

# St Andrew's Hagbourne **PARISH MAGAZINE**

SEPTEMBER 2021



## ***Harvest Festival at St Andrew's***

***Sunday 26th September at 10.30am***

***We hope to enjoy a Bring and Share Lunch together after the Service.***

***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 A Good Harvest Hymn

Do you like a good sing? It's the time of year when churches up and down the land are holding harvest festivals, and what would be a harvest festival without the opportunity to sing We Plough the Fields and Scatter? This hymn has an interesting history.

Its origins lie in a poem, published back in 1782, which described a harvest thanksgiving in a North German farmhouse. In the mid-19th century, part of this poem was translated into English by Jane Montgomery Campbell, and it was included in the 1868 appendix to Hymns Ancient and Modern. Since then, the hymn has become an expected part of any harvest festival.

I wonder why the hymn has become so popular? I think part of its popularity is due to the stirring tune. But the words themselves are also important. They speak to us of gratitude to God for all that he provides: "We thank thee then, O Father, for all things bright and good, the seed-time and the harvest, our life, our health, our food".

And what does God want from us in return? God has already given us everything that we have, so it seems hardly an act of generosity to give back to God what he has chosen to give to us. So what can we give to God in return for his great goodness to us? In words of the hymn, we can give "that which thou desirest our humble, thankful hearts."

Our harvest festivals are a time to give thanks to God for all that he has given us. And it is also a time to think about how we use the gifts which God has given us. Are we sharing what we have with others? There is so much need in our world and in our own communities. And what is the greatest gift we can share? I think it might well be the gift of love and friendship. Love and friendship are some of God's greatest gifts, and I think the more we can do to share love and friendship around, the better.

Father Jason.

## Harvest Festival at St Andrew's Sunday, 26th September at 10.30am followed by a Bring & Share Lunch at 12 noon All welcome

There will be a list at the back of the Church in September to enter your name if you wish to stay for the lunch and what you would like to bring. Come along and help to decorate the Church on Saturday morning, 25th September.



## CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

The Intentions this month are for all who live in West Hagbourne and Moretons

**Prayer Focus:**  
Manor Close WH

|             |                                    |              |
|-------------|------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1 Wednesday | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H |              |
|             | 12noon Active Angels: St Michael's | 8pm Compline |
| 2 Thursday  |                                    | 8pm Compline |
| 3 Friday    |                                    | 8pm Compline |
| 4 Saturday  |                                    |              |

Moor Close WH  
The Square WH  
York Road WH

### **5 +Sunday THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

*Treasurers and Church Finances.*

|             |                                      |              |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
|             | 8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B   |              |
|             | 9am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' AU |              |
|             | 9.30am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U |              |
|             | 10.30am Online Benefice Service      |              |
|             | 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM   |              |
|             | 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H          |              |
| 6 Monday    |                                      | 8pm Compline |
| 7 Tuesday   | 10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B  | 8pm Compline |
| 8 Wednesday | Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary     | 8pm Compline |
|             | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H   |              |
| 9 Thursday  |                                      | 8pm Compline |
| 10 Friday   |                                      | 8pm Compline |
| 11 Saturday |                                      |              |

Alders Farm Barns NM  
Bear Lane NM  
Dunsomer Hill NM

Elm Road NM  
High Street NM  
Long Wittenham Rd NM

### **12 +Sunday THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

*Sidesmen, those who help with hospitality, catering and flowers.*

|             |                                                |              |
|-------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
|             | 10.30am Parish Service: St Andrew's H          |              |
|             | 10.30am Harvest Festival: St Michael's B       |              |
|             | 10.30am Online Benefice Service                |              |
|             | 10.30am Parish Service: St John the Baptist SM |              |
|             | 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM             |              |
|             | 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H                    |              |
| 13 Monday   |                                                | 8pm Compline |
| 14 Tuesday  | Holy Cross Day                                 | 8pm Compline |
| 15 Weds     | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H             | 8pm Compline |
| 16 Thursday | 10am MU Holy Communion: St Michael's B         | 8pm Compline |
| 17 Friday   |                                                | 8pm Compline |
| 18 Saturday |                                                |              |

Queens Way NM  
Sires Hill NM  
Wallingford Road NM  
Anchor Lane SM  
Church Lane SM  
Clements Green SM

### **19 +Sunday THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

*Pastoral care and visiting.*

|             |                                       |              |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
|             | 9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT |              |
|             | 10.30am Online Harvest Festival       |              |
|             | 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM    |              |
|             | 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H           |              |
| 20 Monday   |                                       | 8pm Compline |
| 21 Tuesday  | S. Matthew Apostle                    |              |
|             | 10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B   | 8pm Compline |
| 22 Weds     | Ember Day                             |              |
|             | 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H    | 8pm Compline |
| 23 Thursday |                                       | 8pm Compline |
| 24 Friday   | Ember Day                             | 8pm Compline |
| 25 Saturday | Ember Day                             |              |

Crown Lane SM  
Fulscot Cottages SM  
  
Fulscot Manor SM  
  
Haddon Hill SM  
High Street SM  
Hithercroft Road SM

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## CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2021 continued . . .

### **26 + Sunday THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

*Outreach and  
parish magazines.*

10.30am Harvest Festival/Parish Eucharist: St Andrew's H  
10.30am Online Benefice Eucharist Service  
3pm Autumn Praise: St Michael's B  
4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM  
6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H

|              |                                       |              |                    |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 27 Monday    |                                       | 8pm Compline | Kirby Close SM     |
| 28 Tuesday   |                                       | 8pm Compline | Paper Mill Lane SM |
| 29 Wednesday | <b>S. Michael and All Angels</b>      |              | St Michael's       |
|              | 10.00am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H | 8pm Compline |                    |
| 30 Thursday  |                                       | 8pm Compline | Sands Road SM      |

## **St Andrew's in-person Services in September, October and November**

We will be holding in-person services in church at 10.30am on Sundays 12th and 26th September, Sundays 10th and 24th October and Sundays 14th and 28th November.

Evensong will continue Sunday evenings at 6pm until the end of September. Online Sunday services will continue at 10.30am throughout September and October via GoToMeeting.

**We want everyone to feel safe coming to Church** Following advice from the Diocese, we will continue to encourage people to wear face coverings and to observe social distancing while in church. Communion will be in bread only. Congregational singing will be allowed when it is safe to do so: as the virus spreads via droplets, to be able to sing will depend on the numbers attending and the ability to be socially distant from others.

### **Baptisms in the Benefice**

20th June **Henry Furness-Smith** was baptised at St Michael's Aston Tirrold.  
3rd July **Rose Candy** was baptised at St Andrew's Hagbourne.  
4th July **Reggie Barlow Salt** was baptised at St Michael's Blewbury.  
18th July **Skye Grafton** was baptised at St Andrew's Hagbourne.  
25th July **Freddie Vaughan** was baptised at All Saints' North Moreton.  
25th July **Martha Boulter** was baptised at All Saints' North Moreton.  
25th July **Alexander Robinson** was baptised at St Andrew's Hagbourne.  
31st July **Hester Parker** was baptised at All Saints' Aston Upthorpe.



### **Weddings in the Benefice**

18th June **David Sayers & Imogen West** were married at All Saints' Aston Upthorpe.  
25th July **Andrew North & Jenny Balshaw** were married at St Andrew's Hagbourne.  
30th July **Jonathan Nicholas & Francesca Taylor** were married at St John's South Moreton.  
31st July **Cathal Heavey & Hannah Marffy** were married at St Michael's Aston Tirrold.  
31st July **Nik Rogers & Alexandra Palmer** were married at St Michael's Blewbury.

### **Funerals in the Benefice**

|                                                |                 |         |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|
| 25th June at St Mary's Upton                   | Mary Smith      | Aged 93 |
| 14th July at the South Oxfordshire Crematorium | Allan Davis     | Aged 76 |
| 22nd July at St Andrew's Hagbourne             | Richard Allen   | Aged 95 |
| 24th July at St Andrew's Hagbourne             | Debbie Edmonson | Aged 54 |

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

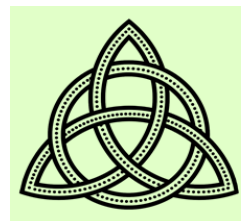


**ACTIVE ANGELS** Our MU Pram Service team invite families from across the Benefice to this monthly event.  
**Wednesday, 1st September at 12 noon** outside St Michael's, Blewbury – in church if wet. Please bring a rug.  
 Lunch will be provided. Any enquiries please contact:  
 Revd Louise Butler on 07837 009 730  
**We look forward to seeing you.**

## 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.



**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.



**The Last of the Summer Teas at St Andrew's**  
**(hosted by Linda Benton and Rachel Waters)**  
**Sunday 5th September, 3 to 5pm**

Meet local authors and poets. Eat cake and drink tea!  
 (Donations to church funds).

Poet's Trail books and other books by local authors for sale.

## Cygnets Group - Youth Ministry in the Benefice

A regular Sunday evening group meeting 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).

***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:***

Revd Jason 01235 850267 office@churnchurches.co.uk

Revd Louise 07837 009730 revlouiseb@aol.com

Elaine (Admin) 01235 850267, 07434 686044 or office@churnchurches.co.uk\*

\* The Benefice Operations Manager and Administrator, Elaine de Ridder, will be back in the office from 6th September. Her usual office hours are 9.30am – 2.30pm 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.

# Scarecrow Trail 2021

And the winners are... *two long-time supporters of the trail!*

**Queen Bee-trice and Bee-Linda**, Church Close, is the village's favourite scarecrow, featuring Bee-linda the Beekeeper and Queen Bee-trice, as well as the inimitable Sting. This is Sarah Wright's 16th year of making entries for the Scarecrow Trail. She is the only entrant who has never missed a year! Following close behind Queen Bee-trice in number of votes were The Giant Turtle (the Ainger-Adamson family), the Hedgehog Family (Mark Granger and Chris Beverley), the Elephant (the Howlin family), Geck-crow (the Wrattens) and Molly Midges (the Knitwits). **Congratulations to all of them!**

**The Special Award Cup** this year for the most eco-friendly scarecrow was presented to the Fleur de Lys for **Stickman**. We are happy to present this award to the Fleur, which has supported the Scarecrow Trail for many years by selling maps. It was difficult to choose just one scarecrow for this award as all 35 scarecrows were eco-friendly, such as Bee Green (Maureen Barrett), the Green Man (Pat Elderfield), Message in a bottle (the Wood family, Windsor Crescent), Under the Overstory (the Bowden family), and Lucy Litter Picker (Jane Wood, Bishops Orchard). Special mention goes to the 11 brilliant scarecrows in the Fieldsiders Animal Sanctuary, which gave so much excitement and delight to all who visited. Welcome to the one new entry, Peter Pan on New Road by the Curtis family.

Thank you to the Fleur and the Community Shop for selling maps, to the Powells for supplying the straw, and to everyone who made cakes and supported the Sunday afternoon teas. You helped us raise just over £800 for the Friends of St Anne's Hospital in Tanzania. This will be of enormous help to the hospital, which struggles at the best of times without the added problems of Covid.

Thanks to you all for supporting the Scarecrow Trail!

## Flower Arrangements for Harvest Festival at St Andrew's

### Dear Flower Arrangers

**Harvest Festival is to be on Sunday 26th September this year.** It is so good to be back to some sort of normality once again and to have Services in church and see flowers in there too. Therefore it would be lovely if we could all get together on the Saturday morning, 25th, to place some floral arrangements ready for a joyful celebration of thanks for all good gifts around us! If a different day other than the Saturday suits you better, that is fine.

Will look forward to seeing the seasonal colours of this lovely time of year.

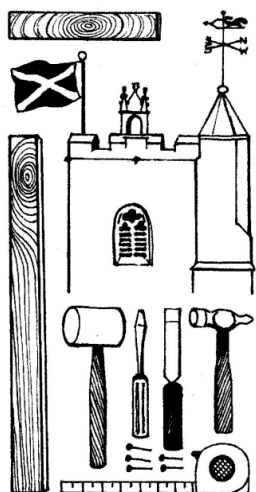
Regards and best wishes, Helen Clayson.



**Hagbourne Garden Club** welcomes you back after the Summer break with a talk by Paul Patton on **'Aquatics For All'**. At last we are able to resume 'actual' meetings in the Pavilion rather than by zoom, so we look forward to seeing you all again on **Thursday, September 23rd.**

The Pavilion will be open at 7.00 with the talk commencing at 7.30.

Visitors are most welcome (£5 per session) or please feel free to join our friendly club (£15 p.p annually). For further information contact Sally on 01235 352275



...caring for the fabric of the Hagbourne church.

### New Trustees for the Friends of St Andrews


In common with much of life the Friends has been relatively dormant through the pandemic and the various lockdowns. However, St Andrews still needs us and we are still here. We are for the maintenance and improvement of the fabric of the church, not just for the benefit of the regular attendees but, by recognising what this historic building adds to the character and ambience of the Hagbournes, for the benefit of all who live in the area.

Recognising that we are hopefully getting back to a semblance of normal, we have two new trustees on the charity board:

Paul Gover has agreed to be Chair of the Trustees. He is an excellent person for the role, with an interest in both preservation and architecture, a high energy level and a successful business background.

Barbara Elsmore-Wickens has also joined since our last report, Barbara has a legal background (I do hope we never need to call on it) and like Paul she is of a generation in the village which is younger than the majority of the current supporters of the Friends. The new trustees are near neighbours to St Andrews and enthusiasts for its continuing well-being. We are always looking for more supporters and fund-raising ideas. Please contact Paul or me if you would like to be involved

R. Colin Millar Hon. Treasurer



Next Pilgrimage in the Wallingford Deanery



Walk in the steps of St Birinus

19th Sept

2pm - 4pm

Blewbury & Churn Hill

3 miles

Start at recreation ground car park, Blewbury OX11 9HF

Pause for prayers & reflections en route.

Refreshments at end in Blewbury church - approx 3pm

Terrain - hilly; not buggy-friendly

Difficulty - moderate

For further info, contact Vickie Squires  
victoriacreates@btinternet.com

Covid-secure

## West Hagbourne's Macmillan Coffee Morning

Come and join us for our 4th annual coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer care.

**Where :** York Farm, York Road,  
West Hagbourne

**When :** Saturday 25th September,  
10:30am-12:30pm

**Why:** So that everyone who faces cancer can have a Macmillan team in their corner.

**Bring your family and friends.**

WORLD'S BIGGEST

COFFEE MORNING



MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Hosted by West Hagbourne Village Association



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## **John Watling**

### **28th May 1929 – 9th February 2021**

John Watling was born in 1929 at Plumsted, southeast London, the eldest son of Theophilus and Jessica Watling. Two brothers, Alan and Peter, and a sister, Shirley, were to follow. John was 10 years old upon the outbreak of the World War II and was evacuated with his brother Alan to the home of a Kentish millionaire, where he enjoyed being driven to school in a Rolls-Royce – until petrol rationing put a stop to it. John left school in 1946 after gaining his matriculation, becoming a lab assistant at Woolwich Polytechnic under the renowned chemist, Dr Arthur Vogel. He attained his National Chemistry Certificate and, since Dr Vogel was the preeminent author of chemistry textbooks in the world, soon found his name in print. It was in the lab at Woolwich where he first demonstrated his practical talents and great facility for learning, by glass-blowing flasks and vials. In their youth the Watling brothers had spent much of their spare time in the Boys' Brigade where John had shown an aptitude for gymnastics. This led to him attending the Lucas-Tooth gymnasium in Tooley Street in London, which in turn led to performances at the Royal Albert Hall – vaulting, tumbling, somersaulting, and forming human pyramids. Between 1949 and 1952 he took an evening class in physical education and became a qualified PE instructor.

In 1952 John signed up for a four-year commission (plus eight on reserve) in the Royal Air Force. He gained his wings as a navigator on Prince Edward Island in Canada, and in December 1954, after attending advanced flying, navigation, RADAR, and bombing courses, he joined 50 Squadron at RAF Binfield. He became a navigator-observer, part of a three-man crew with the pilot and a navigator-plotter, flying an English Electric Canberra B2, a bomber aircraft with two (Rolls-Royce) jet engines. The Canberra was the successor to the de Havilland Mosquito and built upon the same principles: two of the most powerful engines available wrapped in the most compact and aerodynamic package possible with no defensive armaments. It could fly higher than any other aircraft of its time – it set a world altitude record of over 70,000 feet – and was the first aircraft to fly non-stop across the Atlantic in 1951. John and his crew qualified as operational before progressing to "Combat Star" in June 1955. Eventually, after a series of tests and many additional flying hours, the crew became one of a select group qualified to carry nuclear weapons. John's duties were navigation and operating the bomb sight and the radar system. As well as flying sorties across Europe and North Africa, to within 5 miles of the Iron Curtain, he also flew in formation at the Farnborough Air Show.

At the end of 1956 John finished his commission and returned to the Woolwich Poly as a research assistant. He continued in the RAF Reserves for a time, keeping up his flying hours, during which time he was a part of the first crew to land a jet aircraft on Stornoway. He also joined the Air Training Corps Woolwich 56 Squadron. When he joined there were only a dozen boys, but ATC Woolwich grew rapidly until there was a huge waiting list. He was promoted to acting squadron leader, and then appointed Wing staff officer and Deputy Commanding Officer for the whole London Wing before being nominated for an OBE. However, he was soon to leave all this behind him. In 1958 John applied for a job at the UK Atomic Energy Authority (UKAEA) at the Woolwich Arsenal. A year later there was an even bigger change to John's life. In October 1959, while at a Boys' Brigade reunion, John met the love of his life, Doreen. They were married in September 1960, three months after Doreen's best friend, Maureen, had married John's youngest brother, Peter. Doreen and John's first son, Nigel, was born in June 1966 and their second son, Julian, was to follow in April 1968.

In October 1966, John joined UKAEA Harwell. The family moved from a house in Bexleyheath into a war-era Harwell prefab. John and Doreen then bought a new bungalow on Main Street in West Hagbourne in February 1967. The house needed a name and Doreen found "Sula Sgeir" when looking through John's RAF logbooks. John had used the remote, uninhabited Scottish island as a navigation point, so it was an appropriate, if unusual, choice. John was to live with Doreen in Sula Sgeir for the rest of his days, 54 years in all.

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At Harwell, John was responsible for x-ray fluorescence spectrometry, a non-destructive way to determine the composition of materials. John was involved in many fascinating projects over his career, including analysis of catalytic convertors and the alloys used in medical appliances such as heart pacemakers, as well as more exotic tasks such as determining the composition of moon dust, the Turin shroud, Napoleon's hair, and engine parts for the Williams Formula 1 team. He developed new analytical techniques and became the chairman of the Philips user group. He lectured at universities at home and abroad. In November 1987 he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry as a Chartered Chemist for contributions to X-ray spectrometry. John retired in 1993.

In Hagbourne, John was probably best known for his beautiful garden. John and Doreen did all the work around the house and garden themselves. Apart from gardening and recounting his days in the RAF, John probably derived most pleasure from playing the piano and although he played some classical pieces his favourites were Fats Waller and Scott Joplin. In his final years arthritis sadly brought an end to his piano playing. When John was diagnosed with prostate cancer the doctors assured him that, coming late in life, the spread of the cancer could be controlled and that it would be something else that killed him. However, the cancer metastasized to his spine, progressively weakening his ability to use his legs to the point where he was confined to a wheelchair. This was a cruel blow for a man who had been such a fine gymnast, but he counted his blessings, especially and always his marriage of more than 60 years to Doreen. Ultimately, the doctors were proved correct. John, Doreen and Julian all caught COVID-19 in January 2021 and it was COVID, together with pneumonia, that took John in the end aged 91. Doreen narrowly escaped a similar fate but survives John along with Nigel and Julian.

John's Memorial Service, led by The Revd Jason St John Nicolle, took place at St Andrew's Hagbourne on the 8th July and Doreen would like to say thank you to the church choir for singing the hymns at the Service, and for the kind provision of refreshments provided by the social committee ladies.



**CCCA News and Events** The Churn Churches Climate Action (CCCA) group is formed by people from the seven local Anglican churches (the Churn Churches) and other local congregations. We care about the environment and want to take action to reduce climate change, working with other local sustainability groups

**Nations' Climate Sunday Service: Churches prepare for COP26** This takes place at **4 pm on Sunday 5th September** in Glasgow Cathedral and online. It is not just a service: it is a time when collective action and commitments from more than 1600 (and rising!) local churches across the UK, including the Churn Churches, will be presented to the UK Government.

See [climatesunday.org](https://climatesunday.org), and register to be sent details on how to watch the service live online at [evenbrite.co.uk](https://evenbrite.co.uk) or use the link [Find out more to register and attend](#). If you are reading the paper version of this or have difficulties with this, email [penny@brassell.org.uk](mailto:penny@brassell.org.uk) for further information.

**Tree planting** The CCCA and Sustainable Blewbury (SB) are both getting involved with the Hagbourne and Upton Group for Sustainability (HUGS) tree-planting project in the autumn. This enables you to choose a small native tree for your garden. We will collect your orders in the autumn, pass the order to HUGS and then deliver your trees when they arrive in November/December. See the SB bulletin entry for more details or look at the HUGS website [hugsustainability.org/trees-1](https://hugsustainability.org/trees-1).

**Thank you for the Rain** This prize-winning film stems from the chance meeting of Julia Dahr, a Norwegian filmmaker, with Kisilu Musya, a Kenyan farmer who was using his camera to capture the life of his family, his village and the human costs of climate change. They worked together for more than 5 years to create this film, which shows Kisulu transform into a community leader and activist on a global scale. Thanks to a special Christian Aid licence, we are able to hold a *free* showing of this film in St Michael's Church Blewbury on **Wednesday 13th October**, doors will open at **7.15 for a prompt 7.30 start**. The film will last 90 minutes, with a refreshment break in the middle. Again, contact Penny at [penny@brassell.org.uk](mailto:penny@brassell.org.uk) for further information.

# VILLAGE PRODUCE SHOW

and cream teas!

**Sunday 12th September 2021**

**Hagbourne Village Hall car park at 2pm**



**Prize for Best in Class for each category**

**Overall Prize for Best in Show**

**4 CATEGORIES ONLY: FLOWERS, FRUIT,  
VEGETABLES, CRAFT PROJECTS**

**MAXIMUM NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER CATEGORY: 5**

**ENTRY:** Entrants must be resident in the Hagbournes, children (& their families) attending Hagbourne School, members of Hagbourne Garden Club, anyone who gardens an allotment in the Hagbourne Parish.

**Prizes for children.**

**Staging from 9-11am. Show open 2pm-4pm. Tea & cream teas. Raffle.**

**Free entry.**

**No entry forms needed.**

**Just bring your produce or exhibits on the day!**

**National social distancing guidelines observed. Government guidelines in operation at the time of the show will followed.**

**CARD PAYMENTS preferred (raffle/teas)**

**With grateful thanks to our sponsors:  
THE VILLAGE SHOP and THE FLEUR DE LYS.**



<https://www.facebook.com/hagbourneproduceshow/>

## **Keith Robert Buxcey**

### **22nd June 1946 – 8th July 2021**

Keith Buxcey from West Hagbourne passed away peacefully at home, aged 75, in Dunedin, South Island, New Zealand, his home for the past 45 years. Keith grew up in West Hagbourne and attended Hagbourne Primary School, he was also in St Andrew's Church choir when The Revd Smith-Masters, who was Keith's godfather, was the parish vicar of East and West Hagbourne.

The family have lots of memories of Keith which they have been recalling, one involved the large horse chestnut tree on the Green in West Hagbourne. Keith thought it was a good idea to climb up the railings that used to be around the tree to get some conkers. In doing this he slipped and fell onto one of the spikes on the railings which had gone right into his leg. He bore the scar all his life. In his teenage years Keith had various motorbikes and on one occasion he arrived home grazed on his face, having fallen off his current motorbike. The motorbike was in bits all over the road at Coscote and a wheelbarrow was taken to collect up all the bits.

After school, Keith went on to start an apprenticeship at Glendale and then Lowe and Oliver in Abingdon. He became Captain of Didcot Rugby Club and also, together with his brother Terry, a member of the George and Dragon's Football Team at Upton. When he finished his apprenticeship Keith joined the Merchant Navy as an Electrical Engineering Officer. This involved long spells at sea and the family were always pleased to see him home on leave.

On one voyage he met Eileen and brought her back to England where they were married at Didcot Baptist Church which was followed by a reception at Challow Village Hall where the family caught up with lots of the Buxcey family. The couple then sailed back to New Zealand on board a Shaw Saville merchant ship with all their belongings and a car to settle in New Zealand. Keith and Eileen did come back to visit, bringing their daughters Nicola and Amanda to see all the family. Keith did visit in recent years, staying with his sister Liz and her husband Brian and also with sister May. He went with May about 7 years ago to the First World War graves in Belgium to see the memorial where two of the family's great uncles are named after losing their lives at the Battle of Ypres.

Some of Keith's family from Spain and England were able to go the New Zealand three years ago to attend the Wedding of Amanda and Blair and they enjoyed travelling around the South Island and catching up.

Keith's Funeral Service took place on 12th July in Dunedin and was live streamed so that family and friends in England could take part. He will be sadly missed by his daughters Nicola and Amanda and son-in-law Blair in New Zealand by his brother Malcolm and family in Spain and by his sisters Elizabeth and May and brothers Terry and Jack and all the family and friends in England. They will always remember him as a kind and thoughtful, caring brother who always kept in touch and never missed a Birthday or a calendar and small gift at Christmas for each of the family. He will always be with us in our hearts and thoughts forever.

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### **Upton Fete – Saturday 4th September - recreation ground, Upton.**

**Entry by lucky programme. The fete opens at 1pm.** Wantage Silver Band, gymnastics, stalls, including tombola, books, Upton Wine Club, Fair Trade, preserves, a fun area including a coconut shy plus lots more. There will be a barbecue, pizzas as well as teas and homemade cakes. Classic cars and a fun mini-Olympics dog show, entries from 1pm and judging from 2pm.

### **Date for your Diaries - Arts Event - Sunday 31st October 2021**

**in Hagbourne Village Hall, 10:30am to 5pm** A showcase event for local art, crafts, and literature. Refreshments available. Interested in displaying your work?

Contact Linda Benton 01235 817891, [Linda.Benton@live.co.uk](mailto:Linda.Benton@live.co.uk)



# East Hagbourne Community Shop

find us on the East Hagbourne village  
website: [www.easthagbourne.net](http://www.easthagbourne.net)



## Village Produce Show 12th September

We are pleased to sponsor the annual Hagbourne Village Produce Show, Saturday, 12th September, outside the Village Hall. Details on page 10 of this magazine. Be sure to stop by and enter the raffle for a chance to win a variety of local prizes, or to sample tasty homemade cakes and treats. **See you there!**

## Extra Veg?

French beans, tomatoes, cucumbers or courgettes – we're delighted to feature lovely fresh produce from our neighbourhood in the Shop! Is your allotment or back garden in danger of being overrun? Consider donating your excess at the Shop – we'll sell this low-food-mile produce to our local community, and the extra income helps keep our Shop thriving. Many thanks to all our generous local gardeners for your support!



## Get the Best Out of Summer

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! And don't forget to pop in on Thursdays for delicious home-made cakes, perfect for late summer weekends.

## 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.

**Summer Operating Hours:** Conveniently manage your post, withdraw cash, deposit cheques or cash, pay rent, electric or gas bills, buy new or top up your current pre-paid cards at your friendly local Post Office

**Post Office: Monday to Saturday, 9am to 12:30pm.**

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

## 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 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)

## **Richard James Allen of York Farm, West Hagbourne**

**4th April 1926 – 30th June 2021**

Born at York Farm the youngest of five children of Ernest William Allen and Phoebe Susannah Allen (nee Townsend). Richard was educated at Hagbourne Church of England Primary School and Wallingford Grammar School, leaving at the age of 16 years and already serving in the ATC and the Home Guard, he embarked on his farming career with his parents and siblings. In 1948 he formed a partnership with his brother David and together they modernised, mechanised and embraced the changes in agriculture that were required to feed the nation after the shortages of WW2.

Richard married in 1949 Gladys Mary Lay from Steventon and between 1950 and 1957 two boys and two girls completed their family. However, in 1968 the eldest son James William aged 18 years lost his life, whilst working on a farm in Denmark.

The existing small herd of dairy cows at York Farm was developed and reached its capacity in the 1980's of 130 head and sustained until 2007 when the herd was dispersed as expansion was not an option due to the location within the village and market forces. This was the end of milk production in West Hagbourne and many of the surrounding villages. Other enterprises were developed with his brother. Pigs at Zulu Farm, Harwell and later at Blewbury and North Stoke, Wallingford. A flock of 450 ewes was kept and the arable crops included quality milling wheat, malting barley, oats, feed beans, rape for oil, peas and carrots for the Samor canning factory in Park Road in the 1960's and more recently soya and sunflowers. They farmed a mixture of light downland chalk, greensand and a heavier loam soil at Sheencroft all requiring different farming methods which they learned about and embraced and which was key to their farming success.

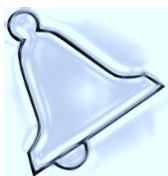
Richard served on the West Hagbourne parish council for many years and was a mine of information on water courses, where pipes were laid and footpaths, also a keen supporter of the local Farming Club, attending meetings, socials and always entered the farm competitions. His farming life spanned nine decades, from the horse drawn plough and steam threshing machines to satellite mapped fields and driverless tractors, from 1 ton to the acre to 5 ton to the acre. It was his willingness to embrace change and adopt new methods and support the next generation in their changes that added to the success of what is now a successful sustainable agriculturally based business.

Very much the family man, in his younger days holidaying in Weymouth, Hastings and Bournemouth and later travelled the world visiting 26 countries. Richard enjoyed the company of his beloved wife Mary, three children, their partners, nine grandchildren, their partners and four great grandchildren, countless relations and many many friends. He hosted parties, functions and celebrations at York Farm for his family and his beloved village of West Hagbourne.

His passing has brought to an end the 102-year occupancy of York Farmhouse by the Allen male line and so begins another chapter for the history of this iconic building built in the 1500's in the centre of West Hagbourne.

The family found some notes prepared by Richard which said" *"December 10th, 2001. Thought I would put own a few notes about myself to help the person who would give the address at my funeral, not knowing when we are going to 'pass on' is one of life's mysteries, but at the age of 75years it should not be too long. Do not be sad at my funeral, sing joyous hymns and play music pleasant to the ears, have plenty of laughter and good fellowship with friends and relations. Make good the contribution at the collection which will be donated to our wonderful church of St Andrews, that has given me so much pleasure throughout my life"*

Richard's Service celebrating his life took place at St Andrew's on 22nd July led by The Revd Jason St John Nicolle. Family and friends were able to sing the hymns heartily and lovely tributes were given. Donations in memory of Richard were given to St Andrew's Church and the Thames Valley Air Ambulance.



**Tower Talk** As I am sure many of you have noticed we are back ringing the bells on a regular basis. We have been ringing the bells for Evensong for a little while now but we have resumed our practice nights on a Tuesday evening. To begin with we just rang six bells for 45 minutes but now we are able to ring all eight bells for our normal practice time from 7:30 until 9:00.

We will also be ringing for morning services that have started again, the first one being the Confirmation Service on 13th June. The service in July also included a wedding which was lovely, the bells were rung before and after the Service. The Service in August was on 22nd. There will be two morning services a month in September, October and November.

We rang the bells for the weddings of Jenny Balshaw and Andrew North on Sunday 25th July and the three weddings in August, Laura Milnes and Connor Sutherland on Thursday 12th August, Sophie Hollis and James Howell were married on Monday 16th August and Phaedra Roberts and Matthew Ryce were married on Saturday 21st August. We wish them all every happiness in the future.



**Birthdays:** 13th August – Jazzie Glover (belated birthday wishes)  
20th September – Matthew Addison

**Anniversaries:** 6th Sept - Trevor and Shirley Goss 24th Sept - Joe and Janet Corderoy

**Dates for diary:** Sunday 26th September – Harvest Festival

Sunday 14th November – Remembrance Sunday

Shirley Goss.

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## **The Alternative<sup>+++</sup>** **Christmas Tree Festival** **10th to 18th December 2021**

**Another year, another Christmas Tree Festival!**  
**Following the success of last year's Alternative Christmas Tree Festival and with the restrictions lifting, let's pull out all the stops this year and decorate the gardens of both Hagbourne villages AND the church AND the churchyard – a 'hybrid' Festival - an Alternative<sup>+++</sup> Festival!!**

This year we'll be inviting clubs, groups and businesses to decorate 4ft trees in the church and 6ft ones in the churchyard. And we'll also be inviting the residents of both West and East Hagbourne to buy a 4ft tree from us, decorate it and place it in their gardens for all to see it sparkle! It was such a wonderful sight last year!

We are also hoping to reintroduce a festive programme of entertainment to run throughout the festival. Obviously, this is all dependent on restrictions staying lifted but for now keep your fingers crossed, save the date and start planning your trees – inside, outside, churchyard, church???? **Full details in the October issue of the Parish Magazine.**

Helen, Chair - Christmas Tree Festival Committee

Hagbourne CE Primary School PTA Presents...

## DOGS DAY OUT

& FAMILY FUN DAY

@ THE PAVILION, EAST HAGBOURNE



**Saturday 18th  
September  
11.00am - 3.00pm**

**A fun-filled day out for your dog, your  
friends and your family...**

### Dog-show Categories:

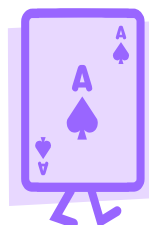
- PUPPY (UNDER ONE YEAR)
- VETERAN ( 7 YEARS +)
- HANDSOME HOUND
- PRETTIEST BITCH
- BEST RESCUE
- JUNIOR HANDLER
- BEST SIX LEGS
- BEST FAMILY (2+ DOGS SAME HOME)
- BEAUTIFUL EYES
- WAGGIEST TAIL
- BEST TRICK
- DOG JUDGE WOULD TAKE HOME

follow us on facebook for more details...



**Please contact Michelle Bowden if you are able  
to provide cakes or if you are able to volunteer  
to help on the day – 07718263302.**

For more information: [pta@hagbourne.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:pta@hagbourne.oxon.sch.uk)



## Hagbourne Bridge Club

**We have now been going for  
a few years and are still having  
a great time!**

Now the nights are drawing in – why don't you think about coming to see us and have a go at playing "giggle bridge". Bridge for fun is just what it says. We play bridge but more for enjoyment than high scoring! If you can play bridge but haven't done so for a while – give us a go! If you have never learnt to play bridge but would like to give it a try – why not come and see us? Whatever the reason we will be glad to meet you.

We meet every Thursday in the village hall at 7.30pm. We have a break around 8.30pm for light refreshments and usually finish playing cards by 10.00pm. It will cost you £2 – a small sum for a good night out!

**We look forward to seeing you.**

We are:

Jill Garlick – 0787 3431144

[hjgarlick@gmail.com](mailto:hjgarlick@gmail.com)

Shirley Goss – 815608

[shirley.goss@btinternet.com](mailto:shirley.goss@btinternet.com)

## Nations' Climate Sunday Service – 5th September



**On Sunday, 5th September, at 4:00 pm, churches across Britain and Ireland will gather online for the Nations' Climate Sunday Service.** Live-streamed from Glasgow with contributions from around the nations, it will feature a talk by the head of Christian Aid, worship music from the Gettys, Iona and the New Testament Church of God and a sharing of what churches are doing on climate. More local details on page 9. See [climatesunday.org](http://climatesunday.org), and register to be sent details on how to watch the service live online at [evenbrite.co.uk](http://evenbrite.co.uk)

## Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman

**Housing Development by the Village Hall** As you will have seen, there has been some activity on the site in recent weeks. Deanfield Homes, from Gerrards Cross, have bought the site from Mactaggart and Mickel. The target date for a decision on the recent plan concerning the drainage (P21/S2893/FUL) is 6th October. If this plan is accepted by SODC then it is likely that the main Reserved Matters plan (P19/S0357/RM) will be accepted shortly thereafter. Deanfield would ideally like to start building before the end of the year although this cannot happen before the planning application is granted. However, before then Deanfield will be doing some minor works on the site, including an ecological survey. The Deanfield Managing Director has said that they are happy to engage with the Parish Council and with villagers before construction starts.

**Planning consultations** There are three inter-related consultations now open on county-wide planning. The major one is on the Oxfordshire 2050 Plan. This plan defines long-term strategies for Oxfordshire and is being developed by all District Councils including Oxford City Council. The proposal consists of 32 strategic policies around five core themes: addressing climate change, improving environmental quality, creating strong and healthy communities, planning for sustainable travel and connectivity, and creating jobs and providing homes.

This is an important plan since it will set the framework for future growth, policies and content of new Local Plans and will be part of the Development Plan for each District once adopted.

Thus, if you have the energy for such things, please think of commenting on it even if it is only to focus on small parts of the plan. The consultation is open until October 8th and can be accessed through the web page: <https://www.oxfordshireopenthought.org> where there are webinars on the plan advertised for 8th and 9th September. You can find a pdf copy of the whole plan on:

[https://assets.website-files.com/5f9978a71f4d1719b3f50dfb/610308fe7fed8c1126199404\\_OX2050%20-%20PLAN%20FULL%20TEXT%20V30%20\(23%20July%202021\)%20with%20para%20nos.pdf](https://assets.website-files.com/5f9978a71f4d1719b3f50dfb/610308fe7fed8c1126199404_OX2050%20-%20PLAN%20FULL%20TEXT%20V30%20(23%20July%202021)%20with%20para%20nos.pdf)

The other consultations are the Oxford-Cambridge Arc (<https://placebuilder.io/futureofthearc>), a Government initiative, and the Oxfordshire Infrastructure Strategy (OXIS)

<https://www.oxfordshireopenthought.org/oxfordshire-infrastructure-strategy-oxis>

**Communicating information** From the number of brown bins on pavements after the District Council had announced suspension of collections, it is clear that communicating important information throughout the village is still a challenge. Announcements of this sort usually get posted on the village facebook pages and any postings from our Parish Clerk are also sent to an email list held by the Parish Council. One can sign up for that 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. Some information is also posted on the Village website <https://easthagbourne.net> For example, the invitation from our neighbourhood policing team to a "Have Your Say" meeting in the Pavilion at 7pm on 2nd September has top billing at the moment.

The agendas and minutes of Parish Council meetings can be found by clicking on Parish Council, Meetings, Minutes and Agendas.

**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 9th September. 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.



# East Hagbourne Parish Council

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## COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH UPDATE

The Parish Council agreed at the August meeting to purchase a speed gun for Community Speedwatch use, which will provide more opportunities to monitor traffic through the village in the future. More volunteers are urgently needed to support this ongoing important work, which will help inform future decisions on speed control in the village – please join the small, friendly Speedwatch team now! Please contact Roger Bartlett, Speedwatch Coordinator via email [rogerdavidb@outlook.com](mailto:rogerdavidb@outlook.com) or call 07595 747644.



## RECREATION GROUND NEWS

In the event that any further youth gatherings occur at the recreation ground and result in antisocial behaviour, please contact 101 either by phone, or online <https://www.police.uk/pu/contact-the-police/report-a-crime-incident/>. It is important that all instances are recorded as they increase the Police awareness of an ongoing issue. If a crime is being committed, dial 999.

There has been a marked increase in the amount of dog waste left on the recreation ground by irresponsible dog owners. There is simply no excuse for this, particularly as there is a suitable bin at each exit and the recreation ground asks that all dogs are kept on leads for the benefit of all users.



## OXFORDSHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Roger Bartlett has recently re-joined the Fire Service as a Community Safety Warden. He is now able to visit residents in their homes and make recommendations to improve safety within the home, with the assistance of the local Fire Service to install smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors if required. This service is free and you can contact Roger by email [rogerdavidb@outlook.com](mailto:rogerdavidb@outlook.com) or call 07595 747644. Thank you, Roger!



**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 newsletter:*

**P21/S2816/HH** 30 Blewbury Road, East Hagbourne - New dormer window at the rear and first floor side extension

**P21/S2893/FUL** Site adjacent to village hall, East Hagbourne – Variation of condition 7 (surface water drainage)

**P21/S2979/HH** The Old Stables, Manor Farm Close, East Hagbourne - Part conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation

**P21/S3046/LB** Coscote Manor, Coscote – Structural and timber repairs plus internal alterations

**P21/S3063/HH** 47 New Road – Single storey extension

**P21/S3110/HH** 12 Bishops Orchard – Rear extension

**P21/S3292/HH** Buckells, 12 Main Road, East Hagbourne - Demolition of an existing garage building, construction of a new oak frame garden building.

**The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 9th September 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)

## Message from Oxfordshire County Council:

### **"Tell us how we can improve Oxfordshire's bus services!"**

Earlier this year, the Government published a new National Bus Strategy which sets out a framework for how bus services can recover from the Covid-19 pandemic, with a vision for future improvements to bus provision.

To meet this challenge, Oxfordshire County Council is collecting views of Town and Parish Councils and the general public, to create a Bus Service Improvement Plan. This will involve developing bold plans for improving Oxfordshire's bus services and encouraging more people to use them. Government has pledged £3 billion in funding across the country to help deliver these plans, and Oxfordshire is aiming to secure as much as it can of that funding. Oxfordshire County Council want to find out what Oxfordshire's Town and Parish Councils think would improve our bus services and which aspects we should prioritise for improvement. There are two consultations – one for Town and Parish Councils to respond to and one for the General Public to respond.

**The General Public consultation can be found here:**

<https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshire-bus-improvement-plan-2021> - **The closing date for responses from both the Town/Parish and the General Public engagement is at the end of Monday 13th September. Please respond if you are able with your thoughts and ideas on how our local bus services may be improved. We hope to have some printed forms available for those not online.**

## HAMS - September Update

*"From the start it has been the theatre's business to entertain people... it needs no other passport than fun." Bertolt Brecht*

**HAMS are BACK!** Calling all thespians, friends and supporters. HAMS are thrilled to announce that we're back in the groove and ready to get going on the next theatrical adventure.

Ever mindful of the likely precautions and possible impact of Covid-19 on our preparations and performances, we are taking measures to mitigate and limit the risks. In the first instance, it is important to note that the pandemic has suggested some constraints which have influenced the steering group's choice of play. **We think you'll love the choice** and there are parts for adults and youngsters, but it is important to note that **the size of the cast is likely to be smaller than in previous years**. Simply put – the more actors involved, the greater the chances of needing to shut down rehearsals for isolation, putting the whole production at risk.

We think the play is innovative, pacey, and thoughtful. It will work well in the village hall space and is flexible enough for us to make the play our own.

If you're interested in taking part or are keen to support the play in other ways, **please come along to the play-reading evenings in East Hagbourne Village Hall on Thursday 14th or 21st October at 7.00 – 9.30pm.**

Watch this space next month for more information. If you want to contact the HAMS steering Group, use the email address shown below.

**Looking forward to seeing you there**

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

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

## Our Local Bus Service – route 94

## Didcot – Blewbury – Harwell Campus

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

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| Didcot, Parkway Station, stop R4    | 0840 | 1010 | 1140 | 1340 | 1445      | 1510 | 1545     | 1555      | 1715 | 1845 |    |
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| East Hagbourne, War Memorial        | 0853 | 1021 | 1151 | 1351 | 1457      | 1521 | 1557     | 1607      | 1727 | 1856 |    |
| West Hagbourne, Moor Lane           | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | 1503      | ↓    | 1603     | ↓         | ↓    | ↓    | ↓  |
| Upton, Village Hall                 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | 1507      | ↓    | 1607     | ↓         | ↓    | ↓    | ↓  |
| Blewbury, The Blueberry             | 0901 | 1029 | 1159 | 1359 | 1514      | 1529 | 1614     | 1615      | 1735 | 1904 |    |
| 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 |    |
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| Aston Upthorpe, The Chequers PH     |      |      |      |      | 1523      |      | 1623     |           |      |      |    |
| 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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| Chilton, Main Street                | 0640 |      |      |      | 0800 | 0931 | 1101 | 1231 | 1431 | 1601 | 1633     | 1806 |     |           |
| East Hagbourne, War Memorial        | ↓    | 0728 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓        | ↓    | ↓   | ↓         |
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| West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH | 0646 | 0737 | 0806 | 0937 | 1107 | 1237 | 1437 | 1437 | 1607 | 1639 | 1812     |      |     |           |
| Upton, Village Hall                 | 0648 | 0741 | 0808 | 0939 | 1109 | 1239 | 1439 | 1439 | 1609 | 1641 | 1814     |      |     |           |
| Blewbury, The Blueberry             | 0656 | 0749 | 0816 | 0945 | 1115 | 1245 | 1445 | 1445 | 1615 | 1647 | 1820     |      |     |           |
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| North Moreton                       | ↓    | 0810 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓        | ↓    | ↓   | ↓         |
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| Didcot Girls' School                | ↓    | 0832 | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓    | ↓        | ↓    | ↓   | ↓         |
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|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Didcot, Parkway Station, stop R4    | 0840 | 1010 | 1140 | 1340 | 1510 | 1710 |
| Didcot, Orchard Centre              | 0844 | 1014 | 1144 | 1344 | 1514 | 1714 |
| Didcot, Sandringham Road            | 0848 | 1018 | 1148 | 1348 | 1518 | 1718 |
| 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 |

## Our Local Bus Service – route 94

## Harwell Campus – Blewbury – Didcot

Saturdays

| Bus Number                          | 94   | 94   | 94   | 94   | 94   | 94   |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Harwell Campus, Bus Station         | 0925 | 1055 | 1225 | 1425 | 1555 |      |
| Chilton, Main Street                | 0800 | 0931 | 1101 | 1231 | 1431 | 1601 |
| West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH | 0806 | 0937 | 1107 | 1237 | 1437 | 1607 |
| Upton, Village Hall                 | 0808 | 0939 | 1109 | 1239 | 1439 | 1609 |
| Blewbury, The Blueberry             | 0814 | 0945 | 1115 | 1245 | 1445 | 1615 |
| East Hagbourne, War Memorial        | 0822 | 0953 | 1123 | 1253 | 1453 | 1623 |
| 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>

**Football in East Hagbourne:** Both Hagbourne United FC and Didcot Casuals FC play regularly at East Hagbourne and welcome new players

**Contacts:** Men: HUFC John Symonds 07831 714076 [jesymonds29@gmail.com](mailto:jesymonds29@gmail.com)  
Youth: DCFC Peter Blackman 07771 667271 [peter.blackman@abbott.com](mailto:peter.blackman@abbott.com)

## News from HUGS – Hagbournes & Upton Group for Sustainability Wildlife Garden Competition

We're very pleased to announce the winners of our WG competition!

**First prize: Vicky Hunt** of East Hagbourne. Vicky won a bundle of Simon King wildlife products. Her garden is a beautiful, informal family wildlife garden, all designed and sensitively managed for nature.

**First runners up: Mary and John Napper** of East Hagbourne. Mary and John won a bundle of Simon King wildlife products. Their informal garden is both attractive and productive as well as being very wildlife-friendly.

**Second runners up: Malcolm and Val Brownsword** of West Hagbourne. Malcolm and Val won an ethically-sourced hamper from Just Trading in Wallingford. They have an impressive and productive garden with a mix of informal areas for wildlife, as well as more formal beds.

For more about our wonderful winners please see our latest [blog!](#)

Thank you to all those who entered the competition. The standard of all the entries was very high and it is heartening to see so much work going on in the villages which is supporting our wildlife.

**Great Big Green week** - Meanwhile, September sees the first [Great Big Green](#) Week. It will be the largest nature and climate event ever held in the UK. It's running from the 18th to the 26th of September and marks the build-up to the [COP26 UN Climate Change Conference](#) in Glasgow in November. Most sustainability and nature groups around the UK will be running events.



Holly Blue Butterfly  
Photo: Malcolm Brownsword

Our HUGS events are -

**HUGS Sponsored Walk:** Any time between the 18th to the 26th of September, follow our [Wild Walk Route](#) and all sponsorship money raised will go to tree and hedge planting in the 3 parishes.

**Climate Solutions Workshop:** Join a free, online Climate Solutions workshop with Heather Comina. For more info about both our HUGS Great Big Green Week events see our website:

[www.hugsustainability.org](http://www.hugsustainability.org)



**Ride and Stride for Churches**  
**Saturday 11th September 2021**  
**Over 500 churches and chapels**  
**in Oxfordshire taking part.**

Help preserve the history on your doorstep by raising funds for Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust by taking part in a sponsored cycle or walk around our local churches, or further afield around Oxfordshire. Visit as many churches as you can and get sponsored per church.

All funds raised go to OHCT and 50% can be passed on to a church or chapel of your choice. OHCT are delighted that we will be able to hold a Ride+Stride event this year. Every aspect will be within current government guidelines every step of the way, but the restrictions mean the event will look and feel a little different this year.

**How to take part** Everyone welcome to take part – as an individual, family or group of friends. Please register online or use the paperwork obtainable from your local church coordinator:

**Mrs Janet Corderoy, Hagbourne Mill Farm, East Hagbourne – Tel: 01235 813140 or email: [jcorderoy@btconnect.com](mailto:jcorderoy@btconnect.com).** Janet has sponsorship forms.

**St Andrew's is taking part on the day and there will be a table in the porch which will hopefully will be manned all day for information and signing sponsorship forms.**

You can also be sponsored for manning the table/church – please let Janet know if you can spare an hour or so during the day.

**Lots more details on:**  
**[www.ohct.org.uk/ride-stride](http://www.ohct.org.uk/ride-stride)**



**Oxfordshire Historic  
Churches Trust**

## Hagbourne Village Hall notice of AGM

**The annual AGM of the Village Hall will take place on Wednesday 24th November**, beginning at 8.30pm in the main hall. As always, wine will be served, but one of the key topics will be to appoint a new secretary to the committee.

Yen Rickeard, who is the longest serving member of the committee, has indicated she no longer wishes to remain as Secretary. We are therefore urgently seeking someone who can step into this role. The committee only meets for 3 to 4 times a year, and the main duties of the secretary are to produce minutes from our discussions. The duties are not therefore onerous, but this is a vital role.

If you care about your Village Hall, and would be able to fulfil this role, please either attend the meeting on 24th, or else contact the present chairman, Richard Elliott, on 01235 814140. Agenda to follow in next month's Parish Magazine.

## Come and meet your neighbourhood policing team

Let them know about the issues that matter most to you.

**HAVE YOUR SAY MEETING** at the Pavilion, Great Mead, East Hagbourne  
on **Thursday, 2nd September** from 7pm to 9pm

## The Didcot Emergency Foodbank

**The Didcot Emergency Food Bank 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.

## OCTOBER 2021 PARISH MAGAZINE

Please let us have copy for the October 2021 parish magazine by  
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Keep safe and well, Janet Corderoy, Joy Napper  
and the parish magazine committee.

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