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# the Deddington news

It seems sad that during the past few months both the Youth Club and the Bowls Club have folded for lack of attendees rather than a shortage of funds. Will Deddington Festival go the same way? No-one has yet come forward to organise it for next year. This year's festival was a shadow of former years. Anyone would think the parish is getting smaller. **JC**

## What's On

### October

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| Sat | 1  | PTA and Friends of Deddington Church: Harvest Ceilidh, Parish Church, 6.00pm               |
| Thu | 6  | PTA: Bags to School, drop off unwanted clothes to school for charity                       |
| Sat | 8  | A440 String Orchestra: Peter Nall director, Parish Church, 7.45pm                          |
| Sat | 8  | British Legion: Bingo, 8.00pm  |
| Sun | 9  | Concert: Adderbury Ensemble with Viv McLean, Parish Church, 6.00pm                         |
| Tue | 11 | WI: Bring and Share Harvest Supper, Auction for RBL Poppy Appeal, Holly Tree, 7.30pm       |
| Fri | 14 | British Heart Foundation: Coffee morning with Frank Palmer's paintings, Hermitage, 10.30am |
| Sat | 15 | North Cotswold Chamber Choir: conductor Sarah Tenant Flowers, Parish Church, 7.30pm        |
| Sun | 16 | Deddington Players: auditions for <i>Aladdin</i> , Windmill Centre, 2.00pm                 |
| Wed | 19 | Traidcraft: Open day, Parish Church, 10.30am–6.00pm  |
| Sat | 22 | Farmers' Market: Market Place, 9.00am–12.30pm  |
| Sat | 22 | Photographic Society: Annual Exhibition, Parish Church, 9.00am–1.30pm                      |
| Thu | 27 | Book Club: contact Sally Lambert, 338094, for details                                      |
| Sat | 29 | British Legion: Skittles, 7.30pm   |

### November

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| Wed | 2  | Photographic Society: Club Night, Viveca Koh, 'Urban Exploration to Fine Art: A Photographic Journey'                                       |
| Wed | 16 | Photographic Society: Workshop with Simon Lutter on 'Camera Controls, Light Sensitivity and White Balance', Cartwright Hotel, Aynho, 7.30pm |

Events in this listing also appear in the *DN* online calendar: <http://deddingtonnews.co.uk/whatson>

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## DEDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Primary School, Wednesday 21 September

There is a vacancy on the Parish Council. Anyone interested should apply to the Parish Clerk on 01869 337447.

DCllr Bryn Williams said that work on Windmill Street car park is scheduled for the near future. Items left by fly-tippers have been removed but further instances have been observed in Earl's Lane. Residents are reminded that garden waste and soil constitute refuse. The CDC enforcement officer has been informed and information regarding the offenders would be welcomed.

**Environment and Recreation:** It is proposed to bring forward the October treatment of the All Weather Court following a complaint.

The Clifton footpath is to be treated for weeds; fences, signs and weeds have been cleared on the Deddington Circular Walk. It is proposed to ask OCV to restore the fence at the cemetery adjoining the footpath.

Following some discussion it was agreed that all play areas in the parish would be reviewed with a view to improvement. The pod seat swing in the under-six play area will be replaced.

A working group will be set up to consider the future of the site following the Bowls Club closure.

**Highways and transport:** The owner of Clifton Mill has offered to contribute to a traffic volume and speed

monitoring strip to be placed on the bridge. These Parish Council notes are the view of our reporter Jean Rudge, and not the official Minutes. To see those, go to <http://www.deddingtonparishcouncil.org/2016.html>.

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Thames Valley Police will deal with obstructive and illegal parking outside the school.

Hudson St residents support the installation of a disabled bay and proposed extension of double yellow lines on the corner by the Chinese restaurant. However present parking restrictions are being ignored which cause delays to the bus service.

#### **Planning:**

##### *No objection:*

Deddington Antiques Centre, Bull Ring: change of use to dwelling house.

Homelands, Chapel Close, Clifton: extension to roof to increase pitch and height to form a two-storey dwelling.

Tennis courts, Windmill Community Centre: replacement of existing light design to include LED bulbs.

2 Chapman's Lane: Variation of conditions.

##### *Objections*

Land north of Gaveston Gardens: full planning permission for 99 dwellings. Three page letter to be sent listing concerns with particular emphasis on unadopted roads within the development. (CDC have already refused planning permission for 99 dwellings on this site.)

Chamber cabinet, Banbury Rd: (electricity pole by Holly Tree Cottages wall), one telecoms cabinet.

**Next PC meeting: Wed 19 October at 7.30pm at the Windmill Centre, Deddington.**

## NEWS FROM CLIFTON

The Book Club took advantage of a rapidly closing window to visit a monument to Victorian engineering that has played a key part in the prosperity of our region when they visited Banbury North signal box. Here is a report from our chief Belstaff: four book clubbers (of varying railway geekiness) enjoyed a recent visit to the soon to be demolished signal box. Built in 1899 by the Great Western Railway, it's a remarkable time capsule in a changing world, with much of its original equipment of levers and bells in continuous use until just a few weeks ago. Given its period charm and that it has been kept in pristine condition, everyone was disappointed to learn that the box, despite the sterling efforts of many to reach a long-term agreement with Network Rail, could not be saved as a visitor attraction and will be pulled down on 8 October. All signalling will be transferred to the West Midlands Signalling Centre in Birmingham and the last vestiges of the Great Western Railway in Banbury will be gone forever.

The Clifton Ladies Sports Club has for once dragged themselves from their bottles of prosecco to have a cultural evening at Wadham College, Oxford, to see an open air performance of Shakespeare's comedy, *Loves Labours Lost*, that was 1970s themed – a

period that holds so many memories for most of the members ... this was greatly enjoyed as the weather held. If this sounds fun to you there are still vacancies and I could pass on any names.

Some of you may have been given the chance to sponsor people for a walk along the Thames – 25 or 50 miles, I seem to remember. Well, Iron Man Mayo was looking to go one better (well 3.68 times better actually) by taking part again in the T184. That's a run along the 184 miles from the Thames Barrier to the source near Kemble. Some of the Book Club were there at the Punter in Oxford to witness him coming in first to a checkpoint hours ahead of the field and looking good – or not. A photo taken at the time showed Kev running with a lean on. This was the onset of a savage back injury that stopped him dead with only 40 miles to go. Well, we're all massively proud of you Kev and we're happy to take flak from your lovely and understanding wife, Fi, when we wish you well for the next time you give it a go. You may remember this is a race Kev finished a few years ago and one day we're sure he'll win it.

Any news – please keep it coming.

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## FARMERS' MARKET

### *Coldly Does It*

October tends to mark the turn away from summer and its salads to something more substantial and comforting.

People are so used to buying their baked goods, or even their pastry, that homemade pastry seems a dying art. Understandable if you have never made pastry, especially if your only experience is *The Great British Bake Off* where standards are impossibly high. But a basic shortcrust pastry is simple, quick and versatile – and the basis for a whole range of homemade delights. My favourite is a traditional pasty – but pies can be even more impressive.

I'm going to assume that you can figure out your own filling. The market is full of great quality meat and vegetables.

Now for a confession. I don't make pastry either but my wife does. Here are her secrets:

'There are four secrets to good shortcrust pastry. Firstly always use butter straight from the fridge. You really don't want to work with soft butter. Secondly use very cold water, colder than tap water. Thirdly always rest your pastry in the fridge for 20 minutes. And finally,



and probably most importantly, only ever use your fingertips when rubbing the fat in to the flour, which means you should never have floury palms.'

'I use a Sarah Raven recipe for savoury pies, quiches and pasties and I have to say she does make mouth-wateringly good pastry.

120g cold butter

1/2 teaspoon of salt

200g plain flour

Weigh out the flour; add the butter cut up in very small cubes. Rub in. Add cold water a little at a time, mixing it with a knife before finally bringing the mixture together with your fingers. Wrap in cling film and cool in the fridge for 20 minutes.'

And that's all there is to it. I must try it some time.

For more up-to-date information about the market you can visit the web page at [www.deddingtonfarmersmarket.co.uk](http://www.deddingtonfarmersmarket.co.uk).

The market is on Saturday 22 October from 9.00am until 12.30pm.

If you can't wait till then, there's always the Adderbury market on the second Thursday of each month at The Institute, The Green, Adderbury, 6.00–8.00pm. More details at [www.market.adderbury.org](http://www.market.adderbury.org).

Good shopping.

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### FRIENDS OF DAEDA'S WOOD

The Wood continues to thrive and flora has been abundant. You might notice more bat and bird nesting boxes around the Wood, some having been used this year. Many thanks to the Cub Scouts and others involved in this.

Some remedial works to the little bridge are being undertaken as I write. This is to ensure the safety of the structure after the deluges of recent years. Basically the work involves placing large stones at both sides and around the base, a large hole directly beneath the bridge is also going to be filled with stone and the river flow should then be less turbulent ... still excellent for playing Pooh Sticks however.

The Woodland Trust has placed large bales of straw in the lay-by near the bridge to discourage anti-social parking.

The weather and natural growth and die-back are constantly shaping the features and I am glad to report that the little hide-away beneath the old willow tree near the flower meadow (the large open area with a seat nearby) is still accessible by children and adults although climbing into the hide-away would be far easier for children than even the most determined adult – believe me, I've tried.

For details of how to become a Friend contact me.

**Annette Murphy, Chair**

[annette-orchard@live.co.uk](mailto:annette-orchard@live.co.uk)

### Harvest Ceilidh Saturday 1 October

This event is organised both by Friends of Deddington Church and Deddington Primary School PTA. It will be held in the parish church. The band is very good and, as well as music and dancing, there will be a buffet supper which will be available from 7.00pm. There will also be a bar from the time the doors open at 6.00pm. Between 6.00 and 7.00pm the band will be playing specially for the children.

Tickets are £10 per person or £25 per family and are available from Hamptons, Steve Miller Hair Salon, or at the door. Supper is included in the ticket price.

**Lesley Milroy, Chair**

**Friends of Deddington Church**

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## Postcard from America

I know that the US is a nation of excess but one of the things I don't understand is, how have we ended up with three vacuum cleaners?

The worse point is that I was party to buying two of them, but since I do the cleaning, I guess this is reasonable. Heather bought the one that cleans all by itself, and a great idea it is too. It's like having a little dog wandering around the ground floor. It would never work in our old Deddington house, too many changes of level. But these houses in middle-class America are spacious and perfectly designed for iRobots.

Most things are cheaper in the US, particularly eating out, houses, cars and clothing. But apart from education and healthcare, the one truly expensive service is house-cleaning. If only I could get lovely Sue to move out here, she could be putting her head down the toilets rather than me.

The US election campaign has now moved to a different phase but I am very sorry to admit it is now boring me. The real problem is that this election has been going on for a year now, and thus the messaging repeats endlessly. The worrying issue is that Trump is making some headway, his new campaign team has persuaded him to stop behaving like a megalomaniac with a very thin skin. As in the UK, large sections of the population are very frustrated with the political elite and the big issues are jobs being exported to Mexico

and Asia, immigration, terrorism and the decline of US influence in the world.

The US is a large country and one of the results is there are whole sectors of the population that I simply never meet. The average white factory worker has seen no increase in his standard of living since the 2008 recession, while the top 5% have continued to get richer. The odd thing is that the 'left wing' candidate, Hillary, is part of the elite, and her campaign is being financed by rich interest groups. Meanwhile the outsider, Trump, proclaims that he will overturn all this and I understand why this resonates. The honest answer is that he certainly would not change anything and we Brits know how a protest vote can go woefully wrong.

And then I lost the car. It is a very clean car, I even get it washed most weeks. The folk in Clifton would hardly believe it, but needless to say I don't do it myself. I came out of the mall and the car wasn't there. Eventually I sought the help of a policeman and thus we found the car. I had come out of the wrong door.

It is a vast country, with some very unsuitable politicians, but the main problem is I am an old man. Perhaps I need to stick to cleaning the house. Sorry Sue, no tickets to the wonders of Colorado and many of you in Deddington will be thankful for that.

**Mike Ward**

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## CHURCH AND CHAPEL

### October

#### Parish Church SS Peter and Paul

Mon–Fri:	8.45am	Morning Prayer
Wed:	10.00am	Holy Communion (with prayers for healing on 4th Wed of month)
Thu:	2.00pm	Squeals and Wheels, parent and toddler group
Sun 2	9.30am	Little Saints (informal service for young children and parents)
	10.30am	Harvest Festival Service
	6.00pm	Harvest Holy Communion
Sun 9	8.00am	BCP Communion
	10.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 16	10.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 23	10.30am	Holy Communion (informal said service)
Sun 30	10.30am	Holy Communion
	6.00pm	Service of Commemoration for the departed

#### The Barfords

Sun 2	4.00pm	Harvest Festival Service (BStM)
Sun 9	9.00am	Holy Communion (BStM)
Sun 16	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BStM)
Sun 23	9.00am	Holy Communion (BStM)
Sun 30	9.00am	Holy Communion (BStJ)

#### St John's, Hempton

Sun 2	9.00am	Harvest Holy Communion
Sun 16	9.00am	Holy Communion
Sun 23	6.00pm	Evening Prayer

#### From the Parish Register

##### Weddings

17 September

Hannah Richards and Jaidev Menezes

##### Baptisms

18 September Rose Williams

For baptisms and for weddings, please speak to the Vicar, the Revd Annie Goldthorp, after a service. For funerals and home visits in the case of illness, please contact the Vicar (01869 336880, [vicar@deddingtonchurch.org](mailto:vicar@deddingtonchurch.org)) except on Fridays, her day off, or one of the church wardens: Iain Gillespie (338367) or George Fenemore (338203).

#### Wesleyan Reform Church, Chapel Square

*Pastor Isabel Walton 337157*

Sunday mornings at 10.30am

2 October	Maurice Nichols
23 October	David Morris
30 October	George Pearce

#### RC Parish of Hethe

*Fr Paul Lester*

**01869 277630**

Mass at Holy Trinity, Hethe, is said at 9.30am every weekday except Thursday. There are two Masses on Saturday, at 9.30am in the normal Ordinary Rite and 12 noon in the Latin Extraordinary Rite. There are two Masses on Sunday, the first at 10.00am in the Ordinary Rite and the second at 12.00 noon in the Extraordinary Rite. Mass is said at 9.00am on Sundays at SS Peter and Paul Anglican Church, Kings Sutton. The Vigil Mass at St John's Church, Banbury, is said at 4.00pm on Saturdays to allow worshippers from the villages to attend by public transport. Confessions are heard at Hethe during the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday between 5.00–6.00pm.

Information on the meetings of other faith groups can be found at  
<http://www.deddington.org.uk/community/church/otherfaithsandbeliefs>.

## Extra Time

DN has proved increasingly popular over the years and often struggles to include everything it would like. So it now has a new online page – [Extra Time](#). It's revised every month and will take:

- expanded versions of stories that DN couldn't cover
- photographs that accompany stories in DN

- newsworthy events that happen between printed issues
- new material on DOL, in particular the History section

We want to keep it as up-to-date as possible so the October page will be assembled at the same time as the printed issue appears. You'll find a trailer for the page in DN to remind you to

“Make time for Extra Time”

## ARE WE NEARLY THERE YET?

Is it that long ago when the *Deddington News* started? Doesn't time fly when you're having fun. We can remember in the lead up to the first copy, people being asked if they could help. I'm not sure if we volunteered or were conscripted (I think the latter in a moment of weakness).

The Guides and Scouts were to be involved in the delivery of the *News*, so that meant looking at the Guides' and Scouts' addresses. I must admit it was mainly the Guides, with some help from the Scouts. Once we'd divided the village into walks, worked out the number of copies they would each require, we were ready.

The *DN* team had asked for them to be delivered as soon as possible, so it was a frantic drive around the village dropping off each walk. I can remember calls of 'We've run out', so more were delivered. The first session was completed with very few mistakes. We did find that some houses didn't receive a copy while others had one to the front and rear doors. That didn't include a Scout and Guide both delivering to the same road. (It was the Scout who was wrong).

We got better, with fewer mistakes. I found houses I hadn't known existed. I think most of the Scouts and Guides enjoyed it. It was a time when our numbers started to fall and we found difficulty in finding mem-



bers in the right place, so slowly we took a backward step which evolved into the present system.

Our daughter, Hazel, has a very clear childhood memory of delivering the *News*. She remembers being given flowers by an elderly lady, near Goose Green, each time. The smell of chrysanthemums in the autumn always brings back this

memory for her.

I can remember going round to George Palmer's and cranking his duplicating machine whilst munching on one (or two) of Nora Palmer's cakes. I think it was the cakes rather than willingness to help that got me there. I can also remember stapling and sorting copy in the staff room at the school and coming away with all fingers intact.

We've looked back with pride at the growth of the *News* and both of us are pleased we were able to help.

**Alan and Maggie Rampley**

### Deddington Primary School



We have started the school year with some lovely warm days enabling us to continue PE lessons outside. We are delighted to welcome Mr Welch as our sports coach, helping to organise lunchtime games and activities, as well as delivering PE lessons throughout the

school. His help and enthusiasm will be invaluable, encouraging our pupils to become involved in lots of different sports at lunchtime. He will also help to run after school clubs alongside staff.

After school clubs are underway and there are lots of activities and sport on offer, from the choir and musical theatre, to cricket and tag rugby, to name but a few.

October seems to be a popular month for trips, with Year 2 visiting Warwick Castle to bring their castle topic alive. They will also walk around the Castle Grounds to try and identify all the areas of a castle using the information they have learnt during the term. Year 5 has a history trip to Sulgrave Manor to learn all about the Civil War; more on this next month.

For any newcomers to the area, we still have spaces in F1 and in KS2 classes so do make an appointment to have a look around our wonderful school; you will be surprised how much we have to offer.

Finally, Years 5 and 6 have been invited to the New Theatre in Oxford to watch the dress rehearsal of the ballet *Sleeping Beauty* performed by students from the English National Ballet School. They will be there to support our talented pupil, Anna Dahlman, who will be dancing. We wish her lots of luck.

**Anne Hunsley, HLTA**



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## WELL REMEMBERED – FRANK PALMER 1926–2016

Although Frank lived in Kingham, he was, for almost 40 years, part of the Deddington scene through his involvement with, and subsequent running of, the Deddington Art Group. It is today the most thriving art group in the county.

Frank was there at the beginning when Annabelle Gregory started the group around 1987 and, after the Gregorys moved to Devon, he assumed responsibility for its continuation. Frank's trade had been carpentry but, when he was made redundant, he determined to fulfil his ambition of becoming a full-time painter and pursued this interest with great passion. His forte was landscapes but he also painted sensitive portraits.

Self-taught, he regularly exhibited during art weeks at his home in Kingham and in Stow-on-the-Wold where his paintings sold regularly. He exhibited every year at the Chelsea Art Exhibition in Chelsea Town Hall. He was particularly proud of having his work accepted by the Royal Academy for their Summer Exhibition. Frank was a member of Banbury Art Society for many years and showed his work at their annual exhibition. Typically, he could be found in the locality painting outside or, in bad weather, sitting in his car painting. Friends recall that in the days before Frank had a car, in order to reach the Art Society's evening meetings in Banbury, he would start from Kingham in the afternoon to get a bus to Stow and then on to

Chipping Norton. From there he had a long wait for the bus that finally took him to Banbury. Such was his determination to be involved and share his enthusiasm for painting.

A welcome was always given to newcomers to the group, especially young people. He took great interest in what others were painting, giving encouragement and helpful advice if asked. Blessed with a dry wit, he spoke with slow deliberation in a warm Oxfordshire 'burr' like the kindly countryman he was. After the Thursday painting sessions in the Town Hall he could be found in the Falkland Arms at Great Tew meeting his daughter.

There will be a coffee morning in aid of The British Heart Foundation at The Hermitage, Market Place, Deddington on Friday 14 October, 10.30am–12.30pm, at which there will be a display of Frank's paintings.

**Suzanne Allen**

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### Coffee Morning and Cake

with a display of

Frank Palmer's paintings

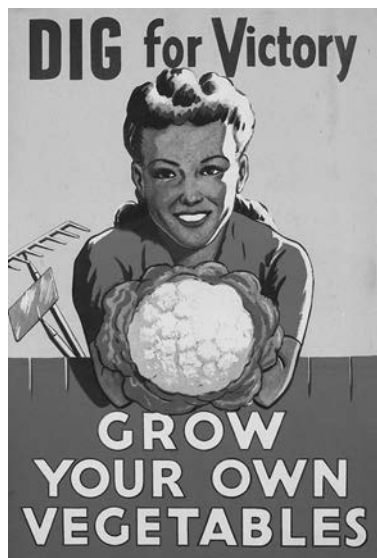
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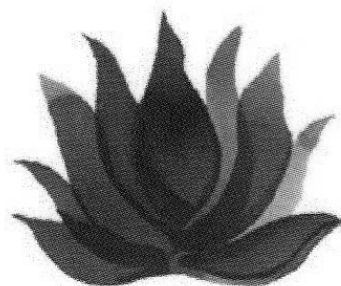
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## From The Fire Station

**D**eddington crew has attended thirty-four incidents in the past month. There was a call to a fire at Mondelēz which was formerly known as Kraft Foods in Banbury. The fire's origin was in one of the coffee towers on the fifth floor. These types of incidents are always very challenging for us because there are so many different factors to assess before committing crews to deal with the fire. The building is huge with a very complicated layout and the floor levels are numbered in accordance with feet above sea level rather than what you would expect. The procedure for dealing with these incidents is called 'high-rise'. This was a very interesting incident for us as there are not many high-rise buildings in the north of the county. The fire was quickly dealt with and nobody was injured.

In one 24-hour period Deddington was called out seven times. There were two house fires, both caused by cookers. The first one happened while the owners were out. Their dog had jumped up onto the worktop to get a dozen eggs that had been left out and in doing so had turned the cooker on. The house was completely full of smoke on our arrival and the dog was escorted to safety without any harm. The smoke was quickly dispersed and the owners are now re-thinking where they leave the dog when they are out. Also that day there were two car fires on the M40, an

alarm and two standbys, one to Bicester and one at Banbury. Deddington has also attended a number of field fires. One was on the Warwick Road, Banbury. This took three fire crews to bring it under control and was spread over two acres.

Training is always ongoing at the station and it is RTC (road traffic crash) training at the moment. For several weeks we have been at Smiths of Bloxham, practising our cutting techniques such as the standard ways to remove a roof from a car plus some other techniques that we do not use as often. An evening was spent at Somerton doing water training where we had the crews wading in dry suits, and using the inflatable rescue sled which is used in flooding incidents to ferry people to safety. Another evening was spent practising our 'coning off' procedures on the slip road by the council depot at Deddington.

Adrian Spilsbury is doing his ERD (Emergency Response Driving) next week. This is a week long course which will mean that he will be able to drive the fire engine on blue lights.

This is a good time to start thinking about the change in the seasons and getting your chimney swept.

*Crew Manager Tim Parker*

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## EU have been warned!



Do not **LEAVE** this date out of your diary. Let it **REMAIN**

Another referendum?

**NO**, but it is Hempton's Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday December 3** from 11am through lunch at Old School Room, St John's Church

More details next month — look out for the information insert

## DOWN ON GEORGE'S FARM

October, the season of mellow fruitfulness but, as I sit at the keyboard, the September 'Harvest Moon' is riding high and we are just a week away from the autumn equinox. In the days of my youth September was the harvest month and we often drove the last load of the day home by the light of the Harvest Moon, as the old Fordson Major was not fitted with lights. This year's harvest, such as it was, all done and dusted, by the last week of August but with modern machinery we can work long into the night with the New Holland T7 tractor lit up like a Christmas tree.

With the harvest out of the way, it's back to the mad rush to get the ground worked ready for next year's crops. The oilseed rape went into well-prepared seed beds with the rain arriving in time to give it a good start but, with the rain, came the cabbage stem flea beetle and the slugs. With most of the modern agrichemicals to control the flea beetle banned, we have to resort to older technology which is becoming ineffective as the beetle is building up a resistance to the chemical. It is expensive, both financially and environmentally, as we need to make many more applications to try and stop the crop from being destroyed, whereas with the now banned chemicals we needed only one application as a seed dressing. The damage occurs at the seedling stage (cotyledon) with the leaves taking on the appearance of being shot full of holes, destroying the plants' ability to photosynthesise, so the plants stop growing and die off. Oilseed rape is an important food and industrial crop as it is the only sustainable vegetable oil seed crop that can be grown this far north. We have grown it for many years as a 'break crop' between cereals to clean and condition the soil. With its deep rooting abilities it's also a very important crop for our beleaguered badger-chomped bees, both hive and wild, as it produces large amounts of early pollen and nectar to get them off to a flying start in the spring.

But with the ever-rising costs, falling returns and yet more regulations, oilseed rape production is definitely on the 'red' list. But still, we can always import it from countries that have a more enlightened approach on modern agri-technology and, who knows, with all the extra carbon emissions spewing out of the boats delivering all our food needs, our climate might just get warm enough for us to produce olive and palm oil.

The Home Farm ewes have been sorted and the rams are out on the job, with the first lambs expected at the beginning of February. It's the turn of the organic flock next, with the aim of lambing them in late March or April. This year's lamb crop has done very well, with good finish weights and nothing leaving the farms under 40kg live weight. The down side to this is the very depressed market prices, due to imports from New Zealand and South America.

After all the trials and tribulations with a difficult spring and ongoing badger attacks, the bees are enjoying a better backend and are working a good ivy crop. Despite the green doom and gloom merchants, the farm wildlife has had a very good summer with the exception of the curlew, with all their nests being predated. Our summer visitors have now left for warmer climes and it is very pleasing to report that many more swallows and house martins left for Africa than arrived in the spring, and I enjoyed sitting out in the garden on a warm evening with a hunk of crusty bread, a good slice of cheese and a pint of Hooky to watch their flying displays as they hawked for insects before both of us went to roost.

**George Fenemore**  
01869 338203



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### Deddington PFSU and Village Nursery

We'd like to give a warm welcome to all the new children and families who have joined us this term. We hope you have all settled in but please ask us if there is anything you are unsure about. This term we will focus on getting to know one another and introducing the children to our new routines and activities.

Dates for our Annual General Meeting and PFSU parents' meeting will be advertised at the settings shortly.

**Lucy Squires**  
01869 337484

## Deddington Parish Show

Once again, the Show committee and all their helpers pulled off a very successful Parish Show on Saturday 3 September and, as in previous years, it was well supported by the exhibitors, and visitors who came at 2.00pm.

Putting on a show with eleven different sections numbering 102 classes in all takes a great deal of effort from those involved and the committee is so grateful for help on the day from stewards, stall-holders, the teas team, runners, scorers and to those who stayed to help clear up at the end and, of course, the judges. We could not run this event without all this help and there wouldn't be any point without exhibitors.

The judges were overwhelmed at the standard of the exhibits, especially the crafts section in which beautiful, painstaking work was shown. What talent! Congratulations to Kate Petty who won the Crafts Cup for her outstanding exhibits.

The papier mâché and junk models made by the children aged six to eight and all the five and under pictures were a delight. Also, our children showed that cooking is one of the favourite classes – their cakes and biscuits were wonderful and there were boys' entries in the 'men's only' cake class as well.

After quite a difficult season for gardeners, the displays of flowers, vegetables and fruit were amazingly up to the usual high standard which greatly impressed the judges.

All the classes are open and this year the Show Champion was a resident of South Newington and the winner of the flowers section lives in Bodicote. Everyone is very welcome to contribute to the Show but it is also great to see so many Deddington parish residents exhibiting and doing so well.

For the first time, we included a class for home-made alcoholic drink, a move which pleased the two cookery judges who tasted those entries last and greatly enjoyed them.

Congratulations to everyone who exhibited, whether they were awarded a certificate or not – taking part is the important thing and supporting this big community event.

**Next year's Show will be on Saturday 2 September.** The 2017 programme will be put online well before seed planting starts next spring and the printed

programmes will be available from the end of June. More children's exhibits please, for this, especially for the 9 to 11 age group. Everyone loves looking at the juniors' creations.

### TROPHIES:

#### **Welford Cookery Cup**

Winner Kath Morris, 2 David and Jen Field, Sue and Louise Ayles and Janet Higham

#### **The Marianne Elsley Cup for Flowers**

Winner Philip Smithson, 2 Gordon Hands, 3 Sue Ayles

#### **The Oliver Hawes Cup for Vegetables**

Winner Gordon Hands, 2 Stan Nelson, 3 Sue Smithson

#### **The St Peter and St Paul Cup for Fruit**

Winner Wendy Burrows, 2 Gordon Hands, 3 Sue Ayles

#### **The John Cheney Cup for Art**

Winner Ken Wilkin-son, 2 Pam West, 3 Wendy Burrows

#### **The Stella Marmion Cup for Crafts**

Winner Kate Petty, 2 Wendy Burrows 3 many tied for 3rd

#### **The Farmers' Market Cup for Photography**

Winner Lucy Squires, 2 Windmill Lunch Club, 3 many tied for 3rd

#### **The Deddington Gardeners' Cup for Show Champion**

Winner Gordon Hands, 2 Wendy Burrows, 3 Sue Ayles

### CHILDREN'S TROPHIES:

#### **5 YEARS AND UNDER**

Winner Jonty Morris, 2 Jasmine Fawcus, 3 Luke Haynes

#### **6 to 8 YEARS**

Winner James Edmonds, 2 Flynn Onions, 3 William Morris

#### **9 to 11 YEARS**

Winner Jemima Banks, 2 Ellie Dodwell and Alfie Coppin, 3 Daphne Garbutt

#### **12 to 15 YEARS**

Winner Megan Squires, 2 Toby Coppin, 3 Archie and Harry Garbutt

#### **The Maureen Forsyth Cup for the Child Champion**

Winner Jonty Morris, 2 Megan Squires and Jemima Banks, 3 Jasmine Fawcus

The full results are available online at <http://www.deddington.org.uk/news/extratime>.

**Wendy Burrows, Hon Secretary**

**01869 338082**

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## LETTERS

FROM JAMES GREENWOOD,  
HIGH STREET, DEDDINGTON

Please can I say a big thank you to all who helped make Matthew's Motorshow a success, especially all the residents of Hudson Street whose subterfuge and canny parking allowed the whole of Hudson Street, from the cycle shop to the Market Place entrance, to become filled with Ferraris and other exotica. Also many thanks to the Co-op and the Unicorn for their generosity. This had to be kept quiet to be the success it was, so an article explaining all appears on p17.

FROM AGE UK OXFORDSHIRE

### **Celebrating Outstanding Dignity in Care**

Local charity, Age UK Oxfordshire, is launching its annual Dignity in Care awards. This project has been running since 2012 to publicise and recognise where truly outstanding care has been given. We want local people to nominate organisations, care settings, paid staff and volunteers who have gone that extra mile to deliver real dignity in care. We want to know about health and social care services anywhere in Oxfordshire and we want to know about services for



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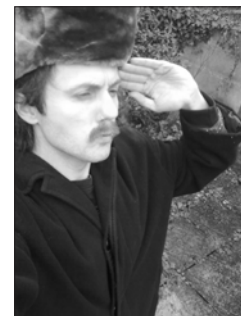
We have awards that encompass all care settings and individuals, including leadership, communications awards and even campaigning awards. We would love to receive even more nominations than last year, and help to create a climate where delivering dignity in care becomes the norm rather than the exception.

Nominations close on Monday 10 October. Bruno Holthof, the head of OUH Trust, will present the awards at Age UK Oxfordshire's Annual General Meeting on 16 November.

For more information about Age UK Oxfordshire's Dignity in Care awards and to find out how you can make a nomination, please call Vibeke Kristensen-White on 07827 235405 or visit us online at [www.ageuk.org/oxfordshire/dignityincare](http://www.ageuk.org/oxfordshire/dignityincare).

### **BLISSFUL THINKING**

September often feels more like a fresh start than January. Crop harvesting; trees shedding leaves; sun rapidly retreating to the opposite pole; new school and college terms beginning. Mild hibernation may be on the mind as we begin to attune our mental processes to indoor pursuits and sheltering from the elements.



To illustrate how September has always represented profound change, we can meander back through the vaults of British history to 4 September 1752: an anomalous date that never actually occurred. In fact, eleven days between 3rd and 13th September of that year never unfolded, as it was determined that the chronicling of time should forever be changed from the Julian calendar to the far more accurate Gregorian calendar we still use today. Amusing anecdotes of folk uprisings abound, demanding eleven lost days of their life back. It's curious how many particulars and paradigms of the modern world we sometimes imagine to have been around since the dawn of man: sewerage; books; trade; capitalism. Most likely, anyone reading this column now didn't exist in any tangible form a century ago. Believe it or not, prior to the sixth century, Deddington itself had not even been conceived. So let us embrace change as the river embraces the current, while never blithely assuming the settling sediment has always just been there.

**Aaron Bliss**

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## **Deddington Health Centre**

### **2016 Flu Clinics**

**FLU VACCINATION SEASON IS HERE**

**Saturday morning flu clinics on the following dates:  
1st, 8th and 15th October and 12th November**

**Weekday clinics from Monday 26th September**

**The clinics will run throughout  
September, October, November and December**

**Those who are eligible for flu vaccination at  
Deddington Health Centre:**

- Children aged 2, 3 or 4 on 31st August 2016
- Anyone 65 years old and over on 31st March 2017
- Anyone with a long-term condition: asthma (if on a steroid inhaler), COPD, diabetes, heart disease, chronic kidney or liver disease, neurological disease
- Anyone who has an organ transplant, or is on immunosuppression drugs or on chemotherapy
- Anyone who has had a stroke
- Carers
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## NAMES AND NATIONS IN BRITAIN

There was a famous naturalist called Peter Scott, son of Captain Scott of South Pole fame. However, despite their surnames, as far as I know, they were English, not Scottish. Nothing surprising about that, you may say, but of course the name was probably originally given to Scottish people who had come to England. It is still a common name in the Border region, where it must have been used frequently in the past to distinguish national allegiances. It's a bit more surprising to find people in England who have the surname 'English' since almost everyone around them is also English. However, when you remember that there have been other languages widely used in England – particularly Old Norse and Norman French – you can understand the phenomenon a bit better. The Normans, for instance, seem to have looked down on any Englishman in their immediate surroundings and used the name almost as a term of abuse. As for 'Welsh' as a surname, that is a different, and more interesting, story.

When the Anglo-Saxons first settled in Britain they came in contact with people who were already resident here and they called them 'Welsh' (Old English *waelisc*), which simply meant 'foreign', presumably because they spoke a different language. So, if your name is Welsh, Welch or Walsh, you have a remote ancestor whom the Anglo-Saxons called Welsh. So too if your name is Wallis or Wallace. The great, but rather bloodthirsty, Scottish patriot, William Wallace was descended from the Welsh-speaking natives of the Scottish lowlands (to represent him in a tartan kilt is ridiculous – they didn't like Highlanders). Names like Britain or Brittain (spelt in various ways) can also commemorate the Celtic British, but sometimes the Bretons of Brittany, some of whom settled in the eastern counties. Brittany was of course 'Little Britain' as opposed to 'Great Britain', but their language was so similar to Welsh that the early English also called them Welsh sometimes. Anyway, it's of interest to note that 'Gael' in the word 'Gaelic', like 'Welsh', also meant 'foreigner'; the element 'gal-' occurs in place-names throughout Europe, eg Galicia in Spain, but also as far east as Turkey – the Galatians to whom St Paul preached must have originally been 'foreigners' to someone. Indeed, even the word for the Celts also meant 'foreigners'; it was originally the Greek *Keltaí*, which was used to describe people who were not Greeks – ie 'foreigners'.

As for the Welsh themselves, obviously they did not call themselves foreigners: it was the Anglo-Saxons who were really the foreigners, but the Welsh politely called them 'Saxon' (*Saesneg* – compare the Scots Gaelic *Sassenach*). The Welsh word *Cymru*, 'Wales', is connected with Latin words meaning roughly 'comrade' or 'ally', and is evident in the Latinised 'Cambria' and 'Cumbria'. The Welsh language was very widely established in western Britain as far north as Glasgow, so clearly it wasn't actually 'foreign'.

**Jim Milroy 01869 337614**

## DEDDINGTON 150 YEARS AGO

The following are extracts from the diaries of the Rev. Cotton Risley for the month of October 1866:

**8th October** – Visited the timber yard, wrote to Jordan to come and brew. I walked up to the allotments where the men were gathering up our potatoes which were very badly diseased.

**10th October** – The gas man called and I paid my quarter's bill for gas, paid my Poor Rate at 6d. in the £, and my last coal bill.

**14th October** – Heard from Holford again, telegraphed him to say I would be in London by the 11.30 train.

**19th October** – Inspected the Church now under complete restoration – the chancel wholly rebuilt.

**25th October** – I walked up to the Church, they were proceeding with the demolition of the South Porch and had found relics of the old one.

**27th October** – John came this evening, without notice, most glad to see him.

**29th October** – The opening day of the Heythrop Hunt, whither Holford went.

**Buffy Heywood**

## NEWS FROM HEMPTON

Many thanks and well done to everyone involved with the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Ride and Stride on Saturday 10 September: our three riders who braved the weather and all the volunteers in the church who welcomed people from other areas and offered our top of the range refreshments. Thanks go to Pam Dodd for coordinating the day. St John's had 64 visitors on the day which was about 30 down on last year but very good considering the disappointing weather. Sponsorship money raised will be known later during October.

The harvest service will be Sunday 2 October at 9.00am as part of the Holy Communion service. Gifts of non-perishable items such as tinned and dried foods will be welcome and can be left at the church at any time. Following the service these will be donated to the local food bank.

The Christmas Bazaar this year is scheduled for Saturday 3 December from 11.00am but someone is urgently needed to take over the organising and running of it. You would get help from the existing committee who run stalls, but someone to take charge and come up with new ideas would be good. Time is running short so we need to act quite quickly.

The Old School Room is always available to hire and is ideal for birthday parties, meetings etc. Rates are very reasonable at £4 per hour. The only long-standing booking I have is every Saturday morning, otherwise it is available most of the time. Please give me a call if you wish to use it. Also any items of interest for future issues of this column would be welcome.

We are all concerned about speeding through the village. Jonathan Watts would like help with speed-watch sessions. Please contact him on 01869 337135 or [wattsfamily1997@gmail.com](mailto:wattsfamily1997@gmail.com) if you can help.

**Les Chappell 01869 338054**

## CALLING ALL CLUBS

### Book Club

In July we read *The Tiger in the Smoke* by Margery Allingham. This atmospheric and menacing murder mystery, set just after WW2, was enjoyed by everyone. With some wonderful characters and an almost Dickensian feel to it, it portrays a dark, gloomy, post-war London very well. Highly recommended if you enjoy a thriller.

This month we are reading *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown and we will be meeting on 27 October.

**Sally Lambert 01869 338094**

### Deddington Town Football Club

#### First Team results:

03.09.16	Croughton (a)	L 0–4
10.09.16	Hornton (h)	W 5–1 Kaye (Jordan) (3), Thornton (Joe), Cook

#### Reserve Team results:

03.09.16	Finmere (h)	W 3–2
10.09.16	Chasewell Park (a)	L 0–5

As is customary, both teams have not so much hit the ground running as hit the ground face-first, with a slight recovery. Home comforts were strong, as both sides played up in front of their adoring fans, while having their backsides handed to them away.

It was a case of down with the Crough-n, up with the Horn for the Firsts (it nearly worked), as Croughton handed out an opening day drubbing, only for Jordan Kaye's hat-trick to seal a drubbing of our own on poor old Hornton.

Meanwhile, the Reserves, who bizarrely maintained their place in Division One, I assume from other teams becoming defunct, have started a tad rustily, seeing off Finmere as tradition dictates, but succumbing brutally to Chasewell, who they clearly didn't ... chase well. I'll go home now.

Don't forget to check out [www.deddingtontownfc.com](http://www.deddingtontownfc.com) for more match reports and stats.

**Aaron Bliss 07909 642882**

### Youth Section

The Under 16s, playing in the Midland Junior Premier league, had a narrow 2–3 home defeat to Leicester Road. In the Witney and District Youth Football League, the U15s, playing in the A League, were involved in an entertaining game with Hook Norton. After leading 4–3 at half-time, they ended up losing the match 5–9. The Under 13s, playing in the C League, had an emphatic 10–2 win against Yarnton Blues – Sam Godfrey scored four goals and Josh Silvester scored a hat-trick. The Under 12s enjoyed an entertaining 4–4 draw against Stonesfield Strikers.

#### Assistant Club Secretary

We are seeking an Assistant Club Secretary to help the current Club Secretary with the running of the Youth Section of the club. Duties would involve supporting

the Club Secretary by liaising with the league, club managers and coaches, and performing administrative tasks to enable the successful running of the club. Full training would be provided. If you are interested or would like more information please email [martin.hovard@btinternet.com](mailto:martin.hovard@btinternet.com) or [deddingtontownfootballclub@gmail.com](mailto:deddingtontownfootballclub@gmail.com).

#### Deddington Town FC club web shop

We now have a dedicated online club web shop. If you want to purchase any branded Nike kit then go to <http://www.clubwebshop.com/a-z/clubs/deddingtontownfc/>. This is a great time to buy training wear, club wear and plenty more for the season ahead. Happy shopping.

#### Sponsorship opportunities

We have opportunities for individuals or local businesses to become club sponsors. If you would like to help your local team and get some profile for your business for the next 2–3 seasons, then get in touch with Roger Sykes.

If you want to get involved with the club as player, volunteer, sponsor or fundraiser, please do not hesitate to get in touch. Further information about the club is on our website – <http://www.deddingtontownfc.com/> or visit us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/DeddingtonTownFc>.

**Roger Sykes**

**Development Officer and U7/U6 Coach**

**01869 337034**

### Deddington Players

Auditions for actors will be held at 2.00pm on Sunday 16 October at the Windmill Centre. Look out for posters around the village with details or contact us. Performances will be 19–21 January 2017.

This season's pantomime will be *Aladdin* and planning is already underway. We are looking for:

An adult to be a trainee in sound and lighting for this season and head of sound and lighting next season when our current incumbent will step down;

Volunteers to be part of our band, particularly drums, percussion and guitar;

Head of costumes, which involves co-ordination of costumes rather than sewing them;

Head of make-up and/or volunteers to help with make-up;

Head of props.

Get in touch if you would like to volunteer for any of the above or get involved in the pantomime.

**Suzie Upson**

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**07717 205051 or 01869 337095**

### Deddington Bookworms

*A Week in December* by Sebastian Faulks tracks seven days in the lives of seven Londoners shortly before Christmas 2007: a hedge fund manager trying to bring off the biggest trade of his career; a profes-

## CALLING MORE CLUBS

sional footballer recently arrived from Poland; a young lawyer with little work and too much time on his hands; a student who has been led astray by Islamist theory; a book reviewer; a schoolboy hooked on drugs and reality TV; and a tube train driver whose Circle Line train joins these and countless other lives together in a daily loop.

The group felt this was a well-written book which really picks up pace as you start to learn more about the characters and how their lives entwine, although you do find yourself having to go back to read some of the chapters again as there is a lot going on.

The group scored the book 7 out of 10 – a few members said they would like to read the book again.

**Deddington Library**  
01869 338391

### Photographic Society

In September, member Andreas Klatt ARPS, gave a presentation on two of his recent travels, to Sri Lanka in 2015 and, earlier this year, to India. Andreas is also the organiser of the Royal Photographic Society's Roll-right Visual Art Group, so members were anticipating an evening of very interesting photographs. They were not disappointed.

Starting with Sri Lanka, Andreas took his audience from Negombo to the World Heritage Site of Anuradhapura, the sacred city that has lain untouched in the jungle since it was abandoned in 993, before visiting the rock fortress in the jungle at Sigiriya, the gardens of Polonnaruwa, and the monastic caves at Dambulla. Then further south to World's End at the edge of Horton Plains National Park before concluding in the bustling energy of Colombo.

The itinerary for Rajasthan, India, embraced the 17th century hilltop Amber Fort near Jaipur, the fortified city of Nagaur, the 12th century desert citadel of Jaisalmer (Golden Fort) in the Thar Desert, down to Jodhpur and Udaipur via the Jain temple complex near Ranakpur, before finishing in the cities of Old and New Delhi.

The photographs included temple architecture and carvings, wildlife, native fauna, some stunning sunsets, and many portraits of individuals and street life, for which this part of the world is so well-known. This was a most absorbing photographic insight into the sub-continent.

The Society will hold its annual photographic exhibition in the Living Room of the Parish Church on Saturday 22 October, 9.00am–1.30pm, at the same time as the farmers' market. Admission is free and all are welcome.

The next club night is on 2 November when Viveca Koh will give a presentation on 'Urban Exploration to Fine Art: A Photographic Journey'. Member Simon Lutter will lead the 16 November workshop on 'Camera Controls, Light Sensitivity and White Balance'. All

meetings are held in the Cartwright Hotel, Aynho, at 7.30pm. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

**Richard Broadbent**  
[www.addphoto.co.uk](http://www.addphoto.co.uk)

### Deddington Ladies Netball Club

The club has welcomed lots of new members after the August break which is great. If you have been thinking about it, why not give it go? We welcome new members of all abilities and experience to our fun, friendly club.

We meet on Wednesdays 6.30–7.30pm at the Windmill Centre All Weather Court, £3 per person per session.

We would also love to hear from any netball coaches who could attend some sessions to help us improve our skills and knowledge of the game.

Contact me or take a look at our Deddington Ladies Netball Club Facebook page.

**Suzie Upson**  
[suzieupson@mac.com](mailto:suzieupson@mac.com)

### 1st Deddington Scout Group

#### Cubs

We are just two weeks into the autumn term and already the Cubs have produced postcards depicting their summer holidays and have painted 'Promise Pebbles' to remind them of their Cub Scout Promise and Law.

Barney, who is helping at Cubs, told them all about his trip to Iceland with Scouts in the summer.

We invested Charlie, Matthew and Jack. They looked very smart and quite pleased with themselves.

**Jo Churchyard**  
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#### Scouts

What a shock we had on our first night back, 29 Scouts. And what a noisy bunch they are. We started off with a games evening which ended up with them sitting on each others' laps – you needed to be there.

For our first topic, preparing a two-course meal, we have added a twist. It has to be prepared in mugs using a microwave. Each patrol has chosen a main course and dessert which has to be cooked, presented and served to a brave volunteer. Results and hospital report next time.

**Pete Churchyard**  
[pete.churchyard@btinternet.com](mailto:pete.churchyard@btinternet.com)

#### Spartans Explorer Scout Unit

We're back with lots of plans for our upcoming camping trip by the Thames which we are all looking forward to, and a meeting to be held at the campsite at Horley. What a great way to start the new year.

**Oli Betteridge SEU**  
**Contact Janet Duxbury**  
01608 737959

## ... AND FINALLY

### 1st Deddington Boys' Brigade

The new session started with some really good weather which allowed the Anchors and Juniors to have a whole session outdoors at our first meeting. We've had fun looking at the Olympics in our opening meeting but in October we are planning to spend some time looking at food. There are also plans to celebrate National Chocolate Week in the Juniors and Company sections.

We still have some space in our Junior and Company sections so if anyone is interested in joining us please give me a ring.

With the new term come Battalion competitions; dates are:

Saturday 15 October – Juniors 10-Pin Bowling at Banbury;

Anchors Colouring competition – entries to be received by 5 December;

Company Masterteam and table tennis – we are entering via the national competition route so watch this space.

Don't forget you can follow 1st Deddington BB on Twitter.

**Jen Childs, Leader**  
**07774 608715**

### 1st Deddington Guides

Stream walking on the last meeting of the summer term was great fun. The weather was beautifully warm and sunny, the Guides got soaked but enjoyed every minute of the adventure. It's always a favourite annual event.

Summer camp this year was also blessed with sunshine. It was on a lovely site at Shutford. We cooked all our meals on open wood fires, pork stir fry, chicken casserole, even steamed chocolate pudding. Catering for 23 Guides and various leaders is no mean feat. We enjoyed various adventures and activities, including collecting firewood, swimming in a heated swimming-pool, learning knots and lashing for pioneering skills, enough to build catapults to fire wet teabags at each other with amazing accuracy.

One morning we got up at 4.00am and hiked to a nearby hill to a stunning sunrise, then it was back to the camp for bacon butties and back to bed for those still in shock from the early start.

Four Guides gained their advance camper badge, while others gained their campers badge. The Guides built their own shelters, quite an achievement for 11 and 12 year olds. Unfortunately it rained and some very bedraggled survivors joined the other Guides in the marquee at 4.00am. Now we're off again for the autumn term, making the best of the light. We had fun toasting marshmallows over open fires while some older Guides learned about Trangia stoves.

**Maggie Rampley 01295 810069**

**Marion Trinder 01869340806**

**Catherine Blackburn**

### Deddington and District History Society

Our speaker in September was Dr Barrie Trinder, the distinguished historian of the Industrial Revolution who is also a native Banburian and the author of the standard work on Victorian Banbury. His talk was devoted to Banbury industries from 1700 to 1960. Initially Banbury was known for weaving (plush) and as a marketing centre. The coming of the Oxford Canal in 1780 transformed the town with the arrival of cheap coal and Banbury became an important manufacturing centre, especially for agricultural machinery. The town was also a notable place for brewing, especially at the late lamented Hunt Edmunds Brewery. In the 20th century Banbury was perhaps best known for its World War I shell-filling factory. In the Second World War the Alcan factory played an important role in the manufacture of aircraft parts. Banbury flourished as a railway hub later than is usually thought, in the 20th century rather than the 19th, but important it undoubtedly was. Barrie's talk was a tour-de-force, combining remarkably detailed knowledge with fascinating insights.

Our next event, at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12 October, will see the return of the ever-popular Deborah Hayter, speaking on the transformation of Oxfordshire (Deddington not least) brought about by enclosure of the old open fields in the 18th and 19th centuries.

**Chris Day (Chairman) 01869 337204**  
**Moir Byast (Secretary) 01869 338637**

### Congratulations Maggie

DN wishes Maggie Rampley slightly belated congratulations for completing 40 years' service to the Guide movement. Vivien Pleydell-Bouverie presented Maggie with a special award earlier in the summer.



## Neighbourhood Plan The Waiting Game

It's been a long time coming but the Neighbourhood Plan steering group is almost at the point of producing a plan, complete with parish profile, policies and all the rest of the paperwork bureaucracy requires. But for the moment our hands are tied – we're waiting for Cherwell District Council to publish two key documents.

The first is basically a list of sites throughout the district that are available for housing development. In local government-speak, it's the updated Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment or SHLAA. The public, landowners, house-builders and other interested parties were invited to suggest possible sites for new housing by a deadline of June this year. These proposals are vetted, then assembled, and should be published soon.

The last SHLAA produced in October 2013 identified only one site in Deddington. There may be a few more on the updated version.

The second document is Cherwell's Local Plan part 2 which may give a clear idea of how many new homes Deddington will be expected to accommodate over the next 15 years – and may even suggest where they could be built.

Either document could mean we'll have to make changes to our Neighbourhood Plan. For, of course, figures are juggled all the time – most recently the

number of homes Cherwell will be required to build to accommodate the overspill from Oxford.

On the one hand, Oxford has ambitious plans for expansion in the 'knowledge industry', on the other hand the city is deemed to have no space to house all the anticipated new employees. The number of new homes needed for the overflow of workers and their families in the rest of the county is estimated at 15,000 – and in January the share for Cherwell District was mooted as 3,500. Now that's gone up to 4,400.

In March, the Neighbourhood Plan steering group pointed out that scattering commuters all over the county would mean more traffic congestion and pollution and suggested it might be better to build homes nearer the workplaces, even if it meant encroaching on the Oxford Green Belt. Well, the Oxfordshire Growth Board, the inelegantly named coalition of the various local authorities and others concerned, ignored all that – and indeed upped Cherwell's quota.

One day we'll see whether this predicted employment boom for boffins materialises in Oxford. Even if it's a fantasy, there's no denying the need for homes.

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## Musical Notes

This October we have on offer in Deddington Church an exciting mix of orchestral, chamber and choral music. Take your choice, but do try to get to at least one.

On Saturday 8 October at 7.45pm Peter Nall directs the A440 String Orchestra in works, by Janacek, Elgar and Svendsen. Leos Janáček's *Idyll*, written when he was 24, shows the young composer using influences from the past to build his own style. The *Idyll* appears in the last of the seven movements. Elgar's Introduction and Allegro, opens with a fanfare which leads on to solo instruments singing out above the orchestra. In the Allegro, which includes what Elgar called 'a devil of a fugue', the music builds up to a triumphant finale. Norwegian composer Johan Svendsen was born in 1840 and, as well as being a conductor and violinist, found time to compose, including these Swedish Folk Melodies for String Orchestra.

On the following evening, Sunday 9 October at 6.00pm (note this change of time), the outstanding professional Chamber Music group, the Adderbury Ensemble, directed by Martyn Jackson, performs two quintets. The first, a String Quintet by Dvorak uses two violas. He composed it when he was in Spillville, Iowa, USA, in 1893. It finely intertwines the atmosphere of Dvořák's Bohemian background with new American inspirations. The second is composer Robert Schumann's Piano Quintet with the ever-popular Viv McLean at the piano. Composed in 1842 its extro-

verted, exuberant character has made it one of his most popular and finest works.

Then on Saturday 15 October at 7:30pm, conductor Sarah Tenant Flowers, leads the North Cotswold Chamber Choir in *The Passing of the Year* by Jonathan Dove. You may not have come across this applauded contemporary composer but his music has filled opera houses and delighted audiences of all ages on five continents. Few, if any, contemporary composers have been so successful in creating wonder and enriching people's lives. The seven poems that Dove set which cover the times of spring, summer and autumn, come from the pens of William Blake, Emily Dickinson, George Peele, Thomas Nash, and Tennyson. Dove's music reflects the words perfectly and I know the conductor, choir and pianist are looking forward to performing it.

And if anyone is looking for even more, why not dip into the Oxford Lieder Festival. Starting on 21 October, internationally renowned singers, bright new-comers, and accompanists, will be performing, morning, afternoon and evening. Tickets are going fast already but it is worth taking a look at the Festival website.

For comments and to order a reminder email, contact me.

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## MATTHEW'S MOTOR SHOW (DEDDINGTON FERRARI INVASION)

Two months ago I learnt that my neighbour's son, Matthew, had been diagnosed with leukaemia. I immediately knew I needed to do something that Matthew would never forget and exotic cars were to be central to the theme.

Why not create Matthew's own motor show and bring some of the best cars in the world right to his doorstep? Not just to look at but to feel, hear and experience – and it would be pretty good to maintain the element of surprise.

I mentioned this to Richard and Ria (Matthew's parents), got the green light and made some phone calls to friends inside and outside the Ferrari Club to set the wheels in motion for what turned out to be an amazing day.

Liaising with Peter Michaluk, the Cotswolds regulars were quickly on board and I bolstered numbers with some close friends on both two and four wheels, resulting in a full 20 vehicle line-up.

Aside from the cars was the logistical problem of getting all the vehicles into Hudson Street both without Matthew seeing them arrive and clearing the street of all our normal hacks. To their credit all residents agreed to block park on the Saturday and vacate the street at a pre-arranged time on the Sunday morning.

Sunday loomed closer, the weather app said Saturday and Monday would be poor but Sunday was the best bet for the weekend – Alan, my chaplain neighbour, had had a word. (At this point, no one outside of the drivers and family knew this was happening as this needed to be totally personal to Matthew, so sleepy Deddington was in for a surprise.)

At 10.00am the Market Place rendezvous was awash with brightly coloured Ferraris and plenty of variation on 'rosso corsa'. At this point curtains started to twitch and people began to appear, wondering why all these beautiful cars were here – so much so that our local, the Unicorn Inn, opened its doors and became barista for all whilst I mustered the residents into moving en masse to let the Ferraris in.

We proceeded to fill the length of Hudson Street, adding classic Mustang, Lancia and vintage Jaguar models – 14 vehicles in total with one space reserved (with Ferrari cones, of course) for Richard's orange Hayabusa Westfield which had taken Matthew out on a cunning ruse for 30 minutes – during which Matthew was given his personal invite to the show that we had prepared.

Hudson Street looked amazing and, with drivers fuelled with freshly baked croissants and homemade

cakes (thank you to the Co-op and Rachel), Richard and Matthew drove in to a rousing round of applause. It is fair to say that Matthew found himself somewhat overwhelmed with such a spectacle at the beginning, so we allowed father and son to take it all in and look around the cars in their own time, before all owners took the time to show and explain their fabulous cars.

The full line up was Ferrari 328, 348, 360, 430, 458, 550 and 599 (eleven Ferraris in total), with two Lancias, Jaguar, Westfield, Ducati and Suzuki.

Fellow residents delighted in both the spectacle and refreshments, enjoying an hour of pure bliss. Every phone and camera was snapping with text messages urging friends to get to Hudson Street as there was something afoot.

As the church clock struck 12, all gathered to the garage café, flanked by Lancia Integrale and MGC Sebring, for a short presentation of a Ferrari Owners Club goody bag (courtesy of Sarah and Gary), Ferrari books and cap (Dave, Crispian and Richard), a tour of the Renault F1 facility, including the current race cars, for the whole family (Pete West), and a bottle of wine for our tireless area co-ordinator, Peter.

Matthew chose Richard's modified 599 for his drive to The Masons Arms for Sunday lunch, so we fired up the cars and started to proceed away from Hudson Street to the Market Place, to be greeted by a throng of excited villagers recording our every move. Not to disappoint, Andy graced us with several burnouts in the Mustang and

every car blipped the right pedal to beyond 5000rpm to get that distinctive wail bouncing off the walls.

Richard, Ria, Matthew and brother Ollie joined us for Sunday roast to round off a spectacular day. It couldn't have gone better, we couldn't have had nicer people or cars and our reception couldn't have been warmer. Every visitor was amazed by the spectacle, how it had been kept so secret, and by our total passion for our cars. As Ferrari ambassadors we passed with flying colours. I have truly lost count of the number of thank yous I have received – Sharon posted a small selection of the hundreds of photos I have been sent on Facebook. When I drove Matthew back from lunch he told me he would remember this day for the rest of his life. I know I and a lot of others will never forget it – Matthew, it was a total pleasure and we salute your bravery.

If you would like to see or have some photos, please drop a memory stick into me at The Cyclogical Shop and I will upload them for you.

**James Greenwood**



## Friends of Deddington Library

We are excited to announce that our 2017 Parish Calendar is now on sale. A launch event was held on Friday 23 September at the library for the photographic competition winners and sponsors, at which the calendar was revealed for the first time. The winners in each of the four photographic categories were presented with a large canvas print of their entry and the remaining commended entrants and sponsors were presented with a complimentary calendar. It was a lovely evening, much enjoyed by everyone.

We had a fantastic response to the photo competition and received some excellent entries; it was extremely difficult to choose the final 12 images but we hope you'll agree they are stunning. We are grateful to all the entrants and hope you'll continue shooting images of our wonderful parish and countryside for entry in next year's competition.

We are also extremely grateful for such a positive response from the sponsors we approached; the parish businesses have really been behind this initiative. We sincerely hope they are as pleased with the results as we are.

We ran a busy farmers' market stall at the 24 September at which we promoted and sold the calendar. The take-up was exceptionally good but then it is an exceptionally good product, even if we do say so ourselves. The 2017 Parish Calendar will continue to be on sale at the library and at the October and November farmers' markets. Reserve yours by emailing [books@deddingtonlibrary.org](mailto:books@deddingtonlibrary.org), phoning the library on 01869 338391 or just calling in and picking one up.

**Bryn Williams**

## PTA

I would like to offer a warm welcome and advance thanks to our new committee, elected on 19 September, and our registered helpers too. We look forward to working together to raise money for the school. If you would like to know more or join our merry band, please contact me on [deddingtonpta@gmail.com](mailto:deddingtonpta@gmail.com).

This is the first time that we are running a joint fundraising event with the Friends of Deddington Church and together we are putting on a Harvest Ceilidh at the church in Deddington. It is a family event with a professional ceilidh band, licensed bar and buffet food. We hope to see you there on 1 October from 6.00pm (food to be served from 7.00pm).

We are looking forward to seeing you at our annual Fireworks Night on 4 November, offering fireworks, barbecue, licensed bar, glow product and tuck shop. Please keep your eyes open for more information nearer the time.

I would like to take the opportunity on behalf of the committee and the school to thank you all for your continued support.

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## DEDDINGTON LIBRARY

The 'Big Friendly Read' was much enjoyed throughout the summer. We have been fortunate to have Anna helping us again this year; Anna kindly volunteered on Thursday afternoons throughout the summer to read and do craft activities with the children, thank you Anna. Those who finished the six book challenge should receive their medals and certificates soon at assembly if they attend Deddington Primary School or from the library, if not.

Rhymetimes for Under 5s and families are going really well, every Monday from 2.30pm in the library. Grateful thanks to all the volunteers for supporting this. Do join us, it's good fun.

The Home Library Service (HLS) is going from strength to strength. We now have seven HLS volunteers working from Deddington library. The HLS is a completely free service and delivers books and audio books to the housebound and elderly in our parish and many surrounding villages. Our fabulous team of volunteers are fully trained, DBS checked and will deliver books to your door every three weeks. If you, or anyone you know, would like more details about the service, please get in touch.

Not only is this a great service to provide to the parish and surrounding villages, but it is a huge plus for Deddington library. It keeps us relevant and viable in the community and the additional books issued add to our statistics and value, so a win-win really. You get a great service and we get more book issues.

This is also an opportune moment to remind you that the library has DVDs and audio books for hire. The collections are regularly refreshed with some of the latest titles. Anything we don't have we can order from any other library in the county for a small fee. We also have free WiFi so bring along your iPads and go online here, with free computer use, as well as free access to Ancestry online, Find my Past and a wealth of other research websites.

We look forward to seeing you soon in the library.

**Stella O'Neill**  
**Library Manager**

**Friends of Adderbury Library** have another event this month: Meet the Author – Bruce Duncan on 28 October, 7.00 for 7.30pm in Adderbury Library. Tickets £8 to include a glass of wine.

## Home Library Service

A former Oxfordshire librarian has rekindled her love of books, thanks to a voluntary service bringing the joy of reading to those who can't access their local library.

Volunteers can organise drop-off times with the people they deliver to, making the role easy to fit around existing commitments. Expenses are paid and volunteers can do as many or as few journeys as they wish.

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