

St Andrew's Hagbourne

# **PARISH MAGAZINE**

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***News, Views and Information for everyone in the Hagbournes***

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# ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, HAGBOURNE

The United Benefice of Blewbury, East and West Hagbourne and Upton together with Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, North Moreton and South Moreton.



## Rector's Reflections Beside the Seaside

I wonder if you have any summer holidays planned for this year? If so, I wonder whether you will be spending time at the seaside? Or perhaps even spending some time at sea?

The Second Sunday in July is traditionally designated Sea Sunday, a day to celebrate the role that seafarers play in our daily lives. Over 90 per cent of world trade is carried by sea, and there are some 1.5 million seafarers around the world. Sometimes, life can be very hard for seafarers, and they can suffer from poor working conditions.

There has been a long tradition of Christian ministry to seafarers.

One of the major charities working in this area is The Mission to Seafarers. Do have a look at their website: <http://www.missiontoseafarers.org>. This charity was founded back in the 19th century, and it currently provides welfare services in 200 ports around the world. They provide support to seafarers "regardless of rank, nationality, gender or religion".

I had the joy of experiencing their ministry at first hand when I worked for a while as part of their chaplaincy team in the New York area. On one occasion I remember welcoming a crew from mainland China, who had come to the chaplaincy centre for some rest and recreation. Communication was challenging, as the crew spoke only Chinese! But this didn't matter, as the crew knew that they would be welcomed and cared for at the chaplaincy centre. We helped crew members make money transfers to their families back home, and together we sat down and watched an adventure film on the TV. The crew was only with us for a few hours, but it was a joy to be able to share hospitality with them even for such a brief period. Our visitors knew that the Mission to Seafarers could be trusted to put their interests first. The Mission would not discriminate against them on the basis of their nationality or language. Furthermore, the Mission would not seek to exploit them, financially or in any other way.

Seafarers often have a hard life. Yet we depend upon them for much of the food we eat and the products we consume. I wonder how we might help to make their lives a little easier?

Father Jason

### The Churn Mothers' Union

## Annual Teddy Bears Picnic

**4th August at 12noon**

**In the garden at Lynchets, Bessels Way, Blewbury.**

Please bring a rug/chair and a picnic plus teddy bear.  
We welcome all children and any mums, dads, friends,  
grandparents and carers.

Soft drinks and ice-creams will be provided.



# CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR JULY 2021

The Intentions this month are for all who live in East Hagbourne

## **JULY 2021**

1 Thursday  
2 Friday  
3 Saturday

**S. Thomas Apostle**

8pm Compline  
8pm Compline

## **Prayer Focus:**

Shoe Lane H  
St Anne's Court H  
For those who doubt

## **4 +Sunday THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B  
9.30am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U  
10.30am Online Benefice Eucharist Service  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*Children & Sunday  
Schools.*

5 Monday

8pm Compline

St Hilda's Close H

6 Tuesday

8pm Compline

St Hugh's Rise H

7 Wednesday 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H

12pm Pre-School Praise: St Michael's B

8pm Compline

Stonesfield H

8 Thursday

8pm Compline

The Crescent H

9 Friday

8pm Compline

The Croft H

10 Saturday

Upper Cross Lane H

## **11 +Sunday THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's B  
10.30am Parish Service: St John the Baptist SM  
10.30am Online Benefice Service  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*Those recently  
baptised and baptism  
visitors.*

12 Monday

8pm Compline

Viking Drive H

13 Tuesday

8pm Compline

Wilcher Close H

14 Weds

10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H

8pm Compline

Windsor Crescent H

15 Thursday S. Swithun Bishop

8pm Compline

Bakers Lane H

10am Mothers' Union Eucharist: St Michael's B

16 Friday

S. Osmund Bishop

8pm Compline

Bishops Orchard H

17 Saturday

Blewbury Road H

## **18 +Sunday THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT  
10.30am Online Benefice Eucharist Service  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*CYGnets group and  
teenagers.*

19 Monday

8pm Compline

Church Close H

20 Tuesday

8pm Compline

Coscote H

21 Weds

10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H

8pm Compline

Cromwell Drive H

22 Thursday

**S. Mary Magdalene**

8pm Compline

Penitents

23 Friday

8pm Compline

Fieldside H

24 Saturday

Great Mead H

## **25 +Sunday JAMES THE APOSTLE**

10.30am Parish Service: St Andrew's H  
10.30am Online Benefice Service  
3pm Evensong: St Michael's B  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*Our worship,  
musicians, organists  
and choirs.*

26 Monday

Ss. Anne & Joachim Parents of BVM 8pm Compline

Grandparents

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## CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR JULY 2021 continued

27 Tuesday		8pm Compline	Harwood Road H
28 Weds	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	Higgs Close H
29 Thursday		8pm Compline	Kingsholm Close H
30 Friday		8pm Compline	Lake Road H
31 Saturday	S. Ignatius of Loyola		Little Langlands H

## CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR AUGUST 2021

The Intentions this month are for all who live in the Astons and Upton

### **1 + Sunday THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B  
9.30am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U  
10.30am Online Benefice Eucharist Service  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*Weddings and God's blessing on new and existing marriages.*

2 Monday		8pm Compline	Spring Lane A
3 Tuesday		8pm Compline	The Close A
4 Weds	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's Hagbourne 12pm Teddy Bears Picnic: Lynchets, Bessels Way B	8pm Compline	The Croft A
5 Thursday	S. Oswald Martyr	8pm Compline	Thorpe Street A
6 Friday	<b>Transfiguration of Our Lord</b>	8pm Compline	Christ in Glory
7 Saturday			Aldens Lane U

### **8 + Sunday THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's B  
10.30am Online Benefice Service  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*Churchwardens, fabric and churchyards.  
Church cleaners.*

9 Monday		8pm Compline	Alexander Close U
10 Tuesday		8pm Compline	Beeching Close U
11 Wednesday	S. Clare of Assisi 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	Poor Clare's
12 Thursday		8pm Compline	Chilton Road U
13 Friday		8pm Compline	Church Corner U
14 Saturday			Church Street U

### **15 + Sunday THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT  
10.30am Online Benefice Eucharist Service  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*Families, pram service, family services and Mothers' Union.*

16 Monday		8pm Compline	Fieldside U
17 Tuesday		8pm Compline	High Street U
18 Weds	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline	Newmans Close U
19 Thursday	10am Mothers' Union Eucharist: St Michael's B	8pm Compline	Orchard Close U
20 Friday	S. Bernard Abbot	8pm Compline	Religious Communities
21 Saturday			Pound Lane U

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## **CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR AUGUST 2021 continued**

### **22 + Sunday THE TWELTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

10.30am Parish Service: St Andrew's H  
10.30am Online Benefice Service  
3pm Evensong: St Michael's B  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*PCC's, all in leadership and our benefice administrator.*

23 Monday

24 Tuesday

**S. Bartholomew Apostle**

25 Weds

10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H

26 Thursday

27 Friday

S. Monica Mother of Augustine of Hippo

28 Saturday

S. Augustine of Hippo Bishop

8pm Compline

8pm Compline

8pm Compline

8pm Compline

8pm Compline

Prospect Rd U

Reading Rd U

Station Road U

Stream Road U

Aston Street A

Teachers of the Faith

### **29 + Sunday THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

10.30am Online Benefice Eucharist Service  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

*Clergy and all who preach and lead.*

30 Monday

31 Tuesday

S. Aidan Bishop

8pm Compline

8pm Compline

Baker Street A

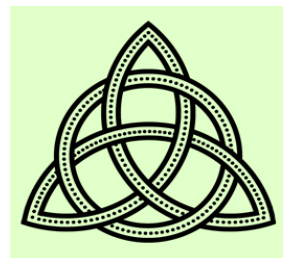
Chalk Hill A

## **Online Services**

**Sundays at 10.30am** login or connect at 10am to chat before the Service. **Weekday evenings** – Compline at 8pm.

You can join in using a computer, laptop, tablet, smart phone or landline. Please see the website or the Churn if you receive it for the Service access codes and full details of how to join each week.

<http://www.churnchurches.co.uk>



**Midweek Communion at St Andrew's** Midweek Communion will take place at St Andrew's on **Wednesdays at 10am**. St Andrew's will now be open **every day** from 10am for private prayer. Please sanitise hands and wear a face mask for the safety of others.

**Daily Reflections – Thought for the Day and Prayer** During the weekdays Fr Jason is writing a short reflection and prayer. It can be found on the [www.churnchurches.co.uk](http://www.churnchurches.co.uk) or please ring the Benefice Office on 01235 850267 or 07434 686044.

***During the current situation provisional bookings for Weddings, Baptisms etc. may be made by contacting the office via email. You can contact the clergy & staff on:***

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Elaine (Admin) 01235 850267, 07434 686044 or [office@churnchurches.co.uk](mailto:office@churnchurches.co.uk)

*Elaine is in the office from 9.30am to 12.30pm – Monday to Friday.*

**Please note:** all Services and Events are subject to last minute changes or cancellations if Government social restrictions change due to Covid 19.



## Wednesday 7th July Pre-School Praise



**Our MU Pram Service team invite families to this monthly event.**

12 noon on Wednesday, 7th July outside St Michael's Church, Blewbury; in the church if wet.

Please bring a rug and your lunch or order free HAPPY MEALS from

The Revd Louise Butler on 07837 009 730.

*Looking forward to seeing you*

### Scarecrow Trail – now until 11th July

Thank you to the 35 entrants to this year's Scarecrow Trail. Looking forward to seeing them scattered around East Hagbourne. Please see next page for details. Hagbourne Action Group.

**Annual Duck Race cancelled** The Duck Race which usually takes place in East Hagbourne in August has been cancelled this year (not all the ducks have had BOTH their jabs!) but it may resume again next year.

**Congratulations** Many congratulations to Bill and Heather Absolom who celebrate their 70th Wedding Anniversary on 21st July. Very best wishes to you both.

**Congratulations** Very best wishes to Jenny Balshaw and Andrew North who are to be married at St Andrew's on Sunday, 25th July. Jenny has been a committed member of St Andrew's for many years having been involved with Sunday School, the Youth Groups, Activities Saturdays - and much more! - and has been Churchwarden for several years. We wish Jenny and Andrew every happiness.

### Cygnets Group - Youth Ministry in the Benefice

A regular Sunday evening group usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month from 6.30-8.00 pm but this does vary depending on the activity. The Group is for all young people of secondary school age. *Coming to one session doesn't mean you have to come to all and you don't have to go to church to come along. Friends welcome.* For details email Lesley Botchway - [L.Botchway@outlook.com](mailto:L.Botchway@outlook.com).

### Baptisms in the Benefice

On 22nd May **Felix Harland** was Baptised at St John the Baptist South Moreton.

On 23rd May **India Morrison** was Baptised at St Michael's Blewbury.

On 29th May **Grace Dyer** was Baptised at St Andrew's Hagbourne.

### Weddings in the Benefice

On 8th May **Alistair Farmer & Naomi Turner** were married at St Andrew's Hagbourne.

On 28th May **Edward Reid & Lauren Higgins** were married at St Andrew's Hagbourne.

### Funerals in the Benefice

28th May at St Mary's Upton

John Abbott

Aged 73

12th June at St Andrew's Hagbourne

Roger Phipps

Aged 77

17th June at St Andrew's Hagbourne

Lesley Shaw

Aged 63

*May they rest in peace and rise in glory.*



*See The Scarecrows!!*

**East Hagbourne  
26 June - 11 July**

*"Going Green"*



Buy maps for £1.00  
from The Fleur and  
the Village Shop.

In Aid Of St. Anne's  
Hospital in Liuli,  
Tanzania

**Enjoy Tea and Home-made Cake outside the Church  
on Sundays 4th and 11th July from 3 – 5pm  
(Weather Permitting).**





**Tower Talk** We held a quarterly meeting of HSCR on Tuesday 1st June, online. There was a lot of discussion re: starting ringing practices again but many of the team felt it was too hot at this time of year to ring the bells for any length of time in a very warm tower, with masks on. We will continue to ring the bells for Services and Weddings especially as we can now ring six bells for up to 45 minutes.

The bells were rung on Friday 28th May for the wedding of Edward Reid and Lauren Higgins. We wish them every happiness in the future.

The bells have been rung regularly for Evensong on Sundays and up until recently we could just ring four bells. We have now been given permission to ring up to six bells for 45 minutes as long as we wear masks and the tower is well ventilated.



The bells were rung for the Confirmation Service on Sunday 13th June in the morning and again for Evensong at 17:30. We hope to ring the bells for the Morning Service on the fourth Sunday of the month in July, August and September at 10:00. The bells will continue to be rung for Evensong on Sundays. On Saturday 19th June a small group of us got together to give the tower a good late spring clean. It was nice to get together for a chat and a laugh (in masks) while tidying up the ringing room and cleaning the stairs. A good job done by all!

**Birthdays:** July 18th John Napper, August 28th Lynn Crawford.

**Dates for the Diary:** *Weddings scheduled at St Andrew on the following dates:*

Sunday 25th July at 10:30 (during the morning service), Saturday 7th August at (tbc), Thursday 12th August at 13:00, Monday 16th August at 12:00, Saturday 21st August at 13:00.

Shirley Goss.

## Summer Programme of Pilgrimages in the Wallingford Deanery

**Sundays 2pm – 5pm**

The first walk of the Pilgrim Paths Programme within the Wallingford deanery will take place on the **4th of July** and Bishop Gavin has agreed to join us.

The walk will start in Wallingford and continue along the Thames Path to Cholsey where we will stop for refreshments at St Mary's, Cholsey, thanks to Andrew Petit.

We will return alongside the old railway, the 'Bunk', back to Wallingford. Total distance is about 6 miles.

The walk will be under Covid-secure conditions

**Next Walk: 19th September  
Blewbury & Churn Hill**

**New!!**

**Summer Programme of Pilgrimages in the Wallingford Deanery**  
**Sundays 2pm - 5pm**

**FIRST ONE! DON'T MISS IT!**

**Covid-secure**

**4th July Wallingford & Cholsey 6 miles**

**4 churches**

**With Bishop Gavin**

**Start at St Peter's Church Wallingford OX10 0BH**  
**Pause for prayers & reflections en route.**  
**Rest with refreshments half-way at St Mary's Cholsey**  
**Terrain - roads, woods, fields, meadows, tracks**  
**For further info, incl map of car parks, contact Amy Smith**  
**[coachmakers@gmail.com](mailto:coachmakers@gmail.com)**

**\*\*\*\* NEXT WALK - 19 SEPT - Blewbury & Churn Hill 3 miles \*\*\*\***





## Summer Teas at St Andrew's Church, Hagbourne



There will be teas served at St Andrew's Church on **Sunday afternoons** during the Summer from **Sunday 18th July until Sunday 5th September**, inclusive, from **3:00 – 5:00**.

In the past the teas were run by various groups in the church and the village to raise funds for their projects. This year we are hoping that once again groups in church and the village may like to run one of the teas during the summer. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the church or you can contact me, Shirley Goss, on 01235 815605 or e-mail [shirley.goss@btinternet.com](mailto:shirley.goss@btinternet.com)

I can provide a covid compliant information sheet re: running the teas, and all you have to provide is the milk and cakes. You could use this opportunity to advertise your group or to sell produce and the money made can be retained by your group. We would just ask for a small donation for the use of the church and the tea, coffee and sugar. These were very popular so we hope you will be able support us again this year. **Shirley Goss**



**Hagbourne Pre-school in need of a Treasurer** As some of the existing committee members are soon to be moving on, Hagbourne Pre-school are looking for someone to join their lovely pre-school committee team as Treasurer starting September 2021. If you are interested or know someone locally who might be interested in volunteering and helping out our wonderful local village pre-school, please get in touch via [secretary@hagbournepreschool.org](mailto:secretary@hagbournepreschool.org)

**Places for September 2021** Hagbourne Pre-school still have a few places remaining for children wishing to join in September. If you would like more information please contact: [enquiries@hagbournepreschool.org](mailto:enquiries@hagbournepreschool.org).

**About Hagbourne Pre-school** We are a friendly village pre-school with charity status, based in East Hagbourne, near Didcot in Oxfordshire. Operating from the Village Hall, just across the road from Hagbourne School, we have been welcoming children since 1969. We are run by a team of passionate, highly experienced and qualified professional staff who operate alongside a volunteer management committee, made up mostly of our childrens parents. Our facilities include two rooms fully equipped with everything your child needs to learn, play and develop, a purpose built playground and our own allotment. At Hagbourne Pre-School, we have a well-planned and stimulating curriculum, based on the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) guidance, which supports the all-round development of your child and we pride ourselves on our OUTSTANDING OFSTED rating.

**Hagbourne School Leavers** We wish all those pupils who will be leaving Hagbourne School in July 'Happy Holidays' and very best wishes as they go on to their new schools in September.

## **Roger the Poet – 21st October 1943 to 23rd May 2021**

Roger Montgomery Phipps was born in the family home in Cowley, Oxford on 21st October 1943. His father was a grocer. Roger had one younger sister. He went to Temple Cowley School and was known as Monty (since he disliked the name Roger at the time). Most of the boys were encouraged to do subjects such as metalwork in preparation for jobs in the local car factory. But Roger was much more interested in the natural world and did an apprenticeship at Oxford Botanical Gardens.

Moving on a few years, Roger was head gardener on an estate at Chiselhampton. His brother-in-law taught him how to ride a moped to commute to his work.

For those of us who knew Roger, it's fair to say that he often struggled with his mental well-being throughout his life. He used gardening and poetry as both work and therapy and writing something was part of his daily routine. He became involved with a horticultural rehabilitation group for men from Littlemore hospital. He established a workshop and the gardening group which has gone from strength to strength. They cultivated part of the Elder Stubbs allotments in Oxford and grew their own produce. The Elder Stubbs Festival developed from this time and raises awareness of mental health issues in the community.

Roger was married to Nita and they lived in Aldworth. Although they later divorced, he still had fond memories of her.

Roger moved to East Hagbourne about 16 years ago with his King Charles spaniel "Buddy". Together they discovered the village, walking the footpaths and meeting the people. He felt he had "come home". Linda and Geoff first met him on his regular walks past our house (with Buddy) and then at a "clubs and activities" promotion in the Village Hall where we were representing the Folk music sessions at the Fleur de Lys pub. He really enjoyed the music and we encouraged him to come along. He started contributing with poetry reading and became a regular at both the folk sessions and the new pop night sessions.

Around 2013, Roger was registered partially sighted. This obviously affected what he could do but we were all relieved that his eye sight remained fairly stable and he did not lose his sight completely.

Roger was inspired by the annual village scarecrow trail. He discussed with Linda about having a permanent memorial trail once he had died. This would contain a few words of poetry at various places in the village. However Linda suggested he did it while he was alive and so The Poet's Trail and illustrated booklet was launched at the Village Hall in 2017. This project was a great boost for Roger and a lasting legacy to his memory.

A second Poet's trail book on the Four Seasons was produced during the first lockdown with contributions from local people. This provided a focus for Roger during the difficulties of the lockdown. We were fortunate to be able to launch this book in St Andrews after the first lockdown.

Roger wanted the Poets Trail project to continue beyond his lifetime and we are pleased there are plans to do just that.

He loved his garden which he developed into his own little haven. He could sit in the shade enclosed by a screen of mature shrubs or emerge into the sunshine surrounded by flowers. He grew a range of bright flowers plus some runner beans climbing up bamboo canes. He was a man close to the earth and the seasons and he found God the Creator in the little things of nature as well as in the big blue sky. Roger will continue to be remembered at future folk music sessions and of course through the Poets' Trail activities.

Roger's funeral was held at St Andrews on a glorious sunny day on 12th June 2021 led by Fr Jason. It was a wonderful celebration of poetry, folk music and hymns, read and performed by his friends.  
Linda Benton and Geoff Leaver.



# East Hagbourne Community Shop

find us on the East Hagbourne village website:

[www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net)

## **NEW Post Office Operating Hours**

Effective 9th July, the Post Office will re-open on Fridays, 9am – 12:30pm, so you can conveniently manage your post, withdraw cash, deposit cheques or cash, or pay bills.

No change to Shop hours.

**POST OFFICE - Monday to Saturday, 9am to 12:30pm.**

**SHOP - Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm and Saturday 9am to 12:30pm.**

**Summer Days** Stop in for cold drinks and ice lollies, salty snacks or fresh fruit, or pick-and-mix your favourite sweets to take along on your summer adventures!

## **Support Our Local Artists**

We're delighted to feature talented local artists and promote their unique creations across our community, including gorgeous greeting cards for any occasion from:

Lorraine Drewe, Sarah Pyne, Linda Benton, John Ainger and Stewart Granger; and books in a variety of genres to while away a summer's day, from Margaret Gallop, Yen Rickeard, Alison Lane, Rachel Waters. Stop in and support our local talent!

## **Delicious Homemade Cakes & Crumbles**

**Every Thursday**, our team of bakers whip up a delectable array of lemon drizzle loaves, Victoria sponges and other scrumptious cakes – perfect for the summer holidays. Or take home our famous homemade Rhubarb & Ginger crumbles – the perfect holiday treat!

**Marcopolo:** Be sure to pre-order Marcopolo's artisanal breads and savouries or delicious pastries **by 4pm Wednesdays**, either in the Shop or by email to [easthagbourneshop@btopenworld.com](mailto:easthagbourneshop@btopenworld.com), for pick up on Saturday from 9-12:30pm.

**Extra Veg?** Rhubarb, courgettes or lettuce overrunning your plot? We sell this low-food-mile produce to our local community, and the extra income helps keep our Shop thriving. Please drop extra fresh fruit or veg at the Shop. Many thanks to all our generous local gardeners for your support!



**Interested in working in the community?** We are seeking additional volunteers for a variety of roles: to work with customers, help with IT support, or to help us to keep the Shop tidy inside and out. DoE volunteers also welcome!  
Please contact Alice Smith by phone on 01235 813393, or text to 07474 937870 or by email to [smith@hagbourne.plus.com](mailto:smith@hagbourne.plus.com)



# HUGS - July and August News

## Hagbournes & Upton Group for Sustainability

### Wildlife Garden Competition

Thanks for all your fantastic entries! Here are some pictures of your amazing [wildlife gardens!](#)

**Verges** A recent study by the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology in Crowmarsh calls for the country's roadside verges to be managed for nature.



Robin

photo: John Napper

Nationwide, verges represent an area the size of Dorset. Given that an area of grass with just dandelions can support 93 species of insect, that represents a huge potential to support biodiversity. Verges are key for pollinators, who in turn feed birds and other animals. Since the 1930s we've lost 97% of our wildflower meadows in the UK. Verges could help towards reversing that trend. According to Trevor Dines of Plantlife, if all our verges were managed for nature there would be an incredible 418,99 billion more wildflowers in the country, that's 6.300 per person. How amazing would that be?!

Around our villages we do see some wildflowers in our long, grassy verges, which are part of the landscape here. It would be fantastic to be able to bring those beneficial nature networks further into our villages too. As long as road safety isn't compromised, and pavements are still clear, letting our verges grow and flourish is great for supporting biodiversity. There's also the benefit to the planet, of reduced use of petrol mowers and strimmers. How about putting a sign up outside your house to ask for 'no strimming please'?!

**Wildflower Meadow** The Hagbournes Cemetery Meadow gets a hay cut from Jeff Powell each summer (thanks Jeff!) when the seeds of the flower heads have dropped. It's an area that's been managed for 25 years and this year the meadow has had a good show of Ragged Robin, while 31+ Common Spotted/Southern Marsh Orchids are now in full flower, with plenty of purple Knapweed to come. Judging by the hidden flattened areas there are several deer bedding down in the meadow.

It would be fantastic to have some extra volunteers to help us to rake up the cut meadow this July. It's invigorating work in a beautiful setting with the chance to chat and stop for a cuppa too. Do let us know if you'd like to join us this year by emailing us at [hugsustainability@gmail.com](mailto:hugsustainability@gmail.com) We weed out any ragwort we see so it is safe to use for animal bedding if you want some - contact us to arrange collection as unobtrusively as possible.

**Owl Project** Owl boxes have been going up in each of the villages. And the Barn Owl monitoring season is now here so Lu is busy checking the nest boxes for activity. Busy and exciting times for the owls and for Lu! **Enjoy your summer and time outdoors in nature. Don't forget to use our [Wild Walk route](#) and seasonal guides!**

The HUGS team.

### St Andrew's Church cleaning rota

Please note that if you are on the cleaning rotas for July and August there will be Weddings at St Andrew's on Saturday 3rd July at 2.30pm, Saturday 7th August tbc, Thursday 12th August at 1pm, Monday 16th August at 12pm and Saturday 21st August at 1pm.

# Brilliant!

## OPEN GARDENS 2021: Sunshine, Flowers and an excellent Fundraiser for Charities

**After a worrying few months for our gardeners, as we saw unseasonably cold weather and rain, temperatures crept up in the weeks before Open Gardens to produce blue skies, high temperatures and blooming marvellous displays on the day for over 500 visitors to the village gardens, raising over £3,000 for the National Garden Scheme charities, whose core beneficiaries are Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice Care and the Queens Nursing Institute.**

Opening a garden involves a huge amount of commitment in terms of time and physical work, with eight gardens bravely stepping up to the mark this year: Bottom Barn, The Gables, Lime Tree Cottage, Buckels, and the Fieldside trio: Kingfisher House, Little Thatch and Yew Tree Cottage. The hugest thanks must go to all those who kindly opened their garden gates to share their passion for plants and gardening with so many visitors and for such excellent causes.

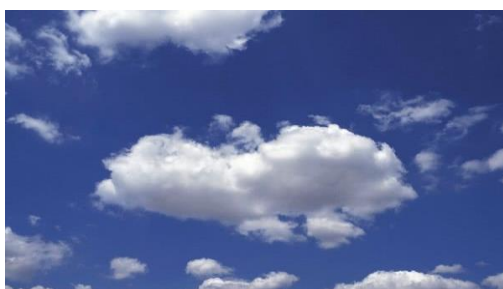
Due to the pandemic, visitors were able to buy tickets online for the first time, an Eventbrite link was set up, NGS card machines were in place and the Millars and Jenny Smith stepped up to the technological challenges, although many visitors still preferred to pay on arrival.

Visitors were clearly delighted to be in such a beautiful village and to visit such glorious gardens, admiring planting schemes, the contours of hedges, the construction of ponds, enthusiastically enquiring about plants and trees, finding inspiration for their own gardens, tasting herbs, enjoying the antics of hens and taking photographs of the fabulous floriferous displays and wildlife friendly garden areas, as we focus increasingly on the importance of pollinators, and making gardens look beautiful not just to us, but to wildlife too.

Thanks must also go to the teams of stalwarts supporting the day as well as those involved in pre-event planning to ensure everything ran smoothly. Parking was provided at both ends of the village, the Drewe family generously allowed their field to be used and the Parish Council provided space at the Pavilion. Having set up multiple yellow parking signs and arrows, Crispin assembled his crack team of car park organisers to direct cars as they came into the village, the Village Hall lent tables and chairs for teas and the village bakers excelled themselves, providing a huge array of delicious cakes. The Beard family on Fieldside kindly turned their drive into a lovely tea venue, efficiently run by Wendy, Allison, Maz and their team, with gazebos and umbrellas lent to protect cakes and people from the rare and blazing sun, bringing in £376. At the other end of the village, St Andrews also kindly organised teas and cakes, successfully raising £300 for St Andrews and £170 for the NGS. Jenny Smith's fantastic plant stall, run with her usual efficiency, raised £490 for Water Aid.

It was a great day, fuelled by the energy and enthusiasm of the village, not only raising money for brilliant causes, but just as importantly, making over 500 people very happy – an achievement to be truly proud of – especially in such troubled times.

Felicity Topping



### Mountains in the sky

Mountains in the sky  
The nimbus clouds of summer  
Giants of the air.

Lightning strikes our fear  
Then rolling claps of thunder  
There's no time to stare! *Nigel Beeton*

# HAMS — 'The Trial Scene' from Alice in Wonderland.

## A further retrospective look at the 2013 production.

Throughout this year we have looked at the HAMS entries for the ODN Winter Festival starting with the 2013 retrospective of the Mad Hatter's Tea Party from Alice in Wonderland. That inspired us to take a longer look at the production which proved to be a riot of colour, costume, set design and innovative effects and a lot of fun for the cast and production team, so we thought you would like to see another clip and chose The Trial Scene, the setting for which is shown below.



Covid 19 continues to play havoc with most aspects of daily life, making it extremely difficult to plan future HAMS activities, but we are hopeful that the next few weeks may bring more certainty.

It is beginning to look as though a more normal lifestyle will resume in the second half of the Summer.

In the meantime, we hope you enjoy the video clip and perhaps become inspired to consider joining HAMS to become more involved in any or every aspect of theatrical production. If so, please email us at the address below. Click [here](#) to see the video.

[www.thehams.co.uk](http://www.thehams.co.uk)

email: [info@thehams.co.uk](mailto:info@thehams.co.uk)



## Astronomy Notes The Star Queen

At this time of year, the time available for imaging the night sky is very short indeed. Just about dark enough by midnight, but by 2.00am, the sky begins to lighten in the predawn sky.

So I was really pleased to be able to capture this image over several nights in June. This is known as "The Star Queen", a small part of a large star forming region, way down to the south, known as "The Eagle nebula".

The nebula contains a very young star cluster, estimated to be 1-2 million years old, with several active star-forming regions of gas and dust. Including the famous "Pillars of Creation" imaged by the Hubble telescope.

The pillar of dust seen here is around 10 light years in length. To put that into context, the nearest star to the sun, Proxima Centauri, lies at a distance of 4.2 light years, and the "Star Queen" is just one small part of this huge star forming region.

The whole area is being illuminated by the nearby star cluster. The energy from these stars is also blasting, and eroding the gas and dust producing these amazing formations. I have also managed to process my own version of the Hubble Pillars of Creation. But I will save that one for the next issue.

**John Napper** [napperjohn@gmail.com](mailto:napperjohn@gmail.com) [www.flicker.com/photos/67647466@N08/](http://www.flicker.com/photos/67647466@N08/)



## Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman

**Local Government** In the last issue of the Parish Magazine, I welcomed Jane Murphy as our new County Councillor. However, some people have asked me for more information concerning the organization of local government.

East Hagbourne Parish Council is at the third tier of local Government and comprises a Clerk (who is also the Responsible Financial Officer) and up to eight councillors who are all unpaid volunteers and have no affiliation with political parties. Details on the Parish Council can be found on the village webpages (<https://easthagbourne.net/parish-council/introduction/>). Parish Council elections are held every four years with the next election due in May 2023. The chairman of the Parish Council is elected each year by the councillors at the annual meeting of the Parish Council. This should not be confused with the Annual Parish Meeting which is not a parish council meeting but is a meeting for all members of the parish.

At the second tier and the next most local level is the District Council who are responsible for many things including planning, refuse collection, and environmental health.

There are five district councils in Oxfordshire and we are in South Oxfordshire. SODC has 21 wards and our ward is Cholsey that covers the parishes of Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, Brightwell-Cum-Sotwell, Cholsey, East Hagbourne, Moulsoford, North Moreton, South Moreton, and West Hagbourne.

Two Councillors represent our ward and they are:

Jane Murphy (<http://democratic.southoxon.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=529>) and Anne-Marie Simpson (<http://democratic.southoxon.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=4666>).

District councillors are elected for a four-year term and the next election will be in May 2023 on the same day as the next Parish Council election. The District Councils do involve party politics and at the moment the Liberal Democrats and the Green Party form the governing group. SODC has a complicated boundary with the Vale of the White Horse District Council (VOWH) in the area near us with the parishes of Blewbury, Upton, and Harwell in the Vale.

VOWH are responsible for much building in and around Didcot even if Didcot is in SODC. There is very close cooperation between these two councils (as can be seen from the councillor's email addresses!) and there is a single set of officers including the CEO and the Head of Planning. However, planning is handled on a regional basis which means that planning applications in the two districts are handled separately by a different set of case officers. The two district councils are currently planning to present a Joint Local Plan 2041 for first consultation as early as summer 2022 with intended adoption as soon as autumn 2024. An informative recent newsletter from the Head of Planning can be viewed on the dropbox link <https://www.dropbox.com/s/0bqgsqe9wuhb29g/Planning%20letter%20Duffield%202021-06-15.pdf?dl=0>

The role of the County Council, at the top tier of local government, principally includes social care for adults and children, education, highways, footpaths, fire service, and waste disposal and recycling. There are 61 divisions in the County Council and our division is Didcot East and Hagbourne which includes the parishes of Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, Northbourne Ward, Willowcroft Ward, East Hagbourne, North Moreton, South Moreton, and West Hagbourne. The quadrennial pattern of elections also holds for the County Council with the next election in May 2025. We have a single representative for the Didcot East and Hagbourne division who is Jane Murphy (<https://mycouncil.oxfordshire.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=12020>).

**Housing Development by the Village Hall** There have been some delays over the submission of the Section 78 application although further data has been submitted for the P19/S0357/RM application with interesting pictures of the inside of the culverts under the allotments on Butts Piece and Lawsons Orchard.

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## Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman - *continued*

**Communicating information** An easy way to get information from the Parish Council is to sign up for emails by going to <https://mailchi.mp/9791c642ed24/ehpc>. Please note that your email will not be shared with any other people or used for purposes other than sending communications from the Parish Council. Normally, you should expect no more than about one message each week.

**Parish meetings** Parish Council meetings are now in person and are held in the Pavilion on the Recreation Ground. Members of the public are welcome to join the meeting and the agenda is posted on village notice boards and the village web pages at least three clear days before the meeting. The next meeting will be held starting at 7.30pm on Thursday 15th July.

I have cancelled my face-to-face surgeries but am very willing to talk on the telephone or online with any parishioner. You can get details of how to do this by phoning 07891 551851 or emailing the Parish Clerk ([easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com)).

Let me remind you that this is not a formal or even approved article from the Parish Council but is rather a few words from me. Thus anything in this article should not be construed as coming from or endorsed by the Parish Council. Iain Duff

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### **Citizens Advice needs volunteer advisers**

**There comes a time for all of us when we face problems that are too stressful or complicated to sort out alone.**

Last year – one of the most difficult - our 90 advisers advised 9,000 clients on over 20,000 problems. We helped four in five resolve their debt, benefits, employment and housing problems. Many of these were caused by the Covid-19 crisis.

### **We now need more advisers as we move into the pandemic recovery phase.**

Our main offices are in Abingdon, Didcot, Henley and Thame. Since March 2020 our volunteers and staff have been advising the public from home on our Adviceline service. Recently we partially re-opened our offices, in part to train new advisers.

What will you get out of it? You will join a friendly team, meet new people, develop your skills and make a real difference to people's lives. You'll need to have good listening and interpersonal skills, a willingness to learn and be confident with computers. Full training will be provided.

Henley adviser Amanda says: "I am proud to volunteer with Citizens Advice because they offer crucial support to those that need it most, and my colleagues, both volunteers and employees, make volunteering a pleasure."

If you have eight hours a week to spare for the next two years or more and are looking for a satisfying and stimulating volunteer role in your local community, please contact us at:

[www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south-vale/volunteer/](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south-vale/volunteer/)

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**Football in East Hagbourne** Hagbourne United Football Club are looking for new players to play in the North Berks league divisions 4 & 5. The Club currently fields two men's teams for age 16+ but will be pleased to hear from players of all ages and abilities. Please contact John Symonds at [jesymonds29@gmail.com](mailto:jesymonds29@gmail.com) or 07831 714 076.

**Thank You** Many thanks to all the LITTER PICKERS who went around East Hagbourne on Saturday 12th June making sure that everything was 'spick and span' for the Gardens Open Sunday on the following day. Great effort!



# East Hagbourne Parish Council

NEWSLETTER No.231 – July/August 2021

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## VILLAGE HOUSEKEEPING

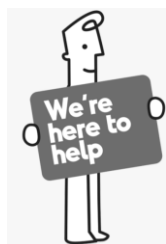
It's that time of year again - the village is lush and green after the recent sunshine and showers. While the village certainly benefits from the variety of seasonal growth, it is also important to be mindful that overhanging hedges, trees and other plants can create real problems for the users of pavements and footpaths. The village has a number of narrow and raised footpaths and safe access and visibility when using these paths is of key importance. Mobility scooters, wheelchairs and pushchairs are particularly affected so please ensure you trim any vegetation on your property boundaries regularly, particularly if it is alongside a public footpath.

The owner or occupier of a property has a legal responsibility (Highway Act 1980 s154) to ensure that the 'public highway' adjacent to a property is not obstructed by vegetation from their property. Thank you in advance for your conscientious efforts to keep the village both beautiful and safely accessible to as many people as possible.



## CORONAVIRUS SUPPORT GROUP

The group is still active, so please do get in touch if you need help. Please contact [easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com](mailto:easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com) or call/text 07568 395228.



## ADDITIONAL HELP AVAILABLE

If you are in need of additional support for any reason, the following resources are available:

**Hagbourne Charities** – [hagbourne.charities@gmail.com](mailto:hagbourne.charities@gmail.com) or 07572 401769

**East and West Hagbourne Fund** – [www.easthagbourne.net/directory/village-fund](http://www.easthagbourne.net/directory/village-fund) Contact Trevor Chambers on 01235 814892

**Community Hub** – Contact via [communitysupport@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:communitysupport@southandvale.gov.uk) or call 01235 422600  
[www.southoxon.gov.uk/communityhub](http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/communityhub)



**DEFIBRILLATORS:** The village defibrillators are available 24/7 at the following locations:

**Outside the Village Shop at 114 New Road**

**Hagbourne Village Hall next to the main entrance.**

**In an emergency, call 999 – they will give you the access code.**



**USEFUL WEBSITES:** <https://www.fixmystreet.com/> for reporting a wide variety of issues from potholes to fly tipping.

<https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx> can be used to report an issue with a countryside path or public right of way.

*Planning applications received since the last meeting:*

**P21/S2403/FUL** Rear of 12 New Road, East Hagbourne - Four bedroom detached one half height new building.

**P21/S2287/HH** 2 Coscote Cottages, Coscote – Single storey rear extension

**P21/S1563/LDP** 47 New Road, East Hagbourne - Add a new flat roofed kitchen/family room to the rear of property.

**The next Parish Council Meetings will be held on Thursday 15th July and Thursday 12th August 2021 at The Pavilion, Great Mead. All Council meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation.**

Agendas and Minutes of previous meetings are published at [www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net)



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Upton, Village Hall	↓	↓	↓	↓	1507	↓	1607	↓	↓	↓	↓
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Upton, Village Hall	0907	1035	1205	1405	↓	1535	↓	1621	1741	1910	
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0908	1036	1206	1406	↓	1536	↓	1622	1742	1911	
Chilton, Main Street	0916	1043	1213	1413	↓	1544	↓	1630	1750	1919	
Harwell Campus, Bus Station	0923	1050	1220		↓	1551	↓		1757	1926	
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South Moreton, The Crown PH					1529		1629				
North Moreton					1535		1635				
Didcot, Orchard Centre					1545		1645				
Didcot, Parkway Station					1549		1649				

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North Moreton	↓	0810	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Didcot, St Birinus School	↓	0824	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
Didcot Girls' School	↓	0832	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0704	↓	0824	0953	1123	1253	1453	1453	1623	1655	1828			
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Didcot, Orchard Centre	0712	↓	0832	1001	1131	1301	1501	1501	1631	1703	1836			
Didcot, Parkway Station	0716	0838	0836	1005	1135	1305	1505	1505	1635	1707	1840			

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East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0851	1021	1151	1351	1521	1721
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0859	1029	1159	1359	1529	1729
Upton, Village Hall	0905	1035	1205	1405	1535	1735
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0906	1036	1206	1406	1536	1736
Chilton, Main Street	0913	1043	1213	1413	1543	1743
Harwell Campus, Bus Station	0920	1050	1220	1420	1550	1750

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Chilton, Main Street	0800	0931	1101	1231	1431	1601
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Upton, Village Hall	0808	0939	1109	1239	1439	1609
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0814	0945	1115	1245	1445	1615
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Didcot, Sandringham Road	0825	0956	1126	1256	1456	1626
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0830	1001	1131	1301	1501	1631
Didcot, Parkway Station	0834	1005	1135	1305	1505	1635

## Thames Travel bus service to the JR Hospital from Didcot – X32

Bus Service X32 goes from Wantage to Didcot then Oxford city centre and onto Brookes University and the JR. There are 2 buses in each direction each hour. To look up the times go to: <http://www.thames-travel.co.uk/routes/X32>

**The Donkathon** A 200 mile journey by Wizard and Muffin the donkeys with Polly Vacher and her team who have set out from Oxfordshire to St Melangell in North Wales raising money for The Multiple Sclerosis Society. The journey will take about a month, i.e. 8 miles a day travelling along country roads and stabling each night.

We featured this in the May parish magazine and you can follow the progress of Wizard and Muffin on Polly's daily blogs on [www.donkathon.org](http://www.donkathon.org)

You will also find ways to donate to The Multiple Sclerosis Society.

## Didcot Emergency Foodbank

**The Didcot Emergency Food Bank now has a new home at The Didcot Baptist Church, 43 Wantage Road, Didcot. OX11 0BS**

**Telephone: 01235 813187. Email: [office@didcotbaptist.org.uk](mailto:office@didcotbaptist.org.uk)**

An Emergency Foodbank is a practical, community-based project aimed at providing short term relief by giving food to people in crisis in our local area. The Didcot Emergency Foodbank serves Didcot and the immediate surrounding villages.

**Do you need help?** If you need to access the Foodbank, this can be done by referral from one of the agencies who are registered with them. You must already have a connection with the referrer or be known to them. The list of referrers includes schools, housing associations, social care departments and various voluntary organisations. Please contact one of these organisations and ask for a Foodbank referral. They will either issue you with a voucher or make an email referral. Citizens Advice Bureau can advise you about other help that might be available. Their offices are currently closed due to COVID-19, but they can be phoned on 0300 3309 042.

**Can you help?** If you would like to make a financial donation, this can be done by visiting [online donation facility](#) and choosing "Foodbank" as your option. Alternatively, a bank transfer can be made, or a cheque sent - please contact the Foodbank for details. If you would like to volunteer to help practically, please contact us for a chat.

**Contact details** You can leave a message on the Baptist Church Office answering machine on 01235 813 187. You can email the Foodbank: [foodbank@didcotbaptist.org.uk](mailto:foodbank@didcotbaptist.org.uk) or use the [contact form](#) on the website. Thank you.

## SEPTEMBER 2021 PARISH MAGAZINE

Please let us have copy for the September parish magazine by  
**17th August to [magtemp5@gmail.com](mailto:magtemp5@gmail.com)** Thank you.

Keep safe and well, Janet Corderoy, Joy Napper  
and the parish magazine committee.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

### Pilates Classes and 1-1s

**PRINCIPAL PILATES** Pilates classes and 1-1 sessions both online and in person in East Hagbourne and Milton. Please contact Caroline Hunt:  
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## Foot Health

### **FOOT CARE Mobile foot clinic for Hagbourne and the surrounding area.**

Treatment provided in your own home for: Routine foot and nail care. Toenail trimming. Corn and callous removal. Diabetic foot care.

Please contact: Jill Allen DipFH MCFHP MAFHP Foot Health Practitioner

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Berkshire Evenings by arrangement. Please contact Claire Sweeney DipFH Member of the British Association of Foot Health Professionals **t: 07762 369472 e: sweeneyca72@gmail.com**

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