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Mon. 1st	Cubs, Scout Hut, 6.30 p.m. – 8 p.m. (and every Monday)
Mon. 1st Book Reading Group, tel. 371656	
Mon. 1st	Explorers, Scout Hut, 8.15 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. (and every Monday)
Tue. 2 nd	Central Yarnton Bridge Club, Village Hall 9.50 a.m. (and every Tuesday)
Wed. 3rd	9.30 a.m. service at St. Bartholomew's (and every Wednesday)
Wed. 3rd	'Little Sheep' (and every Wednesday in term-time), 10.15 a.m., St. Bartholomew's
Wed. 3rd	Lunch Club, Village Hall, 1 p.m. (and every Wednesday)
Wed. 3rd	Beavers, Scout Hut, 5 p.m. – 6.15 p.m. (and every Wednesday)
Thur. 4 th	Sing-along music group for babies and pre-schoolers, (and every Thursday in term time)
	Village Hall, 10 a.m.
Fri. 5 th	Scouts, Scout Hut, 7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. (and every Friday)
Fri. 5 th	Copy date for March issue of Yarnton Village News
Wed. 10 th	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 6.15 p.m.
Thur. 11 th	Senior Club 50 Years Party, Village Hall, 2. p.m.
Thur. 11 th	W.I., Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Thur. 18 th	Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Sun. 21st	Service for Healing and Wholeness, St. Bartholomew's, 11 a.m.
Thur. 25 th	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2 p.m.
Fri. 26 th	YAPS Pantomime, Robinson Crusoe and the Pirates, Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
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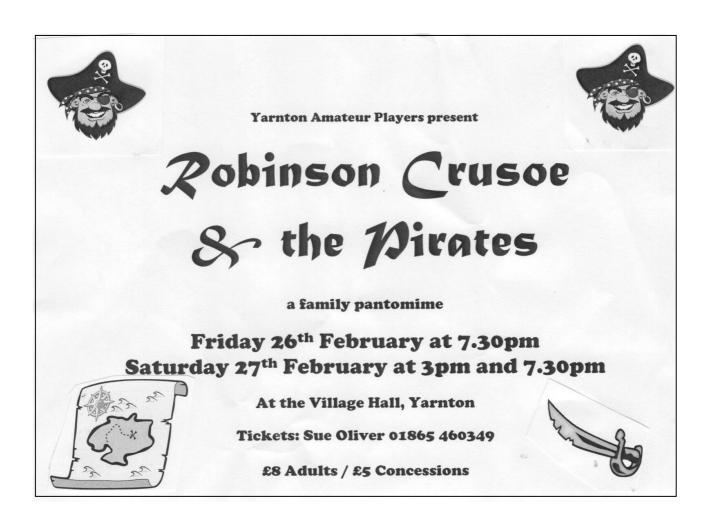
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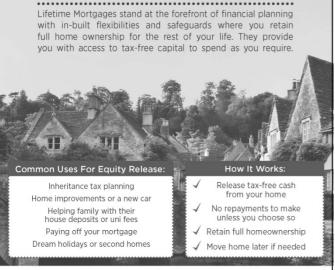
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Memorial Stone in Yarnton?

After the Remembrance Sunday service this year at St. Bartholomew's, a discussion began within the village on the sermon given by the Vicar. He talked about several things, but touched on the fact that we don't have any kind of official memorial in Yarnton.

In recent years, various individuals in our village have spent a considerable amount of time researching various war graves and memorials, both in this country and in others. It seems that some war dead from Yarnton are mentioned and honoured elsewhere but not in Yarnton. This somehow does not seem right. The only place we have for gathering and for remembering, is the church, which has become the unofficial memorial. This, as we know, is at the end of Church Lane and is not in the 'main body' of the village.

The church was, as usual on Remembrance Sunday, packed. The Vicar, Nathan Jarvis has had several requests for the placing of wreaths outside the church, but unfortunately, there is no suitable area for them to be sited. If there was such a place nearer the centre of the village, we would have a focal and gathering point for our remembering, and a place where we can say thank-you to all who have given their lives for the freedom of our country.

As a community we can only look forward, grow and flourish by respecting, learning from, and honouring the past. William Fletcher School has done a great job of this, teaching our children about giving, self-sacrifice and peace. We need this more than ever as our armed forces go again into theatres of war throughout the world.

The Parish Council would like to find out from residents of the village if this is something that would be supported by the majority of the village. It would be appreciated if you could pass your views/comments (whether you support, object or are impartial) to Lynne at the Parish Council, either in writing or by email clerk@phonecoop.coop. Rev. Jarvis is aware of a number of villagers interested in the creation of a task force group to move things forward. If you would like to be part of this group, please contact the Parish Council as above.

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It is unlikely that those villagers foresaw the issues of climate change, but as we watch storm hit regions of the country we should be thankful for the decision they made all those years ago.

We are now in a period where we need to make choices about the future; I wonder if history will record our decisions in such a favourable light. Kevin Broughton



Thank you

Janet Ward and family would like to thank all friends and neighbours for the messages and cards of condolence on the sudden death of Tony. It was a great comfort to know so many people were thinking of us at this sad time.

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To tell them apart, damselflies are dainty and when resting their wings are parallel to the body, dragonflies have wings at 90 degrees from the body when at rest. Both need clean water, less than 70 cm. deep with plenty of submerged pond plants. They eat tadpoles, water insects, and even small juvenile goldfish or other fish you may have.

Plants like loosestrife around the edge of a garden pond are good for adults to settle on and larvae to emerge from the water onto as they transform into winged adults. Long grass near the pond, but not casting a shadow over it offers up a further habitat dragonflies will be able to find food within. Plus nearby trees give them somewhere to roost.

Some bare soil around the pond is good for some species, as too is a half-submerged log which has a bit sticking out of the water. Some lay eggs on submerged wood; the bit sticking out of the water can be a perch where adults can hunt from.

Plenty of simple ideas, but all building into the jigsaw that is wildlife gardening.

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Book Reading

For February we have chosen 'Dissolution' by C.J. Sansom. Meetings start at 7.30 p.m. New members always welcome. Contact number: 371656.

Helen Anderson

Award for Yarnton Band member Mark Sherratt

Mark is by some 20 years or so the longest-serving member of the band, and it is hard to imagine how the band would still be in existence without Mark's efforts. In the early to mid-1990s there were not many members left, and Mark took on a teaching role, which he continues to this day. At that time it was decided to concentrate on the training of younger players; this has sustained the band and given it a clear identity.

Training learners requires a lot of patience, and Mark is justifiably proud of his contribution towards the development of the players in the band today. But it can also be quite dispiriting, as players decide they want to pursue other interests, or even no particular interest at all. Add to that the difficulties of trying to mould new learners into a band, all the time knowing that as soon as they progress very far they'll move on into the main band. Mark has faced all these difficulties over the past 20 years and continues to battle with them today.

In many other ways Mark has gone out of his way. When the band used to rehearse at William Fletcher School, they had the use of a storage shed for library and percussion equipment. There wasn't room to store the spare instruments, so Mark stored them in his garage. The school then decided that they needed the space, leaving no storage space at all. Mark bought a new car at that point – minibus would be another description – and he used that to store all the equipment, making sure that the band could continue to practice, as well as ensuring that it got to all the band jobs. He also filled his garage up completely with the five filing cabinets containing the music library. The band now has storage at the Village Hall, but Mark continues to transport all the equipment to the jobs, often coming on his own to the band room to load everything up.

On Remembrance Day, the band parades at Woodstock for their service, then Mark stays on his own for an extra hour and plays the drum for the parade after the service. There are countless other ways that Mark contributes to the running of the band, going way beyond what is expected of a Chairman.

The whole village should be proud that his efforts have been recognised by the Oxfordshire and District Brass Bands Association by making him the recipient of their prestigious President's Award. *Guy James*





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It only seems a short while ago that we were wishing each other 'Happy New Year' at various parties with friends and family (or if you have young children, over a cup of hot chocolate at home, perhaps). The year is now in full swing, and in some ways the tone will have been set for 2016. Sometimes we instinctively know it's going to be a good one, and with others, we simply hope and pray. For many of my parishioners over this last year, health has been a concern and has underpinned all hopes and fears. Without good health, life is difficult and can become impossible. For some, 2015 has been the year of saying goodbye to our loved ones. A time of sadness, remembering and adjusting to new ways of living. However this year looks to you, I pray that God will be with you.

One thing we wish each other, at New Year and sometimes when we raise a toast, is 'health and happiness' - the two things we want more than anything. At St. Bartholomew's we do the same. One way of asking for God to give us this in our lives is through a special service. The service is for healing and wholeness. It is one that involves different elements: readings, songs, prayers, anointing, water and silence. We have had one before and it proved a great help and support to many. Our next one will be on Sunday 21st February at 11 a.m. If you have not been to such a service before, don't worry. Just turn up. Bring your hopes and fears, perhaps prayers for others too, and ask God to minister to you in this way.

Life is busy and full for all of us, and it can be hard to press pause and take time to reflect. This is such an opportunity and I hope you will take it.

With prayers and blessings for us all in Yarnton and beyond. Nathan

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Muddy footpaths

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It would be nice to go walking in Yarnton without coming home with muddy shoes. I would think other walkers think the same as me. *Name and address supplied*



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S3 Bus Service

We have received the following very varied responses to the article in last month's issue.

Regarding last month's letter about the S3 bus service, I feel your correspondent's request for a bus leaving Oxford every ten minutes is somewhat over the top. I think we already have an excellent service through the village, with one exception - Sunday evenings, when the last bus from Oxford to Chipping Norton leaves at 7.40 p.m. If you are at the theatre, cinema or eating out, the only alternative after that is a taxi - not cheap. For the other six days of the week, buses leave Oxford for Chippy at least every hour in the evening up to 11.45 p.m. It appears Stagecoach feel we should be tucked up in bed on Sunday evenings and not enjoying ourselves in the city on the sabbath! *Stuart Earp, Little Blenheim*

PS: Older residents will recall the time, not long ago, when some buses did not go through the village and we had to walk to and from the A44. The service has improved greatly since then.

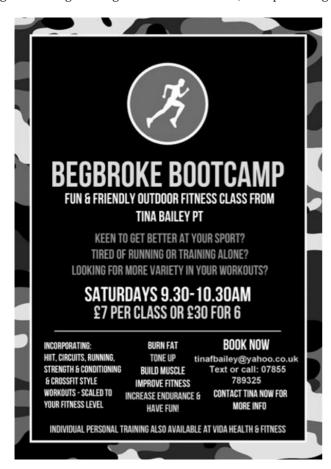
I saw the article in this month's magazine on the S3 bus and laughed! I use the S3 every day to travel to and from work, like many others in the village, and I also use the bus in the evenings. I agree with the editor: a service every 20 minutes during the day is excellent for a village of our size. Granted it would be nice to have the hourly service in the evenings improved upon, but seriously, there is not the demand!!!

Now, if Stagecoach increased the morning service between 7 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. to a bus every 10 minutes THAT would be helpful. The commuter buses during this time of day are often 'standing room only' and it is not unheard of for buses not to stop at Great Close Road as they are full by the time they reach that stop. I quite often walk to the Paddocks or Rutten Lane to get on the bus if it's nearer 8 a.m.. Even the 7.10 a.m. is often very full. I know several bus users wrote to Stagecoach direct about this last winter.

As a village, we have an increased number of foreign language students using the bus into Oxford in the mornings, and we also attract people parking in the village then getting on the S3; it's cheaper to do that than use the Park and Ride at Pear Tree. The roadworks do not impact on the service during the evenings, as works are being carried out during the day. Any delay suffered during the evening is a knock-on from the delays of the working day.

Given the cuts to bus service subsides (I can't remember if the S3 attracts one? - possibly not for Yarnton) the writer's request is ill-founded. Maybe the cost of a taxi should be budgeted for in the cost of their evening out? *Name and email address supplied The following was received from the same person a week or so later:*

Since writing my original email and returning to work I have checked the reports to OCC Cabinet (November 2015). It's worth noting that the S3 subsidy for Sundays and Bank Holidays, as well as part of the service between Old Woodstock and Chipping Norton, is likely to be withdrawn (which will reduce the service to the village) as is the subsidy for the K2 service. In my view these (particularly the loss of the K2 service) are likely to have more impact as a loss to the village and carry a greater weight of argument to be retained, than providing what is essentially a non-essential evening service.



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PETER WATSON, MA, CT, ABRSM

Re. letter in Yarnton News: we have a terrible bus service in Yarnton; only 5 miles from Oxford and fewer from Kidlington. The buses are often late and unreliable. I have had to wait on many occasions in Oxford or Summertown for around an hour because one just didn't run at all. This can be outside the rush hour when there isn't heavy traffic as an excuse. (Even the ones that only do the Woodstock run). The roundabout road works are no excuse, as this service has been like this for years. There isn't any sensible service to Kidlington, our nearest bank and shopping centre, etc. We need them in the day. I have written to Stagecoach and the Council previously, asking why some of the many half empty No. 2 buses that go to Oxford via Kidlington can't be re-routed via Yarnton and Begbroke as a circular route. Also the Langford Lane ones could come round via Begbroke and Yarnton down the main road. There should also be buses now to the new train station, routed round the villages. It is ridiculous to expect people to drive and clog up the roads and car parks. Our population here has increased massively. Places further from Oxford like Witney, Charlbury or Brize Norton, etc. have as good or better bus services. I don't think that we are 'fortunate' to have 20 minute (supposedly) bus services, it should be regarded as an absolute necessity. We are 10 minutes from Oxford! I hope that the Council can put some pressure on the bus services.

Also, why can't the track by the Turnpike be properly surfaced, our shortest route to Kidlington. It is just a mess at present, with people using it as a dumping ground (half a car there at present). *Janice Ure, resident in Yarnton since 1978.*

The article asked for feedback and support to approach Stagecoach to put on additional buses until 11 p.m. seven days a week at 10 minute intervals. I do consider this proposal very excessive and I'm sure totally unworkable for a bus company in these stretched times, both financially and logistically. Does the proposer have a true appreciation of village requirements? I am a regular user of, in my opinion, the extremely good bus service afforded to the village by Stagecoach, and most appreciative of the additional services laid on during weekdays by Stagecoach following the increased house building programme.

I do go into town in the evenings to enjoy trips to the theatre and cinema, and my one comment of support which I would like propose is that Stagecoach considers offering one extra bus between 9.45 p.m. and 10.45 p.m. and again between 10.45 p.m. and 11.45 p.m. Coming out of the New Theatre at 22.00 knowing I have to wait 45 minutes for the next bus is most unfortunate, and Gloucester Green Bus Depot does not have the most comfortable of waiting facilities. If the village could approach Stagecoach with a more realistic request, I think there may be an opportunity for constructive



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Yarnton Gardening Club

Following the AGM in December, we are very pleased to welcome David Poulton to the committee. The officers elected were: Chairman Jan Taylor, Vice Chairman Serena Marner, Secretary Ann Moss and Treasurer Ruth Astall. The other members of the committee are Pauline Brown, Cath Newman, Jill Rowbotham and Bruce Taylor. Our February speaker is Jonathan Ford who will be talking on 'Four local gardens: some thoughts on design'. We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 18th February at 7.30 p.m. and are always pleased to welcome visitors (charge £2). If you have not yet renewed your membership, or would like to join, then please bring your money with you – the subscription remains at £7 per person. Our first outing of the year will be on Saturday 30th April,

Our first outing of the year will be on Saturday 30th April, when we shall be making an afternoon visit by cars to Chivel Farm, Heythrop. We have been there before, a good number of years ago, and understand that there have been some changes since our last visit. For further information, or to put your name down, please contact Jill Rowbotham on 377623.

Ruth Astall

Woodstock Methodist Church, Oxford Street, Woodstock Kidlington Methodist Church, Oxford Road, Kidlington

Minister: The Revd. Jonathan Todd, tel. 01865 842214, Email: jonathan.todd@oxfordmethodists.org.uk Lay Worker: Malcolm Bromhall, tel. 01865 373958, Email: malcolm.bromhall@oxfordmethodists.org.uk

Web: www.woodstockmethodists.org.uk, www.woodstockmethodists.org.uk, www.kidlingtonmethodistchurch.co.uk

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 February

Woodstock

7 th	10.30 a.m.	Jan Grimwood
14^{th}	10.30 a.m.	David Matthews
21^{st}	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Jonathan Todd
		(All-age Communion)
28th	10.30 a.m.	Alan Turner-Smith

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!



Established in 2005, our golf society has a current membership of 30. We usually play on Sundays once a month on courses locally, and occasionally within an hour's radius. August 2015 sees our annual golfing weekend away to Telford where our Claret Jug is contested. An Order of Merit is awarded annually to our most successful golfer.

We meet at the Red Lion
on the first Monday of each month at 8 p.m.
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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

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7 th	10 a.m.	Malcolm Bromhall		
13^{th}	4.30 p.m.	Messy Church (a time of games,		
		crafts and informal worship)		
14^{th}	10 a.m.	Rev. Leslie Marsh		
		(Holy Communion)		
21st	10 a.m.	John Wesley Society		
		(Student Group)		
28^{th}	10 a.m.	Local Church Group		
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Senior Club

Way back on 26th November we had our Christmas Lunch – roast turkey plus all the trimmings, Christmas pudding or trifle, tea, coffee, mince pies and After Eight mints, all cooked superbly by Ann's Munchies. We didn't have to do a thing except pour a glass of wine. Afterwards we were entertained by the children in Mrs. Brown's class at William Fletcher School. They sang carols and old time favourites from World War 2 and we were allowed to join in many of the songs. The children enjoyed doing the actions to some of the songs and a grand time was had by all. We gave them many thanks, as we did to Ann's Munchies. We then wished Giacomo Happy Birthday, and everyone received a present before they went home. We had another meeting before Christmas, on 10th December, and here three members were given a rendering of Happy Birthday: Robin, Yvonne and Frank. I was given a great surprise as Laurence (our secretary) presented me with a huge thank you card signed by many members and friends who had joined us on our coach outings, accompanied by a generous sum of money. I was really stuck for words, so may I say thank you to everyone – it was really appreciated - and especially thank you to Laurence for being so discreet, thus making it such a surprise.

We had our last meeting of the year on 31st December and are looking forward to 11th February when our Club will be 50 years old. We are celebrating with a party, and then our New Year begins. *Jose Green, tel. 375644*

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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: Wednesday 10th February and 9th March 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, www.yarnton-village.org.uk

Parish Council - contact numbers

Parish Council Chairman: Fred Jones. Tel: 373871

Parish Council Vice-Chairman: Graham Thompson. Tel: 461479 Parish Council Members: John Burford. Tel: 849750

Michael Gibbard. Tel: 849435 Robin Hearn. Tel: 374613 Anna Isles. Tel: 372895 Keith Johnston. Tel: 372266

The above-named were declared elected as Parish Councillors without a contest as from May 2015 for a four-year period. Michael Gibbard was declared elected as District Councillor as from May 2015 for a four-year period.

Co-opted Parish Councillors: 8th July 2015:

Fiona Mawson. Tel: 840819, Gregg Morris. Tel: 371291

Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer:

Lynne Whitley. Tel: 378476 **District Councillors:**

Michael Gibbard. Tel: 849435, Trevor Stevens

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Planning Applications:

15/02055/F. Milverton, 158 Woodstock Road, singlestorey rear extension.

15/02168/TPO. 5 Fletcher Close, multi-stemmed mature ash (x 4 stems)/twin-stemmed mature ash – various work reducing branches, removing dead wood, subject to TPO 12/2010.

15/02092/F. 54 Meadow Way, attach three-bedroom house to the existing two-storey house and separate the property into two family homes.

MW.0158/15. Hansons, Cassington Quarry, Worton, section 73 app. for continuation of the winning and working of sand and gravel without restoration, using suitable imported materials, without complying with the requirement of condition 2 of planning permission, 10/01929/CM in order to extend the time period for extraction until December 2022, etc.

15/02191/F. 32 Merton Way, conversion of existing dwelling to form 2 no. two-bedroom dwellings, including a single-storey extension and internal alterations.

15/02267/F. 32 The Paddocks, double-storey side extension, demolition of existing conservatory, single-storey rear extension, new porch to rear elevation. Side extension to be new two-bedroom dwelling house.

Planning Decisions:

R3.0131/15. William Fletcher School, single-storey extension to provide two classrooms, staff room, toilets, storage rooms, etc. Granted 9.12.15.

15/01941/LB. Paternoster Farm, Cassington Road, construction of single-storey glazed extension and first-floor side extension to existing farmhouse, removal of previous additions and other alterations. Granted 17 12 15

15/01964/F. 5 Oxford Industrial Park, Mead Road, new additional 82 sq.m. hard landscaping extension to the granted 115m. external plant area, etc. Granted 22.12.15. Planning Applications/Comments: Lists of planning applications received by the Parish Council are published on the four Parish Council notice boards in the village within a few days of receipt. Members of the public can also view and comment on all planning applications via Cherwell District Council's website at www.cherwell.gov.uk.

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Dog Fouling: If you allow a dog in your charge to foul any area to which the public has access you are committing an offence. Town and Parish Councils provide bins in parks and other public areas for the use of dog owners. Cherwell District Council is responsible for monitoring dog fouling, the issue of fixed penalty notices and for initiating court proceedings against offenders. By law dog owners must pick up any mess made by their dogs. If owners do not clear up behind their dog and evidence is available, CDC will investigate and prosecute them. The penalty for not clearing up behind your dog is up to £1,000 if taken to court, but there is also provision for a fixed penalty scheme with a fine of £50 in England. Dog mess is a nuisance and is associated with various diseases, including 'toxocariasis'. You can report dog fouling that isn't cleaned up to Cherwell District Council www.cherwell.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=2206. To find out more about the law please see https://findlaw.co.uk/law/government/local government/40006.html

Annual Parish Meeting: This will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 22nd April at 7 p.m. Further details will be published when finalised.

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: Fred Jones, tel. 373871; Secretary: Bernie Connors, tel. 372944, Treasurer: John Appleton, tel. 460496. Members: Jacqueline Carpenter, Brenda Louch, Graham Thompson, 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.

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. Following discussions with the existing passengers, the Yarnton Care Committee and the Parish Council, the return fare was increased to £2 per person from 5th January 2016. The charge of £1 had been in existence for over 15 years, and despite increases in the bus hire charges the fare had never been increased. 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 (currently full).



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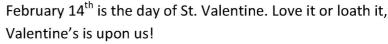












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We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 11th February at 7.30 p.m. Tea hostesses are Gill Long, Hannah Melhuish and Ann Moss.

Date for your diaries: We have arranged our annual Skittles evening for Saturday 19th March at the Masonic Hall, Woodstock. For more information, or to put your name down, please contact Rosemary on 01865 730188. Family and friends are very welcome to join us for this relaxing and social evening. Ruth Astall

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Club coaching is offered on Tuesday evenings – at Gosford Leisure Centre for the more severe winter months (8.30 p.m. – 10 p.m.). Club sessions are always open to new players at any time of the season. We also welcome Back-to-Netball and Beginner players (16+) and will usually have our own Level 2 qualified coach delivering the session.

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Mrs Jenny Bodinham, Coordinator, Marlborough C of E School, Community Education, tel. 01993 813592

Old News

The following was sent by David Brimson via the website about a crime in Yarnton at the beginning of the 20^{th} century.

Murder/Manslaughter at Paternoster Farm. Did anvone know there was a murder in 1901 at Paternoster Farm, Yarnton? There are quite a few articles in various papers. I found this in the British Newspaper Archive. I say murder, but the accused got off with manslaughter by a whisker! I wonder if any descendants still live in Yarnton? *Nottingham Evening Post – Monday 11 February 1901:* THE YARNTON MURDER. At Oxfordshire Assizes today, before Mr. Justice Wright, Richard Hopcroft, 29, milkman, was indicted for the wilful murder of William Savage, farmer, of Yarnton, in November After a trial extending over nearly eight hours last week, the jury were unable to agree. When the trial had been in progress for an hour today counsel for the prisoner intervened, said the prisoner would plead guilty to manslaughter, and plea was accepted. The prisoner was sentenced to twenty years' penal servitude, the judge remarking that in his opinion the crime was only very slightly removed from murder.

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Begbroke Bowls Club



With the end of the playing season, we begin to look forward to what the new season will bring. After the excitement of our new club house, albeit with several finishing jobs still to complete, we will be planning the AGM in March and finalising competitive fixtures for the year. We will usually offer a specific Taster evening at the beginning of the season (April/May) when current players will dedicate time to guiding new players.

Bowls Club members usually meet on Friday evenings at the Begbroke Village Hall Social Club to keep in touch over the winter months – this is a good time for anyone locally who may be considering joining the Bowls Club to come along and get to know the current members as we mix with `non-bowlers' and enjoy a social drink. Occasionally a fish and chip supper is organised.

Work on the bowls green has been completed for the year, although weeding and maintenance of the peripheral area can continue when anyone has a spare couple of hours to offer. Maintenance required to keep the Green in good playable condition is considerable, and anyone interested in helping with this aspect would be very welcome to join the few dedicated 'lads' who currently cover most jobs during the course of the year.

We are also looking for guidance and/or sponsorship for flooring in the Club House – if anyone can help with this we would love to hear from you.

Further information from Club Secretary – Joan Woodmore, tel. 01235 528568 or Malcolm Blackshaw, tel. 01865 377220

