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**FEBRUARY  
2018**

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## CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

Thur. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sing-along music group for babies and pre-schoolers ( <i>and every Thursday in term time</i> ), Village Hall, 10 a.m.
Fri. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Copy date for March issue of Yarnton Village News
Fri. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Scouts, Scout Hut, 7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. ( <i>and every Friday</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>	Explorers, Scout Hut, 8.15 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. ( <i>and every Monday</i> )
Mon. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Book Reading Group, tel. 372888
Tue. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Central Yarnton Bridge Club, Village Hall 9.50 a.m. ( <i>and every Tuesday</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, 5 p.m. – 6.15 p.m. ( <i>and every Wednesday</i> )
Wed. 7 <sup>th</sup>	'Little Sheep' ( <i>and every Wednesday in term time</i> ), 10.15 a.m., St. Bartholomew's
Thur. 8 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Club Village Hall, 2p.m.
Thur. 8 <sup>th</sup>	W.I., Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Wed. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 6.15 p.m.
Thur. 15 <sup>th</sup>	Gardening Club Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Thur. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2 p.m.

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

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I believe he made a full recovery but did not drive again!! Needless to say the said 'missing sign post' was mangled around his car and removed along with the car, which incidentally was a right off.

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Yarnton Women's Institute	Ruth Astall	01865 372637
Yarnton Gardening Club	Ruth Astall	01865 372637
Yarnton Care Committee	Bernie Connors	01865 372944

All of these organisations exist for the benefit of Yarnton residents and contribute enormously to the well-being of our more elderly in particular. Some voluntary involvement can be for as little as perhaps one hour per month but is vital to the bigger picture. Time is precious to us all, but spending just a small amount of time for our community cannot be better spent.

Please consider how you could possibly help to maintain these vital services.  
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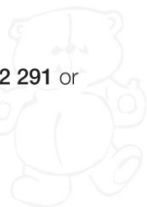
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Our speaker this month is Caroline Jackson-Houlston who will be talking about 'Mountain Flowers of Chile', which will be a welcome escape from the English winter.

We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 15th February at 7.30 p.m. Visitors are always welcome (£2).

In October we have well-known gardening writer and columnist Val Bourne coming to speak to us about 'Bombproof roses for the modern gardener'. Val is an experienced speaker and this promises to be a very interesting evening. We would welcome as many visitors as possible and there will be a charge of £5 for non-members on this occasion. More details nearer the time, but make a note of this date in your diaries.

Our first outing of the year will be on Sunday 13th May to the Malvern Spring Show, which will be an all-day visit by coach. Details of costs and times will appear in the March issue. *Ruth Astall*

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**7<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30 p.m.: Mark Davies: A literary tour of Oxford's waterways.** Tickets £4 available at the door

**7<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30 p.m.: John McNeil: The Medieval parish churches in Oxfordshire from Romanesque to Gothic.**

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### February Half Term Activities

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February: Year of the Dog Chinese Celebration.** Free family fun.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> February: TOM Tots:** Music, stories and rhymes for the under 5s. 10.30 a.m. – 11 a.m. £1 per child. £2.50 per family.

**Family Fun craft drop-in:** Paper Prints. Make paper designs large and small using print and collage Lucienne Day style. 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. £2 per child. £5 per family.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February: Trash and Treasure Family workshop** – suitable for ages 5+. A pick and mix of treasure activities including 'Make Your Own Bling!' 10.30 a.m. – 12 noon. £3 per child. £7 per family. Booking required, tel. 01993 814106.

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**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February: Family Fun craft drop-in - Magical Mobiles.** Take shapes and colours from the 'Living Design' exhibition and make a magical mobile. 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. £2 per child. £5 per family.

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### Macular Society Kidlington

We meet on the last Tuesday of each month in Frank Cook Court, School Road, Kidlington at 10.15 a.m. Our speaker for Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February will be Maddy Radbourne, explaining the importance of the Emergency Message Scheme.

Anyone interested in joining our group or who would like further information, please contact either Tom on 01865 376482 or Marita on 01865 373104. Transport can be arranged if required.

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December has been a particular busy time at St. Bartholomew's Church, particularly with our Rector Nathan leaving for pastures new. But with help from the clergy in other parts of the diocese, particularly our Arch Deacon the Venerable Judy French, who celebrated the Christmas Day Eucharist at 11 a.m. and The Rev'd. Stephen Pix who celebrated at 8 a.m. on Christmas Day, and also members of the laity from the village we have been able to cope. I personally would like to thank our two Churchwardens John and Paul for their hard work, help and support during this busy month, and also Charlotte Rayner who very successfully organised and led the Crib Service on Christmas Eve; I understand that the Church was full for this event. My thanks also go to Ian Gill who officiated at a service of prayers around the Crib later that evening. I would also like to thank those unnamed heroes who cleaned and decorated the Church for our Christmas Celebrations during the month. The Church certainly sparkled despite the weather.

Regretfully, due to the inclement weather we felt it necessary to cancel our Carol Service planned for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December, and also the mince pies and mulled wine proposed by the Manor. However, it has now been suggested that an opportunity would exist for the Church to join the Easter Egg Hunt which the Manor has kindly hosted in the past.

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December we welcomed pupils from William Fletcher School and some parents who came to the church for their Carol Concert. It was a case of standing room only - I wish we could attract congregations of that size on a Sunday morning! I was amazed at the talents of the pupils, a wonderful confirmation of their dedicated and talented teachers. I hope that I am able to spend a little more time with them during the coming year.

I hope that I will have opportunity to meet more of you in the village during the next few months.

Rev'd. Jim Turner.

## REGULAR SERVICE TIMES (every week unless otherwise stated)

### Sundays

8 a.m. Holy Communion, Book of Common Prayer, traditional service with no Hymns

11 a.m. Holy Communion, Common Worship, with hymns. *Coffee after the service. The first Sunday of the month is an informal Family Service, and after the service there is a Fairtrade and local produce stall.*

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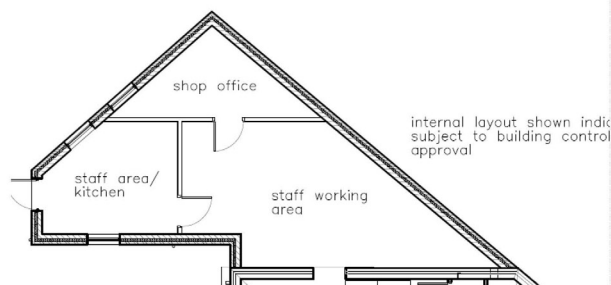


### Shrove Tuesday – 13<sup>th</sup> February.

For some this is the start of Lent – you may be giving up chocolate, alcohol or just observing this religious event. For others this is just a good excuse to test your pancake flipping skills! If you want to make them traditionally with milk, eggs and flour, or don't have the time or energy so go for the ready mix, we have everything you'll need here at the store – plus all the toppings.

### Further Improvements to start

The final phase of the store improvements will start on February 5<sup>th</sup>. This will not affect the shop itself as it is an extension to the side of the store, improving the staff area and stock holding for the shop. Whilst there will be minimal disruption to the shop, please expect some external works towards the cash machine at times during the 8-week build. This is long overdue and much needed. Thank you for your patience during these vital works.



Fund-raising. We are very pleased to tell you that the store raised £1634.90 for Sobell House in 2017 just through the plastic bag charge. Although this is a good amount, we have managed to bring down the total versus last year by nearly £200. A huge thank you to all of our customers who have made this happen.

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# MONTHLY QUIZ

'devised by Sir Percy'

In this month's issue you will find the second in a new series of short monthly quizzes. The quiz has ten questions; some you will know off the top of your head, many you will have to look up. Once you have answered them, study them to discover the link. Each month has a different link, and **only naming the link** will afford you a shot at victory! (You may not need all the answers to find the link). *The answers to the December 2017 quiz are on page 16.*

The link information can be found from part of each answer, the whole answer, or a phonetic part of the answer (e.g. hare might mean hair, doe might mean dough). This month the lucky winner will receive a bottle of bubbly. There is also the chance to win a bumper prize if you can find the link between all the quizzes.

**Please note that the closing date is 20<sup>th</sup> of each month, so please get your entries in promptly.** Post your answers in the designated Yarnton Village News box located in Budgens - by the bananas.

Good luck!!

## FEBRUARY QUIZ

1. Who played Battery Sergeant Major Williams in the sitcom 'It Ain't Half Hot Mum'?
2. Civic, Accord and Legend are all vehicles from which Japanese car manufacturer?
3. What is the most recognized and best selling product of the Phillip Morris Company?
4. Which 1970s Cinderella adaptation starred Richard Chamberlain and Gemma Craven?
5. What title is given to the concept that small causes can have larger consequences?
6. Which Sara Gruen novel charts the story of Jacob Janowski?
7. Vodka, tomato juice and Worcester sauce are the main ingredients of which cocktail?
8. How are campanologists colloquially known?
9. Which American R & B soul singer is best known for his hit 'When A Man Loves A Woman'?
10. What were the shapes of the windows in the BBC's 'PlaySchool'?

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**Fill out and return this form to the designated Yarnton Village News box at Budgen's (by the bananas). The winner will be drawn on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the month.**

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## Sit, Rest and Learn

I'm writing this particular piece sitting in the cafe above and overlooking the main concourse at Manchester Piccadilly train station. Not far above me is the roof, on which I can see feral pigeons and plenty of moss. I wonder how many of the commuters below are even aware there is still nature around, even amongst what may appear to be an urban wilderness? Barren of nature. Nature is often all around us. Yes, it's struggling, but as I've said many times, our ability seems to be receding with regard to sensing it, experiencing it, appreciating it. Sometimes we just need to sit, rest, observe and learn. Tomorrow, when you are out in the midst of somewhere that seems barren of wildlife, take a few moments. Sit, rest, watch and learn.

You may be out in the street, shopping centre, car park, or even in your own garden. Believe me; perceived barren spots for wildlife are often far from it. In gardens, many think the barren areas are behind the shed, under some conifer trees, or in the middle of a scorching hot lawn. The list can be endless.

I'd suggest though, there are very few barren sections in any garden. Wildlife is very adaptable; we just need to take time to see it. Try sitting for a while, quietly, still. You'll soon start to notice all sorts of little movements from the ecosystems around you. Watch, see what is happening to the wildlife there. What is it doing? How is it using the area in front of you? The answers are there, before you; you don't need me sitting next to you, giving a running commentary.

By simply watching what's going on, we can all learn what habitats and gardening techniques we could incorporate in any given environment to give nature a helping hand. It's the same wildlife that we are perhaps overlooking on a daily basis?

Sometimes, all we need to do is, sit and rest for a while.

Answers and solutions often come in that silence.

Happy Gardening.

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

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Steve Lenhardt  
07941 063021

Treasurer  
Sue White  
07786 150112

## Dog mess

We have received the following from a resident of Frogwelldown Lane:

Could you once again remind people not to let their dogs dump in Frogwelldown Lane in front of our property, or leave poo bags for us to pick up and dispose of, which is not very nice to have to do!!

We accept after many many years that we have to pick up cans, cigarette packets chip wrappers, crisp bags every week and other unsavoury items thrown in the lane, but dog poo bags really are not nice.

I do wish people in the village would be more considerate of their unwanted rubbish!!! Would they like it if I disposed of my dog poo bags in the front of their homes??

I guess not!

*Name and email address supplied*

## Woodstock and District U3A

Our monthly meetings are at a new venue this year: the Woodstock Community Centre, New Road, Woodstock OX20 1PB. We generally meet every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 2 p.m. Visitors are welcome to our Speaker Meetings which start at 2 p.m. (£2).

For more information: [www.u3asites.org.uk/woodstock](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/woodstock) or tel. 01865 580688.

Speakers for the next few months are:

6 <sup>th</sup> February	<i>Stained Glass in Oxford</i> , Brian Lowe
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## Yarnton W.I.

We have thankfully managed to find a new Secretary to take over from Carol in March. Suzanne White, Gaynor's daughter-in-law, saw our plea in the Village News, and although not a member of the WI at that time, felt that it would be a great shame if the Institute was forced to close after all these years. She spoke to Gaynor and has since been to one of our committee meetings and has agreed to join us. Needless to say, we are extremely grateful to Suzanne and will give her all the support she needs to do the job. We are disappointed that no-one from our existing membership came forward to offer to take on the role, but we are sure Suzanne will do a great job and will bring a new, young, perspective to the committee, which augurs well for the future.

We would still appreciate new members on the committee, and hope that maybe some of our newer members will feel able to help. It's a really good way to get to know people and make new friends.

There is something different this month when Camilla Stephenson, Louise Taylor and Sophie Reynolds will be giving a demonstration of African Drumming, with a chance to have a go with the drums and other musical instruments which they will bring. This should be a really fun evening, so do come along. We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 p.m. Tea hostesses are Denise McKillop, Hannah Melhuish and Maureen Rhymes.

The February Coffee Morning will be on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> at the Buttery, Woodstock from 10.30 a.m. Why not come and join us for a relaxed social get-together?

**Advance Notice.** Yarnton will be hosting the Spring Group Meeting on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018 at Exeter Hall, Kidlington. Those of you who heard Lesley Smith as Nell Gwynne at the Wolvercote Group Meeting will know how brilliantly entertaining she was. We have booked her to come in March when she will be talking about 'Sex and the Tudors'. Tickets are £5 and are on sale now.

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## Festive thank you from Yarnton Pre-school

A belated thank you to those who joined us on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November for an afternoon of festive fun at the Yarnton Pre-school Christmas Fun Day. The afternoon opened in style with the children singing some fantastic festive songs and a visit from Santa. With plenty of creative activities, stalls with prizes to be won, the chance to visit Santa in his grotto or just taking the opportunity to relax with a cup of tea and cake, the afternoon was full of fun for all the family.

We raised over £1200 which will go a very long way to help purchase resources for the Pre-school and ensure the children enjoy their time with us even more! We would like to thank all those who attended – family, friends and local supporters of the Pre-school whose support we greatly appreciate. The Fun Day would not be possible without the help of the parents and families of the Pre-school children, committee members, staff and friends of the Pre-school who kindly donated tombola prizes, cakes and biscuits, and their invaluable time both in preparation for and on the afternoon of the Fun Day. Thank you!

Finally, thank you to the following local businesses for their support and incredibly generous raffle prize donations: Blenheim Palace; Oxford Playhouse; Waddesdon Manor; Eynsham Hall; The University of Oxford Botanic Garden and Harcourt Arboretum; The Living Rainforest; Birdland Park and Gardens; Junkyard Golf Club; Chiltern Valley Winery & Brewery; Cotswold Wildlife Park; Hollywood Bowl Oxford; JoJo Maman Bebe; Oxford Ice Rink; Fairytale Farm; Millets Falconry Centre; The Cotswolds Distillery; Beale Park Wildlife Park & Gardens; Cotswold Motoring Museum; The Wychwood Brewery; The Blenheim Buttery; Salter's Steamers; The Book People; Soft Play Barn at Hilltop Garden Centre; Whizz Kidz, Thame; The Natural Bread Shop; Off the Hook; Midcounties Co-op; Unique Creations, Summertown; The Pottery Place. Thank you again to Fraser's Budgens who donated mince pies and mulled wine.

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## Yarnton Parish Council

**Clerk:** Lynne Whitley

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

Tel. 378476. e-mail: [yarntonparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonparishcouncil@gmail.com)

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:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February and 14<sup>th</sup> 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 all meetings.

**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:**

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.

Co-opted Parish Councillors: 8<sup>th</sup> July 2015:

Fiona Mawson. Tel: 847949

8<sup>th</sup> November 2017: Nathan Shelton

#### **Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer:**

Lynne Whitley. Tel: 378476

#### **District Councillors:**

Alan Mackenzie-Wintle, Tel: 376614

Sandra Rhodes, Tel: 848861

Nigel Simpson, Tel: 372951

#### **County Councillor:**

Maurice Billington. Tel: 842235

**Yarnton Village Hall:** Bookings: Tel: 07948 722633 or email [yarntonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonvillagehall@gmail.com)

#### **Planning Applications:**

17/02256/F. The Rectory, 26 Church Lane, single-storey extension to the west of the property and internal alterations including kitchen extension and new utility.

17/02380/F. Viola, 194 Woodstock Road, erection of single-storey outbuilding forward of the dwelling to form a granny annexe (re-submission of 16/02165/F).

17/02505/F. Kings Retreat, 52 Church Lane, erection of summer-house in front garden.

17/02521/F. 28 Dashwood Avenue, single-storey rear extension and two-storey rear and side extension, and extension of existing dropped kerb.

17/02528/F. 102 Rutten Lane, proposed first floor extension and addition of window on north elevation

#### **Planning Decisions:**

17/01778/F & 17/01779/LB. Yarnton Manor, Church Lane, maintenance and repair of the collapsed stone balustrade (Retrospective). Granted 22.12.17.

17/02199/F. Charnwood, 178 Woodstock Road, single-storey extension at the side, and alterations to form accommodation at first floor level; new bay windows at the front. Granted 22.12.17.

17/02151/F. Kings Retreat, 52 Church Lane, erection of new gates to existing access. Granted 18.12.17.

**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](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk).

**Correspondence:** All correspondence by letter or email to the Parish Council must include the sender's name and address. The Parish Council will not be able to discuss anonymous correspondence received without these details.

**Public Footpaths:** The Parish Council has been approached by the local farming community to request that persons using public footpaths remain only on the designated routes defined by yellow arrows. They welcome walkers to the open countryside but request that dogs be kept under close control or on a lead, and that crops are not walked on. It should be appreciated that the crops being grown are for human consumption, such as wheat for making bread and cooking oils.

**Volunteering in your community:** Several local organisations are in need of additional volunteers to be able to continue into the future. Please see separate article within this issue for contact details for these organisations and consider giving some of your time to help.

**History Society Documents:** The Parish Council has now stored the archive material previously held by Yarnton History Society. If, at any time in the future, any village organisation would like to borrow any of the material, please contact the Parish Council.

**Damaged Bins:** Cherwell District will repair damaged bins free of charge. If a bin cannot be repaired they will replace it for free. Bins or caddies that are lost or stolen will be replaced free of charge. Call 01295 227003 to report damaged or missing bins.

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**Public Access Defibrillators:** Defibrillators in the village are located at: Yarnton Village Hall, The Paddocks, OX5 1TE (front of building near front door), Westlake Pharmacy, 75 Spencer Avenue, OX5 1NQ (on side wall), Yarnton Garden Centre, Sandy Lane, OX5 1PA (on right hand side of driveway into garden centre), 1 Park Close (in porch), and Rutten Lane Park (front of pavilion). If you find someone that you think may have had a cardiac arrest phone 999 as usual. The operator will tell you the

location of the nearest defibrillator and will stay on the phone to help you if needed whilst paramedics are on their way to you. The defibrillator is useable by any member of the public and gives clear instructions to you.

**Yarnton Village Website/Noticeboards:** The Parish Council notice boards and village website [www.yarnton-village.org.uk](http://www.yarnton-village.org.uk) are where the Parish Council gives up-to-date information on things which are notified at short notices as well as publicising items of importance, so we would actively encourage you to regularly check the notice boards and the website. When possible items of importance will also be posted on Spotted Kidlington/Yarnton and Yarnton Community pages of Facebook. Yarnton Community page has been set up on Facebook to publicise local news and let village organisations publicise events and news.**Dog Fouling:** It is an offence not to pick up after your dog, but it is also very offensive to members of the public to see dog bags dumped in hedges. PLEASE PICK UP DOG MESS IN A BAG AND DEPOSIT IN AN APPROPRIATE PLACE, preferably in one of the 12 dog bins located around the village, but they can also be put into your household green bin if that's preferable to you.

**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. Dog bags are available free of charge at the same times.

**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: Ann Warne.

**Services available:**

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## December Quiz - Answers

Here are the answers to the December Quiz:

The link was **AMERICAN GENERALS**

1. **Schwartzkopf**; 2. The **Washington Post**; 3. Richard E. **Grant**; 4. **MacArthur Park**; 5. **Freddie Kreuger**; 6. Mr. Peabody and **Sherman**; 7. Peter **Powell**; 8. The **Jackson 5**; 9. **Bradley** Cooper; 10. **Scottish**; 11. **Lee** Harvey Oswald; 12. **Patton** Oswalt

The winner of the December link is Lesley Adams, who correctly guessed the link of AMERICAN GENERALS. She has won a box of chocolates.

The overall winner of the incredible hamper from Budgen's is Jon Gardner, who correctly guessed ELEMENTS. The first two letters of each answer was a chemical symbol. (Nathaniel = Na = Sodium, Friday 13th = Fr = Francium etc, etc.)

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### They started with a band like Yarnton

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If you listen to *Desert Island Discs* you might have heard the composer and conductor Sir James MacMillan speaking of the debt he owed to his grandfather, who gave him a cornet and took him to play with the **Dalmellington Band** in Scotland. Martyn Brabbins who now conducts the English National Opera Orchestra started his playing on a trombone with the **Towcester Studio Band**.



**Sir James MacMillan**



**Martyn Brabbins**

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Of course many organisations/volunteers are needed to make it happen and we would like to thank you all:

Skyline Promotions; Budgens; David Side Amusements; St. John Ambulance; Yarnton Parish Council (Fred Jones); Yarnton Guides (Linda Kimber); Yarnton Netball Club (Kate Seaward, Kate Hopcraft, Sarah Cosier, Becca Tyler, Lisa O'Brien, Claire Parson, Izzy Williams); Yarnton Football Club (Paul Skinner, Michael Joe Taylor, Peter Taylor, Gregg Morris); Yarnton Blues Football Club (Alun Oliver, Nathan Lewis, Corin Beenie, Paul Emmett, Caroline Waugh); Friends (Christine, Jen, Steve, Ellen, Phoebe)

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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 February**

**Woodstock**

4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Matt Stammers
11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Canon Dr. Martin Wellings ( <i>Holy Communion</i> )
18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Local Arrangement
25 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Rev. Judy Turner-Smith ( <i>Café Church</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 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 10.00a.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.	Andrew Maisey
11 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Rev. Judy Turner-Smith ( <i>Holy Communion</i> )
18 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Local Arrangement ( <i>Café Church</i> )
25 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Jane Lusty

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