-Mare in September for our last seaside visit of the year; again it turned out to be a super day; even the sea put in an appearance! We stopped at the new Gloucester Services on the M5 coming home, very convenient for doing our raffle. With picnic tables and seats, these services are very different, selling fresh meat, cheese, pies, cooked meat, Belgian chocolates and more, plus lovely brand new conveniences. We all enjoyed our day, and many thanks were given to Terry our driver. We are having our Christmas Lunch at the Village Hall on 29th November at 12.30 p.m. *Jose Green, tel. 375644*

Eynsham Choral Society

Eynsham Choral Society presents: Haydn St. Nicholas Mass; Schumann Adventlied; Saint-Saëns Christmas Oratorio with orchestra. Saturday 6th December, 7.30 p.m., St. Leonard's Church, Eynsham. Conductor Stuart Dunlop. Soprano Elinore Rolfe-Johnson, Mezzo Sam Price, Tenor Bradley Smith, baritone Jan Capiński.

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Kidlington & District Historical Society

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The calm before the storm, or is that the other way around?.....

As I write this, I am witnessing the most dramatic thunder storm in Norfolk. Two dogs are sheltering under the dining table, and the sky is lit up with flashes of light. I happen to love thunder storms, whilst I know others are terrified by them. The meeting of elements, the power and the noise are what I find thrilling.

I am currently enjoying a rare couple of days off, the last break before two tiny people crash into my life and the life of our parishes in the Blenheim Benefice. It is a time to reflect, and a time to plan for the coming changes whilst enjoying the peace and quiet of a friend's coastal retreat. I am also here writing a couple of sermons that will be preached at two Oxford colleges over the next few weeks. The storm has interrupted a time of peace, a time of contemplation, and a brief moment of anxiety as I ask 'what on earth have I got to say to well educated students on the subject of family'?

I was given this title, not surprisingly, in anticipation of the impending arrival. The question is one that is being asked in the context of scripture and tradition. In other words, what does the bible and the church say about family?

I found it hard to find examples of what we might think of as the 'desired' family, or the nuclear family. In fact, I found it impossible. I found lots of examples where women had been given or sold to men, usually as part of political or economic deals designed to increase status and power. I found examples of families doing terrible things to each other, like selling birthrights or murdering parents or siblings, but nothing that we might hold up as an example of the supposed ideal of family life. I then turn to the contemporary church and look for this ideal. Again, I find it hard to find. I can see lots of families that are fragmented, families that are 'extended' or added to, with children either lost or gained through divorce and re-marriage, but nothing that resembles this mythical perfection. This fills me with confidence, and makes me think that I'm not as unconventional as I first thought.

In my case, family is what we make of it, something that is not always handed to us on a silver plate, but something that is worked at, eventually found and nurtured. In my case, the two characters joining us in Yarnton have had a tough time and will need care, understanding and perhaps most of all, patience. They will come with their own sets of baggage, issues that will need addressing. They will come full of hope, fear, anticipation and excitement, all the emotions that engulf me at this time. As I sit watching the storm, I wonder what storms might crash into my life in the coming weeks, months and years. I wonder where I will get the strength from to face difficult issues, problems and challenges. I know that all I do is not by my own strength, but God's. That makes me feel a whole lot better.

In the last issue, I talked about Holy Cross Day and what it means to take up out cross and follow Jesus. Some people have suggested that adopting two children might feel like this, as if I am doing some great act of charity. 'I couldn't do that' and 'oooh, you are brave' are common responses. My response is that I am eagerly awaiting this new chapter in my life. Ask me in a couple of months' time, and I may have changed my tune....

Whatever storms are coming, however life is changing, we have the constant re-assurance that we are not alone. As thunder and lightning sometimes bring fear and trembling, we also remember that we have the calm after the storm when the air clears and somehow things are made new.

My family is rather an extended one. I have my birth family, my friends in the benefice, Adrian, Shaun, Clare and Wendy and all those who will be helping out whilst on adoption leave. I also have you, my parishioners, in Yarnton and Begbroke. I am truly blessed. So if you see me at the school gates looking frazzled, or running around Budgens trying to buy some last minute provisions, or simply looking dazed whilst out walking the dog, do say hello! *Nathan*



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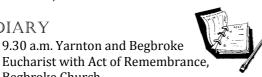
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CHURCH DIARY

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Remember, remember the 5th of November

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We were able to enter two senior teams into the current Winter League, having participated in a pre-season warmup tournament, and will play on Monday and Wednesday evenings at the Arena, Marston. Spectators are welcome. Junior Netball for U16, U14, U12 and Highfive (primary level) is available within the new Junior Club - Kidlington Kites - training indoors at the Gosford Leisure Centre this winter. Please contact Tess <u>tessa.horn@gmail.com</u> for further information.

Whatever your age, if you are thinking that netball could be a fun and fitness activity which you might like to participate in - do consider coming along to our club. For updated information please contact:

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Lunch Club

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We have welcomed several new diners over the past few months and feel we have reached our capacity. So no new diners can be accommodated at the present time. *Brenda Louch, tel. 374126*

Book Reading Group

The Book Reading Group's book for discussion in November is 'Life after Life' by Kate Atkinson. December's book is 'The Lowland' by Jhumpa Lahira. Meetings start at 7.30 p.m. and new members are most welcome. Contact number: 371656. *Helen Anderson*

Woodstock Poetry Festival 14th - 16th November

Carol Ann Duffy, the Poet Laureate, is opening the third Woodstock Poetry Festival on Friday 14th November; on Saturday 15th at 3.30 p.m. we have Stanza 2 from Oxford (tea and cakes are included at the end of this) and at 6 p.m. Michael Longley, the wonderful Irish poet, reading from *The Stairwell*, his latest collection. The evening continues with the Irish theme, with Bernard O'Donoghue reading recent poems, with Irish traditional singer Mick Henry and guitarist Nick Hooper providing music.

On Sunday 16th we start at noon with three Carcanet poets - Andrew McNeillie, Jenny Lewis and John Greening. There is a war theme common to all three, approached in very different ways. We have allowed quite a long break for lunch. At 4 p.m., Neil Astley introduces his recent collection of Rosemary Tonks's poems and a selection of her prose: *Bedouin of the London Evening*. Neil is editor at Bloodaxe Books and has done a great deal to bring new writers to a wider audience, particularly with his *Staying Alive* anthologies (you may be interested to know his most recent anthology is a collection of modern war poems, *The* Hundred Years' War). Rosemary Tonks published two widely admired poetry collections forty years ago and then 'disappeared', suppressing publication of her work. She died earlier this year and the poems have just been published – Jo Shapcott, a long-term admirer of Rosemary Tonks, will be reading her poems.

At 6 p.m. Katrina Porteous and Liz Berry are reading. They have never read together before, and this should be quite an event. Both poets use local dialect (Katrina from the Northumberland coast, and Liz from the Black Country – she grew up there and it is the title of her first, Forward Prize-winning collection of poems). Katrina's collection is based on her radio work and firmly rooted in an oral tradition.

We finish, as last year, with Jenny Lewis hosting an open poetry platform at The Woodstock Arms at 8.30 p.m. – this year the pub is offering a soup and bread supper from 7.30 p.m. for £5, which must be booked in advance. The poetry evening is free, but please let us know if you would like to read.

A festival ticket for £40 gives entry to all readings and events – otherwise each event is priced separately. Children and students are half price. Please contact The Woodstock Bookshop for information and tickets – 01993 812760 or <u>info@woodstockbookshop.co.uk</u>. More information on our website –

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Services in November

Woodstock

2 nd	10.30 a.m.	Mike King (Church Anniversary)
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9^{th}	10.30 a.m.	Jan Grimwood
16^{th}	10.30 a.m.	Simon Pillinger
23^{rd}	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Jonathan Todd
		(Holy Communion)
30^{th}	10.30 a.m.	Paul Spray

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

2^{nd}	10 a.m.	Malcolm Bromhall
8^{th}	4.30 p.m.	Messy Church (a time of games,
		crafts and informal worship)
9 th	10 a.m.	Simeon Mitchell
16^{th}	10 a.m.	Local Church Group (Café Church)
23^{rd}	10 a.m.	Andrew Maisey
30^{th}	10 a.m.	Rev. Jonathan Todd
		(Holy Communion)

The Kidlington church also runs a Junior Church and crèche on Sunday mornings.



Glyme Valley Probus Club for Ladies

In September our speaker was Glena Chadwick, who is an expert on all things William Morris and Kelmscott. She gave us a lively and fascinating talk about the life of the man who has given his name to design, fabrics, wallpaper, jewellery, glass, furniture and more.

William Morris was born in 1834 in London to wealthy, middle class parents. He was educated at Marlborough College and then went on to Exeter College, Oxford. He did not really like London, although it was necessary in his later years to live there to continue his business interests. He was an outstanding contributor to the Arts and Crafts Movement, along with several contemporaries from his college days.

He loved the mediaeval buildings and cathedrals of Northern France and the countryside of England and his beloved house, Kelmscott; but his real passion was nature and he considered that our environment was crucial to our well being. He was a great fan of embroidery and many hours were spent creating such treasures. He married Jane and they had 2 daughters, and they all continued to create the beautiful embroideries and designs that are still very recognisable in today's world. He is known, of course, for his charming theory – have nothing in your home that is not beautiful or useful.

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Autumn seems to be upon us suddenly this year and it's easy to view any small garden differently. An impending sense of decay followed by regeneration is in the air. Much of what we do for wildlife at this time of year is about providing hibernation or shelter spaces to over-winter; it's a matter of life and death.

Some tidying up is inevitable, but try to resist it and not do too much. Let perennials remain, so their hollow stems can shelter invertebrates - and even provide fixed points for spiders' webs. Prune them down when we are moving into spring when all the creatures have emerged again. Much of what will inhabit those hollow stems is what we consider predators or what we consider pests. So allowing them to re-emerge next year is beneficial to many gardeners. It's great to see a group of neighbours gardening with wildlife in mind and thinking about hibernation zones at this time of year. This neighbourhood network of gardens is the name of the game. It's not just about what you do in vour garden - it's about what we all do together. Many of us can't begin to hope to fit all the wildlife features into our own gardens - but between us all, we could achieve so much. Happy Gardening.

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Yarnton Village Hall

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Oxfordshire Museum, Park Street, Woodstock. 15th November – 3rd January. Tuesday – Saturday 10 a.m. – 4.45 p.m. Sundays 2 p.m. – 4.45 p.m. Closed Mondays. <u>www.tomocc.org.uk</u>

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Perhaps I can help you

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MISSING CAT: Panthro



We have not seen our lovely cat Panthro for almost two weeks now. He is sorely missed and we would really like to have him home.

He is a young tabby cat with lots of dark stripes on his back. He is not wearing a collar or a tag but he is chipped.

He does have a tendency to wander into other houses so please keep an eye out. He also has a fairly noisy meow.

He has a brother, who has slightly lighter stripes, who also lives in the area. But, if in doubt, then please contact us anyway.



If you have seen him recently / see him at any point, then please call 07969266649. Thank you.

And on the subject of cats - is this your cat?

Is anyone is missing a white cat with 2 different coloured eyes in the Bernard close/top end of Great Close Road area? It seems to be keen to adopt us but hopefully belongs to someone. My number is 07970047497. *Jeanette Mitchell*

The Oxfordshire Museum Park Street, Woodstock, OX20 1SN

Friends of The Oxfordshire Museum. Monthly lectures held at the museum and start at 7.30 p.m. Friends free, Visitors £2. 5th **November:** Bob Simmons, Director, Combe Mill – The History of Combe Mill.

Those were the Days Reminiscence Sessions. A monthly local history group for people to meet, reminisce about the past and to share memories. £1 per person. **Friday 7th November:** 'An Aladdin's Cave' - talk on the history of J. Banbury & Sons of Woodstock.

Saturday Lecture, 15th November: 'Collecting Crafts' by Joanna Foster CBE. To coincide with the opening of the Oxfordshire Craft Guilds Christmas exhibition (see elsewhere in this issue), Joanna Foster, Associate Fellow of the Said Business School and former Chair of the Crafts Council, will talk about craft collecting, including her own. 3 p.m., tickets £7 available from the museum. https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/exhibition s-events-and-talks-oxfordshire-museum

Woodstock U3A - The University of the Third Age

Woodstock U3A, part of the nationwide organization, is a lively group with over 100 members. In addition to the regular monthly 'speaker meeting' for the whole group, held at the Marlborough School, we have sub-groups run by members with skills or interests that they are keen to share. We are very fortunate here in Woodstock to be able to offer a wide range of groups from art and bridge to music and walking. Details can be found on our website. Whether you would like to make new friends, explore a new hobby or interest, or just come along to listen to the speakers, you are guaranteed a very warm welcome. **Speaker Programme to December:**

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4th November: Gunpowder, Treason and Plot - Muriel Pilkington

 $2^{\rm nd}$ December: The Magic and Mystery of Glenn Miller - Bill King

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