CASSINGTON NEWS

News and views from the parish of Cassington and Worton

September 2018 (#495)

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Tesco Bags of Help supporting Cassington's new play area

But we need your help to raise as much as possible through the scheme.

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We would be very grateful of your support as every penny helps us reach our target to be able to install the new play equipment. Don't be shy to ask for the tokens if they're not offered!

Thank you, Cassington sports and social club.

We are still waiting to hear about further grants that we have applied for, for the new play area aimed at the older age group of children.

We had a great evening last Friday (17th August) with lovely bbq food, salads and pudding at the pavilion and a chance to look at the provisional plans for the new play area and get further ideas and input from the families that attended. If anyone has ideas or would like to see the plans

please get in touch with Suzi.

We also hope to have more news soon on the much awaited pavilion refurbishment- we have had kitchen units, sink and tap donated by Howdens in Kidlington and paint from Brewers decorating centre in Cowley to whom we are very grateful.

Watch this space and if you would like to get involved with painting or other jobs please contact:

Nominate Your Best Neighbour Of 2018

Neighbourhood Watch and our sponsor Co-op Insurance has just launched a nationwide search to find and celebrate some of the best and most considerate neighbours of 2018!

We're urging people to nominate the most deserving good neighbours and there is also an opportunity to put forward your 'Hero Next Door' for a true act of heroism.

Neighbourhood Watch and Co-op Insurance are working together on these exciting awards and anyone can nominate their good neighbours today!

We're talking about the local heroes in your street and community whose acts of kindness and neighbourliness really set them apart.

We want to recognise the people who are making such a vital contribution to community life and encourage others to follow in their footsteps.

You don't need to be a Neighbourhood Watch member to nominate and the person you nominate doesn't need to be a member either. Click here to join in– before nominations close on September 5 – and you'll be taken to the nomination form where you can share your stories of great neighbourly activities and acts of kindness.

You can also share the link to the nominations page by cutting and pasting it from below.

https://joinin.coop.co.uk/opportunities/159

So nominate your good neighbours today!

To read more about the awards on our website

https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/nominations-are-open-for-our-neighbour-of-the-year-awards/

With best wishes, Neighbourhood Watch

Contributions should be provided by 20th of the month. Email submissions (in the body or as a Word attachment) to: cawneditor@ gmail.com. Photographs should be supplied as separate attachments, not placed in the Word file. Typed or clearly handwritten submissions may be posted to: Kevin Burroughs, 5 Hollow Furlong, Cassington, OX29 4ET. We look forward to hearing from you.

welcome

Kevin's CAWNer

Not sure if you have noticed the edition numbers on the front page - this edition is No 495. So, in 5 months' time we could be reading the 500th edition! Assuming there have been 12 editions a month and the various editors have counted correctly, the CAWN will have covered 41 years and 8 months of village news and events. I suppose we should celebrate this milestone somehow... a bumper edition of favourite or unusual news items from past editions... a little light history of Cassington village (the Church will be celebrating 500 years soon I hear) ... a few pictures of then and now ... perhaps some hopes and dreams for the future... I am open to suggestions, ideas and a lot of offers of the budget won't stretch to a bumper edition, so if you personally or as a family or a business you're associated with would like to place an advert and contribute, that would be very welcome. The months will run away, and the best of intentions could amount to little action if we're not careful. This is your magazine and you could make the difference. Please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Till next month - happy reading.

Kevín

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Leon Cole 10 Heyworth Rd London E5 8DR leon@fieldmaneuvers.com 17th August 2018

Dear Oxfordshire Resident,

Myself and some friends are organising an event nearby called Field Maneuvers. It is a small party and we have been holding it on the same site, on the same weekend for the last 5 years. It is happening in a fortnight from 31st August to 2nd September.

During the first 5 years of our party there were no complaints made regarding noise – however last year we were made aware that we had caused some disturbance – if you were affected I sincerely apologise.

Due to the events of last year, and because of the noise pollution from other events held locally, we are going to greater lengths than ever to avoid causing nuisance of any sort to anyone in the local area. We have employed a noise management team to continuously do sound level recordings in the local area – so if there is any noise pollution we will nip it in the bud before it becomes a disturbance.

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Songs of Praise usually the 2ND SUNDAY of the month, 3.00pm

THURSDAY Reflective Service with Holy Communion, 12.00 noon

Bible Study Groups meet throughout the week, so please enquire.

Tennis is now on Thursday night's at the muga 7.30 - 9pm
(Hockey back in the autumn)
Members free, non members £1 per player.

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field maneuvers 2018
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Friday 31st August - Sunday 2nd September 2018
Fri 1:00pm til Mon 6:00am
Minimum Age: 21
Field Maneuvers returns for sixth edition from
31st August to 2nd Sept for a hedonistic fun filled
weekend.

Both the Cassington Parish Council and Neil Shellard of West Oxon District Council have been kind enough to spare their time to provide us with feedback and advice for the event. One key thing we are doing this year is improving communication with yourselves – as we are very keen to run this event without causing any disturbance.

If you have any questions in the run-up to the event please drop me an email on my direct email address which is at the top of this letter.

If you are adversely affected in any way during the event itself please call the telephone number 07404 529833. This will be manned 24hrs a day throughout the event and will either be answered by myself, my business partner Eleanor Beattie or the head of our Noise Management Team Flynn McBurney – and we will take any reports very seriously and take immediate action.

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Following the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Emperor Hirohito announced Japan's acceptance to the Potsdam Declaration and surrendered on 15th August 1945, effectively marking the end of World War II. However, the official surrender ceremony did not occur until over two weeks later, and thus President Truman marked **2nd September as the official V-J Day.**

It is estimated that anywhere from 60 to 80 million people died during World War II, on all sides of the conflict. V-J Day should be seen as not only the celebration of the defeat of the tyrannical Japanese government of the time, but also the remembrance of those who lost their lives.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

From: John And Pat Vereker Date: Sat, Aug 4, 2018 at 9:17 AM Subject: Cassiington Cafe

For your information:

Cassington Café does not function in August, and never has in all its 11 years of service to the community. Please note for next year!!

Pat V.

Editor replies: I can only apologise for raising false expectations amongst residents and ask the Cafe organisers to be sensitive to the needs of those they serve. Further a meaningful magazine is only possible with the proactive support of all residents.

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Harvest Festival – The Cornish Connection

Harvest festival in church owes its modern form to Revd Robert Hawker of Morwenstow, Cornwall who in 1843 began celebrating the harvest in church.

Hawker, as I recently discovered, was somewhat of an eccentric. However, looking out over the rocky and perilous Cornish coastline from his "hut" (now preserved and owned by the National Trust) he looked out for ships in danger and, when bodies of sailors washed up on the shore he gave them a Christian burial. Hawker is also credited as writing the words of the Cornish anthem "Trelawny" although he may have based it on an earlier Cornish folk song.

From ancient tradition harvest festivals usually take place on a Sunday near to the "Harvest Moon" which is the nearest full moon to the autumn equinox. This is why Harvest Festivals sometimes seems a bit 'late' after many crops have already been harvested.

All of this said, the main reason for celebration at harvest time is clearly to give thanks and rejoice in the gift of the abundant produce of the land (and sea) which we rely on for our food either directly or indirectly. In this country food is abundant, shelves in shops are full and most of us have the income to purchase the food needed to live. Compared with most people in the world we in this country are affluent - indeed we are abundantly rich! However, although in this country there are now fewer in absolute poverty there are many families who, even on two minimum wages are still unable to provide the basic standard of living that most might expect.

Basic Christian teaching encourages us to be thankful to God for his mercy (particularly in the giving of Christ for our salvation) and his provision of our "daily bread". However, we are also taught to support those in need, both near and far.

Bringing the harvest festival back into the church Hawker may well have wanted to moderate some of the excesses and revelry associated with harvest celebrations of the time. In Cassington we want to encourage thanksgiving both to God and to those who provide our food. We want to celebrate and rejoice in the blessings that we have received but, at the same time, remember and support those who, for no reason of their own find themselves in need.

Quoting from the letter of James chapter 2 verses 15&16 (p260 in your Jubilee New Testament)

15 Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. 16 If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?

This harvest time I want to encourage you to gather for a harvest celebration in the village hall on Saturday 6th October 7.30pm (details elsewhere) and also to gather at St Peter's Church at 10am on Sunday 7th October for a special "St Peter's Together Harvest Festival Service" for all ages.

However, I also encourage you to consider making a thanksgiving harvest gift to any that you know of who are in need.

Revd Roger Aston

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Roy's ramblings

September 2018

I am in one of those moods when the memories keep flooding in...the first is very new... A grandson brought his granddad an old friend to see me (in fact I went to school with him). The young man is now 21 years old. We had a very interesting chat. When they left, the young man said, 'Keep on with your Ramblings please'. I was a bit surprised and asked, 'Do you read them?' 'Of course I do!' he said. Frankly this surprised me.

I am going to be perfectly honest. I had finished my Ramblings and my carer read it and said you have repeated some of last month's quotes. I had a mental lock out... I will put it right now hopefully.

I believe in Angels. They come in all shapes, colours and sizes, and sexes. I was extremely lucky, I married one. She came all the way from Essex. God answered my prayer. Now just look around you - there are many more. They never make the headlines, well very little, they don't sell newspapers, the

My little carer will hate me calling her an angel but she is in a quiet way. Nothing is too much trouble. I have so many folk who have helped me... I think my problem is self-pity. Dr Stephenson said you will never forget but will get used to it. I must admit I have not got there yet.

I think it is time for the following

LIFE'S MIRROR

By Madeline Bridges

There are loyal hearts, there are spirits brave, There are souls that are pure and true, Then give to the world the best you have, And the best will come back to you.

Give love, and love to your life will flow, A strength in your utmost need, Have faith, and a score of hearts will show Their faith in your word and deed.

Give truth and your gift will be paid in kind And honour will honour meet; And a smile that is sweet will surely find A smile that is just as sweet.

Give sorrow and pity to those who mourn You will gather in flowers again The scattered seeds of your thoughts outborne, Though the sowing seemed in vain.

For life is the mirror of king and slave -Tis just what we are to do, Then give to the world the world the best you have And the best will come back to you.

I will close now, I think the poem says it all. Still the most important thing is start the day with a prayer. Just say The Lord's Prayer - it covers everything.

The peace of God be with you each day

Roy Partridge

5th September, 2018 will be... **International Day of Charity**

Every year, charities all over the world help to save and improve people's lives, fighting disease, protecting children, and giving hope to many thousands of people. To honour the important work that these many charities do, in 2012 the United Nations decided to nominate an annual International Day of Charity as an official day of recognition and celebration. The reason the date was chosen is because it is the anniversary of the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. This

choice commemorates the tireless work that Mother Teresa did by devoting her whole life to charity work. To celebrate this special day every year, the work of different charities all over the word is publicised and celebrated, and people are encouraged to donate money and time, to carry out charitable works, and also to educate people and raise awareness about the many charitable issues worldwide. Education and giving are the essence of this special day.

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By Celia Clark, Coordinator

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There's another new face in Community Education too: Cleo Gonzales-Redman has taken over from Nathalie Chapple as our Administrator. We both look forward to speaking to many of you over the next few months as you book your courses.

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Observation

by Stephen Wright

Since the last issue of CAWN was published, my granddad and I paid a visit to Roy of Roy's Ramblings fame for a little chinwag. It was nice to hear their stories of what they got up to as young lads, even if I couldn't have the same nostalgia for lorry-driving myself.

On the subject of driving, this month I also went with my dad on the hunt for a cheap used car to call my own, so I don't have to rely on buses and trains all the time! One fellow at one of the garages informed us that we were 'searching for the holy grail,' looking for a reliable but cheap car as we were. He did show us one car, but told me to cover my eyes, because there was a reason the hideous automobile wasn't very expensive.

Alas, in the face of adversity, the holy grail we found by way of a 2006 Volkswagen Polo, previously owned by a nice young man in Southampton. It was then up to me, having been driving my dad's automatic Mini for some time, to re-adjust to driving in manual. By re-adjust, of course I mean stalling it at every available opportunity and not being able to work out why it won't start. Apparently it was because the steering lock was on, not that anyone ever told me anything about a steering lock. I always assumed you start a car by turning on the ignition, not wiggling the wheel. Mild inconveniences aside, it has proved to be a trusty vehicle so far, taking me to and from Bournemouth with ease.

I also got to attend Truck Festival in July as a member of the press, which allowed me to photograph up close in front of the artists on the main stage. It was an exciting experience, and I had all the Magner's Pear Cider that had been lobbed toward the stage on my clothes to show for it. Remarkably, nothing drastically went wrong at the festival, which of course I was satisfied by, but at least when everything in my life capsizes it gives me something to write about in CAWN, so I'm perhaps a little disappointed in that regard.

Back in Bournemouth, this month I also celebrated my 21st

birthday. It began with me and my friend Todd going out for something to eat at lunch. Back in late Winter or early Spring I had won a voucher for a two-course meal for two and a bottle of bubbly at a nice seafront restaurant called Aruba. I had won it by finishing third out of 32 players in an e-Sports FIFA tournament at uni (and they say playing video games never amounts to anything). If you don't know what any of that means and you have children, ask them. Anyway, I had been holding onto the voucher for some time, hoping that I might take a nice girl on a date there, but I ended up settling for Todd, and we did feel a tad uncomfortable sharing a bottle of prosecco as other tables glanced at us as if we were 'together'. We persevered and enjoyed some lovely food without having to spend a penny, so I think we were the real winners.

Since then, I also went to Blackpool with my dad and brother. We had gone to Liverpool for a football match and decided to see what luxuries Pleasure Beach would offer while we were there. As we entered Blackpool and drove near the pier, my dad kept talking about everything that's rubbish about Blackpool, which made me question why we were there in the first place. Anyway, we went into the Tower where a kind of circus was taking place. The stunts were pretty impressive, even if it felt like a lot of it was aimed at kids. Naturally, the kids behind us were talking and taking photos throughout the whole thing, as my blood slowly began to boil. Much more enjoyable was the music tribute acts we saw in the evening in the room where, funnily enough, Strictly Come Dancing takes place. Despite that knowledge, not even three pints of Guinness could get me or my dad up and doing the Gay Gordons (although it might have been apt after my date with Todd).

As for what the next month will bring, a return to Bournemouth is on the cards to start an internship at the football club and subsequently resume my final year studies. Thanks for reading and enjoy the end of the Summer folks!



Cassington W.I.

There was no meeting of our W.I. during August but we had our annual summer outing which this year was to Buscot Park and House.

After a cloudy start to the day the sun came out and the weather was perfect for such an outing and we started the day with lunch in the pretty village of Shelton. From there we made our way to Buscot Park where we were able to wander around the delightful gardens looking at the various statuary and noting the vegetables growing amongst the flowers and shrubs. We then made our way to the house where we met our guide who was witty, amusing and slightly flirtatious as well as being extremely knowledgeable. He showed us how to recognise a Rembrandt portrait and some of the tricks used to show his subject off to the best advantage. There were so many beautiful pictures, sculptures and objects that we could have spent the whole day there. But the impression left with most of us was that it's still a friendly, family home. The Henderson family have lived there since 1889 and they, with the National Trust, continue to add to the collection as well as using it as their family home. Well worth a visit.

Our next meeting in the village hall on 20th September will be about HM Customs -The Water-Guard Service and we look forward to seeing you there.

Maggie Nightingdale 20 August 2018

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8th September, 2018 will be... UNESCO Literacy Day

In an age of enlightenment, technology and modern living, it's amazing that it's estimated that nearly 800 million adults worldwide lack basic literacy skills.

Literacy Day aims to highlight the importance and value of literary education for individuals and groups, and for the wider global culture.

9th September, 2018 will be...Grandparent's Day

There are plenty of ways to celebrate the day, with the official website providing plenty of ideas. This includes youngsters learning about their grandparent's heritage and history or making family trees. Families can simply spend time together to listen to their elderly relative's stories and youngsters can volunteer to spend part of the day with the elderly people at a nursing home.







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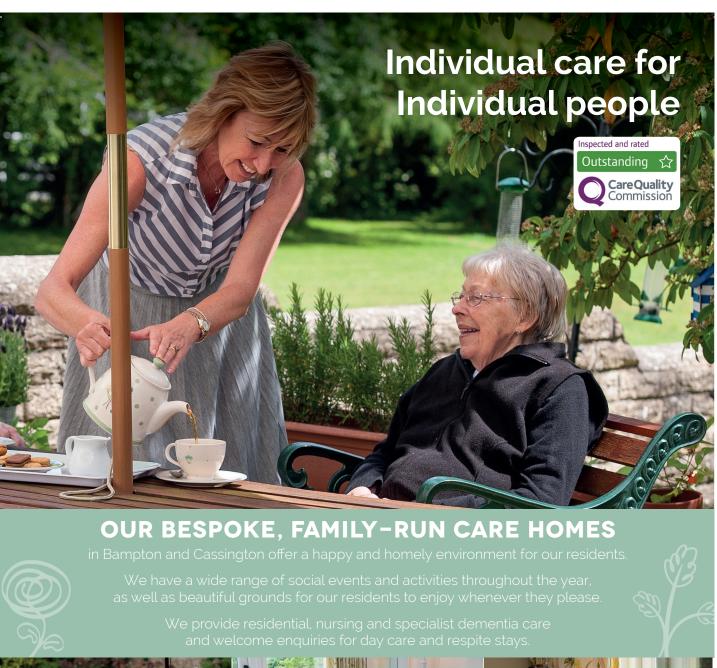
Over the last 54 years, Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust has given in grants, several million pounds to churches and chapels of all Christian denominations in Oxfordshire to help maintain them and save roofs, stained glass, wall paintings and much more. Recently we have been supporting the installation of roof alarms for churches who have had, or are vulnerable to, lead thefts and of recent years given substantial grants towards making the buildings more useful to the local community - for example by the installation of kitchens, loos, extra rooms and more.

Much of this has been as the result of funds raised by Ride

+ Stride - a fun day to get out and about cycling or walking or other activities. We need more people to do support this as often these historic buildings are integral to where people live and in many areas are the only community building which can be used.

We would be very grateful if you were able to include the attached in your publication - as you will note the date for the 2018 event is Saturday 8 September.

If you need more information please do email : rideandstrideoxon@ohct.org.uk





To find out more about life at our care homes or to arrange an informal visit, please get in touch:



01993 850308

enquiries@rosebankcarehome.co.uk www.rosebankcarehome.co.uk



01865 881440

enquiries@churchfieldscarehome.co.uk www.churchfieldscarehome.co.uk

ST PETER'S CHURCH CASSINGTON

The Church of St. Peter's is here as a fellowship to worship God, build people up in Christ and share his love with others

The church is open daily as a place of quiet and escape from everyday pressures.

SEPTEMBER 2018

There is usually a service of Holy Communion on Tuesdays at 9.30am. Prayers at 12 noon on Thursdays.

The church bells will usually be rung between 9.30-10am prior to the 10am service Practice night is on Thursdays between 7pm and 8pm.

Sunday 2 September 8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Duncan Fraser

10am St Peter's Together

Keith Jones/Margaret Thornton

A monthly celebration suitable for all ages, bringing together the church congregations,

St Peter's School and the community.

Sunday 9 September 10am Holy Communion

Revd Duncan Fraser

Sunday 16 September 8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Duncan Fraser

10am Morning Worship

Revd John Underwood

11.30 Holy Communion at Churchfields Care Home

Revd Roger Aston

Saturday 22 September 2pm Marriage of Stephen Lock & Anna Souter

Sunday 23 September

10am Holy Communion & Baptism

Revd Duncan Fraser

6pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Revd Duncan Fraser

Sunday 30 September 8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Duncan Fraser

10am Morning Worship

Revd Roger Aston

Advance date - Sunday 7 October HARVEST AT ST PETER'S

The marriage of Matthew Pollard & Samantha Ripley took place at St Peter's on 18 August 2018.

Cassington Tinies & Toddlers

A Parent/Carer & Toddler group

Cassington Village Hall 10.00-11.30am on Mondays (school term-time)

September: 10th, 17th, 24th

Toys, crafts, songs & refreshments for under-fives and their carers.

The group is being run by St Peter's Church in partnership with local parents.

For more information please contact: stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com Tel: 01865 883325

Contact details:

Vicar – Revd Duncan Fraser Tel: 07810324088 email: <u>vicar@stleonardsandstpeters.church</u>
Associate Curate – Revd Roger Aston Tel: 01865 880757 email: <u>rogera52@aol.com</u>
Children & Families Worker – Carmen Fraser Tel:07867675594 email: <u>cf@stleonardsandstpeters.church</u>

Youth Worker: Olly Shaw email: <u>youth.stleonards@gmail.com</u> blog: <u>http://stleonardsyouth.blogspot.co.uk</u>

web site www.stleonardsyouth.co.uk

Enquiries including weddings, baptisms and funerals:

Church Administrator: Jan Macdonald - Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm Tel:01865 883325

email stleonards stpeters@btconnect.com

Parish Council News

August 2018

Horsemere Lane Closure

OCC are still getting prices together for the signage for the closure.

Speed watch

The Parish Council are investigating other methods of carrying out checks.

War Memorial

The Parish Council have received a grant towards some of the cost of repairing the monument and will meet the remainder of the costs out of Parish Council reserves. An order has been placed for the work and it is hoped the contractor will start work ASAP.

Benches on the Green

Awaiting the installation of the benches.

Watermain flooding

The Parish Council have a meeting with Thames Water and Blenheim on the 22nd August to establish what is to be done to protect the village from further breaks in the large watermains that run in the fields above the village.

Fix My Street

Residents are reminded that blocked gullies, drains and potholes can be recorded on the OCC website at Fix My Street.

Parish Land outside Moorcroft and to the side of Mill Lane.

The Parish Council will be placing an order shortly for two small flowering cherry trees and the stones currently marking the boundary will be let slightly into the ground.

Vacancy for a Parish Councillor.

The Parish Council have had one applicant and will be looking to coopt that person at our next Parish Council meeting.

Manor Farm Development.

Works to the road and foundations started on the 20th July. If residents have any concerns during the works Lester Sillence, Blenheim Estate can be contacted on 07557 006304 or by email

Isillense@blenheimpalace.

Neighbourhood Watch and Police presence in the village

The Parish Council have recently written to the Chief Constable about the lack of response the village is receiving from incidents in the village. The Parish Council have had meetings with the Area Inspector who explained the procedures currently adopted by the police. The Parish Council were far from reassured with this response and an incident soon after highlighted some extremely worrying circumstances. The Parish Council have an item on the agenda to discuss this at our September meeting and would encourage villagers to attend.

Oxfordshire County Council sapling and plaque to commemorate end of World War 1

The County Council are providing saplings with plaques. The Parish Council encourages all to consider a position in the village for the tree which in time will mature to a large tree. The tree will be a native species.

Tesco Bag scheme.

Tesco have awarded the village money from this scheme. The money we receive will depend on the number of counters placed in the shop display.

Please look out for this in most local Tesco's and if you not given a counter please be sure to ask for one.

N.B Clerk contact details

Email cassingtonclerk@gmail.com
Tel 01993 622750.

Next Parish Council meeting will be 6th September 2018 at 7.30pm at the Village hall

Hugh Thomas Chairman, Cassington Parish Council

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A Modern Country Venue hosting Weddings, Special Events, and Meetings

Event space for 10-500 guests

Licensed for indoor & outdoor Civil Ceremonies

Luxury 4* Accommodation

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Worton Park

Selection of Beautiful Holiday Accommodation set in the rolling Countryside

Accommodate between 2-22 guests Situated over three sites of Thrupp, Worton and Woodstock.

New to Worton Park:

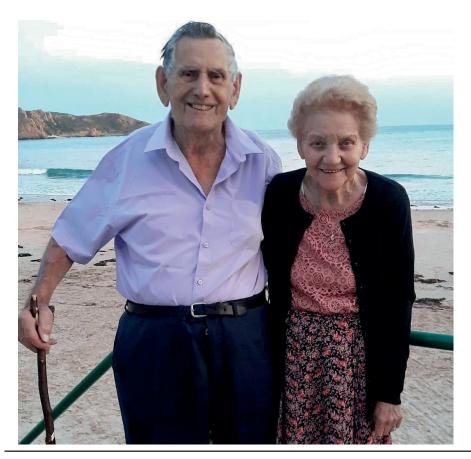
The Poolside Pantry is a cafe and coffee shop offering a selection of hot and cold foods with a focus on foods being healthy and locally sourced. Serving artisan coffee, roasted locally in Witney by UE Coffee Roasters.

WORTONHALL.CO.UK

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Cassington, then and now

Congratulations Sylvia and Ian

On the 7th August 1948, Cassington couple Sylvia Cox and Ian Waters were married in St Peter's Church, Cassington. Sylvia was just 19 and Ian was 21. You can do the maths......

On the 7th August 2018 they celebrated 70 years of marriage and 70 years of living in the same cottage in Bell Lane. (In fact Ian has lived in the Iane all of his life and Sylvia moved in next door to his family when she was just 6 years old)

To mark this very special occasion, lan and Sylvia flew to Jersey for a few days, to revisit their favourite hotel and on the day of their anniversary, back in Cassington, they enjoyed a little afternoon tea with family and friends. Oh, and they received a special card from HRH as well!



29th September, 2018 will be... World Heart Day is part of an international campaign to spread awareness about heart disease and stroke prevention. This is the perfect day to quit smoking, get exercising and start eating healthy – all in the name of keeping your ticker in good working order, and improving the health and well being of people the world over.

The World Heart Federation have found that heart disease and strokes are the world's leading cause of death, killing 17.1 million people every year – that's more than victims of cancer, HIV and AIDS and malaria.

Heart Day was set up to drive home the message that heart problems can be prevented.

Robert Courts MP - update

Potholes: one of the most frequently raised issues, either in written correspondence or when I have been out and about in Cassington and Worton. Potholes are not just a nuisance, they are a danger to all road users, especially on our local, rural roads. I was therefore pleased to table a debate recently on the condition of roads in Oxfordshire, in which I made representations on your behalf directly to the Transport Minister, to highlight the strength of feeling around this issue.

As I said in the debate, potholes are a huge expense road users, and we must ensure that we invest what is required in our road network so that we have modern roads for a modern county. You may be interested to know that Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) has a total of 18 crews working on road repairs across the county, which I understand is the largest number of crews it has ever deployed. In fact, in March alone, 5,146 potholes in Oxfordshire were fixed. This is testament to the Council's hard work on this

issue, but I am clear that more needs to be done.

At the end of the debate, I was encouraged by the Minister's response, in which he confirmed the Department for Transport's long-term funding approach to supporting our local roads. I will continue to press the Department to go further, to ensure our roads are brought up and maintained to the standard at which we all want them to be.

If you would like to watch my speech in full, please do visit robertcourts.co.uk and go to the tab entitled 'Speeches in Parliament'.

Furthermore, if there is ever anything you may wish to raise with me, please do not hesitate to contact me at robert@robertcourts.



The Thankful Village Badapple Productions Saturday 20th October 7.30 pm Cassington Village Hall Tickets £10 & children £6

A poignant play that follows the lives of three women from the same rural household- above and below stairs- through the long years of The Great War, left behind to cope as their men-folk march off to Flanders. Each one faces up to the challenges in her own way, with resilience, humour, a sense of duty and whatever vestiges of hope she can muster, as the years pass by and they wait anxiously for news of loved ones far away. They cannot know that their village will end the war as one of a very few similar communities for which fate has reserved a special place in history.

"defiant humour, emotional clout and a poignant final twist, making you thankful for the under-appreciated Great War service of women as much as the men whose story is familiar from history books and the War Poets alike" York Press

"Badapple Theatre triumphs in a tour that takes the magic of theatre to remote venues

For tickets please ring 883512, text 07768 450095 or

Appeal for Oxfordshire Memories and Objects from the Second World War to the 1970s

The Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum (SOFO) in Woodstock is planning a new 1930-1970s Oxfordshire exhibition and is now appealing to the public for help filling new displays with local stories and mementos.

The new exhibit will link the home front and domestic experience more closely with the county's military history and tell the stories of the women and children living in close proximity to the various military bases and locations that feature so heavily in the area's history.

SOFO Museum would be delighted to hear from anyone that could help with this appeal by donating their own objects, photos and stories. Please contact SOFO at: oxfordshirehome@sofo.org.uk. Alternatively, stories and images can be uploaded to the SOFO website directly by going to: http://www.sofo.org.uk/storiesofconflictcounty/

Burford Singers Mozart Concert

Mozart: Divertimento for Strings, K136 Horn Concerto No. 4 K495 Soloist: Ben Goldscheider The Great Mass in C minor K427

Sunday, 25th November, 7.30pm

Church of St John the Baptist Church Green, Burford OX18 4RY

Burford Singers with
Soprano: Robyn Allegra Parton
Mezzo: Marta Fontanals-Simmons
Tenor: William Wallace
Baritone: Jake Muffett
Cotswold Chamber Orchestra
Leader: Kate Bailey
Conductor: Brian Kay

For this celebration of the music of Mozart, including the Great Mass in C Minor, we are delighted to be joined by Ben Goldscheider, Winner of the Brass Category Final of the 2016 BBC Young Musician Competition who will perform the Horn Concerto No 4.

Tickets reserved at £23, £19, £15, unreserved £10 Postal booking from 17th September to 5th October

website www.burfordsingers.org.uk

Countryside Champion needed for West Oxfordshire

The Campaign to Protect Rural England is looking for a new Chairperson to help co-ordinate its activities in West Oxfordshire, including Witney, Chipping Norton, Eynsham and all the surrounding areas.

CPRE works to protect and promote the countryside. Getting involved with a district committee is a great way of getting to know your local area and helping to influence local decision-making on issues such as planning policy and affordable housing. With so much development scheduled in West Oxfordshire over the next 20 years, it is vital that someone is in place to speak up for the countryside and make sure that we can keep thriving village communities.

The role is voluntary and needs a commitment of a few hours a week. No particular knowledge or qualifications are required, but it would suit someone with leadership or organisational experience and good people skills.

CPRE West Oxfordshire are holding their AGM on Thursday 13th September, 7.30-9pm at Warwick Hall, Church Green, Burford, OX18 4RY.

Martin Lane, Director of Cotswolds AONB, will be speaking on the Cotswold AONB and the proposal to achieve National Park status.

All welcome to attend.

Full details of the Chairperson role are available on the CPRE Oxfordshire website – www.cpreoxon.org.uk Or by calling the CPRE Branch Office on T: 01491 612079

Autumn crime prevention

Take a few simple steps to avoid becoming a victim of a housebreaking this autumn/winter. Now that the darker nights are back and the evenings are drawing in, we want you to remain safe and would like to share the below advice with you.

- If you're going away or even going out for the evening, set a timer switch to turn your lights on when it gets dark. Unlit houses are a giveaway that no one is at home.
- Remember to lock your doors, patios and downstairs windows. Also lock any windows on the first floor where access can be gained via a flat roof.
- If you're at the rear of the house or in the garden, lock your front doors and windows. This simple act will deter

opportunistic criminals.

- If you have a house alarm... USE IT. Make sure you set it when you go out and when you go to bed.
- Don't leave car keys, ID cards, or valuables near windows, doors or letterboxes, where thieves can reach through to steal them.
- Lock your garden gates and side entrances. Don't leave tools lying around in the garden which could be used to break in to your home.
 - Property mark your valuables.
- Register your property on Immobilise, the UK national property register https://www.immobilise.com/
 - Register bikes on https://www.bikeregister.com/



- Close and lock all your doors and windows when going out or to bed
- Keep valuables out of sight
- Don't advertise that you're out invest in a light timer switch
- Register your valuables with www.immobilise.com
- For crime updates sign up to www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk



www.thamesvalley.police.uk

Nottingham Knockers – Thames Valley Police Advice

Last week we received a number of calls about Nottingham Knockers in the West Oxon area.

Please warn your neighbours, particularly elderly or vulnerable neighbours, not to open the door to strangers to buy on the doorstep. Some doorstep callers may offer poor quality goods at inflated prices and if a caller is not genuine, they may be gathering information for future crime. Please keep in mind that if cold callers don't get any sales in your area, they are less likely to return.

If they are in your area, please call the police immediately on 101 with a description of them & any associated vehicle they may be using.

More information from trading standards and a "NO COLD CALLERS. PLEASE LEAVE AND DO NOT RETURN" poster to print and display can be found at

https://www2.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/no-cold-caller-zones

Helen Keen (Police, PCSO, West Oxfordshire LPA) dated 13 August 2018

EDITOR'S NOTE: There was much debate on social media following a recent visit to the village of these Nottingham Knockers. Partly the lack of response from the police to a visit that turned agressive and partly how to positively assist those trying to reform their lives following a stint in prison. Would welcome thoughts and suggestions for the October edition.

Thank you everyone for supporting Cassington Movies. We wish you all an enjoyable summer and we look forward to seeing you in the Autumn with a new selection of films

NEXT MOVIE NIGHT first Friday in October 2018

see the back page

Tickets £5 from Ruth 01865 883512. Bar and raffle. Doors open at 7pm and the film starts at 7.30pm.

Village contact list

Allotments, Cassington 01993 882590
Bartholomew School, Eynsham 01865 881430
Church (to be advised), Cassington 01865 881323
Chemist, Eynsham 01865 881283
Dentist, Eynsham 01865 880047
Fire Station, Eynsham 01865 881337
Flooding, WODC 01993 861000
Gas Leaks
Library, Eynsham
Medical Centre, Eynsham 01865 881206
Pest Control, WODC 01993 861060
Play Area Repairs, Parish Council,
cassingtonclerk@gmail.com
Red Lion, Cassington 01865 881371
Sports Pavilion bookings (Graham Mills), Cassington,
cassingtonsport@millsclan.force9.co.uk
St Peters School, Cassington 01865 880443
The Chequers 01865 882620
Waste Collection, WODC 01993 861020
Village Hall bookingscassingtonvillagehall@gmail.com

Cassington, then and now

Interested to see how Cassington has evolved over the years? Or do you have any old photos of the village you wish to share? If so, search 'Cassington, then and now' on Facebook and feel free to join the group!



VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS



For information, and to book the Village Hall, contact:

Kathryn Teal, 07964 726843 or email cassingtonvillagehall@gmail.com

Don't forget ... When you book the Village Hall you can make use of our wireless broadband connection – ask Kathryn for details when you make your booking

cassingtonvillagehall.org.uk

Sports & Social Club

The MUGA pitch is now fully operational and is being used regularly. If you know of any teams that would be interested in hiring the pitch, please do put them in touch with <u>Graham Mills (cassingtonsport@millsclan.force9.co.uk)</u>. The tennis season has now come to a close and the nets have been taken down but the MUGA can be booked for football or hockey training by emailing Graham.

General hire prices are as follows:
Pavilion £10 per hour.
Adult grass football pitch and pavilion
£35 per game.

Cricket pitch and pavilion £50 per game. Tennis court £10 per hour. (April to September) MUGA £22 per hour .

We will keep you updated on our development plans but if you have any specific ideas, please email suzilewis42@gmail.com.

CAWN Advertising rates

Village events and fund-raising stuff is free. Simple local services, 'for sales' etc., are also free on the "noticeboard" page/section. However donations towards printing costs welcomed. Suitable commercial businesses are invited to support our community by buying advertising space at the following rates:

1/8 page, £6 (£60 per year) (portrait)
1/4 page, £10 (£100 per year) (portrait)
1/2 page, £15 (£150 per year) (landscape)
Full page, £25 (£250 per year) (portrait)
Technical details for artwork are available on

All material included at the discretion of CAWN. Any surplus will be passed to the Cassington Parochial Charities to support our community.

noticeboard

For local services, 'for sale' or similar notices, please send copy (by email ideally) to the usual address. Appropriate notices are FREE, and are placed at our discretion.

HATE IRONING?

Then Take It To Elsie @ 15, Elms Road, Cassington Tel. 01865 882168 for further details



Do you know there is a free service to Cassington

residents that will take you to the doctors' surgeries at Eynsham or Long Hanborough?

Run by volunteers, thisis available by phoning

Sheila Nelson on 880740 or Pat Vereker on 880693

Please give us as much notice as possible

Unfortunately we are now unable to offer transport to hospitals for routine outpatient appointments. For these please contact the patient transport number 0300 100 0015 or Volunteer Link Up 01993 776277

PORTRAIT ARTIST



Full time artist working from studio in Cassington.

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email: amy@hemingwayart.co.uk web: www.amyhemingway.com tel: 01865 883991

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PETS | HOME

Need a babysitter?

I would be happy to help! Just phone 01865 883545 Lorna Petty (16) £5 an hour

Calling all Cassington mums, dads and carers

We would like to invite you to join our friendly local group on Facebook. Search for Cassington mums' group and send a request to join. It's a great way to meet new people, keep up-to-date with what's going on, and get involved in lots of fun social stuff too – both with and without the kids!

If anyone is new to the village and would like a friendly chat to introduce themselves and their families, feel free to contact Vicky (07917 403976; vickyt@pink-sky.co.uk) or Jess (07852187079; lefevrejessica@yahoo.com).

September, 2018 will be... Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month "Hope is the only thing stronger than fear."

In 2015 there were 1.2 million reported cases of ovarian cancer, resulting is 161,000 deaths from this terrible disease. Most people know someone who has suffered from this terrible condition and the affects on them and their families can be devastating. Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month helps to remind us of those that suffer from this disease every day, and that a cure has yet to be found. However, one can watch for certain signs to help catch it early and eliminate it before it becomes fatal.



ST PETER'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Green, Cassington, Witney, Oxon, OX29 4DN E-mail: office.3651@st-peters.oxon.sch.uk Tel: 01865 880443 Web-Site: www.st-peters.oxon.sch.uk



A message from the new headteacher

I feel very privileged to be the new head teacher at St Peter's. With the children's warm and friendly welcome and passion for learning, the teachers' dedication and collective experience, the clear sense of community (which I witnessed firsthand at bike night!) and the facilities and idyllic setting, I am relishing the opportunity of leading the school to build on previous successes and making the most of the opportunities we have.

My passion in education is developing the children to be independent learners and equipping them with skills for life. If children can learn to be resilient when times are tough, resourceful when they get stuck, learn to work together as a team and be reflective of their behaviour, then however the world evolves in their lifetime, they will have the confidence to lead a happy and fulfilled life. You will be hearing a lot more about this in due course!

On a personal note, I love travelling and nothing beats a road trip! Last year I took my motorbike for a tour around the Swiss Alps and Italian Lakes before returning via the Black Forest in Germany. This year's trip was through the Pyrenees and, after making a few memories, I will be refreshed and ready to start my journey with you all at St Peter's.





Dates for your diary

Unless shown, events are in the Village Hall



September 2018

Monday 3rd,10 am - 12 noon Thursday 6th, 7:30pm Friday 7th, 7pm for 7:30pm

Thursday 20th, 7:30pm

Cassington Cafe
Parish Council Meeting
No Cassington Movies
Cassington WI

Monday 24th, 8pm phone for venue Cassington Bookworms



October 2018

Monday 1st,10 am - 12 noon

Thursday 4th, 7:30pm

Friday 5th, 7pm for 7:30pm

Saturday 6th, 7:30pm

Saturday 13th, 2pm

Thursday 18th, 7:30pm

Saturday 13th, 2pm

Cassington Cafe
Parish Council Meeting
Finding Your Feet (12)
Harvest Soiree
WI Jumble Sale
Cassington WI
WI Jumble Sale

Tickets for films and shows from: Ruth Bakewell (01865 883512)

A village tradition

(A raffle with a difference)

Did you know every Saturday evening in the Red lion for the past 20+ years a meat draw has taken place? Call in anytime from 9pm to buy your tickets.

£1 a ticket, drawn at 11pm and you could win a breakfast pack, joint of meat or chops for your Sunday roast, supplied fresh from Bartlett's butchers in Kidlington. (At least 5 prizes)
All proceeds go to the upkeep of the playing field via sports and social.

what's on?



NEXT MOVIE NIGHT Friday 6th October 2018

Finding Your Feet (12)

Tickets £5 from Ruth 01865 883512. Bar and raffle. Doors open at 7pm and the film starts at 7.30pm.



CASSINGTON CAFÉ

CASSINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Monday 3rd September 2018

10am - 12 noon

CASSINGTON WI

Thursday 20th September 2018 7:30pm

HM Customs - The Water Guard Service

Arthur Harold OPE





The Cassington Kickabout - every Wednesday at 8pm at Cassington playing fields

Cassington Bookworms

In preparation for our next meeting on

Monday 24th September at 8pm, we are reading

'The Lie of the Land'

by Amanda Craig

Phone 880740 for venue

