

DEDDINGTON

16 APRIL 1994



A GREAT HONOUR AND A GREAT OCCASION 16 April 1994

With the authority of the Crown, and on receipt of a Warrant from the Earl Marshal & Hereditary Marshal of England, the Duke of Norfolk, a Coat of Arms with supporters has been granted by the Kings of Arms to Deddington Parish Council.

Letters Patent will be presented this day by Sir Ashley Ponsonby, Bt., KCVO, MC, Lord Lieutenant of Oxfordshire, at a ceremony of blessing and dedication in the Parish Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Deddington.

Only six or seven villages have ever been granted arms and Deddington is the first Parish in all England, never having been a chartered borough, to have supporters granted to its arms.

The arms represent the three manors of the Parish – Castle of Windsor, Duchy and Christ Church – and these are symbolised on the shield by a red cross, a wolf's head and an engrailed cross, all enclosed within an embattled border, signifying a town, enclosed and protected. The crest represents Deddington Castle and a chained eagle symbolises Piers Gaveston who was imprisoned there (or in Castle House) in 1312. The supporters – an ox on one side of the arms and a horse on the other – represent the market (and also Oxfordshire) and the horsefair respectively. Sheaves of wheat represent local farming.

The motto – *preo on anan gebundene* – is in Early English, not Latin; Deddington was a settlement before the Norman Conquest. It means *three joined together in one*, which refers to the three manors and also, no doubt, to the three villages of the Parish – Deddington, Clifton and Hempton.

With grateful acknowledgements to John Brooke-Little, CVO, MA, FSA, Norroy and Ulster King of Arms, of Steeple Aston.

The Coat of Arms project was proposed by the late Joan and Frank Robins of Deddington.

COAT OF ARMS CEREMONY – PARISH CHURCH

- 11am Arrival of Parish Council and Ceremonial Party
- 11.15 The National Anthem
- Presentation of Letters Patent – Lord Lieutenant
- Blessing and Dedication of Arms – Bishop of Dorchester
- 12 noon Ceremony concluded Leave church
- 12.15 Deddington Town Hall
- Lord Lieutenant unveils Coat of Arms

PUDD 'N' PIE FAIR – MARKET PLACE

- 12.15-2pm Morrells Kidlington Concert Brass
- 2-2.30pm Charlbury Morris Dancers (also during band interval)
- 2.30-4pm Pearly King & Queen with Barrel Organ
- 3pm Freddie the Fox
- 4pm Fair ends

Stalls and events

- * Badminton Club – *pick a straw*
- * Bowls Club – *mouse race*
- * Congregational Church – *bric-a-brac*
- * Cricket Club – *bottle stall*
- * Deddington Gardeners – *sale of plants*
- * Deddington Players – *balloon race*
- * Football Club – *cake raffle*
- * Parish Church – *cakes*
- * Playgroup – *children's clothes, toys*
- * U3A – *miscellany*
- * Wesleyan Church – *treasure hunt*
- * Women's Institute – *Pudd 'n' Pie, cakes*
- * Youth Club – *soft drinks, sweets*

Arts & Crafts display and sale in Town Hall. Vintage cars. Veteran fire engine. Microlight display. Bouncy Castle. Bungee Run. Fly-on-the-Wall. Gladiators. Barbecue (Clarke, Butcher). Bird's eye views from Church Tower. Antiques roadshow and sale of commemorative tankards, Tuckers Country Store. Flowers in the Church – tea and coffee available. Deddington Library (High Street) open 12-4pm for display and sale of books.

Many thanks to Deddington Players, who took the leading part in staging today's programme.

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Official buffet lunch courtesy of

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