C o much of value is happening in our multi-cultural **J** community that it is a great pity when the cultures of visiting choir and brass clash in the calendar. Now that the **DN** website has been launched, such clashes can be avoided by planners first going to the Diary page - if, that is, the **DN** has been emailed by the organisers of events which they are arranging. Remember you can always access the web at the Library. The DN website is



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doing its job - 29 people worldwide downloaded our February edition. Those who provide their e-mail addresses will be alerted to each new issue. СH

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Every other Wed: Friendship Club: Windmill, 2.30 pm. Thurs: Life & Portrait Art Group: Town Hall, 10~4 pm. Thurs: 1st Deddington Cubs: Windmill, 6-7.30 pm. Thurs: 1st Deddington Scouts: Windmill, 7.30-9 pm. Fri: Coffee Morning in aid of Katharine House: Parish Church, 10 am~noon. Fri: Babies & Toddlers'Group: Windmill, 9.30~11 am. Fri: Deddington Friendly Bridge Club: Holly Tree, 2-5 pm

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DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting in Town Hall - 16 February 2005

Present: Cllrs Flux (chair), Alton, Cox, Rollason, Squires, Swash, Watts, Wood, D/Cllr O'Sullivan, Graham Pitts (Clerk), Sue Gibbs (Minutes Sec.) and 5 members of the public.

VACANCY

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Following the resignation of Cllr Harvey, the Parish Clerk is open to offers from residents to fill her place by co-option or election. [Clifton has not been represented for some years. ED]

PARKING TASK FORCE

There is to be a trial process to encourage long-stay business employees to use spaces which are already available in the parish so as to leave the central area freer for short-term visitors and shoppers.

YOUR SHOUT !

The South-East England Regional Assembly is sending to every household a survey form seeking views on the South-East Plan. Residents are encouraged to return it by 15 April. More information on the website: www.southeast-ra.gov.uk/southeastplan.

PLANNING & PROPERTY

- PC no objection: (i) Royal Mail postbox to be moved to green in front of Co-op. (ii) Home Farm Cottage, Clifton - two storey extension & erection of garage to rear & front porch [amended plan]. (iii) Merrybower Cottage, Philcote Street, Deddington - 2 rear dormer windows & removal of chimney. (iv) St Anne's Home, Clifton - additional wing (revision of previous permission). (v) 19 St Johns Way, Hempton - 2 storey side extension & 1 storey side & rear extension. (vi) Orchard Bank, Deddington - fell birch tree. (vii) 7 County View, Clifton - conservatory at rear. (viii) Hempton House, Hempton - extensions at rear, new roof to garage.
- PC objection: (ix) Bengal Spice, New Street, Deddington - allow take-away and extend Sunday/ Bank Holiday opening (earlier request for take-away refused; no off-street parking; effect on neighbours). Compliance with earlier planning permission to be checked, and whether Holcombe Hotel take-away has been granted permission.
- Application withdrawn: Council Depot on Banbury Road - development of 20m lattice tower.
- CDC Approvals:
- Relocation of School playground and replacement of hard play area.
 Roseville, Chapel Lane, Clifton.
 Habitat, Hopcraft Lane, Deddington.
 Land east of Batchelors Row, The Lane, Hempton (Erection of 2 stone dwellings with double garages).
 Castle Dene, Deddington.
 Castle Barns, Deddington.
 - Russett Cottage, Deddington. Denbigh Place, Clifton. • The Old Vicarage, Deddington.
 - Holcombe Hotel. Monks Court, Castle Street, Deddington. • 2 The Beeches, Deddington.

Cromwell House, Market Place, Deddington
 PARISH PLAN WORKING GROUP
 Survey questionnaire being compiled. Grant to be

applied for.

BEST-KEPT VILLAGE

Residents are urged to keep tidy their own frontages. Clean up around Windmill Centre to be arranged.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

- Deddington Cars may use coats of arms for £100pa; use on cars to be discreet.
- Stonepits allotments: quotes being sought for services.
- Mobile speedgun is being used by police in Aynho; possibility in Deddington.

PARISH FINANCES

- Invoices passed for payment totalled £2835.83, including £1112.07 imprest (mostly stewards' wages); £955.19 NI/tax & Clerk's wages; £330.47 all-weather court; £258.50 swing brackets & posts.
- Investments: Total £535,659.85. £250,000 has been transferred to Alliance & Leicester @ 4.55% on 30 days; £6551.31 Barclays (£5070.23 current account + £1481.08 imprest) @ 0.1%; £1000 Bradford & Bingley @ 2.85% on 120 days; £284,659.85 West Bromwich @ 4.7% overnight.

NEXT MEETING Wed 16 March, Town Hall, 7.45pm.

Official minutes of PC meetings may be seen at the Clerk's office and the Library, on parish noticeboards and the village website: www.deddington.org.uk/pcminutes



ell, spring is around the corner and already the daffodils are poking their heads above the ground. We have had a busy term, and the children were certainly ready for their February

break. At the end of January the hands-on science team called 'Explorer Dome' took over the school hall for the day, enabling all the children to take part in some practical science experiments on Space, Light and Dark, and Forces. It was greatly enjoyed by all.

For Candlemas Day we processed to the church being led by Jo and Barney dressed up as Mary and Joseph. It was a very special service and our thanks to members of Deddington Church for making such a lot of effort in performing the short drama sketch.

The Early Years Unit development is gradually moving

Visit to Mmabatho, South Africa.

Fr Herman Ndlovu visited Deddington last autumn. The Deddington Parish Church LIVING ROOMS PROJECT assists Fr Herman's Church in its fight against HIV/AIDS and Deddington representatives (Tony Elvidge and myself) had the opportunity of visiting Mmabatho at the beginning of February to see at first hand what his Church of the Resurrection is doing in the face of the HIV/AIDS crisis.

Mmabatho, the capital of the Bophutatswana homeland under the apartheid regime, is about four

tries to do something for children affected by the HIV/

AIDS crisis. These children might, typically, have lost

their parents and be in the care of older siblings or a

grandmother - one we visited was evidently too infirm

hours drive from Johannesburg in South Africa's North West Province. It now forms one conurbation with Mafikeng, of Boer war fame. The surrounding terrain is expansive, flat and monotonous thorn scrub with patches of cultivation. Mmabatho/Mafikeng itself is a developing town, the home of the provincial administration and a University, and a good segment of the now largely black population enjoys a reasonable very standard of living. The surrounding rural

TEL / FAX (018) 384 1709 completion. P.O.BOX 3838 MMAILATHO 2735 CUL 19, 569 UNIT 02 MMABATHO building work has been funded partly by REGISTRATION NO. - 019 981 NPO money generated by Deddington's LIVING ROOMS PROJECT. We learnt a great deal on our short visit about the HIV/AIDS situation and the need in particular to confront the disease honestly and openly so that associated with it, which inhibits the tackling of it, can be removed. To this end the Church of the Resurrection areas seem to be much less prosperous. The Mpepu-ngwana ('child-care') HIV/AIDS Crisis Centre, which the Church of the Resurrection supports,

proclaims itself an "HIV/AIDS friendly Church" and dresses its altar cross with the red ribbon of AIDS concern. We returned impressed with the energy and commitment of the people of the Church in the fight against HIV/AIDS, and grateful that people in and around Deddington are playing their part through the LIVING ROOMS PROJECT. Hugh White



SCHOOL NEWS

along and the Diocese have appointed a builder to undertake the work. We are anticipating the architect's plans to arrive next month and this will allow the community to see more details. We are still on the fundraising challenge and approaches to one or

two local charities are looking hopeful.

Due to unusual timing of the Easter break this year we are already in the process of planning an activity week for the last week in March. This will include dance, drama and music as well as 'Grounds Day' and 'Maths Challenge Day'. Year 3

also have an exciting trip to the British Museum planned for March and we have a Brazilian Soccer Skills course for Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 one afternoon a week. As you can see, so much to do !

to cope with the burden of care. At Mpepu-ngwana day

care is offered to about 20 children below the age of six

and 24-hour care to 8 AIDS orphans. The centre is small,

though reasonably well-equipped. It is staffed by 8

women, most of whom have been trained for their jobs.

The children seemed well cared for and cheerful. There

is, however, some threat that the Government

organisation which owns the building will repossess it.

Given this, the Church of the Resurrection wishes to

have an HIV/AIDS centre over which it has complete

control and intends to develop its current worship

Judith Tinsley 338430

building as such a

centre. This means the

building of a new

Church, which is now

approaching

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CHURCH AND CHAPEL

SS PETER AND PAUL, DEDDINGTON AND ST JOHN, HEMPTON www.deddingtonchurch.org

You will always be very welcome at any service in Church or Chapel

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Parish Church in March					
Wed 2 10.00 am	Eucharist				
Thur 3 2.00 pm	Squeals and Wheels				
	All Age Morning Praise				
6.30 pm	Evensong (BCP)				
Wed 9 10.00 am	Eucharist				
Sun 13 10.30 am	Sung Eucharist & Children's Church	For Baptisms, Weddings,			
Wed 16 10.00 am	Eucharist	<i>Funerals, hospital or home visits</i>			
Thur 17 2.00 pm	Squeals & Wheels	in case of illness,			
Sat 19 10.00 am	St Joseph Eucharist	please contact the Vicar,			
Sun 20 8.00 am	PALM SUNDAY Holy Communion (BCP)	the Rev Dr Hugh White,			
10.15 for 10	0.30 Procession and Eucharist	28 Duns Tew (349869), John Dane (07903 478206),			
Mon 21 8.00 pm	Night Prayer	or one of the Churchwardens,			
Tue 22 8.00 pm	Night Prayer	Liz Dickinson (337050)			
Wed 23 10.00 am	Eucharist	or Iain Gillespie (338367)			
8.00 pm	Night Prayer				
	MAUNDY THURSDAY Eucharist, Passover Meal and	l Vigil			
Fri 25 10.00 am	GOOD FRIDAY Hot Cross Bun Service				
1.15 pm	Meditation				
	Walk of Witness, start at Wesleyan				
	Service of Devotion				
-	Stainer's Crucifixion				
	EASTER Family Eucharist				
Wed 30 10.00 am	Eucharist				
St John Hempton					
Suns 6&20 9.00 am					
	Good Friday Meditation				
	EASTER EVE Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter				
Charity of the Month - please use the special envelope to put donations [if a taxpayer, in a					
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pink *GiftAid* envelope] into the Parish Church chest.

March: North Oxfordshire Carers' Centre

WESLEYAN REFORM CHURCH, Chapel Square

Sunday Mornings at 10.30 am Preacher - Pastor Isabel Walton. Bible Study/Fellowship every Wednesday at 7.30 pm

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, New Street

Sunday *morning* worship jointly with Wesleyan Reform congregation at 10.30 am March Sunday evening services at 6.00 pm :

6 Pastor Isabel Walton 13 John Hine

20 Mr & Mrs Eaton 27 Ralph Adkins, with Easter Comunion

R.C.PARISH OF HETHE WITH ADDERBURY

Hethe : Mass is said every day [except Wednesday] at 10.00 am. Confessions: Sats - 5.30~6.00 pm *Adderbury* : Mass is said Sundays at 8.30 am; Wednesdays at 7.00 pm; Confessions before Mass. The Saturday evening Mass at St John's Banbury is said at 4.00 pm to allow Catholics from the

			villages to attend before the last bus leaves town.
Sun	20	8.30 am Adderbury	Blessing of Palms and Mass
		10.00 am Hethe	Mass with procession and blessing of palms
Thur	24	7.00 pm Hethe	Service of the Lord's Supper and Watching till midnight at the
			Altar of Repose
Fri	25	3.00 pm Hethe	Service of the Passion and Watching at the Altar of Repose
Sat	26	8.30 pm Hethe	Vigil and First Mass of Easter
Sun	27	8.30 am Adderbury	EASTER Mass
		10.00 am Hethe	EASTER Mass

Lent Charity Lunches in Deddington Church every Tuesday to 22 March between 12noon and 1.30 - a simple meal of home-made soup, bread, butter and cheese. This year's charity is UNICEF Tsunami Children's Appeal and suggested minimum donation £3.00.

Pastor Isabel Walton 337157

Joyce Minnear 338 529

The Revd A J Burns 277396

DEDDINGTON FESTIVAL 2005

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- 2005 ington March, 7.00pm,

courtesy of Mr Michael Lim. This will be at the May Fu II Restaurant, 1 New Street, Deddington, telephone 338047/338830. Tickets cost £12 and are available from May Fu II, or the Festival Secretary, Eileen Anderson on 338325.

You may also like to note in your diaries: a Tutored Wine Tasting Evening at the Windmill Centre on Friday 22 April - £10; and Jazz at the Unicorn on Friday 29 July. *Norman Store* 338019

The Clock is t-i-c-k-i-n-g ...

There are still a few weeks to go, but the deadline – **16 April** – for Deddington Writers Group writing competition moves inexorably closer. You can get full details from Deddington Library; from DWG, 26 The Daedings, Deddington; from <u>daeda@clara.co.uk</u> Or you can download the rules and entry form from <u>www.deddington.org.uk/arts/writing.html</u>

Sylvie Spenceley 338995

FROM THE LIBRARY

Last year I wrote of the legacy that had been given to the Library from the family of Kaye Brearley Kelsey. I have now spent the first quota! It was



done in a bit of a hurry as the order had to be in asap. Fortunately I had kept the details of lots of books I wanted to buy. Next year will not be so rushed. If anyone would like to see the 'picking' list, please come into the Library and I shall be happy to show you. Again I ask, if anyone has any particular request please let me know. After all it is your Library. **Resemary Arneld** 338391



OXFORD PRO MUSICA ...

... one of England's premier choirs presents an evening of Choral and Organ Music in Deddington Church on Saturday 23 April. This will include the premiere of a work by local composer, Donald Lane. Book the date now.



WELL REMEMBERED

LYNETT GREEN (née Brotchie) was born in Sydney Australia on 11 June 1941, the second of three daughters. Lyn's father was a doctor and a Methodist medical missionary. A brilliant scholar, she married a fellow student, but her marriage was short-lived as divergent careers caused frequent separations. In 1966 Lyn came to England to train as an anaesthetist. In 1974 her fourth post was as consultant anaesthetist at The Horton Hospital. After some 10 years she transferred to the Blood Transfusion Service until she retired in 1999. Lyn was a modest and shy person with a strong determination to lead her life as she thought best. She had interests in music and the theatre, and frequently attended concerts and performances with her friends, sometimes travelling considerable distances to do so. She joined the NADFAS Society, the History Society and the Bridge Club. A Deddington resident for 30 years, her sudden death at the early age of 63 caused great distress to her many friends and her distant family in Australia and United States. Kenneth S. Holt



WRITING HOME

Deddington News

Australia and New Zealand - finding a bed for the night

The continuing story from the Fleming family, as they catalogue their year-long round the world backpacking trip. As they arrive in Australia, they describe what backpackers accommodation options are...

By this point in our tale, we've been travelling for 3 months, and are on our 4th country. In that time we've stayed in hostels, motels, hotels, tents and garden sheds. Spending 3 months in Australia allowed us to experiment a little bit more - after a few days in a hostel dormitory in Sydney, we found for ourselves a great deal on a campervan. For AU\$65 a day (about £25) we hired a small campervan ideal for 2 people - and a real squash for 4! But we were on a tight budget, and could only afford it because the camper provided accommodation and transport for 4 of us for £25 a night.

Living in a space smaller than the smallest bedroom in our Deddington home was a bit of a challenge, but as long as we could treat the outdoors as part of the house, it was great. For two months we drove up and down the East Coast, enjoying white beaches, the barren outback and the crocodile infested rivers of Queensland. It was a great experience, and the campervan meant that we were able to steer clear of the big cities most of the time. A highlight was abandoning the van for a Land Rover and a tent, as we explored Fraser Island for 3 days. It's the largest sand island in the world - no roads and a 40 mile driveable beach, shared with planes taking off and landing wherever they fancied! When the rain set in for a week, after two months, we realised the downside, when we couldn't stretch our legs outside, and the inside became claustrophobic. It was a great experience, but after 9 weeks, also a delight to hand it back !

For our remaining month in Australia we switched to cabins - in Oz all of the Olympic athletes' quarters had been installed on campsites for travellers like us.

Absolutely brilliant for us, and a high quality place to stay right beside the beach. (Hmm, perhaps there will be a benefit to the 2012 Olympics). A.M. Once we reached New Zealand we switched to hostels full time - everything from converted city centre pubs, hotels and office blocks (8 storeys, all painted like a cow!) to countryside barns, sheds and fantastic wooden chalets. Our all-time favourite was the Old Slaughterhouse in Greymouth on the South Island. 10 minutes up hill on foot from the nearest road, built entirely of wood and no mains electricity, meant that it was unconventional, but the fantastic sea views and warm welcome made it a special memory. NZ seems to be overflowing with friendly hostels - not like the old days in the UK, where toilet scrubbing and being kicked out between 10am and 4pm are my two persistent childhood memories of hostels. I'm not sure what our children will remember of our trip later in life, but so far it has proved to be character building for all of us!

Next month - on to Asia, and discovering Buddhism in Thailand and genocide in Cambodia. *Ray Heming*



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RE-SITING THE WAR MEMORIAL

<u>E-MAIL FROM ALBERT HUMPHRIES, HIGH STREET,</u> <u>DEDDINGTON</u>

The subject of the position of the War Memorial was raised in the DN some years ago. There was a lot of

feeling, both for and against moving the Memorial. I am much in favour of moving it to the Market Place. I have missed only three Remembrance Day parades in 48 years here in the village, and think it would be far better for everyone to be able to gather around

the Memorial for the Service, rather than having people standing on graves or gathered outside the lower churchyard. When the subject was first raised a lot of people thought that the Memorial would get vandalised if it was in the Market Place. During the course of my employment I travel round every village in NE Oxfordshire, and I have yet to see a memorial or wreaths damaged anywhere. I therefore agree with David Hood's letter in the February DN.

E-MAIL FROM ANTHONY & JOSEPHINE PRICE, THOMAS STREET, DEDDINGTON

David Hood's suggestion to move the War Memorial to a more prominent location, such as the Market Place, is excellent. Added to the benefits he has put forward, many non-believers such as ourselves would welcome the reminder of those who gave their lives for us in war without always having it associated with the church and religious practices.



FROM KEN WILKINSON, CHAPEL SQUARE, DEDDINGTON

I am against moving the War Memorial – have it in the Market Place, outside the shops and the pubs ?? But it would be good to improve the Memorial area itself, perhaps plant donated rose trees in a memorial garden,

have a seat, trim the trees, re-grit the paths, have cremation tablets by the wall. There should be a sign near the Church pointing to the Memorial. I've re-painted the iron gates and railings in the past. Dark green would be the right colour. The Armistice Day Parade each

year is very moving and impressive and so is the music. My Dad was in both the First and Second World Wars.

FROM CLAIRE PEARCE, CHAPMANS LANE, DEDDINGTON

Like Karen Evans (Feb DN) I feel that a light has gone out with the death of Pat Bliss. We used to see her fairly regularly as she worked for my father (*Frank Steiner*) who lives next door to us. We miss her energy-laden arrival. And it is the dogs, as well as the children and adults, who still notice her non-arrival and seem to pine. All of us grieve with Terry and the boys.

FROM DERRICK WINCER, THE DAEDINGS, DEDDINGTON

Your readers may like to know that, in anticipation of a house move, I am downsizing and have many bargain items of household, garage and garden goods I wish to sell in aid of the Church's Tsunami Collection. At the end of every month I shall add 1p per day and 10% interest. Anyone interested, please contact me on: 338004 to arrange a viewing. If I'm out, try my mobile: 0797910813.

FROM CLIVE SANDERS, HUDSON STREET, DEDDINGTON

On behalf of my mother, Mollie Sanders, I would like to thank all the many Deddingtonians who sent their congratulations on the occasion of her 102nd birthday on 24 January 2005.

FROM JILL WESTBURY, MILL CLOSE, DEDDINGTON

I would like to say a big 'thank you' to Jill, Siän and David for organising such a wonderful party for my birthday. Also, thanks to everyone who came and for the lovely cards, presents and donations to Katharine House Hospice, which totalled £350. It was a party I shall never forget. Thank you all again.

FROM DEE HAILEY, HUDSON STREET, DEDDINGTON

I am writing to ask anyone who knows me, or who doesn't, to consider sponsoring me in this year's 25th Flora London Marathon. I am trying to raise a four figure sum in aid of Cystic Fibrosis Research. This, at present, is an incurable childhood disease, sufferers rarely living beyond thirty, their lives sometimes extended by a heart/ lung transplant. But significant research is being carried out at the John Radcliffe Hospital. I am running for this Charity because the family of a very old friend has been afflicted by the disease, so my sponsorship will be gratefully received.

MORE FROM THE EDITOR'S POSTBAG 8 - March 2005

FROM JOHN WILSON, CASTLE STREET, DEDDINGTON

Re: Thames Valley Police Feb DN. Following the arrest of the 'undesirables' who caused such mayhem after stealing valuables from a car parked in Deddington, I congratulate all concerned in catching them, even at the cost to the taxpayer of some £50,000. However, I feel uncomfortable that the 'blame' for this common occurrence is placed firmly at the door of the victim. The advice, not to leave anything of value in a fully secured vehicle, is sensible, but I wish the blame could be laid upon the criminal and that the very few who are brought to justice were made aware of the feelings of the majority of the public and the growing army of victims. I feel strongly that the law-abiding taxpayer, who pays the £50,000 in this case, and many millions of pounds in other such cases, must be protected from such acts of highway robbery. Costs of £50,000 usually attract sentences of a few hours of community service, or tagging. Not much of a deterrent. So, God help us as those who 'serve' us seem unable to do so.

FROM BARBARA RITCHIE, THE STILE, DEDDINGTON

The Thames Valley Police report in the Feb DN detailed the theft, by two people, of a laptop from the back of a locked parked car in Deddington. P.C. Clive Middleton concluded his report on the event with this sentence -"The cost of this incident was in the region of £50,000..... and all because of property left visible on the back seat of a car." "NO - all because of two people who were thieves."



A copy of the Parish Council Taskforce report

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http://www.deddington.org.uk can be found on the

website. Please go to www.deddington.org.uk/community/ pc/Taskforce. The Task Force would very much welcome your comments and suggestions. These can be placed under the relevant Topic on the public Forum found on www.deddington.org.uk/forum/.

A gallery of 28 historical local photographs has been published www.deddington.org.uk/gallery/. If you recognise any of the people in these pictures or have any other interesting commentary on them, please let us know. This will help us post more informative captions. Further photos will be published in due course.

Colin Clark (Deddington OnLine Editorial Group) 338064 or colin.clark@deddington.net

Good to have a lively Postbag this month. This journal reaches every household monthly, but cannot match the immediacy of the village website. For those who have access to the worldwide web, Letters to the DN Editor can also be posted on the D-o-L website Forum, where the discussion can have a more rapid interchange. ED



CALLING ALL CLUBS

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WINDMILL COMMUNITY CENTRE

At the Management Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 15 February, it was reported that the appropriate sub-committee will recommend to the main body of the Parish Council that they fund the security measures required for the back stairs at the Windmill Centre.

The use of CCTV cameras has been shelved, but more lighting is to be provided around the Cricket Pavilion area.

It was agreed by the committee that all hire charges for the centre be increased from 1 April 2005; the charges have not been increased since 2002/2003.

The increases are 5% for Village Users and 10% for Business Users. *Roy Hart*

Deddington Beeches Bowls Club

Thank you to all who supported our recent Quiz Night. Now we have exercised our brains we are going to the races on Saturday 12 March at the Royal British Legion. The first race comes under Starter's orders at 7.30 pm, so why not come along and join in the fun?

Yvonne Twomey 337213

Deddington Babies and Toddlers Group

On Wednesday 9 March we have our Spring outing to Stomps indoor play centre in Stratford. Please sign up at Toddlers if you want to come. Our Spring Sale is on Friday 18 March when you can choose from the delights of Usborne Books, Merry-go-round children's clothes and LimiTeds wooden toys. There is a new-to-



you sale on Friday 29 April. Don't forget that Toddlers continues throughout the Easter holiday period (except Good Friday). New faces are always welcome - we meet every Wednesday and Friday, 9.30-11.30am at the Windmill. *Lucy Squires* 338442

British Legion

The Club had a very busy and enjoyable Christmas and New Year and are delighted that January and February have also been very busy. I am pleased to report that Branch and Club membership is still rising - we now have almost 160 members. I remind villagers that membership is available to all over 18 and for Club and Branch combined it is £15 per annum, which entitles you to use Royal British Legion Clubs in the UK and all over the world. There is no requirement for members to be ex-service - in fact the majority of our members are not. If prospective members would like to visit us, Sunday lunchtime about 1.00 pm is a good time as we have the weekly Meat Raffle at 1.30pm.

This year is the 80th anniversary of the founding of the Deddington Branch. Our old standard, dating back to before the British Legion was granted its Royal Charter, was laid up in the Parish Church many years ago and now requires refurbishment. It has been removed during the Church's current building work and will be replaced soon.

At a ceremony in January our standard bearer for 13 years, Den Freeman (who has now retired) handed over to Dave Keats - our 'village bobby' for many years. A large gathering attended where appreciation was shown to Den for so many years of reliable service by the presentation of a Royal British Legion Trophy.

Ray Morris 338143

Deddington Town Football Club

1st Team Results: -Kineton (h) Won 4-2 J.Pearce (3), M.Hewitt. Bodicote (a)(Charity Cup) Lost 2-6 S.Flemming (2). Bodicote (a) Lost 2-5 B.Durrant (2). Decoma Sybex (h)(Benevolent Cup) Won 2-1 R.Waddelow, J.Pearce.

The 1st team are still riding high in the Premier Division. A hattrick from Julian Pearce and a Michael Hewitt goal secured a comfortable victory over strugglers Kineton. In the league match against Bodicote, two goals from Ben Durrant levelled the game as the sides went in at half time. In the second half Bodicote scored 3 goals and ran out 5-2 winners. Despite the defeat, the team are still well placed in second position and are in with a chance of winning the title. Roan Waddelow scored one of the goals in the cup win over Decoma Sybex and this puts the team through to a semifinal meeting with Division One side Souldern. Reserve Team Results: -

Chasewell Park Res (a)(Eric Morris Cup) Lost 2-5 D.Keys, P.Kirsopp.

Drayton Village (h) Drew 0-0 Hornton (h) Won 6-2 J.Flemming (2), L.Hayward, P.Kirsopp, P.Gallant, D.Keys. Hethe (a) Lost 5-10 J.Flemming (2), M.Walker, D.Keys, R.Oakey.

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CALLING MORE CLUBS

Deddington News

The Reserve side enjoyed an excellent middle part of the month gaining two useful results. In a hard fought match against Drayton Village they earned a creditable goalless draw. The following week produced the best win and performance of the season against Hornton. Danny Keys and Phil Kirsopp were amongst the goal scorers in the 6-2 victory. These two results have given the team an outside chance of finishing above the bottom two.

75 Club Winners: 21/1/05 D.Keats £50; 28/1/05 C.Cox £50; 4/2/05 M.Smith £50; 11/2/05 W.Brain £50

Steve Plumbe 01295 278258.

Deddington Badminton Club

We have the full court back after the January pantomime. Thanks to good co-operation between Deddington Players and ourselves we continued to play in January apart from Pantomime week itself (thanks DP). Not such good news - we lost in the semi final of the Knockout cup against Cramic by 30 points, despite a massive effort by our team. We are still struggling for 1 or 2 lady players for our Ladies team, we are sure there must be some in the Deddington area!!

Janine 347539 or Mark 338056

Deddington Guides

Just a quick word this month ... too busy to write! As well as planning for the future we found time to learn about the past: Baden-Powell and wife Olave are intriguing characters and achieved so much – their story is always fascinating. We tried to imagine being a Guide back in 1910. We also found the story of the making of the 'Blott on the Landscape'TV programme in the village quite incredible. We spent some time trying to make a house out of recycled items such as boxes and carrier bags in at attempt to try and understand how people in much poorer circumstances must feel. We probably enjoyed pancakes best ! - after learning all about using a variety of stoves and all the safety rules that must be considered. Girls 10+ you are welcome to join us !

Maggie Rampley 01295 810069 Glynnis Eastwood 01869 334021

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Our speaker in February was Margaret Hyslop. Margaret began her talk by telling us a little of her personal history - being a nurse in Africa with her doctor husband, and their eventual return to the UK. Through attending various courses and joining the Embroiderers Guild her interest in craft developed, and her enthusiasm was obvious. Many colourful samples of her talent were displayed and members were encouraged to look and question afterwards. This was an entertaining and interesting evening for all.

Our Annual Meeting followed by wine and cheese is on 8 March. *Rene Mahony* 338438

Deddington & District History Society

In February a well-attended meeting heard the distinguished medievalist Dr John Maddicott of Exeter

College, Oxford, speak about the notorious Piers Gaveston, favourite of King Edward II and a figure briefly and tragically associated with Deddington. We hope to make the content of his talk generally available as soon as possible. It will be of widespread interest.

On Wednesday 9 March Deborah Hayter gives an illustrated talk about that familiar medieval landscape feature, ridge-and-furrow. How was it created, and why, and how has so much survived (not least in this region) into modern times? Why don't you come along to find out?

Our members like variety, so on Wednesday 13 April we shall fast-forward to the Second World War, Tony O'Gorman speaking to us on the history of Oxfordshire's airfields. As ever, all are welcome at our meetings, at the Windmill Centre on the second Wednesday of each month. *Chris Day* 337204

Deddington Friendship Club

The AGM on 16 February was well supported by an almost full complement of members. The past year has gone very well and full use made of the equipment financed by the Lottery Grant. A new Treasurer was appointed; our thanks to Theresa Allen who has been Treasurer for many years. A new Committee of seven members was nominated and, with input from members, will arrange activities, outings, lunches, speakers etc., for the year. New members are always welcome.

Joyce Minnear 338529

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THE FLOWER GARDEN

Paul has just emptied this year's compost bin and the contents look really good, three bags of dark brown, crumbly stuff for the flower beds. This time we only retrieved one tea knife, and I can state that ivory does not break down as nicely as silver - it discolours, but the knife is still quite respectable and makes up my set to the right number again.

I know it's a bit early to talk about Geraniums, but, if you want to grow them from seed or buy plugs to pot on, you will soon have to think about it. When I started gardening the mention of Geraniums brought to mind the brilliant, scarlet Paul Crampel, but by now there are all sorts of colours and shapes. The name comes from the Greek word for the stork, the seed pods look like a stork's or crane's bill, and that's what the perennial variety are called. The half hardy ones have to be protected in the winter, but the flowers are showy .and I think they are still the best bedding plants. The perennials are easy to keep and look after. They die down in the winter and come up smiling in early summer. I like the white ones best, I think. When the first leaves show through the soil they can be divided to make two



or three clumps. For the tubs I like ivy-leaf Geraniums. Their blooms and colours are really pretty and they give pleasure from May until the first frosts. It is only February as I write this, but we have some colour in the garden,

Aconites and Snowdrops are out, a few brave *Iris Reticulata [above]* and the pink scented Viburnum make one think of spring. There are also Primroses, which have not stopped flowering at all. As soon as it gets a little warmer you will be out there gardening, have a nice time ! *Marianne Elsley*



A pleasant hour's potter round the wood recently was well rewarded. Much early growth is in evidence: the catkins beginning to push through, the ash buds fattening and plenty of wildflower foliage promise a good season ahead. Not much florally afoot yet, except in the mature wooded area near Bloxham bridge, where escapes or introductions included a fine clump of snowdrops, some daffodils and a purple crocus or two. More surprising was a scattering of creamy bell-like flowers which filled most of the criteria of common comfrey - except they were about three months ahead of time. Perhaps global warming is turning into a gallop. Pity about the dog faeces. *Sylvie Spenceley* 338995

Worth a try

March, the month for sowing seeds. Once the soil is no longer feeling cold to the touch, often in mid-March, there are many hardy annual vegetables which will germinate out of doors. Try lettuce, radish, spinach,

beetroot, and the longer days at the end of the month and in April will give them the sort of light levels that are needed for good growth. There is a risk that a severe late frost might delay growth and even make it necessary to make a second sowing, but with the milder weather that we seem to be having it must be worth giving it a try especially if there is a sheltered, but not shaded, patch of ground that can be prepared. Nor is it a bad time to plant a fruit tree or three, provided it is done soon and U before the buds begin to open. I have sometimes wondered about the trees that are advertised with two or even three varieties of apple



or pear grafted onto one stock. They won't produce a double crop, but they should pollinate each other (apples to apples and pears to pears, of course) and provide a varied crop. Could be a fun plant to put in a small garden or to group in an allotment.

Hugh Marshall

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ON THE FARM

As we await the arrival of the first spring lambs the harbingers of spring have already started to arrive in the farm office. We have already received a whole cart load of handbooks explaining the workings of the new CAP and single farm payment arrangements, with the promise of more to come. These will, needless to say, be followed by a procession of forms, all of which will have to be filled in and returned by 16 May or the 'headmistress' will start waving her big stick. On top of all this we still have the annual hoops to jump through, with the inspection for the Crop and Livestock Assurance schemes which are, in all but name, a licence to farm. All this pales into insignificance compared with the up and coming regulations on fuel storage and waste disposal. All above ground fuel tanks holding over 200lts will need a bund (to contain any leakages or spillages); the burning of farm waste, except for small amounts of wood, is to be banned and it must be taken to a designated tip; the ubiguitous farm scrap heap is to be outlawed and even that out-of-date cultivator that was left in the corner of the yard because bits of it may come in useful one day has got to go, the regulations on sheep identification are set to be rehashed, and the poor little devils may yet end up with a tag in each ear and an electronic chip in the neck .. and this is only part of the list for this year.

The pregnant pause in the lambing barn has allowed me some time to get ahead with the preparations for the coming bee keeping season. 240 brood frames (12 to brood box) have been made up and rewaxed using some of the surplus wax from last year. Some of the frames will be used to replace old and damaged comb in the existing hives, giving the queens something new to work on. The rest will go into nuclei hives ready for the new gueens which should arrive in May. I have also made up a number of supers (the small box that sits on top of the brood chamber to collect any surplus honey for us to extract). So all is set for the oncoming bee keeping year - all we need now is the weather. Since the beginning of February we have been busy planting 3 new hawthorn and hazel hedges around the lambing paddocks. These will in a few years' time improve the shelter for the lambs and give some early pollen for the bees and provide me with a walking stick or two for my old age. We must now get on with selecting a new site for the orchard, as the old one which we planted out some 30 years ago has been taken back by the landlord and sold for building. Rather a shame, and we shall miss the fruit as it will take a number of years for the new trees to get going. George Fenemore 338203

NEWS FROM CLIFTON

The Clifton Crew (Alexandra & Rebecca Jardine, Danielle Pritchard, Anna & Elenya McGovern and Sophie White express their appreciation to all those who participated in and/or supported their charity events in 2004, i.e. the Clifton Mini Fete that raised £100 for Cancer Research UK (a special thanks to Gill Raddings for a great dog show), and the Christmas Carol Singing for the Sean Devereux Children's Fund that raised an additional £100.

The Clifton Crew's fundraising events for 2005 will begin with an Egg Hunt, on Saturday 26 March, at 11:30. Venue is the playground (Welford's Piece) in Tithe Lane. A raffle, cake stall and refreshments will be available. All monies raised will go once again to The Sean Devereux Children's Fund. A Clifton Mega Fete is planned for the summer.

Traffic Calming: A month or so ago two temporary traffic calming signs were put up on Main Street. At this point in time, we are sorry to have to report that these signs have not been very successful. Traffic is as fast moving as it ever was. *Carol Drawmer, Eleonore Bruyere*

NEWS FROM HEMPTON

The Friends of Hempton Church need more members. Subscriptions are £5 per person or £3 per family, payable on 1 March each year. Gift Aid declaration forms are obtainable from Mavis Barton - 338474. The Friends Group was set up some 16 years ago when the Church was threatened with closure.

Major repairs to the Church, for which they have the funds will be done shortly, but there will be more over the next ten years, with the possibility of a new roof. Large amounts of fund raising must be done, so more members would make a difference. There will be a skittles evening at Sandford St Martin on Saturday 12 March at 7.30pm. Tickets are limited. More details from Leah Calcutt (337276) The Friends will be holding more events throughout the year.

The Easter Service at St. John's Church will be the Vigil and Service of Light on Easter Eve, 26 March, at 8.30pm.

The Barnstead and the Homestead, two properties which have been empty for many years, were purchased recently and are both having major renovations done to them. It will be good to see them fully restored.

It is also nice to see all the Spring flowers coming through in the grass verges, but the village still does not have any signs to say who we are.

Les Chappell 338054

ADDESDON MANOR, the impressive house built for the Rothschild family between Bicester and Aylesbury, is one of the flagship properties of the National Trust. Designed in the late 19th Century along the lines of a French Chateau, the manor attracts thousands of visitors from all over the world, many of whom come to see the extensive collection of 17th and 18th century furniture, porcelain, silver and paintings.

On Friday 18 March, Mrs Pamela Rye, one of the principal guides to the Manor will speak about the house and give an illustrated description of some of its many treasures - in the Holly Tree Club at 7.30pm and in aid of the LIVING ROOMS PROJECT. There is a limited number of tickets available at £7, including interval refreshments, from Hugh Marshall (01869 337761) or at the door. Book early to be sure of a place.

Deddington News GLEANINGS FROM THE PAST

DEDDINGTON 150 YEARS AGO

The following are extracts from the diaries of the Rev. Cotton Risley for parts of the months of February and March 1855 - including a very interesting case from the Assizes:

- 19th February Ricardo's sale at Kiddington said to have spent £30,000 on the place.
- 23rd February I signed 3 or 4 summons for nonpayment of Road Rates.
- 28 February Attended a meeting of the Governors at the Radcliffe Infirmary to decide on the propriety or otherwise of erecting a cholera and small pox hospital *intra muros* of the Infirmary, which was negatived by a most overwhelming majority. It was Dr. Acland's proposition - Mr. V. Thomas proposed that it be not adopted and I seconded his proposition.
- 3 March Called on old Tailor Robinson who completes his 91st year tomorrow, I then went to the Butchers and ordered him and old John Wheeler- aged 89 or 90 years also - a shoulder of mutton between them for tomorrow's dinner - and said I should send them something to drink also.
- 5th March Attended the Assizes at Oxford the most important case being one against a Clergyman, one Dr J.A. Giles, curate of Bampton, formerly of Corpus Christi College in this University - a double First Classman and of the highest literary attainments both as an author and publisher - who was found guilty and received a sentence of one year's imprisonment for celebrating a marriage at Bampton during uncanonical hours - and also of falsifying the Register of Marriages thereat by having inserted the name therein of a certain female as having been present at the ceremony as a witness - but who never was so present. It was an aggravated and a most painful case in all respects - and affected sensibly both the Judge and many of the audience. Mr. Clarkson the eminent Old Bailey Barrister came down especially to defend him. The trial lasted nearly a whole day.

Buffy Heywood

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CHARLES BERNARD DODWELL B.E.M.

Last month Bernard shared with us memories of his school days, in particular his fond recollections of exciting days spent in the school's Cadet Corps. He continues :

"Aged 16, in 1929 I passed a written exam to join the Royal Air Force. A lot of us Deddington youngsters spent time at their Camp in Upper Heyford and were greatly inspired by the airmen and their flying machines. It was therefore a great disappointment for me when, on being sent to Halton Camp in Buckinghamshire, I was failed entrance due to poor eyesight."

To overcome this sad failure Bernard worked hard on his uncle's farm, until a year later he was offered the position of Second Assistant to Mr Unsworth-Jones, late



of Clifton, now Manager of a large Poultry Farm near Chester. His first duty was to learn to drive. He was given the early morning and late night job of driving the owner of the farm to the railway station and working for the rest of the day in the large Army

sheds which held many hundreds of chickens, 'layers' named Wyandotte, Rhode Island Reds or Light Sussex breeds.

After 2 years hard work Bernard allowed himself a break, left his job and went on a 14 day cruise on a P+O Liner sailing to the North African Coast and returning via Malta, Monte Carlo and Gibraltar.

Back in England he tried again to enlist, this time at the Queen's Barracks in Guildford. Much to his surprise he passed his medical but disappointingly the Regiment (no name given) was closed for recruiting for a while and his dream of an overseas posting to India or China shattered.

So back to poultry farming he went, then to seasonal work at hop-picking then to selling Walls ice cream in Oxford and Bicester. Finally, on his uncle's advice, he applied for and succeeded in getting a job with R.Silcock & Sons Ltd. of Liverpool (manufacturers of cattle, pig and poultry food) with whom, after 2 years, he was promoted to full Agent and stayed in the firm for 38 years.

It took the event of **war** for him to fulfil his fervent wish to join the Services and travel abroad ! Bernard served for 6 years in the Royal Observer Corps reaching the rank of Company Sergeant Major, and earning a mention in Dispatches for distinguished service with the First and Eighth Armies.

After his retirement from 'Silcocks', Bernard served for another 16 years as senior usher at Barnstable Crown and Magistrates' Courts and was awarded the British Empire Medal in recognition of his unfailing regularity and punctuality in this service.

Now over 90 and a widower, he lives in Devon but in his dreams he wanders through the streets of his home town of Deddington, his accurate memory guiding his steps. *Ruth Johnson*

(Thank you Bernard for your love of Deddington)

THAMESVALLEY I apologise for any inconvenience caused to POLICE anyone who contacted the

Deddington Police Office, left a message on our answerphone and did not receive a call back from us. We now have a new machine. Anyone who left a message that attracted no response, do please call back.

There were three burglaries in the Deddington/Steeple Aston area last month. These involved items of jewellery being stolen and are being investigated by CID. There was also an attempted distraction burglary in Deddington, where two persons purporting to be from Thames Water engaged the victim in turning their taps on and off while the second offender looked around the house. Fortunately nothing was stolen. This is becoming common in the Oxfordshire and Northamptonshire area.

Utility companies such as Gas, Electricity or Water do not usually need to enter your house, which is why most of the equipment they need to access is on the outside of your property. Even if some form of identification is produced, still be on your guard. Anyone can use a computer to design a convenient form of identification complete with photograph. Check with the utility company before you allow entry to your property, and never allow someone to walk around your property unsupervised. Remember: Most utility companies do not need to enter your property.

In Hempton village there were two reported thefts from vans belonging to tradesmen parked at their home address. This is a difficult one as often vans contain valuable equipment difficult to store elsewhere. One of the victims now parks his van up against his house wall, making access to the van more difficult. If you need any crime prevention advice please contact Jayne Taylor, Crime Prevention Officer, at Banbury Police Station. Finally, two youths who admitted causing damage to Deddington School and to the cricket pavilion roof at the Windmill Centre were arrested and received a Restorative Justice Reprimand. *a*/Sgt Clive Middleton

THE NATIONAL TRUST - UPTON HOUSE

Volunteering opportunities for 2005 include:

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Restaurant Assistants

Further details on any of the above activities from the Property Office on: 01295 670266 or email: uptonhouse@nationaltrust.org.uk

Deddington Fire Station

Calls: Since the last report we have received 10 calls, these include 5 chimney fires, 1 fire involving an electrical transformer and telegraph pole, 1 domestic washing machine, and several calls to stand by at other stations.

Community Safety: We have been very busy this month, visiting homes, carrying out risk assessments,



giving fire safety advice and fitting smoke alarms. We have delivered a special information pack to owners of thatched properties on our patch. If you have a thatched roof and haven't received a pack, please let us know.

Safety Message: It seems to be the season for chimney fires. A chimney fire doesn't sound particularly serious, however it does have the potential to cause extensive damage to your property if it gets a serious hold. A chimney fire can break through into roof timbers, beams, and of course thatches are particularly at risk. Please don't take any chances: have your chimney swept regularly and don't be tempted to throw rubbish onto your fire, wrapping paper, cardboard, candle wax, all have the potential to set fire to the chimney. Stay safe.

Anne Waters Sub Officer 338281

hite wristbands are appearing everywhere

as part of the campaign to MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY. They are just one of many new products available on Deddington's FAIR TRADE stall in the Parish Church during the monthly Farmers' Market this month on the Saturday of Easter Traidcraft weekend, 26 March. Other new



products available are the GeoActive energy bar in two flavours, and FairBreak crisp wafer biscuits covered in fair trade Belgian chocolate..Both are ideal as snacks or to include in a lunch or picnic box, whilst African Forest Honey or decaffeinated tea bags will no doubt appeal to other customers. The Spring 2005 catalogue features a wide range of clothing, jewellery, gifts and household goods. To get a catalogue or place an order come to the stall or contact ... Hugh Marshall 337761

Deddington Players ...

... will be holding their Annual meeting on Tuesday 29 March at 7.30pm in the Windmill when we will be



discussing their participation in the Deddington Festival on Thursday 23 June as part of the proposed 'Old Tyme Music Hall'. It is planned to do two short sketches in true Music Hall style. So we will

need actors, support crew and enthusiasm. We will also start planning for a possible Panto after Jim Flux Christmas in January 2006.