

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ENGAGEMENT

Maddy and James

We were truly thrilled when Maddy and James got engaged earlier this summer whilst away on a Cornish holiday. James proposed at an idyllic beach cove, Maddy said 'yes' and of course they celebrated with Champagne!

Maddy and James met at Bartholomew School while doing A Levels, and since then have certainly had a well-travelled and often long distance relationship. Firstly, starting when James travelled to Australia, and after he returned Maddy decided on a gap year fundraising and then spending 3 months working on a water, sanitation and hygiene programme (WASH) in India! University then started for her in London for the next 3 years while James stayed and worked in Oxford. Roles reversed 2 years ago and Maddy moved back to Oxford while James took on the student life.



Between these two degrees the pair of them decided they needed time together. They chose Central and South America taking a year off work, a rucksack each and an adventurous outlook. This was very long distance from us but for them they got

each other 24/7! Spending days and nights travelling on buses, helping each other through dreaded sickness bugs, dealing with heat, cold and sunburn; they have so many memories that bind them together and that they will never forget. If they could survive all of that we knew they were in for the long haul, and that the announcement would come at some point.

The wedding is still some way off with most decisions and planning still to do, but they like the idea of celebrating in the field with marquees, hay bales and music... so we best get the mower out!!

In the geographical language of Maddy.... James is her world; she would travel to the moon and back for him.

In the culinary language of James.... Maddy is as caring as

Chamomile and as bubbly as Champagne! Cheers to them both. Ruth & Dan



Johnny and Libby



Congratulations to Johnny Horgan and Libby Insch who became engaged on 12th September, when Johnny proposed to Libby at sunrise on Sandymouth beach in Cornwall. Johnny and Libby have been together for 15 years.

They met at Bartholomew school where they were in the same year. Johnny grew up in Cassington and Libby is from Standlake. Johnny is a gardener at Nicholson's, whilst Libby works as a graphic designer in London. They enjoy living in their tiny cottage in Wootton near Woodstock.

Libby's engagement ring has been made with Scottish river gold by a small eco family run company, who use ethically sourced materials, and plant a tree for each ring sold. https://www.jacquelineandedward.com/our-trees/ Their tree has been dedicated in memory of Libby's much loved Scottish paternal Grandmother Olivia.



Last year Johnny and Libby were busy converting their van ready for a year long trip travelling around Europe. They were planning to set off in January 2021, but sadly that had to be cancelled

due to Covid restrictions. They have not wasted the hard work however, spending some happy times enjoying it in Cornwall, Devon and Scotland to name a few.

Both families are delighted with the news! About time!



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: Anne Luttman-Johnson, 3 Foxwell Court, Cassington, 0X29 4DW. We look forward to hearing from you.

welcome

Anne's CAWNer

Welcome to the 532nd edition of CAWN. As ever I have a packed edition for you, including lots of adverts for upcoming events. The diary on the back page is finally looking full again, with activities throughout the month. Please do try and support some of these, as they all need to cover their costs.

I am delighted to be able to feature two engagements on the front page - both Maddy and Johnny grew up in Cassington and attended the local schools. How lovely to read their stories, and we do all wish both couples the very best for the future.

Thank you to all those who have contributed this month - I couldn't do this without your input! So please do keep sending me items of interest or note. I shall also keep pestering for stories!

I also want to thank all our advertisers who pay for the production of the paper copies of this newsletter. Next month, November, I am hoping to include adverts for businesses selling eco friendly or locally made items that would make lovely Christmas gifts. If you know of any businesses who might be interested in promoting their products, please let me know, or ask them to contact me?

I look forward to meeting up with you at one of the village events this month.

Anne x

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CAN YOU HELP?

A project is underway across Oxford Health, in partnership with other NHS organisations and local authorities, to improve community services in Oxfordshire.

Part of this work is the development of 12 principles that will shape how we design and develop services for our ageing population. These are still in draft and we are keen to hear what people who live or work in Oxfordshire think about them.



A period of public engagement has been launched to seek views of the wider public. A document setting out the approach to the project and

inviting people to get involved has been published and can be found on a link from the OCCG website. This includes reference to what has been heard from previous projects and poses some questions for people to respond to.

https://www.oxfordshireccg.nhs.uk/get-involved/ oxfordshire-community-services.htm

For this initial piece of engagement work, responses are invited by October 10, 2021.

October stargazing highlights

Oct 6 - New Moon.

The Moon will be on the same side of the Earth as the Sun and will not be visible.

Oct 7 - Draconids Meteor Shower.

The Draconids is a minor meteor shower. It is an unusual shower as the best viewing is in the early evening. The shower runs from October 6-10 and peaks on the 7th. Best viewed in the early evening from a dark location. Meteors radiate from Draco, but can appear anywhere.

Oct 20 - Full Moon.

The Moon's face will be fully illuminated. This full moon was known by early Native American tribes as the Hunters Moon, the Travel Moon and the Blood Moon.

Oct 21 - Orionids Meteor Shower.

The Orionids is an average shower produced by dust grains left behind by Halley's comet. The shower peaks on Oct 21, but the glare of the full moon will block out all but the brightest meteors. Meteors radiate from Orion, but can appear anywhere.

Oct 25 - Mercury at Greatest Western Elongation.

This is the best time to view Mercury. Look for the planet low in the eastern sky just before sunrise.

Oct 29 - Venus at Greatest Eastern Elongation.

This is the best time to view Venus. Look for the bright planet in the western sky after sunset.

JOAN MORRELL

8 June 1933 - 31 August 2021

The funeral of Joan has been arranged for Tuesday 5 October at 11am at the North Oxford Crematorium and Memorial Park, Tackley, Kidlington, OX5 3ER. There will be a service in the chapel conducted by her friend Hugh Atherstone followed by a natural burial on the site.



The funeral will be accessible by zoom – details to follow for those who require them. Please do not bring flowers to the funeral. There will be a collection on the day for her two favourite charities.

Following the service and burial the immediate family would like to invite her family and friends to join us at the Chequers Inn, 6 The Green, Cassington. The pub is expecting anybody, from 12.45 onwards, who would like to share a story about Joan to celebrate her life. The village was her home for over 30 years and she loved being there.

RECYCLING STOP PRESS...

Eynsham Co-op now has a recycling bin where you can deposit cling film; crisp packets; animal food pouches as well as other soft plastic. For a detailed list visit – https://www.coop.co.uk/environment/soft-plastics/

WREATH MAKING FOR CHRISTMAS...



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Deck your doors with boughs of holly this winter.

Enjoy making a door wreath in 'the festive hut' with friends old and new. Create a unique design under my guidance using beautiful foliage, accessories and of course, a bow!

Mince pies and mulled wine are never far away!

I have dates available afternoons & evenings from 1st - 9thDec (some other dates may be available on request). I think it best to keep a maximum of 4 people per session. So book with friends or solo, it will be fun. £25 Per person

Don't worry if you cannot spare the time, I will also take orders for delivery. Don't forget a Christmas table arrangement (£15) or a graveside wreath (£25) for a loved one

I really apologise that the prices have had to go up this year but I hope you believe that they are still wonderful value.

Thank you & look forward to chatting with you soon. Ruth xx TEL 07768 450095 ruth.bakewell@googlemail.com

IAN WATERS 15 December 1926 -

17 September 2021

It is with great sorrow I have to announce the death of my wonderful dad, Ian Waters, at the age of almost 95.



A proud man who didn't like to accept help from anyone, dad had lived alone since losing mum 18 months ago, just having daily carers to ensure he had something to eat and took his tablets properly!

Sadly dad took a tumble on the 19th August resulting in a broken hip and subsequent pneumonia. His health deteriorated rapidly after that and dad died in the Horton hospital on Friday 17th September.

A Cassington man all of his life, he will be missed by so many. (No funeral details at the time of writing but I will post on the village Facebook page when arrangements have been made).

Yvonne

AUNT SALLY RETURNS!

It was great to see another part of normal village life return as the annual Aunt Sally fixture between the Red Lion and Friends of St Peters church was played in the pub garden for the first time in two years. The usual 8 a-side teams were increased to 12 a-side to accommodate everyone that was keen to dust off their sticks and have a throw.

It was a great game of three legs which the lions emerged victorious from, thanks in no small way to the glorious 6 hit by Mark Finch.

Thank you to everyone who came to play or support and a big thank you to Jan, Bill and Lisa for their hospitality.



Ginger tabby cat

Harley has been **MISSING** from St. Peters Close, Cassington since 11th July

Please call 07768 652452 with any sightings



"Thank you"

It's one of those things that we teach our children from a very young age, maybe starting by getting them to say "ta" and later progressing to saying "thank you", or even writing thank you letters at Christmas for gifts received. Whenever they are given anything, from salt at the dinner table or presents on their birthday, we encourage them to say "thank you" and hope that this will develop in their personalities an attitude of thankfulness for what they have received, as well as respect for the giver.

One great positive to saying 'thank you' is to see the joy of the giver which encourages us to give in return.

It's harvest time and if you are reading this before 2nd Oct there is still time to come to the harvest supper in the village hall on Sat 2nd organized by St Peter's church and / or come to our harvest service on Sun 3rd at 9.30.

Traditionally harvest celebrations and harvest services are thanksgivings for the produce of the land and sea from which we receive our food for today and, when stored, to last over the winter to come.

In years gone by we were more aware of the fragile balance of nature where the productivity of the crop would mean good or lean times ahead and we were thankful for the blessing of a good crop. We would also give thanks for those who work the land and fish the sea using their skill, hard work and even risking their lives to provide us with food.



In our modern society where we can buy from ample supplies in our supermarkets, preprepared and packaged, we are often more removed from the source of our food and maybe less thankful. However, even our supermarkets are subject to fluctuations in availability as we have seen with the shortage of HGV drivers at the moment – maybe it's time to give thanks for them.

St Paul says to the Christians in Thessalonica In 1 Thessalonians chapter 5 verses 16-18 (page 231 if you still have a Jubilee New Testament):

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."

Thank you for our harvest: thank you farmers and fishermen; thank you food process workers; thank you shop keepers and supermarket owners; thank you shop assistants and warehouse workers; thank you HGV drivers and delivery drivers. Thank you, heavenly Father, for all of these good people. Amen

Revd Roger Aston

PS That reminds me – I must put a new "Thank you" notice on our dustbin.

BLYTHSWOOD CARE SHOEBOX APPEAL

PLEASE BRING A SMILE THIS CHRISTMAS

This year's shoebox appeal is operational and shoeboxes will be going to many very needy people in Eastern Europe. Shoeboxes can be filled with items for a



girl, boy, teenager, woman, man or elderly woman. Leaflets on what to put in your shoebox are in the Food-Bank box outside St. Peter's Church. If you would like to know more please contact Jane Aston by phoning 01865 880757 or by emailing janeaston53@aol.com.

Please deliver completed shoeboxes to Jane Aston at 9, Bell Close, Cassington before the end of October. Please support this worthy cause.

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OCTOBER 2021

The church is open for individuals' private prayer daily. Please continue to observe any ongoing instructions that may be in church regarding the use of face masks, hand sanitizer and distancing.

Services this month

Sunday 3rd October – 9.30am Harvest Celebration

Sunday 10th October – 9.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

Sunday 17th October - 9.30am Morning Worship

Sunday 24th October – 9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 24th October –6pm Evening Prayer

Sunday 31st October – 9.30 Holy Communion



On-line streamed services are available every Sunday from 10.30 am at www.stpeterschurchcassington.org or www.stleonardseynsham.org.uk

A phone line where anyone can phone in at any time to listen to our latest services is available on **01865 965018**. There are no additional charges for phoning in.

If you have particular spiritual needs feel free to contact: Associate Curate – Revd Roger Aston Tel: 01865 880757 Enquiries: Church Office: email stleonards stpeters@btconnect.com

Please support our local Food Banks

Things have become more difficult for families in food poverty. Increasing prices and now the losing of the extra £20 bonus of Universal Credit has made things increasing difficult for many. With holidays and relieving of restrictions donations to the food banks has dropped and donations in our food bank box have been non-existent some weeks.

Please give if you can, occasionally, or regularly if possible. The collection box is at the entrance of St Peter's Church Cassington we are supporting: Eynsham Food bank (07738063083)

North Oxfordshire Food Bank (07929721172)

Please donate tins and dried foods (that are at least 6 months before their "best before date").

Donated items can be placed in the box by the church door where a full list of appropriate items can be found along with some hand steriliser for your safety. If you would like to support these food banks financially, or if you need some food support or know someone in need of food support please phone the food banks directly at the numbers above or contact our clergy Duncan Fraser (vicar) 07810324088 or Roger Aston (curate) 01865 880757 or you neighbourhood watch rep.

CHURCHFIELDS CARE HOME CHRISTMAS MARKET



On Saturday the 4th of December 2pm - 4pm we are holding a Christmas market at the village hall. Everyone welcome: the more the

merrier.

We are looking for more stallholders. If you would like a stall please contact Faye or Karen on 01865 881440

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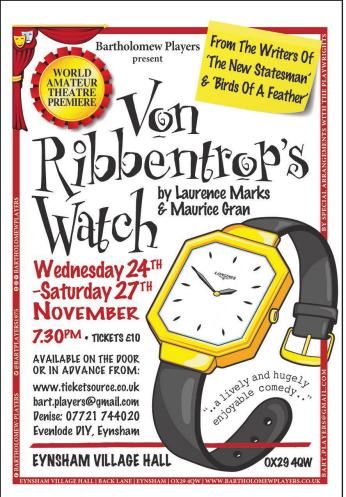


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We will follow all Government guidance in place at the time of the performance regarding COVID-19 safety measures – please check our website regularly for updates.

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Observation

by Stephen Wright

Slightly less glamorous than last month's Toledo market square, this issue of Observation comes to you from Witney high street bus stop as I await the 12:29 S2 to Cassington.

rve been back home this week for the international break as the club budget doesn't quite stretch to me travelling to Kosovo, Greece and Finland to cover the Norwich players representing their nations.

So I decided to go to Witney for the first time in a long time. I began by looking at lots of books in Waterstones without buying any, before supporting Rapture with the purchase of a Noel Gallagher compilation CD for my 2006 Volkswagen Polo. I'm all about chipping in for the young, upcoming musicians who need it most.

Later, I stopped by a small cafe called Pobi, where I invested in a sausage roll. Your typical sausage roll is long and thin but this was quite the opposite; short and thick, so much so I could barely open my mouth wide enough to receive it. I appreciate there are all sorts of euphemisms for your filthy mind to pick apart here. Suffice it to say, I didn't want to bump into anyone I knew while eating it. Regardless, the buttery, cheesy pastry made the humiliation worthwhile.

Finally, I headed over to M&S Cafe for a cup of tea, before realising 70 is the minimum age for such a pleasure, and queuing among the millennials at Caffè Nero instead. Until next time, Witney.

P.S. my bus still isn't here.









MP impressed with our environmental initiatives

Robert Courts, MP for Witney and West Oxfordshire, was given a tour of the estate, which included a visit to the site of a new 150-hectare woodland being planted as part of a partnership with construction firm Morgan Sindall. Work on the new woodlands begins in November and will eventually see more than 270,000 trees being planted and a series of public footpaths and cycleways being created.

Our starring role in the new Cinderella blockbuster

The interiors and exteriors of our Palace has a leading role in Amazon Prime Video's new film, Cinderella which launched exclusively around the world in over 240 countries and territories last month. Written and directed by Kay Cannon, Cinderella features stars such as Camila Cabello as the titular character, in addition to Idina Menzel, Minnie Driver, Nicholas Galitzine, Billy Porter, and Pierce Brosnan.

Forthcoming Events

Blenheim 7K Fun Run
Halloween at Blenheim Palace
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CASSINGTON PICNIC



On Saturday 4th September the Sports and Social Club organised a village picnic on the Playing fields, with support from the Parish Council.

There was a good turn out, and great fun was had by all. Some tried their hand

at skipping, others attempted to make gigantic bubbles and some were brave enough to try the good old fashioned sack race! Bridget and Graham organised a game of rounders, followed by a tug of war.

Picnic rugs were laid out on the ground and everyone enjoyed a chance to socialise with old friends, and meet some of



d meet some of the newcomers to the village, who were finally given a true Cassington welcome. A sumptuous tea was enjoyed by many, with a choice of the traditional cream tea or a selection of cakes. Hugh Thomas said a few words acknowledging the donations for, and the planting of, the new trees.

The tombola stand proved very



some entrants requiring a bag to take home all their winnings! In true Cassington style there was a raffle, with interesting prizes.

Finally the paint a pebble competition was hotly contested with Sara, Amelia and Stella taking away the prizes in the various age categories. And what beautiful pebbles they had painted.





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Parish Council News

Previous Parish Council Minutes can be found online at http://www.cassington-pc.gov.uk

Parish Council meeting

The next meeting will be on Thursday 7th October 2021 in the village hall with full Covid precautions in place. Please contact the clerk if you want to attend.

Neighbourhood Plan.

The Neighbourhood Plan Committee have a meeting on 4th October, where they hope to be able to discuss the results of the questionnaire that was sent out in CAWN, and look at their next steps moving forward.

Horsemere Lane and Cassington Lights.

The Parish Council continue to have meetings with OCC on the design of the junction and are presently waiting a modelling of traffic flow at peak times. Tracey has been advised that it is unlikely that the Parish Council will have the model of the lights for another 6 weeks.

School crossing/20mph zone.

The clerk has been in touch with OCC regarding the rollout of this initiative and is awaiting further information. Update still chasing. The Parish Council are also asking OCC to move the speed monitor further up Eynsham Road so that it will pick up more cars speeding as they travel along Eynsham Road.

Tree Planting Recreation field

We still have places for 4 trees on the recreation ground. If you would like to sponsor a tree, please contact Tracey at cassingtonclerk@cassington-pc.gov.uk

War Memorial.

The clerk is still awaiting a response from the War Memorial Trust.

Speed watch

We now have 4 volunteers for speed watch, but we need a volunteer to start the group going on behalf of the Parish Council. Please contact Tracey if you think that you could help.

Walls both dry stone and pointed

The Parish Council intends to produce a register of all the walls in the village. Almost all are protected by planning however a register will offer further protection of this important aspect of our village. This is still ongoing

Trees on the Green

The Parish Council has received all quotes for dead wooding of the trees. They have also received permission from WODC for the pollarding of the tree outside 20 The Green. Again with the dead wooding of the other trees this will not take place until winter.

N.B Clerk contact details Tracey Cameron Email cassingtonclerk@gmail.com Tel 01993 622750.

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St Peter's School News

Welcome back to the new school year. It is fantastic to have everyone back together; the children have settled into playing without



bubbles very quickly. It has taken all of us some thinking about the old ways of doing things but the children have been helpful – especially with reminding us of collective worship routines – what great memories they have!

Our three new members of staff have settled in very quickly and are already making valuable contributions to the school. Welcome to Miss Williams-Sharkey in Maple Class, Mr Miles in Willow Class and Mrs Judd as lunchtime supervisor and After School Club leader. We're sure you'll hear more about what they've been up to as the year goes on! We had a fantastic response to our Covid Bounceback fundraising campaign. The Cassington and school community have so far raised an amazing £10,545 towards our school projects. We have ordered the adventure playground for the nursery/reception unit which should be installed in 8-10 weeks and we are waiting on availability for the SmartScreen TVs for KS2. Our fence and gate to secure the outside area in KS1 will be built shortly ready for the exciting new resources. Thank you so much for your contributions – every pound will really make a big difference to the children's experiences this year. We will include pictures in subsequent issues of the CAWN and of course on the school website and newsletter. Jon Jeffries

Headteacher

Unlocking.... Minds that learn Hearts that lo

Hearts that love Faith that gives



CONGRATULATIONS

to Lucy Brinicombe on completing the Blenheim sprint triathlon on 11 September 2021. Lucy raced to victory in one hour forty seven minutes, cheered on by her family. A fantastic achievement

- what next?

AJ Bell Women's Tour professional cycling race

On Monday 4th October the AJ Bell Women's Tour professional cycling race comes to Oxfordshire. The race starts in Bicester before heading south to Oxford, and into south Oxfordshire via Blackbird Leys. The southern point is the Culham Science Centre before the riders head north through Abingdon and Eynsham.

They race east of Eynsham, over the roundabout and up to the Bladen road. Then through Bladen, over the roundabout south of Woodstock before heading north to Banbury.

The full route can be seen at: https://www.womenstour.co.uk/stages/stage-1/



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Fri 27th - Sun 31st Oct Autumn Gin Festival - see poster.

Sun 31st Oct 4 - 6pm a spooktacular children's Halloween disco... a safer alternative to trick or treating again this year....with plenty of tricks n treats for little ones... ideal for ages up to 10. Fancy dress a necessity

Fri 5th Nov - Remember, remember the 5th of November and come join us for a small free fireworks display with hotdogs, burgers 'n' chips available to purchase. Fireworks start with a bang at 6.30... food available 5 - 6.30pm.



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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Apple and Blackberry Crumble Cake.

I love to bake and this cake is perfect for the autumnal foraging season. It can be adapted for other fruits too, rhubarb works especially well, and can be served with custard or cream if you want more of a dessert.

INGREDIENTS

250g of butter, softened

250g golden caster sugar, plus 1tbsp (doesn't need to be golden, I often use granulated but brown sugar is nice for the sprinkle on the cake)

2tsp vanilla extract

5 eggs

300g self raising flour

1 tsp ground cinnamon or mixed spice (your preference)300g sliced or diced apples and whole washed blackberries

METHOD

Heat oven to 160C/140C fan/gas 3 and grease and line the base and sides of a deep 20cm round cake tin with a little of the butter and baking parchment.

Put the butter, 250g sugar and vanilla into a big mixing bowl. Beat until light and fluffy with an electric whisk.

Beat in the eggs, one by one, then fold in the 300g flour and baking powder.

Spoon out 85g of the batter, and stir the extra 7 tbsp flour and cinnamon into this with a cutlery knife so it becomes crumbly.

Fold the apple and blackberries into the rest of the cake batter and pour into the prepared tin.

Scatter over the crumble mix followed by 1 tbsp sugar.

Bake for 1 hr 15 mins, until a skewer poked in comes out clean – you may need to lay a sheet of foil on top after an hour if the cake is browning too much. Cool for 15 mins in the tin, then finish on a wire rack.

Enjoy! Kath Humphris



Churchfields <u>News</u>

As the seasons change and we head into the autumn months, residents and staff have been very busy at Churchfields Care Home!



Residents have enjoyed getting involved in some handcrafted soap making recently. Everyone involved had an amazing time mixing essential oils using a rainbow of colours and soap mix to create the most beautifully unique bars of soap. Churchfields has been smelling amazing ever since!

It's been a perfect time of year to explore our passion for

flower arranging. We have some superbly talented residents, who have created some wonderful displays. Barry even allowed some cuttings from our stunning Prairie!

Our allotment has produced an abundance of fruits and vegetables over the summer.

CABARET

MUSEUM



Residents have also been busy hulling, chopping and mashing strawberries to make strawberry jam. We have pickled onions, and made plum jam too, to name but a few! They look and taste incredible.



Residents have also been busy taking pottery lessons, participating in Keep fit sessions with Jo, as well as enjoying numerous outings in the Oxfordshire countryside over the summer.

Churchfields are currently recruiting and looking for individuals who share our commitment and enthusiasm for care. No previous experience required, full training given, and child friendly, flexible hours available.

Contact Steph Eley at Churchfields to find out more about these exciting job opportunities, call 01865 881440

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Charity Ceilidh in aid of Eynsham Food Bank Friday 29 October 2021 7.30pm Cassington Village Hall.

An evening of music, poetry, and dance featuring the folk band Brimstone and, poet and musician, Virginia Astley.

Brimstone play regularly at festivals, on the radio, and at weddings and other celebrations in the Cotswolds and beyond. Their set will feature tunes, songs and dances. Dancing will recognise Covid safety considerations.

Virginia Astley grew up in a house by the Thames in Moulsford. She studied at the Royal College of Music and has a degree in creative writing. She will be reading poems from her anthology "The English River" which focus on her beloved River Thames.

There will be a bar and a raffle.

A donation of food or money for Eynsham Food Bank is requested for entry.

WI NEWS

Well! Our first meeting in the village hall since 2019. We were a few members down as four people were on holiday, and as we were unsure if we could hold the meeting we didn't have a speaker booked, so three of us gave a 20 minute talk about events we experienced during our long lives.

One of us told of her Grandparents' lives during the Victorian era, which was not only fascinating but very amusing. Another told us of life as a western woman living in Saudi Arabia 'during the 1970's, which was interesting and at times almost unbelievable. Our third member told us about life on a farm, and how things have changed over the last fifty years meaning they have had to change their plans from breeding valuable livestock to becoming an arable farm, and including doing bed and breakfast in their beautiful Victorian farmhouse. It really was an interesting evening and everyone seemed to enjoy it, in particular the two young women from Eynsham who joined us.

We will be meeting for coffee on the 5th October just to chat and catch up with each other after the last 18 months. We will be at the Bread and Butter Cafe at Worton at 10-30. We would love you to join us if you can. Our next meeting is on 21st October when our speaker will be Russell Cherry telling us of the oldest road in England - The Ridgeway.

Before I finish I have to tell of the death of Betty Bowerman. She had been unwell for quite some time and as a founder member of Cassington W.I. had worked hard for our group. She was a lovely lady and highly regarded. Maggie Nightingale

DREAM HORSE

The film Dream Horse is coming to the Village Hall on Friday 8th October. It will be the usual 7pm doors open for 7.30pm start.

The film tells the true story of Dream Alliance, an unlikely race



horse bred by a Welsh bartender Jan Vokes played by Toni Collette. Jan has very little money and no experience of training horses, so she persuades her neighbours to chip in money they can ill afford to spend, to help raise Dream, hoping he can compete at the top level. The investment pays off as Dream starts winning races, until finally he goes on to race in the Welsh Grand National.

The Film next month will be Military Wives, shown on Friday 26th November.

John Richards, who shows the films in Cassington has his own website with details of what's on in Cassington and Eynsham

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Woodstock & District u3a

The summer passed quietly – greatest

excitement the seeming loss of the Branch's 8 foot banner from outside the Marlboroutgh School following our August garden party: it was later recovered unharmed and should stand proudly again outside Woodstock Town Hall on 9 October – 'Woodstock Day', which should offer another chance to find out about the work of the Branch, and u3a in general.

September's speaker meeting was once more available online and provided an excellent resume of the continuing work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission; worth looking at the Commission's own website if you missed the presentation. Woodstock members also benefitted from access to on-line events from the sub-regional Thames Valley Network: - both a serious presentation on the effects of climate change on oceanic circulation and a rather more light-hearted Quiz.

Woodstock Branch's 5 October meeting 'Divided by a common language - American and British English' is described as 'hybrid': it will again be available on-line, but we hope also to screen it at the New Road Community Centre (2.30 p.m.) to a live, if limited, audience. Check our website for details of this and all other Branch activities notably those of our 20-odd working groups.

Details of all Branch activities, can be found at www. u3asites.org.uk/woodstock.

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Answers next month

Answers to last month's education quotes: 1. Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world. **Nelson Mandela** 2. Education is an admirable thing, but it is well to remember

from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught. **Oscar Wilde**

3. The true aim of female education should be, not a development of one or two, but all the faculties of the human soul, because no perfect womanhood is developed by imperfect culture. **Frances Harper**

4. The goal of education is the advancement of knowledge and the dissemination of truth. John F Kennedy

5. Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow

belongs to the people who prepare for it today. Malcolm X

6. Education is what remains after one has forgotten what one has learned in school. Albert Einstein



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Losing someone close can affect us in many different ways, but many of the physical and emotional impacts often come before the loss of life itself. It can be so hard to talk about the emotions we may experience during what can be an extremely isolating time, and our volunteers are here for you.

Our telephone helpline is manned by specially trained volunteers to support people across the UK.

The Anne Robson Trust Telephone Helpline number is 0808 801 0688.

Lines are open: Monday to Friday 12-6pm, and calls are completely free and confidential from all UK landlines and mobiles.

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West Oxfordshire District Council are looking for 3 or 4 bedroom homes to help support the vulnerable families coming into the UK from Afghanistan through the resettlement scheme. If your property is used in the scheme rent would be paid in advance and direct to landlords. There are also set up costs for furnishings available.

If you are interested in being part of a family's new beginning contact Paula Massey who is coordinating West Oxfordshire District's housing response. Please email: paula.massey@publicagroup.uk

A number of charities and non-governmental organisations operate appeals specifically aimed at refugees. The list below is not exhaustive, but a sample of the many organisations launching appeals:

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what's on?

Dates for your diary

October 2021

Saturday 2nd 7pm Thursday 7th 7.30pm Friday 8th 7pm Saturday 9th 7.45pm Sunday 10th Wednesday 20th Sat 23rd 7pm Music Wed 27th - Sun 31st Friday 29th 7.30pm Sunday 31st 4-6pm

Harvest Supper Parish Council Meeting Film 'Dream Horse' Film Midnight Traveller Blenheim Fun Run November CAWN deadline Musical evening, Eynsham Village Hall Autumn Gin festival, Red Lion Charity Ceilidh, Village Hall Hallowe'en Disco, Red Lion

November 2021

Thursday 4th 7.30pm Friday 5th 5pm Wed 24th - Sat 27th 7.30pm Friday 26th 7pm Parish Council Meeting Fireworks at the Red Lion Batholomew Players Film 'Military Wives'

For details of Neighbourhood Watch volunteers, County and District Councillors, Village Hall, Pavilion, and MUGA booking fees please see the village website: www.cassington-pc.gov.uk

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