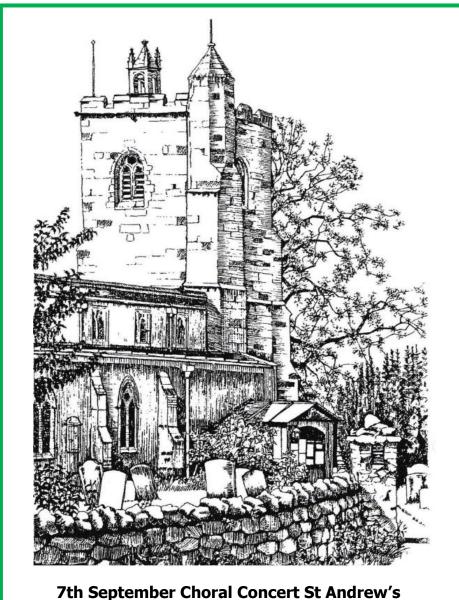
St Andrew's Hagbourne

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SEPTEMBER 2024



7th September Choral Concert St Andrew's 8th September Hagbourne Produce Show 15th September St Andrew's Pet Service York Farm Full details of all events in the magazine

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

Thank you very much to the East and West Hagbourne Parish Councils for giving the Parish Magazine a home on their websites.

www.easthagbourne.org

CHURCH CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

The Prayer Intentions this month are for all who live in West Hagbourne,
North Moreton and South Moreton.

1 + Sunday FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 9am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' AU

10.30am Parish Eucharist and Sunday Club: St Andrew's H

10.30am All Age Service: St Michael's B 10.30am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' NM

10.30am Online Benefice Service 12.30am Baptism: St Mary's U

3 – 5pm Summer Teas: St Andrew's H 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H 7pm Youth Group: Benefice Office

2 Monday 8pm online Compline

3 Tuesday
4 Wednesday 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H
5 Thursday 7pm Time for Reflection: St Michael's B
6 Friday
8pm online Compline
8pm online Compline
8pm online Compline

7 Saturday 12 midday Upton Village Fete

7pm Choral Concert: St Andrew's H

8 +Sunday FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.15am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U 10.30am Taizé Service: St Michael's B

10.30am Parish Eucharist: St John the Baptist: SM

10.30am Online Benefice Service 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H

9 Monday 8pm online Compline

10 Tuesday 8pm online Compline

11 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm online Compline 12 Thursday 10am MU Holy Communion: St Michael's B 8pm online Compline

13 Friday 8pm online Compline

14 Saturday Holy Cross Day

15 +Sunday SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT

10.30am Parish Eucharist and Baptism: St Michael's B

10.30am Pet Service: **York Farm WH** 10.30am Online Benefice Service

3pm Celebration of Harvest followed by tea at St Mary's Upton

4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM

6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H **Continued on page 4...**

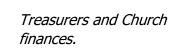


The Churn Benefice's Churches are:

St Andrew's Hagbourne (H), St Mary's Upton (U), St Michael's Blewbury (B), All Saints Aston Upthorpe (AU), St Michael's Aston Tirrold (AT), St John the Baptist South Moreton (SM), All Saints' North Moreton (NM)

Prayer Focus:

Children, our schools and Sunday clubs.



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 Supporting our Farmers

During the months of September and October, many if not most Churches up and down the land will celebrating a Harvest Festival. Harvest Festivals are a wonderful opportunity to remember all who are involved in growing, transporting and processing the food we eat. So often we take our farmers for granted. A Harvest Festival reminds us that we are all dependent on the skill and hard work of farmers, in this country and around the world.

It is not always easy to be a farmer, and I would like to draw attention to three particular charities who work to support our farming communities.

The first charity I would like to mention is the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution ("RABI"), founded back in 1860. This charity provides a wide range of support to farming people – the support provided might be financial, practical or emotional, depending on the particular need. It is an excellent organisation. Another excellent organisation is The Farming Community Network. This was founded in 1995 and was originally called The Farm Crisis Network. In common with RABI, the Farm Community Network provides a wide variety of help, covering matters relating to farming, business, health and family.

Finally, let me mention the Campaign for the Protection of Rural England ("CPRE"). CPRE covers a wide range of issues relating to the countryside, including farming. It sometimes advocates a particular approach to a particular issue, and you may agree or disagree with the particular approach which is being promoted. But the key thing is that CPRE is looking at the bigger picture, and the way that issues are often inter-related. For example, CPRE seeks to address the connection between the future of farming in the UK and our desire to care for the environment. It also looks at the provision of affordable housing in rural areas.

If you have a moment, I would encourage you to find out more about the work of these charities. They do so much to support our farmers and our farming communities. We all depend on our farmers for the food we eat. Where would we be without them?

Father Jason



St Andrew's Pet Service Sunday, 15th September 10.30am at York Farm, West Hagbourne



Bring your pet along or a picture of your pet for a blessing. Everyone welcome!

A Time for Reflection St Michael's Church, Blewbury, will be open on Thursday evening **5th September from 7pm to 8pm** for anyone to join a small group for some shared time for reflection, silence and prayers. This is a very informal prayer group where anyone is welcome to come along and share the silence of the beautiful Lady Chapel. Please join us. **This will be happening every month on the first Thursday**. Everyone is welcome.

Church Calendar and Diary for September and October 2024

Prayer Focus:

16 Monday 8pm online Compline
17 Tuesday 8pm online Compline
18 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H
19 Thursday 10am MU Holy Communion: St Michael's B
20 Friday 8pm online Compline
8pm online Compline
8pm online Compline

21 Saturday *Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*

22 +Sunday SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.15am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U 10.30am Village Service: St Michael's B 10.30am Online Benefice Service 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's N

6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H
8pm online Compline

25 Weds 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 8pm online Compline 26 Thursday 8pm online Compline

28 Saturday

27 Friday

23 Monday

24 Tuesday

29 + Sunday MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

10.30am Patronal Festival: St Michael's B 10.30am Online Benefice Service

4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM

6pm Service of the Word

30 Monday 8pm online Compline

OCTOBER 2024

1 Tuesday
2 Weds
10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H
3 Thursday
4 Friday
8pm online Compline

5 Saturday Decorating St Andrew's for Harvest Festival

<u>6 +Sunday</u> <u>NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY</u>

HARVEST FESTIVAL

8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 9.15am Lay led Service: St Mary's U

10.30am Harvest Eucharist and Sunday Club: St Andrew's H

10.30am Harvest Festival: All Saints' AU

10.30am All Age Harvest Festival: St Michael's B

10.30am Parish Eucharist: All Saints' NM

10.30am Online Benefice Service

6pm Service of the Word: St Andrew's H 7pm Youth Group: Benefice Office and visiting.

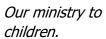
Pastoral care and



8pm online Compline

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Outreach and Parish magazines.



Home Communion is available to anyone who is unable to get to Church through sickness or frailty, either for a short time or on a long term basis. If you, or anyone you know, would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact the office 01235 850267 and Elaine will arrange it for you.

Churchwardens Chatter... As I get nearer and nearer to returning to my own house, life seems to be busier and busier. A lot has happened at St Andrew's from the end of June until September as you will see below.

Firstly, we celebrated the Revd Mark's first time of hosting Holy Communion with us whilst at the same Service there was a Baptism! What a great Service that was! This was followed by three more Baptisms and three Funerals. We have also had a PCC meeting, School Leavers Service, Science Week, the church clock annual maintenance check, Summer Teas and Bikers' Teas. And I haven't even mentioned the Fete!!!!

Once again, the Fete was a great success, raising about £2700! A big thank you to everyone involved in any way whatsoever. Particular thanks go to Jane Drewe — organiser in chief. The fact that we had the Fete in July seemed to create a little more difficulty than we get when we hold the Fete in June. Lots of other things going on and people being attacked by some horrible bug and unable to help out. But all was well in the end. It is so great to see the Church full of happy people.

In the near future we look forward to the **Pet Service**, **Harvest Festival** and of course, the **Christmas Tree Festival**! No doubt we will be calling for helpers once again, so feel free to volunteer to help out in any way that you can. We look forward to working with you. Jill (and Jane)

Online Compline This is a short time of Evening Prayer online every weekday at 8pm – time to wind down from the day and relax. Join using the details from www.churnchurches.co.uk If you go to What's On and click on Services you will find the online Compline details to log on.

Midweek Communion Everyone welcome to the Midweek Communion at **St Andrew's**, **Hagbourne**, **every Wednesday at 10am**. This is a said Communion Service without hymns and the opportunity to stay for a coffee afterwards and a chat.

This is a popular Service - all welcome.

Benefice Online Church Service . . . Please help spread the word about our

regular online Church Service! This Service became a necessity during Covid but has proved to be popular with those people who are unable to attend regular or in-person worship. The technology is easy to master but Elaine is happy to assist with setting it up.

Every Sunday at 10.30am using this link:

Computer, tablet, smartphone https://meet.goto.com/ChurnBenefice/sundayservice **New user** https://meet.goto.com/install

Choral Concert We are pleased to announce that the Concert by Amici Della Voce, which had to be cancelled previously because of illness, is now taking place at St Andrew's on **Saturday, 7th September at 7pm**. Please see the poster on page 11. We look forward to a relaxing evening of choral singing.

How to contact the Churn Benefice:

BENEFICE OFFICE - 01235 850267 Churn Website: www.churnchurches.co.uk

The Benefice Operations Manager, Elaine de Ridder, is available from 9.00 am - 2.30pm Monday to Friday, contact on 01235 850267 or 07434 686044 during office hours.

Bookings for Weddings, Baptisms etc. may be made by contacting the office via telephone or email: office@churnchurches.co.uk

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Revd Louise Butler - 07837 009730 - revlouiseb@aol.com

Revd John Clarke – 01235 510073 – jphclarke@gmail.com

Revd Dr Mark Rhodes-Smith — 01235 850267 — mark.rhodes-smith@churnchurches.co.uk



Fairtrade Fortnight 2024 – 9th to 22nd September

It's 30 years since the first Fairtrade certified products hit supermarket shelves. Since then, Fairtrade has not only pioneered a unique, more equitable way of doing trade – and shown how it makes a tangible difference – it has become the world's most recognised and trusted ethical label.

Behind that label, a global community of millions has been working towards more responsibly produced and fairly priced goods, as part of a fairer world for everyone. That includes more than 2 million farmers and workers in 58 countries, supply chain partners, some of our most loved brands of tea, coffee and chocolate, and towns, cities, schools, places of worship and supermarkets.

Through the strength of Fairtrade's community, millions of Fairtrade farmers have secured a fairer price for what they grow. Workers have been able to improve their living standards. Fairtrade sets off a ripple effect that has seen children go to school and university, women take the lead and reforestation projects supported.

Despite this success, our global food system still isn't fair. Farmers are part of a chain in which power is unfairly distributed. They are frequently forced to sell their crops for less money than they cost to grow. The climate crisis is making conditions more and more challenging for farmers.

2024 is a year for celebration. Fairtrade are proud of 30 years of standing with farmers for trade justice. But we all need to keep working together to build a fairer, more sustainable future for food production.

CHOOSE FAIRTRADE - With thousands of Fairtrade products now available in the UK from the staples; bananas, coffee, chocolate, tea to the more unusual; flowers, bedding, gold – always choose Fairtrade and if you can't find it in store, ask why, to show that there is a growing demand for Fairtrade products. **Discover more about Fairtrade on www.fairtrade.org.uk**



A Big Thank You to everyone who supported the Summer of Hope Mothers' Union fundraising event on Friday 9th August. We were blessed with very pleasant weather and a gathering of 35 (helpers included), feasted on tasty scones, jam and cream, enjoyed good conversation and endless cups of tea! Donations approaching £400, with more to come. How AMAZING. You have helped women and girls in the DRC to develop skills in literacy and agriculture, enabling them to become more self-sufficient.

With Sympathy We send our heartfelt sympathies to the family and friends of Rosemary Greenland whose Funeral Service took place at St Andrew's on 7th of August.

With Sympathy We send our heartfelt sympathies to the family and friends of Doreen Cleverly whose Funeral Service took place at St Andrew's on the 9th of August.

With Sympathy We send our heartfelt sympathies to the family and friends of Pat Napper whose Thanksgiving Service for his life took place at St Andrew's on the 29th of August.

Funerals in the Benefice

7th August at St Andrew's Hagbourne 9th August at St Andrew's Hagbourne 9th August at St Andrew's Hagbourne 13th August at St Michael's Blewbury 15th August at St Michael's Blewbury 29th August at St Michael's Blewbury Rosemary Greenland aged 73
Doreen Cleverly aged 85
Pat Napper aged 94
James Halsey aged 81
Alan Faulkner aged 82
Veronica Knight aged 80



May they rest in peace and rise in glory



Tower Talk The Church Fete was held on Saturday 27th July starting at 1pm and was held in and around St Andrew's Church. We opened the tower again this year to visitors for a small fee. This proved to be very popular again this year and over 100 visitors went up to the ringing chamber and then up to see the bells that were all down for safety reasons. A very big thank you to Daniel, Alan and Jeff who did a great job welcoming visitors and telling them about our lovely ring of eight bells. One of the visitors, an American gentleman, came back on the Tuesday evening to see the bells actually ringing which he thoroughly enjoyed.

Sadly, the Duck Race did not happen again this year but instead the bellringers ran one of the Summer Teas. Well done to all the cake makers and waiters/waitresses on the day.

Practices continue to be well supported on a Tuesday evening with various members of the team running the practices. This can vary from an experienced ringer to an early learner. Such a good experience for all concerned and not an easy job to do which we are all finding out.

There is a wedding on Friday 4th October at 12:30, but we have had very few weddings at St Andrew's this year.

Shirley Goss.

Birthdays: 20th September – Matthew Addison

Anniversaries: 6th September - Trevor and Shirley Goss, 24th September- Joe and Janet Corderoy

Dates for the diary: Friday, 4th October – Wedding, 12:30.

Sunday 15th September – Pet Service, 10:30 at York Farm, West Hagbourne.

CYGnets Youth Group A regular Sunday evening group in the Benefice Centre,

Blewbury, usually on the 1st Sunday of the month from 7-8.30pm, 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.* Do let us know if you intend to come as we are now quite a small group.

For details email Elaine or Father Jason via the Benefice Office (office@churnchurches.co.uk)

Next Meetings will be on Sundays, 1st September and 6th October at 7pm



Sunday Club In the Parish Room at St Andrew's, Hagbourne on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30am, joining parents in the Church Service later. Bible stories, circle time, drawing, colouring, painting, crafts and more. Ages 4 - 11. Encourages children to interact with each other and adults, make friends, be creative. A gentle introduction to Christian values.

Next dates: Sunday 1st September and 6th October.
ALL WELCOME.



Harvest Festival at St Andrew's

Harvest Festival is on Sunday 6th October this year. It will be lovely to see the glorious colours of late summer and autumn filling the Church.



Details regarding the Harvest Festival and decorating the Church will be in the October parish magazine. The Rotas for 6th October appear in this magazine.



HAGBOURNE PRODUCE SHOW

8th September 2024 - Hagbourne Village Hall

Staging 9am to 11am - Opens 2pm - Free entry

Lots of categories including arts and crafts and photos.

See
Facebook page
for
full details of
categories
and entry
details!



Tea and cakes

Great Raffle

Sponsors:
The
Fleur de Lys
The
Community
Shop

An annual celebration of local produce open to all:

Bring along your home-grown fruit, vegetables, flowers, plants; foraged fruits; home baking including decorated biscuits, cakes and cupcakes, arts and crafts and photos, gardens on plates, or enter your home-made curry for a chance to win the coveted Curry Cup!

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

St Andrew's ROTAS	1st September 14th Sunday after Trinity	15th September Pet Service
Readers	Deuteronomy 4 1-2, 6-9 Trevor Goss James 1. 17-27 Shirley Goss	Pet Service at York Farm, West Hagbourne
Intercessions	Celebrant	Celebrant
Sidesmen	Chris & Wendy Price	Pet Service
Coffee	Jill Garlick Sally Duncan	Pet Service.
Church Cleaning	11th September Jill Garlick Sylvia Maynard	25th September The Guides
Flowers Lady Chapel	Alison Davis	Jane Blond
Flowers High Altar	Myra Hardiman	Denise Horswell

5th October Harvest Festival	General Notes: Church cleaning should be done on the Friday afternoon or Saturday before your name is on the rota. Thank you.	
Genesis 2, 18-24 Jeff Powell		
Hebrews 1, 1-4, 2, 5-12 Justine Shepperson	If unable to do duty, please let your organiser know or find a	
Celebrant	suitable replacement.	
Richard & Marian Powell	Volunteer flower	
Jeff Powell Justine Shepperson	arrangers and cleaners are in big demand. If you	
7th October Christine Wood Alice Smith Marian Powell	can help or know of someone who could help please let us know. The more the merrier.	
Helen Clayson	More details for Harvest Festival to follow in the October magazine.	

Readers needed to read Lessons on Sundays at St Andrew's We are getting rather short of people available to read lessons on a Sunday. We have lost at least six from my list in the last twelve months for various reasons. If you feel able to help out, please contact <code>jeffpow01@gmail.com 07751 607932</code>. There is nothing to it --and everyone will be only too pleased that you have offered to read. Jeff Powell.



East Hagbourne Community Shop

For 20 years, East Hagbourne Community Shop has been proudly run entirely by volunteers. We are seeking new Committee members and volunteers to help keep it going and growing!

To learn how you can help for 1 or 2 hours a month: email Alice at alice.w.smith@gmail.com or easthagbourneshop@gmail.com or pop in and chat with the Volunteer on duty.

Visit us on FB or on the village website at: easthagbourne.net/our-village/shop-post-office

Seeking Volunteers for an hour or two a month . . . Proudly volunteer-run, East Hagbourne Community Shop was founded 20 years ago to help fund our community Post Office, offering convenient essentials, local goodies and a welcoming neighbourhood hub. All sales contribute to supporting our community. Curious? Visit us in person or online https://easthagbourne.net/our-village/shop-post-office/. **To learn how you can help in an hour or two a month,** pop by our stall at the **Hagbourne Village Produce Show** for a chat or email easthagbourneshop@gmail.com. Looking forward to meeting you!

Hagbourne Village Produce Show, Sunday 8th September . . . Peruse a selection of local products including fresh eggs, Monica's homemade organic soaps and infusers, Andrew's local honey and Hagbourne Village tea towels, plus our crowd-pleasing pick n' mix candies and local artists' unique greeting card designs. Come for a browse and a chat!







● ● SEPTEMBER OPERATING HOURS ● ● ●

Post Office: Mon to Sat 9am – 12:30pm + Mon and Thurs afternoons 1pm – 4:30pm Manage business or personal banking needs, payments for council tax, utilities or top ups.

Shop: Mon & Thu 9am – 4:30pm; Tue/Wed/Fri 9am – 4pm; Sat 9am – 12:30pm Stay cool with frozen treats, cold drinks or pick-and-mix sweets. Grab takeaway coffee or one of our homemade cakes on Thursday. Frozen Calnan's award-winning sausages or mince, high-quality fish, pies or pizza plus local produce equals care-free summer meals

Heritage Bakery (formerly "Marcopolo")
delivery each Saturday Pre-order artisan breads,
savouries or pastries by 4pm each Wednesday in the
Shop or by email to easthagbourneshop@gmail.com for pick-up
the following Saturday. Consult the product list in Shop or view
the updated file online at easthagbourne.net. Or: take your
chances and make your choice in the Shop on Saturday.



EXTRA VEG?... If your allotment or garden is overflowing we are happy to offer your excess to our customers for a modest sum, helping to reduce waste and to defray operating costs.

Gladys Mary Allen 'Mary'

Mary was born 4th February 1927 and spent the majority of her childhood living near the village green at Steventon, after a local education she worked for a short time at the Army Depot switch board on the Hanney road. Her initial trips to West Hagbourne were to Manor Farm to visit her father's brother John Lay and his wife Elizabeth (née Napper) along with their children, in particular Charlie Lay her favourite cousin. It was there in 1947 she met Charlie's friend and neighbouring farmer Richard Allen, the youngest of five children born to Ernest William Allen and Pheobe Suzanne (née Townsend), who had occupied York Farm since 1901.

Mary married Richard in 1949 at Steventon Church and returned to York Farm where she lived for the next 77 years, in the formative years Mary's time was fully engaged in assisting her mother-in-law to care for her father-in-law who had suffered a severe stroke, who lived next door at York Farm Cottage; as well as raising four children.

The farmhouse, although clean, was in very poor condition, it was not until the 1950s that an inside toilet was installed and likewise the central heating in the early 1970s. Up until 2007 cows were still being milked at York Farm and Mary's contribution to this was the rigorous washing of the dairy towels each week, she was so delighted when she had an automatic washing machine. Calving cows, feeding calves, rearing orphan lambs, gardening, learning to drive, feeding farm staff were just a few of the skills she had to learn being new to the world of farming, but she took it all in her stride and made an invaluable contribution to the success of the farming business.

Outside of farm life Mary enjoyed her voluntary work being a driver for the Blind Association and an active member of the Ladies Conservative Association at Abingdon, it was not unusual to see her take on the catering for their annual Christmas lunch single handed. Mary enjoyed cooking, her Sunday roasts and shoot dinners were legendary, huge joints of roast beef and an endless supply of Yorkshire puddings were produced from the most modest of facilities followed by nearly always sherry trifle, the guests loved it.

Mary was not immune to the tragedies of life, in 1968 she lost her first born son James William aged eighteen years, understandably this loss left a sadness in her heart for the rest of her life. Her other three children were all married and had left home by 1983 and gave her nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren who gave her so much love and pleasure, all living locally and regular visitors to York Farm.

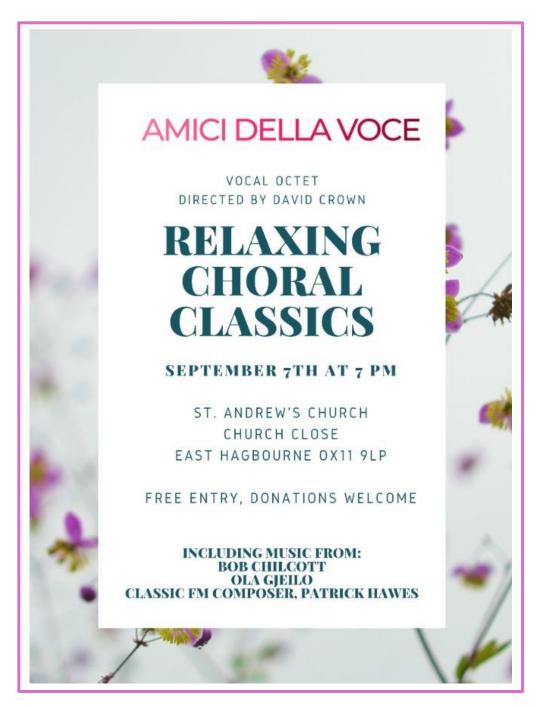
In 2003 Mary experienced the onset of age-related macular degeneration, an eye condition which gradually worsened over the years, resulting in the loss of her diving licence, however she persevered with great stoicism, continued to knit, cook and make the most of what she was able to do, most people were unaware she suffered from the condition.

Once the children had left home, Mary and Richard enjoyed their time together at York Farm, watching their family grow, continuing to play an active role on the farm, enjoying holidays and entertaining until Richard's death in 2021, a wonderful marriage that lasted 72 years.

Mary continued to live on her own, assisted by a stream of family and friends who enabled her to stay at York Farm for the following twenty-two months until her death on 16th May 2024. The Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving for Mary's life was held at St Andrew's on 13th of June.



Hagbourne Garden Club will be meeting on **Thursday**, **26th September** at the Pavilion. Doors will open for refreshments at 7pm. The talk will start at 7.30pm The topic this month is **No Dig Gardening** and **Russell Attwood** will explain that 'no dig' isn't 'no effort' but means much less watering and weeding, improved soil and high yields of fruit and vegetables – and it increases carbon storage, helping to reduce climate change. Visitors most welcome at £5 per person. For further information call Sally on 01235 352275



Upton Village Fete — **Saturday 7th September, 12 midday to 3pm at Upton Recreation Ground.** Tea and Cake, BBQ, Dog Show, Flower Show, Fairtrade Stall, Ice cream van, Morris Dancing, Book Stall, Classic Cars, Raffle — come along and spend the afternoon at our traditional village fete.



A Water Concert
St Andrew's Church
Saturday 12th October — 7pm
Featuring local musicians and artists
Refreshments
Donations to Water Aid and St Andrew's Church

If you would like to take part, then come along to the Rehearsals in the Church at 7pm on Fridays 27th September and 4th & 11th October.

All welcome – come along and join in!

James Patrick Napper 23rd January 1930 – 4th July 2024

Pat was born on 23rd January 1930; he lived in Coventry where his father worked for Armstrong Sidley, later to become part of Rolls Royce, as an inspector, assessing new and repaired vehicles. In 1939 at nine years old with the outbreak of war, his parents took the very difficult decision that Pat should move to village life in East Hagbourne to live at the Fleur De Lys Public House owned by the Napper Family and run by his Dad's Sister, Dorothy Figgures. He attended Hagbourne Primary School followed by Wallingford Grammar School where he excelled at many things including tennis and drama.

He enjoyed attending dances around Didcot and it was at one of these that he met his future wife, Ethel. They were married in 1951 and enjoyed 58 years of marriage until Ethel's passing in 2009, Dad missed her very much. Mum worked for Mr Howes in the retail trade in the Broadway Didcot which led to them being able to afford to purchase and run a small grocery shop in the Croft in Didcot. When his Aunt retired from The Fleur, she had a bungalow built in the orchard behind the pub and Pat had his house built soon after on an adjacent plot (14 The Croft).

Pat undertook National Service in the Navy on aircraft carrier HMS Ocean, on one occasion during hot weather the crew were granted shore leave, a suggestion was that they jumped off the ship to cool off nobody wanted to be first so Pat took the plunge so to speak and was very proud of that. After the Navy he joined the Civil Service in the Contracts Dept at AERE Harwell (as it was known in the early days), his career spanned some 40 years until his retirement in 1988. He continued to support Ethel in their shop after work, stocking up, book-keeping etc late into the evening.

He was a founder member of the Sinodun Players Am Dram Society in Wallingford and he could be found on many a night practising his Lines at his beloved Piano or travelling to Wallingford for rehearsals by bicycle in the early days. His brother John sometimes towed him along behind a powered bicycle to rest his weary legs.

After the completion of their home in Hagbourne they worked hard to furnish it, and later their three sons arrived, Andrew, Matthew and Jonathan, this brought great joy to Pat and Ethel. Grandchildren followed a few years later, again bringing great joy to them both. The boys were raised in Hagbourne attending the local school as well as Chilton, St Birinus and Compton schools followed by various vocational colleges. Many holidays were taken by the family over the years at their favourite locations in East Wittering where Dad's brother lived, and the Isle of Wight. Pat would pack everything meticulously into the boot of his Ford Cortina and off they would go. Pat and Ethel helped the boys with their careers which allowed them all to buy their own houses in the local area.

The family always attended St Andrew's Church on a Sunday morning; the boys were Christened at St Andrew's. Pat was very proud that he was the longest serving Choir Boy at St Andrew's spanning around 70+ years from the age of 10 until into late 80's. The family moved to Park Road Didcot in 1987 to a smaller bungalow where they gradually extended!!! and updated it to make a lovely new home. In his latter years after Ethel's passing Pat found great comfort in the Church and attended a short Service most Wednesdays right up until a month ago. Thanks must go to Jill and Shirley for keeping Pat in order and ferrying him to and from Church after he gave up driving at 85.

Pat kept busy for many years in retirement researching the family tree, successfully back to 1610. He arranged meetings with Navy colleagues at various locations for holidays reminiscing about their time in the Navy. Pat and Ethel had many holidays after retirement visiting many of their favourite places. Pat fell into the Category of "once an actor always an actor" as he often had a glint in eye when telling a story, none of us quite knew if he was being serious or not. He jumped at the chance when asked to help set up the Hagbourne Amateur Dramatic Society (HAMS). Pat featured in many shows at the Village Hall including playing the Dodo in Alice in Wonderland and a fantastic rendition of "nobody loves a fairy when she's 40" including his broken wand and fetching pink tights! A marvellous innings and long life of 94 years.

God Bless Pat (Dad), Rest in Peace.

HUGS - Hagbournes and Upton Group for Sustainability

Where have all the insects gone? Have you seen less insects this summer? Have you got a buddleia bush with no butterflies? Is this a one year blip? Or part of a much bigger decline?

This has been widely recognised as a difficult summer for spotting flying insects in our gardens. The summer weather has been similar to last year's. But we've also had a mild, wet winter and the wettest



With some species, such as several types of bumblebees there will be a mid-summer gap in sightings as we wait in the gap between queen bees and emerging worker bees. Other species, such as Tree Bumblebees, tend to finish as a colony before July.

But overall, this has been a very quiet year for pollinators - bees, butterflies, wasps etc. As a result, there have been reports of difficulties in other animals that feed off these insects; underweight bats and lower numbers of birds. Insect populations are very weather dependent, so can go up and down weekly and monthly because of this.

However, the big picture for insects is that they are on a massive decline. Dave Goulson (Professor of Biology) estimates that we've lost 90 to 95 % of our insect population over the last 100 years. This is due to a mix of causes including habitat loss, intensified agriculture (including use of pesticides) and climate change.

But how many quiet insect summers do we need before we take action? It's very easy to make our gardens, our verges, our park edges insect rich spaces. Why not cut your grass less and leave wilder corners for insects to over-winter? Embrace wildflowers. Avoid using chemicals in the garden. Enjoy growing nectar-rich flowers of all different shapes and throughout the year for early and late pollinators. And if you want to think bigger picture, why not read Dave Goulson's book **Silent Earth**? It gives you many different ways to support insect life from the food you buy, to contacting your MP to support green initiatives to asking your Parish Council to mow less often - to make much needed homes and provide wildflower nectar for our insects.



COME PLANTING - New native trees along our footpaths!

Great news! An amazing 20 native trees are to be planted east of Blewbury Running alongside footpaths (FP16 and 17), these beautiful trees will boost biodiversity, provide vital food and habitat for wildlife and a growing natural asset us all (and our children and grandchildren!). Funded by the Parish Council, the project starts over the next couple of months, preparing the ground ready for planting small bare-root native trees in November – including four (one day-hopefully mighty!) oaks, plus birch, hawthorn and crab apple.

Here's how you can help. Come along and join our first work party on **Saturday 21st September**, meeting at 10am outside the Pavilion - and we will walk the short distance to the planting sites. This work party (timing roughly 10-12.30 - but no problem if you need to leave earlier or stay later!) will start preparing the ground ready for later work, planting in November.

For any questions or to register your interest, please contact:

david.rickeard@easthagbourne.net or felicitytopping@gmail.com

Or feel free to just turn up with a spade (and a water bottle!) on the day! Find out more on the village web site at https://easthagbourne.net/news/



Didcot and District U3a There are over **30 active Interest Groups** offering plenty of opportunity for all newly retired or semi-retired individuals. Come along to the monthly meetings held on the **third Tuesday of every month at the Didcot Civic Hall starting at 2:30**. **Tuesday, 17th September - Andrew Carnegie - From Rags to Riches - Giving it all away - The World's Richest Men a talk by Jeremy Holmes.**

For further information you can 'Google' u3asites.org.uk

Ladies Thirsty Thursday (LTT) The Ladies Thirsty Thursday is up and running. We meet on the third Thursday of each month in The Fleur from 7.30pm for a friendly drink (or two) and an opportunity to meet other ladies in the village. Everyone is welcome, so come and join us, and spread the word. Tell your friends, neighbours and acquaintances and we look forward to seeing you at the next gathering which will be on **Thursday 19th September.**

West Hagbourne - Outdoor Games Afternoon

Saturday 7th September 2024 from 2pm Manor Farm (behind the duck pond)

Boules, Croquet, Ping Pong, Giant Jenga, Trampoline, Climbing Frame, Archery and Darts (child friendly). Sandwiches and crisps will be provided. Please bring your own drinks and unbreakable glasses. The event is free to West Hagbourne residents. Guests are welcome but are asked to contribute £3 pp to cover food costs. Children under 11 are free. Limited parking available. Phone Rosey Gardiner - 07542 923328, if you are interested.

Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman

S106 and CIL funding As part of the planning process, developers are required to provide some funding for the local community. This funding is administered by the District Council, and, in South Oxford, there are two different funding schemes. One is through an S106 agreement (for Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990), and the other is a Community Infrastructure Level (or CIL). There seems to be some confusion over these. Possibly this article will cause more confusion, but here is an effort at clarification.

S106 funding Historically, the way of getting money or support from house builders was a Section 106 agreement as mitigation on the effects of new building. This agreement is signed between the District Council and the developers and the owners selling the land. This may include stipulations on the type of housing, the percentage of affordable homes, support for those affected by the development, requirements on future management of the development, and money earmarked for particular projects with some examples given below. This funding should effectively address issues caused by the development and normally focuses on areas directly connected with the development.

A Parish Council has no access to this document until after the planning is granted and even then, it has proven difficult to get. For the housing just being completed by Deanfield near the school and Village Hall, the outline plan (P17/S2469/O) was granted on 18 October 2017, and the S106 was signed on 26 January 2018. Included in this S106 agreement are agreed earmarked funding for Public Art (see below), public transport, money for Mowbray Fields, and financial support for street naming and recycling bins. Also included are the transfer land to EHPC for expansion of the car park, transfer of ownership of the school playing fields to OCC, and conditions on the development itself including provision of Open spaces including a LEAP (Local Equipped Area for Play). It should be noted that at no time is the Parish Council consulted about this.

CIL money In addition to the S106 support, some district councils (including SODC) now obtain funding from the developer based on a sum based on the total number of square metres of the houses with exemption for affordable housing. This CIL levy also applies to any new house build with exemption for self-builds. In our case, because we have a Neighbourhood Plan, we get 25% of the CIL money, amounting to over 1/4 million pounds from the Deanfield development. This money must be spent on infrastructure and any expenditure must be approved by the District Council. Also the funds should be spent within five years.

Public Art As mentioned above, some money from the S106 agreement was designated for expenditure on Public Art. The sum granted was £22,200 in 2018 but was index-linked and is now valued at £30,031. The Parish Council have been asked to work with SODC to determine the art works on which this sum will be spent. We announced this last month, and we certainly plan to consult with all East Hagbourne residents, noting that the money is specifically earmarked for art projects and any not spent on this by 2034 will be returned to the builders! We will have much more on this in the next Parish Magazine.

Trees in the central village There has been some concern about the number of trees being cut down in the centre of the village, so it is perhaps useful to mention the controls in place to ensure this is done in an appropriate and sustainable manner. Any tree within the East Hagbourne Conservation Area that has a diameter of greater than 75mm (3 inches) at a height of one and a half metres cannot be pruned or cut down without express permission from the Tree Officer of the District Council.

This is true also of any tree that has a Tree Protection Order even if it is not in the Conservation Area. The Parish Council is not notified of such applications but, when they are granted, they are available on the District Council website. At a meeting with district council officers some months ago, we were told that only 50% of the applications are granted. It is also quite common for a condition to be attached to the permission so that trees that are being cut down are replaced.

Parish Surgeries The next parish surgery will be in the Fleur de Lys on Friday 27th September from 5.00 to 6.30 pm. However, feel free to contact me (iain.duff@easthagbourne.net), the clerk or any other councillor should you have urgent concerns.

Parish Council meetings The PC meetings 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 5th September. 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. Also, my comments on S106 and CIL monies are from my understanding of the situation and are not endorsed by the District Council. Iain Duff.

TABLE TENNIS at the Pavilion: Join our friendly table-tennis group at the Pavilion for exercise and fun on Tuesday mornings. We play from 10am to 12noon, £2 per session. All ages, skills, welcome; bats available. More info from Julian 01235 813599 jgallop@freeuk.com

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Saturday 26th October 2024, 10:30 to 4:30

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- Ample parking at the Village Hall

Payments by cash or cheque please (due to limited internet signal)

Further information: Linda Benton, 01235 817891, Linda. Benton@live.co.uk

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If you can play bridge but haven't done so for a while, give us a go! 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 10pm. It will cost you £3. We look forward to seeing you. We are:

Jill Garlick – 07873431144 hjgarlick@gmail.com and Shirley Goss – 815605 shirley.goss@btinternet.com

HAMS – A new season begins

Having woken up from its usual short Summer hibernation, HAMS has just provided the refreshments for a very enjoyable final session of Summer Teas in the Church.

As September dawns, our thoughts turn to planning the rehearsal schedule for the next production which, as announced in the last magazine, will take place on Wednesday 26th, Friday 28th and Saturday 29th March 2025.

What on earth are they going to perform this year?
Who is going to be in it?
Where will the stage be set?
Will it be suitable for young children?

Answers next month! Watch this space!!

www.thehams.co.uk email: info@thehams.co.uk



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PARKING AND FOOTWAYS IN THE PARISH

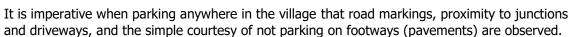


A number of concerns have been raised recently relating to both parking and footway accessibility in the village. Hopefully the information below will benefit everyone moving forward.

The car park next to the village hall is owned and managed by the Parish Council.

Please click **here** to view the Car Park Management document on the village website, which covers the car park terms of use. The car park is for the general use of the community, including church, village hall, school, and village events, but not for residential or overnight parking.

Vehicles left in the car park are monitored and may be reported to the district council as abandoned. Please do not use or block the disabled spaces which are used frequently by those with blue badges.



Thank you to those who responded to the item in the July/August issue about keeping vegetation from footways. However, there are still some areas that could be improved - please remember that footways are used by pushchairs and mobility scooters, and some of us on foot may not be very agile. Pavements and footpaths are for people so please leave room for a double pushchair or a wheelchair to pass easily.



CHAIRMAN'S SURGERY – FRIDAY 27th SEPTEMBER

lain Duff will be at the Fleur de Lys on Friday 27th September from 5.00 to 6.30pm to welcome any residents with concerns or queries relating to matters in the parish.



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Community

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE:

SOFEA Didcot Community Larder is open on Thursdays see <u>here</u> for information.

Didcot Emergency Foodbank is open at Didcot Baptist Church on Tuesdays and Fridays, see here for information.

Cost Of Living Crisis An SODC page with a range of advice and support can be found here Community Hub can assist with isolation and financial help. Details can be found here Warm Welcome Space at Didcot Library, see further info here for opening times and other nearby venues.

Hagbourne Charities – hagbourne.charities@gmail.com or 01235 814024

East and West Hagbourne Fund – Contact David Stainthorp on 07711 802887 or email hagbournevillagefund@gmail.com

East Hagbourne (Coronavirus) Community Support Group -

easthaqbournecovid19@qmail.com or 07568 395228



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

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Hagbourne Village Hall (next to the main entrance)

Hagbourne Bowls Club on The Croft (defibrillator is wall mounted outside the gate) **In an emergency, call 999 – they will give you the access code.**

Planning applications received since the last newsletter:

P24/S2667/HH Saddlers Orchard, East Hagbourne – Retrospective permission for outbuilding and decking

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 5th September 2024 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

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USEFUL INFORMATION LINKS

<u>https://www.fixmystreet.com/</u> for reporting a wide variety of issues from potholes to fly tipping.
<u>https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx</u> can be used to report an issue with a countryside path or public right of way.

https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/south-oxfordshire-district-council/recycling-rubbish-and-waste for information on waste services and reporting missed bin collections.

Get the **Binzone** app on your mobile to receive notifications of bin services in East Hagbourne.

West Hagbourne Garden Open Day On Sunday 14th July the garden gates of West Hagbourne were opened to the public. About 150 people were treated to thirteen beautiful gardens, all maintained to the highest standards. The weather was perfect - warm, dry and sunny - and everyone agreed that we had a very enjoyable afternoon. Visitors came from Abingdon, Wantage, Upton, Chilton and, of course, our closest neighbours East Hagbourne. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended and contributed to the friendly atmosphere. The art exhibition held as part of the event proved that West Hagbourne residents have many talents, not just horticulture. There were beautiful examples of painting, woodwork, needlework, glasswork, flower arranging and many more creative ideas. See you next time!

Didcot Phoenix Drama Group present "Murder at Phoenix Court"

Fancy yourself as a bit of a sleuth? Come and play detective at Phoenix Drama Group's next production. An original comic murder mystery, "Murder at Pheonix Court", written by Geraldine Rouse. **Thursday 12th September, Hagbourne Village Hall at 7.45pm**. We also have shows on Friday 13th September at The Northbourne Centre at 7.30pm and Saturday 14th September at Harwell Village Hall at 7.30pm

Tickets are £12.00 and £10.00 for concessions, available on the door or from https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/didcot-phoenix-drama-group

Volunteer with Earth Trust

Education Support – do you have experience of working with children? Could you help run our environmental education programme? Earth Trust offers the opportunity for young people to take their classroom-based learning and come to understand its importance in a real-world setting. Every workshop is designed to make full use of our woodland, meadows, farmland, rivers and wetlands, and heritage sites. Our Education Support volunteers assist the education team to deliver Earth School sessions to a mainstream primary audience.

<u>Ambassador</u> – Passionate about our planet? Love meeting new people? Could you become a representative for Earth Trust at local events and our green spaces? You would help the charity to raise awareness of Earth Trust and its charitable activities; offer information to visitors to help them make the most of their visit; encourage local people to get involved including through membership, fundraising, events, volunteering, venue hire and more! For more information on the roles email the team at <u>volunteering@earthtrust.org.uk</u> or take a look at :<u>www.earthtrust.org.uk/volunteer</u>

Bus service to the Churchill, Nuffield and Warneford Hospitals

The bus to catch for any of these hospitals from the centre of Oxford is number 15 which is every 1/4 hour during the day, taking 10-12 minutes, longer at busy times. You can catch it near the entrance to the Covered Market or near Queen's Lane. Those stops work whether you're connecting from Didcot with the Thames Travel X32 or, quicker but more walking, using the train from Didcot. The set down points are announced on the bus; for the Warneford, Warneford Road; for the Churchill, Roosevelt Drive; for the Nuffield, the stop is further on, called Lime Walk, and is actually in Old Road near the Old Road entrance to the hospital. The website for the 15 is https://www.oxfordbus.co.uk/services/OXBC/15, where you can also find a useful bus map and even live information. When using the X32 to Oxford, it's also possible to connect with the 15 near the Police Station, generally fewer people trying to get on at once.

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To look up timetables for all bus services please visit: www.oxfordbus.co.uk
There are some printed timetables in the Community Shop.

Thames Travel bus service to the JR Hospital from Didcot – X32 The X32 service starts at Cockcroft Road, Didcot, which might be a convenient point for some people to catch it - still every half hour. It then goes to GWP South and down Wantage Road, past Didcot Hospital, to the Orchard Centre, Station, and on to Oxford and the JR.

Please see page 18 for useful details on how to get to the various Oxford Hospitals via public transport.



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