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# VILLAGE

# NEWS

**AUGUST  
2018**

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## CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH

Mon. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Book Reading Group, tel. 372888
Mon. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs, Scout Hut, 6.30 p.m. – 8 p.m. <i>(and every Monday)</i>
Mon. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Explorers, Scout Hut, 8.15 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. <i>(and every Monday)</i>
Tue. 7 <sup>th</sup>	Central Yarnton Bridge Club, Village Hall 9.50 a.m. <i>(and every Tuesday)</i>
Wed. 1 <sup>st</sup>	9.30 a.m. service at St. Bartholomew's <i>(and every Wednesday)</i>
Wed. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Lunch Club, Village Hall, 1 p.m. <i>(and every Wednesday)</i>
Wed. 1 <sup>st</sup>	Beavers, Scout Hut, 5 p.m. – 6.15 p.m. <i>(and every Wednesday)</i>
Fri. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Copy date for September issue of Yarnton Village News
Fri. 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Scouts, Scout Hut, 7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. <i>(and every Friday)</i>
Wed. 8 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 6.15 p.m.
Thur. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2 p.m.
Tue. 14 <sup>th</sup>	Gardening Club visit to Green and Gorgeous, Little Stoke, 2.30 p.m.
Thur. 30 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Club outing to Coventry, 10.15 a.m.

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Copy date for the October issue is Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

### VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

**The Village Hall car park is being re-surfaced starting on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018 and is expected to take about one week. There will be NO PARKING on site for the duration of the work.**

**The Hall will remain open, however, and there will be pedestrian access between The Paddocks and Merton Way.**

### GDPR

I'm sure most people will be aware of the new data protection law which came into effect earlier this year. It is particularly important, if you are sending photographs for inclusion in the Village News, that you have the permission of the people being photographed. As well as the paper copies which are delivered to all households in Yarnton, the pdf file of the Village News is available on the Yarnton Village website.

Please check before sending photographs that the people in the picture are aware of this and have given permission. The Editorial Committee would be grateful if you would confirm this each time you send photographs for publication. Thank you.

*Ruth Astall, Editor*

### Peter Luke

Peter Luke who died last month was a pillar of Yarnton community life, giving his time unstintingly for the parish. He was Chairman of the Parish Council for 5 years, before taking on the role of Parish Clerk for 14 years, right through to his retirement aged 85 in 2012.

Remarkably, Peter still found time for other community initiatives, including acting as a driver for the Lunch Club, a driver for the Shopping Bus and he was Chairman of Yarnton Care Committee.

The residents of Yarnton can be grateful for the commitment shown to the parish by Peter Luke.

*Michael Gibbard*



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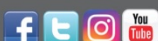
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## Yarnton Band reach for the sky!



Yarnton Band and a Spitfire at Ramsden Fete.

Photo Clare Kirkham using Photoshop

When Yarnton Band was asked to play at the Ramsden Village Fete a last-minute request arrived, 'Would the band play suitable music as a Spitfire flew overhead?' At very short notice the band rehearsed *The Dam Busters March* (yes, we know it was Lancasters in the film but we didn't have a copy of William Walton's *Spitfire Prelude & Fugue!*) and *Those magnificent men in their flying machines*.

On the day timing was crucial, so with some quick rejigging of the programme we played both pieces as the plane flew overhead. It had to fly much higher than in this photo but the distinctive sound of the Merlin engine didn't distract our percussionist Sam Kirkham and on the photo you see him in action. The band was so popular that Ramsden fete organisers have already booked us for 8<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August we will be playing on the Village Green Bandstand at the BBC Countryfile show in the grounds of Blenheim Palace, at the following times: 9.40 a.m. – 10.25 a.m.; 11.50 a.m. - 12.10 p.m.; 1.20 p.m. – 1.40 p.m.

Peter Hewis



Yarnton Wandits Golf Society

We are an established golfing society with a present membership of 31; we play at least once a month and each year plan a long golfing weekend away (also abroad).

We meet at The Red Lion on the first Monday of each month at 8 o'clock

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## It's not just about the Amazon

I took a walk around my local streets the other day, showing a guest around to get a feel of where I live. If the front gardens hadn't been tarmacked, block paved or gravelled, then the rest seemed to have that false artificial turf, often badly installed, and looking more like green plastic carpet than anything else. If I managed to find a garden with living plants, then the selection seemed to be much reduced compared with how I remember them. The selection of plants seemed minimal with very little diversity.

I've been thinking: is diversity bad for us? I'll leave you to consider that little nugget.

Many of us seem concerned about man's destruction of the Amazon forests or those in Borneo, yet we easily overlook the little envelopes of land that encircle our own homes. It's easy to forget how we can contribute by growing a more varied range of plants, large and small, in our own communities. We rely on plants for our own health on many levels, but do plants rely on us?

Long after our species has disappeared from planet earth, those plants will continue, unabashed very often.

Let's appreciate them, in all their variations in our own towns and villages, and not just in the rain forests of the world. Happy Gardening.

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### **Our new Rector has started!**

Revd. Oliver Petter was installed as Rector of the Benefice of Yarnton with Begbroke and Shipton-on-Cherwell on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

Oliver was born in Reading, and has had a lifelong love of Oxford, where he grew up. Having spent most of the last decade in London, he is excited to be moving back to Oxfordshire and to be living in Yarnton. He studied Modern Languages at St. Edmund Hall, Oxford (2001-5), before spending the following year working for Creation Theatre. He then moved to London to continue to explore a sense of calling, working for the charity Crisis and subsequently in marketing. Following work as the Verger at Temple Church, London from early 2008 until 2011, he trained for the Priesthood at St. Stephen's House from 2011-2014, a highlight of which was spending six weeks in the Anglican church in Rio de Janeiro. Oliver then served his curacy in the Parish of Old St. Pancras, a vibrant Team Ministry situated around Camden and King's Cross, from 2014-17. From 2017-18 he served as Chaplain Missioner at Pusey House, and as an Assistant Priest in the Parish of St. Barnabas, Jericho.

Oliver comes from a family of musicians, and loves music of many kinds, and particularly enjoys singing. He has been involved in organising the annual Oxford Bach Ensemble fundraising concerts since 2006. He is also a keen drummer, and spent plenty of time playing for different bands in earlier years. Oliver enjoys following several sports, has a particular enthusiasm for all forms of cricket and a long-standing affection for Oxford United football club. He loves walking and running in the countryside, and has a growing interest in gardening.

Oliver is thrilled to be coming to the Benefice and to begin serving the people of Yarnton, Begbroke and Shipton-on-Cherwell.

We are also pleased to have launched a website for the three churches which can be found at [www.ybsbenefice.org.uk](http://www.ybsbenefice.org.uk)

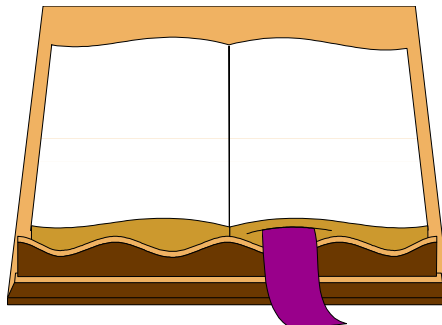
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**Coffee morning:** Woodstock & District U3A [University of the 3rd Age] is holding a coffee morning on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August, between 10 a.m and 12 noon at Kidlington Baptist Church, OX5 2DS (corner of High Street/Foxdown Close).

Please come and meet us to find out about our forthcoming programme of monthly talks and our varied interest groups including walking, play reading and art. For more information, please see our website;


[www.u3asites.org.uk/woodstock](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/woodstock)

Summer 2018 got off to a sizzling start at our lecture on 5<sup>th</sup> June, with Mary McIntyre, FRAS, giving members a quick-fire presentation on the history of astronomy. In just over an hour she whisked an appreciative audience from the 'big bang' of 13.8 billion years ago, via snapshots of the classical astronomers – Galileo, Tycho Brahe, Copernicus and the rest – to issues currently debated, such as the role of comets, and today's astrophotography ('the greatest innovation since the telescope'). She finished with a slew of recent photos of the moon and other heavenly bodies, taken from the speaker's own back garden.

Meanwhile, the Branch's doughty interest groups continue to flourish: both the Books and Playreading Groups, for example, working through a catholic selection of works by British authors and playwrights (some playreaders also had a crack at the French dramatist Jean Anouilh, admittedly in translation).

Finally, the Branch's printed programme for the next 12 months is now out: copies should be available at public libraries and other venues in and around Woodstock, and, as always, full programme and membership details can also be found at: [www.u3asites.org.uk/woodstock](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/woodstock).

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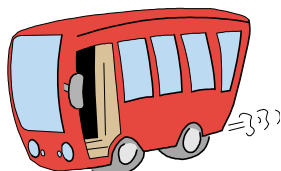
### Senior Club

In June three members celebrated their birthdays: Ken, Pat and Julie, and early in July was Tony's. So we sang Happy Birthday and gave our good wishes.

On 21<sup>st</sup> June we had a day out to Swanage. The weather was perfect, so several of us took the steam train to Corfe Castle, or on to Norden; here there was a dear little cafe with ice-creams, etc. just right for the weather. Back to Swanage for a late lunch, a seat by the sea, and then back to the coach. Milan, our driver, stopped at Services near Winchester as the traffic was quite heavy. We had our raffle and after quite a long leg-stretch, and with passengers not in a hurry as it was such a lovely day, we again joined the motorway, traffic now moving quickly. Many thanks were given to Milan; we all arrived home in a happy mood at 8.15 p.m.

Our next trip is on 30<sup>th</sup> August to Coventry, first pick-up 10.15 a.m. last pick-up 10.30 a.m. Everyone welcome. We are unable to have a Club meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> August as the Village Hall car park is going to be re-surfaced.

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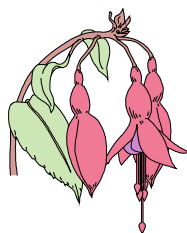
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That's why, at this time of year, Oxfordshire's Fire and Rescue Service is reminding all residents to Be Water Aware to help everyone stay safe this summer.

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**Float:** tell them to float on their back

**Throw:** something that floats

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# MONTHLY QUIZ

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In this month's issue you will find the eighth in a 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 June quiz are on page 11.*

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 box of luxury chocolates. 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!!

## AUGUST QUIZ

1. Which contemporary of Shakespeare was killed in a bar brawl?
2. Who married Tom Cruise in 2006?
3. What name do we give to a person who makes arrows?
4. What is the highest ranking suit in bridge?
5. What is the nickname of West Ham United?
6. Who was locked in the Red Room?
7. Which actor starred in 'Yankee Doodle Dandy', 'White Heat' and 'Public Enemy'?
8. How is 1.5 litres of champagne better known?
9. What killed Orville Wright but not Fabrice Muamba?
10. Which garden herb features varieties such as Lemon, Woolly and Elfin?

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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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## News from Cherwell Community Archaeology

Object biography: The Pen Knife:

Originally this is exactly what the pen knife was used for – sharpening, cleaning and cutting a feather quill to make a pen. The original 18<sup>th</sup> century pen knife would have had a \*fixed blade, not the flexible two-bladed affair which is available today.



The pen knife found in test pit 007 in The Moors is a modern knife, almost certainly pre-war as it was found in the plough soil in the bottom layer (context 1003) and was among the last items found by one of our members on the Sunday morning of the 17<sup>th</sup> June. We speculated for a while on how this item came to be on what was or would have been farm land. I have now been reliably informed that most farm workers would have carried a small pen knife, mostly for cutting bailing twine or clearing the mud from horses' hooves – so one farm worker in Kidlington would have been a bit peeved to find he had lost his knife – good for us though.

Until this time much of what was found was as expected, except for the odd piece of pottery, which may be older than the house. Any pottery found dating from a period prior to context 1003 is likely to have been brought in with top soil after the house was finished.

The house was built post WW2, and a lot of what was found was builders 'mess,' broken glass, brick, nails and plastic. We did have another exciting find which will make it onto the Artefact of the Month on our 'new' website, <https://cherwellcommunityarchaeology.weebly.com/> well worth a visit if you are interested in the archaeology of the local area and to see what we are up to in the coming months.

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### Yarnton W.I.

We do not have a meeting this month, but do have our 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Meal at Sturdy's Castle on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>.  
The next coffee morning is on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at Aston Pottery at 10.30 a.m. so do come along for coffee and cake and a chat – and perhaps some retail therapy!  
Please don't forget that at our September meeting on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Andrew Hazelden from Yarnton Pottery will be coming to tell us all about his work and especially the bowls which he has made for us to celebrate our 80<sup>th</sup>. This is a meeting not to be missed.

Ruth Astall

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## June Quiz - Answers

### June link: Banbury Road

1. **Victoria Falls**; 2. **Carlton**; 3. **Hobson**; 4. Lady **Hamilton**;  
5. **Canterbury Cathedral**; 6. Edgar **Linton**; 7. **Morton**  
Harket; 8. **Lonsdale**; 9. Sir Douglas Haig and Sir Henry  
**Rawlinson**; 10. Curtis **Mayfield**

*Note from Sir Percy: the actual link was 'roads off Banbury Road' but no-one put that! The ones that put 'roads in Summertown' or variations of that, were put into the winners bucket.*

The June winner is Judy Blake who has won the bowling vouchers.

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### Begbroke Bowls Club



As I write, for the first time in memory the match this weekend is cancelled due to hot-weather; co-incidentally the England football team play Sweden at the same time! However the season has gone really well with many more winning matches than losses.

The club is always looking to expand the number of players to ensure that we can meet match obligations for the full season. While light allows we will continue to meet just after 6 p.m. on Friday evenings for the weekly rollup/practice, enjoying a drink afterwards at the Begbroke Social Club. Do come along if you are thinking of becoming involved next year.

The last two home matches this season are as follows;

Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Aug against Filkins at 2.30 p.m.

Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> Aug against Oxford City & County at 2.30 p.m.

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Further information from Club Secretary: Joan

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## Yarnton Amateur Players

We would like to thank everyone who came along and supported our summer show 'Tempting Fete' in June. It was the most challenging play we have ever performed, but we enjoyed it immensely and the hard work we all put in was ultimately very rewarding! Our audiences were brilliant, and enjoyed the show along with a delicious two-course supper. A wonderful way to celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> year.

Pantomime rehearsals begin in September, and as always we are looking for new recruits! Whether you want to be on the stage or help out behind the scenes we would be delighted to see you. We are a small friendly group who rehearse at the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings (8 p.m. – 10 p.m.) in the back room.

Our first 'read-through' of the pantomime script (no auditions!) is Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 8.15 p.m. in the back room of the Village Hall.

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**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 8<sup>th</sup> August and 12<sup>th</sup> September, 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, Email: [yarntonpcfiredj@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonpcfiredj@gmail.com)

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

Graham Thompson, Email: [yarntonpcgrahamt@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonpcgrahamt@gmail.com)

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

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

Fiona Mawson, Email: [yarntonpcfionam@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonpcfionam@gmail.com)

Co-opted Parish Councillor: 8<sup>th</sup> November 2017:

Nathan Shelton, Email: [yarntonpcnathans@gmail.com](mailto:yarntonpcnathans@gmail.com)

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

Lynne Whitley. Tel: 378476

#### **District Councillors:**

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Alaric Rose, Email: [Alaric.rose@cherwell-dc.gov.uk](mailto:Alaric.rose@cherwell-dc.gov.uk)

#### **County Councillor:**

Maurice Billington, Email:

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

#### **Planning Applications:**

None

#### **Planning Decisions:**

18/00857/HPA 37. Aysgarth Road, single-storey rear extension – depth 5m, height to eaves 2.675m and overall height 2.95m. ‘Household Prior Approval’ application permitted 21.6.18.

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**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.

**Parish Councillors:** An election will take place in May 2019 for 10 Parish Council seats, one more than currently, due to the growth of the village since 1987 when the last increase was made.

**Peter Luke:** The Parish Council was sad to hear that Peter Luke passed away on 14<sup>th</sup> June. Peter was a Parish Councillor from 1994 to 1998 and Clerk to the Council from 1998 to 2012 when he ‘retired’ at the age of 85! (See separate article within this Village News.)

**OurBusBartons bus:** Please note that passengers using this bus, which operates on Tuesdays, can use local authority concessionary passes. The bus stops in Yarnton and Kidlington twice on Tuesday.

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**Flytipping:** (From CDC website) Flytipping can be dangerous. You can report incidents of fly tipping within Cherwell District online by following the links on their website. Cherwell District Council are responsible for acting on reports of fly tipping to both remove the waste which is on public land and to locate and prosecute the offenders. Where the waste is hazardous the council has a responsibility to ensure public safety until such time as the waste can be removed. It would be helpful with the investigation if the person making the report could leave contact details, so that we are able to confirm location of the fly tip and obtain any further information relating to the incident. Investigations are carried out to obtain any evidence that may help in identifying the offender. Arrangements are then made to clear the waste from public or council land. If the tip is on private land, then the land owner will be responsible for having the waste removed. If a potential fly tip has been found, it would be helpful to report the incident to us as soon as is possible so that any evidence that might still be in place can be obtained.

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Dog bags are available free of charge 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.

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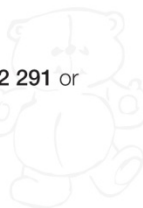
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Although we encountered some traffic near Richmond and had to deal with very hot weather, the show gardens, floral displays, numerous trade stands and various entertainments were excellent. There was even time to visit the magnificent gardens of Hampton Court and take a Shire horse trip around the grounds.

Whilst our coach was delayed in picking us up and traffic was heavy, we all arrived back in Yarnton safe and sound. I understand that an earlier trip to the Chelsea Flower Show was also fully subscribed and well received and a trip to Tatton Park Flower Show is planned for the 20<sup>th</sup> July.

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*Karl Bushell, Yarnton*

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

**Services in August**

**Woodstock**

5 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Jean King
12 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Professor David Matthews
19 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Paul Spray
26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Canon Dr. Martin Wellings (Holy Communion)

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**

5 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Rev. Judy Turner-Smith (Holy Communion)
12 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Daniel Flores
19 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Thelma Flores
26 <sup>th</sup>	10 a.m.	Alistair Jackson

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



## Yarnton Gardening Club

We don't have an August meeting of the club, but do have an outing on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> to Green and Gorgeous at Little Stoke near Wallingford. There will be a tour of the cut flower garden and a demonstration. This is an afternoon visit by cars to meet there at 2.30 p.m. and the cost is £10. Contact Serena on 378817 to see if there is still space on the visit.

Our visit to Rofford Manor Gardens at Little Milton in June was a wonderful evening. The gardens were so relaxing and beautiful and the head gardener, John, who took us round, was happy to chat and answer questions. Many thanks to Serena for organising this.

Our final outing of the year is an all-day coach trip to Birmingham Botanic Gardens on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October. The cost is £18 to include the coach and entry to the gardens. Telephone Ann on 370908 to put your name down.

We are back in the Village Hall on 20<sup>th</sup> September when Richard Roslyn will be returning to give us an update on Blewbury Manor Gardens through the seasons. *Ruth Astall*

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### August Bank Holiday.

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### Bagging it up for Sobell House

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#### **Children's Summer Holiday Activities:**

TOM Tots on Tuesdays 10.30 a.m. – 11 a.m. £1 per child, £2.50 per family.

Family Fun drop-in craft sessions Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. in school holidays. £2 per child, £5 per family

For full programme of these and other activities visit <https://www2.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/public-site/oxfordshire-museum>

## Kidlington & District Historical Society

The next Meeting of the Kidlington & District Historical Society is on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August, when we shall have a talk by Kevin Heritage entitled 'The history of Holton Park'. The meeting starts at 7.50 p.m. and we will be at The Willows Restaurant, Moorside Place, The Moors, Kidlington, OX5 2UZ. Visitors £3.50, under 26s 50 pence.

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### **Yarnton Netball Club**

Yarnton Netball Club has two teams in the Oxfordshire Netball League and this season is nearly at an end. Both teams have been playing really well and in the latter end of the season have been playing in the heat! There have been some great matches this season!

The Vitality Superleague is also coming to an end, but some of Yarnton Netball Club had tickets for the final on 7<sup>th</sup> July and were looking forward to going to London to watch the game. The atmosphere at the games is amazing! Yarnton Netball Club trains every week on a Tuesday evening at Rutten Lane Court from 7.30 p.m. – 9 p.m. with a qualified coach leading the session. We train outside, and don't forget a water bottle.

We are a friendly club and always welcoming new members at any time of the year, but we have a specific night coming up for anyone wanting to try out netball. Our 'back to netball' night is on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September**; this is a training session taking you back to the basics of netball and refreshing your netball knowledge. There is no charge for this evening, so come along and give us a try!

If you have any questions or would like more information about the 'back to netball' night or about the club please contact us at [yarntonnetballclub@outlook.com](mailto:yarntonnetballclub@outlook.com) or via Facebook at 'Yarnton Netball Club'.

## Thames Valley Police monthly update for June

Yarnton had 51 incidents reported in June.

**Abandoned Calls:** 2 incidents. This is where someone has accidentally called us or hoax call.

**Suspicious Activity:** 1 incident. Possible drug dealing in Hayday Close. The address in question was served a drugs warrant.

**Shoplifting/bilking:** 2 incidents. This involved an item of clothing from a shop at Yarnton Nurseries and someone making off without payment at the BP garage.

**Traffic:** 7 incidents. This includes erratic driving and dangerous driving where someone was hanging out of the car. Broken down vehicle, road traffic collision - damage only, drunk and in charge and abandoned vehicles. We keep getting a few calls regarding unknown people parking on the slip road on the Woodstock Road and residents complaining that they shouldn't park there because they don't live there, and it also makes it a struggle for the bin men. There are no restrictions or issues regarding parking there. It might be an inconvenience - however it is not a police issue.

**Public welfare/safety:** 7 incidents. This involved a male acting oddly, suspicious call pretending to be from BT asking for card details, vehicle being recognised from TV alert. Also there has been the issue of the male offering his Oakland Trees services. A TV alert was sent out by police to inform locals of this individual and to call police if he targets you or is seen the area. We have had a couple of calls regarding this male. Please just spread the word that residents should not take door-to-door services from a male offering tree cutting or treatment services. He normally drives a pick-up truck and hands out leaflets advertising his company called Oakland Tree services. The male is known to police for fraud and was followed by Watchdog who found out he takes advantage of the elderly and the vulnerable. If you call 101 regarding this male please bear in mind we might not be able to get out to the area every time depending on how busy we are with higher priority calls. There was also a concerning report where a white car approached a boy in Yarnton and the driver tried talking to him. Not much was said, however it was very random and inappropriate.

**Burglary:** 1 incident. Residents of a house in The Paddocks had their back window smashed. The house was turned upside down. Still ongoing.

**Anti-social behaviour:** 12 incidents. Youths causing problems for a certain resident in the Cresswell Close area. Youths are being a nuisance, abusive and harassing this individual. Ongoing issue being dealt with. Issue with youths smoking Cannabis and kids throwing bricks at a house. Vandalising guttering to garages in Hayday Close. There are some ongoing issues with ASB which we are aware of and are trying to deal with in the best way possible.

**Theft from vehicle:** 2 incidents. Road blocker stolen and stolen number plates.

**Criminal damage:** 1 incident. Vehicle tyres slashed believed to link to ongoing ASB issue.

**Other incidents that can't be discussed:** 15 incidents.

This is what has been happening in the last month. Obviously we also had the issue of the unauthorised encampment in Kidlington. We understand a lot of the residents and community were disheartened with the approach from police. However there is a process we have to follow. We understand that the padlock was broken off by them and they created a bit of mess. However this was not enough for us to issue a section 61. Council were dealing with it and I believe the council were there at 6 a.m. when they had left to start cleaning it up ready for the public to use again.

*PCSO Hayley Keeping, C6906, Kidlington*

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