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For the Commemoration of the 100 years since the end of the First World War, we are doing displays in remembrance of the men of the village and Stowe who gave their lives in the battles.

We are asking if people will knit or crochet poppies which will greatly enhance our display, red and black wool and patterns will be available from Vi Wilson 01327 340090.

*(these poppies will then go on to be used to raise funds for The Royal British Legion)*

If you are not able to do this maybe you could donate a ball of red wool for someone to knit or croquet .

Thank you for reading and in anticipation of your help.

The Chapel will be open to view these displays on **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> & Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November** 10am -4.00pm & **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November** 10am-12noon during the Coffee Morning when proceeds will go to The Royal British Legion.

There will be Remembrance services on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018** in the Chapel and schoolroom.

**Sunday morning 10.30am** in the Chapel led by Les Britten

**Songs of Praise** at 4pm - 4.45pm in the schoolroom led by Martin Buckby,

This will also be dedicated to the Remembrance, refreshments will be served afterwards.

Everyone welcome to all services and events



**Cover Photo: Heyford Cricket Team - 2<sup>nd</sup> XI** - See Cricket article for story

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# PARISH COUNCIL NOTES



**The September meeting of Nether Heyford Parish Council was held on Sept 3rd 2018, at the Baptist Church Rooms.**

**Local Government Re-organisation** - District Cllr Harries reported that the unitary proposals have been approved and have now been sent to the Secretary of State for approval. All existing councillors will form a shadow council to take the proposals forward.

**Discussion concerning funding a PCSO** - Cllr Harries informed the Council that Bugbrooke parish council was proposing to part fund a PCSO and were enquiring if Nether Heyford might be also interested in entering into a joint venture at a cost of £22,000 per annum each. Cllr Harries informed that a number of parishes were taking on these types of joint working arrangements however this would need to be discussed at the next meeting of the parish council. The Chairman asked that this be an item on the agenda for the October meeting.

**Lights** - Cllr Haynes reported that a street light in Roberts Field was coming on at 5.30pm and also an overgrown tree in Furnace Lane was affecting the light sensor and resulting in the lack of street lighting. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the occupier and request that they cut the branches of the tree back.

**Roads & Pavements** - Cllr Haynes advised that the StreetDoctor fault reporting service should be used to report all potholes etc., to ensure that there is an official record.

**Allotments** - Cllr Corner reported that, as outlined at the August meeting, letters to the Allotment holders have now been sent out with three "Notice to Quit". If by 10 September no further action had been taken by the Allotment Holders served with a Notice then a further letter would be issued bringing the tenancy to an end. Cllr Corner further reported that the work to clear the brambles has been completed and the white shed has been painted brown by the Allotment Holder concerned. Five vacant plots adjacent to Watery Lane have been allowed to overgrow to encourage wildlife and will only receive an annual cut. 28 trees will be delivered during October at a cost of £800 from the £1,300 budget set aside by the parish council for tree planting. Cllr Corner advised that there would be some other costs for stakes and mulch and she would organise a purchase order with the Clerk. The next meeting of the Group would be on 13 September.

**Footpaths** - Cllr Haynes reported that all footpaths were dry and passable.

**Churchyard** - nothing to report.

**Canal** - Cllr Dilkes reported that there was a particular issue with dog walkers not picking up after their dogs and not using the dog waste bins. Cllr Haynes reported that there had been an incident of fly tipping near the canal and he believed it to be the responsibility of a boat user.

**Youth Club** - Cllr Dilkes reported that the youth club was officially back next week after the summer break. During the holidays the building had been used by Autism Awareness as a Youth Centre. Repairs had been carried out to the Youth Club including fixing a leaking radiator and guttering. The gas safety certificate had also been obtained.

**Defibrillators** - The Chairman reported that both defibrillators had been checked although neither had been used.

**Dog Waste Bins** - The Chairman proposed that a new dog waste bin was purchased and situated in Church Lane. Residents had been consulted with and agreed that this would be the best site for a new dog bin. Cllr Haynes seconded the proposal and the Council resolved to purchase a new dog waste bin.

**County Review of Grit Bins** - The Council had received a letter from Northamptonshire Highways explaining that a countywide review of grit bins had been undertaken and that they would no longer be maintaining the grit bin in Weedon Road opposite No 8 and that the parish council could decide to take on the responsibility for this. This was discussed and the Clerk was asked to contact Northamptonshire Highways by 15 September and establish what the options and costs would be involved and to report back to the next meeting of the parish council.

**Weedon Road Speed Limit** - Cllr Dilkes reported that she had noted an inconsistency with the various speed signs situated on Weedon Road. Cllr Dilkes will make a report on StreetDoctor. Cllr Corner reminded the Council on an outstanding action from the June meeting to write to NCC on this matter.

**WW1 Centenary Memorial** - The Chairman reported on the 100th Anniversary of the end of WW1 and proposed that the parish council purchase silhouette soldiers at a cost of £200 to be sited in the village to commemorate the Anniversary. Cllr Haynes seconded the proposal and the Council resolved to purchase the soldiers for £200.

**Consider request from member of the public for permission to scatter ashes on Village Green and provide a memorial bench** - A request had been received from a former resident of Nether Heyford to site a memorial bench on the village green and scatter their cremated remains at some point in the future. The Council decided that further information would need to be gathered to establish the situation relating to bye laws and regulations relating to the disposal of ashes on public space before reaching a final decision on the request. To be referred to the October meeting.



**Grant Application for New Homes Bonus by Nether Heyford Bowls Club** - this matter was discussed and approved at the August meeting and the Chairman reported that a letter of application had been submitted by the Bowls Club to South Northants Council to apply for the New Homes Bonus.

**Next meeting** – Monday, 1 October 2018

| <b>Councillor list with responsibilities and preferred means of contact.</b>                        |  |
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## Our Churches

### Parish Church of St. Peter and St. Paul

#### Services for October 2018

|                           |          |  |
|---------------------------|----------|--|
| Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>    | 08:00 am | Prayer Book Holy Communion at Flore        |
|                           | 09:30 am | Holy Communion for Harvest at Church Stowe |
|                           | 11:00 am | United All Age Harvest Service at Flore    |
|                           | 06:00 pm | Holy Communion at Heyford                  |
|                           |          |  |
| Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> | 03:00 pm | Messy Church at Heyford Church Rooms       |
|                           |          |  |
| Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup>   | 10:00 am | Benefice Communion Service at Heyford      |
|                           |          |  |
| Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> | 02:30 pm | Messy Church at Flore Church               |
|                           |          |  |
| Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup>   | 09:30 am | Holy Communion at Heyford                  |
|                           | 10:00 am | Family Service at Upper Stowe              |
|                           | 10:00 am | United Service at Flore URC                |
|                           | 11:15 am | Harvest Service at Brockhall               |
|                           | 04:00 pm | Youth Church at Flore                      |
|                           |          |  |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>   | 10:30 am | Benefice Prayer Meeting at Upper Stowe     |
|                           |          |  |
| Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup>   | 09:30 am | Holy Communion at Flore                    |
|                           | 11:00 am | Informal Worship at Heyford                |
|                           | 06:00 pm | Holy Communion at Upper Stowe              |

Midweek Communions are held weekly on Wednesdays, 9.30am at Heyford and Thursdays, 10am at Flore – all welcome. (No service at Heyford on 24<sup>th</sup> October)

During October we shall be praying for people living in The Green in Nether Heyford, for the Bliss Charity Primary School, for the shops, and for all the activities in the Village Hall and the Baptist Church Rooms. In Flore, we pray for people living on Hillside Road and Flore Hill. We pray for the Main Street and School Rooms in Church Stowe, and for Manor Farm, the Old Coach House and Manor Cottage in Brockhall.

Dear Friends,

Autumn has long been my favourite season (although I don't like it quite so much when all the trees in the garden and churchyard drop their leaves on to the Rectory drive and lawn). I love the crisp chill, and the mistiness of an autumn morning, the call of the birds preparing to fly off for the winter, and the clear air which comes as the day progresses, enabling us to see further, and see more of the beauty that surrounds us. I especially love to watch the trees change colour, as many shades of green change to rich, vibrant golds, browns, oranges and reds. And then, as leaves and seeds fall, I enjoy looking for acorns and conkers (these days, for sermon illustrations), and I'm fascinated watching the seeds of the lime trees in the churchyard, as they 'helicopter' over the wall into the Rectory garden. Once again, Autumn reminds me of the variety and abundance of the world that God has made.

In the Bible, the psalmist tells us the "the Heavens declare the glory of God, the skies proclaim the works of his hands" (Psalm 19:1). God speaks to us through the beauty and diversity of all that he's created, and even in this season of change and decay, we see God at work through the sights of Autumn. Every year, as the leaves fall, we're given beautiful, striking colours to observe and admire. Every year, God lets the leaves fall to the ground, where they decompose in order to nourish the ground afresh. Every year, an abundance of green-brown acorns, shiny, red-brown conkers, and seeds of every kind fall to the ground, each seed encoded with the 'plans' for another tree or plant, which will in turn produce its own regular harvests of seeds. And then, after nature has rested through winter, every year, God replenishes the leaves and seeds anew, the green shoots and fresh growth signs of new life. Autumn reassures us that God is always looking after the world he's made, most often in quiet, unobtrusive ways that we might miss. And in looking after creation, God is giving us evidence that he is with us always.

I'd like to close this month with a prayer/poem, which sums up for me, what the season of Autumn is all about:

In the fading of the summer sun, the shortening of days,  
cooling breeze, swallows' flight and moonlight rays  
We see the Creator's hand.  
In the browning of leaves once green, morning mists,  
autumn chill, fruit that falls, frost's first kiss  
We see the Creator's hand.

(From [www.faithandworship.com/Prayers\\_Autumn](http://www.faithandworship.com/Prayers_Autumn))

Yours in Christ,

*Stephen (tel 344436)*



## **Nether Heyford Baptist Church**

**Morning Services: 10:30 am**

**Afternoon Services: 4:00 pm**

### **Sunday Services**

| October          | 10:30 a.m.  | 4:00 p.m.   |
|------------------|---|---|
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Harvest festival with worship led by Les Britten. Coin collection with proceeds from weekend going to Operation Agri. |   |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> | Worship led by Wendy Manley   | informal Songs of Praise will be led by Les Britten. Tea and cakes as usual |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | Worship led by John Perkins   |   |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> | 9-30am prayer meeting followed at 10-30am with a communion service led by Martin Buckby                               |   |

### **Events**

**October 3<sup>rd</sup>** 2pm Wednesday group meeting this month with Major John Squibb on "The Salvation Army today"

**October 6<sup>th</sup>** 7pm Harvest Supper with entertainment from John Barr and friends. Tickets £6

**October 8<sup>th</sup>** 2pm Prayer meeting and bible study.

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** 10am to 12md Open Door. Do come along for free coffee and chat. (Sales table / Books)

**ALL WELCOME**



## In Nether Heyford

Our September meeting was a real trip down memory lane for me as David Sweeney, our speaker for the evening, told us about his job as a forensic detective for the Essex police force. Most of my Mother's family live in Essex and I felt very at home with the place names but not, I am glad to say, with the crimes he told us about! We learnt a lot about how forensic detectives worked and how, with the new technology available, they are now able to co-operate much more easily. It was good to see several husbands coming along to see what we get up to on the first Thursday of each month and I'm glad to say that they *seemed* to enjoy themselves!

As our October meeting will be the AGM it will be for members only. This is quite a special AGM as we have some important issues to discuss and it would be great to see as many Heyford WI ladies as possible, so do come along if you can.

November will see Denise Cowling coming to talk to us about "Antiques and Collectibles" which looks to be another interesting evening. The meeting will be on November 1<sup>st</sup> in the Village Hall at 7.30pm and the charge for the evening will be £5. If the topic interests you ladies, please do come along – we are always pleased to see new faces.

*Mary Rice*  
*Heyford Lodge*  
*01327 340101*

## Bugbrooke and District Flower Society

We invite you to join us at our monthly meetings to relax and watch demonstrations by a fully qualified NAFAS Area or National Demonstrator. This is followed by refreshments and the opportunity to win one of the arrangements in our raffle. Learn how to arrange and enjoy flowers.

Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of the month at 7.45pm in Nether Heyford village hall. Our next meeting on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October is a member's only evening, but please join us on 26<sup>th</sup> November when we look forward to our special Christmas demonstration by Janet Cooper giving us "So This is Christmas".

A warm welcome awaits both new members and visitors and those new to flower arranging are especially welcome.

For more information please follow us on Facebook or contact Dianne on 01604 830063 or Simone on 01327 342167.

## World Challenge 2018 - Thank you

Thank you to so many people from Nether Heyford who supported me for my World Challenge trip to India. I have recently returned from a month in India with Campion school. It was a great experience and I have lots of great memories.

It began on 22nd July, when we went to school and slept in the drama studio, as we were leaving at 04:00 the next morning to get to LHR. We had three flights; Heathrow to Mumbai, then on to Delhi and finally Leh in Northern India. The trip was very exhausting, but we were all happy to finally be there. We stayed in a lovely guest house for four nights so we could acclimatise as the altitude was 3,500m. We explored the small town and found various places that sold traditional foods, as well as monasteries and the beautiful Leh palace. It was a very quiet, mountainous and idyllic place that I would go back to in the future.

After our acclimatisation, we started our trekking phase, which was in a little town called Lamayuru. We met our guides and chefs, who would prepare all of our meals whilst on trek. The first three days were roughly 4/5 hours long so we arrived at the next camp early afternoon, we had time to relax, sort out our tents and wash in the outdoor shower we made at each camp. We had stations for washing clothes and washing hair, as it turned out to be rather hard to wash your own hair over a bucket!

We had two long days on trek, one consisting of 16 hours, and the other being 12 hours. These days were the most tiring, we had to wake up at 04:30 so we could leave at 06:00. We had to pack away all our kit and have breakfast, we were all shattered before we even began walking! Although we ended up trekking in the dark with torches (and even in the rain), the views were breath-taking throughout, and it felt so rewarding to reach the top of a pass (we went over 3!) We got a rest day between the two long days, in which we mainly cleaned clothes, had naps and played cards. The trek was the most tough but rewarding part of the expedition, and the food cooked by the chefs was amazing; on the last day they made us a cake so we could remember the memories we had made, it was so lovely. However, after five days trekking in the mountains we were all ready to return to Leh.

We spent two nights in Leh again, recharging our batteries before we travelled to our project phase. On August 5th we took an early flight from Leh to New Delhi, where we spent the day in the train station waiting for our 12 hour overnight train to Jodhpur. Sleeping on a train in India wasn't as bad as I thought it would be, as we got a bed each and we actually slept ok without anything getting stolen! We arrived in Jodhpur at 05:00, where we got on an organised bus to our guest house, where we would be staying for the next 8 nights. We spent the day relaxing and in the evening had a meeting with the founder of the Sambhali Trust, Govind Rathore. He set up the charity after he saw violence, and discrimination towards women in his own family. The charity now benefits and protects vulnerable women and children in Jodhpur. The stories he told us of some of the women and children were really moving. Hearing these stories really motivated us to help the girls. Govind told us that we would be painting some of the girls dormitories and various other rooms in the boarding home. We bought some paint and primer from a near-by shop, but the paint-brushes and rollers were already there because a group from Australia had

visited just before us and had left them. We got to work straight away, and on the first day we prepared the walls, before painting them the following day. We all worked so hard in the few days we were there, and it all paid off when we saw the girls come home from school and them seeing how their home had been transformed from being discoloured and washed out to fresh pinks and blues.

We grew close to the girls whilst we were there, they plaited our hair and taught us some Hindi, while we read them books and played with them in our breaks. On our second to last night in Jodhpur we went back to the boarding home for dinner with the girls; we sat on the roof and ate as we watched the sunset. We played games, sang songs and generally had a great evening. It was so sad to say goodbye, as we had developed a great friendship with the people involved. We spent an extra day in Jodhpur to explore the city. We went to Mehrangarh Fort, walked through the blue city and visited the main market in the centre of the city. Jodhpur was a colourful, loud yet pleasant city.

The next morning we travelled to Jaipur by another sleeper train, which roughly took seven hours. The transport group organised tuk tuk's from the station to our accommodation, Bissau Palace Hotel. We were surprised how pretty it was, and we found out that Charles and Diana had been there, as well as Jackie Onassis Kennedy and the Mountbatten's. We stayed for a total of three nights, and visited the Amber Fort, Jantar Mantar, the Hawa Mahal and the City Palace. One day we were caught in a thunderstorm and got absolutely soaked! Jaipur wasn't the cleanest or the nicest smelling city; but there were lots of things to do and places to see, so we were all entertained during our short stay.

The next city on the list was Agra - home of the beautiful Taj Mahal. We stayed in a small but lovely hotel (for three nights again) which was less than 100m from the entrance gate to the Taj. Whilst here, we visited an elephant rescue centre called Wildlife SOS. It was one of the highlights of my trip as it was brilliant to see how they had been rescued from circuses and illegal owners from all over India (one of the elephants called Laxmi had come from Kerala). We fed bananas, papayas and pumpkins to two elephants called Maya and Poolkhal. It was an amazing experience that I would willingly do again. The next day we visited Agra Fort and the Taj Mahal. No photo of the Taj does it justice, it is such a beautiful building; even the gardens are breathtakingly beautiful. It was the pinnacle of my expedition and the best way to end such an eye-opening experience.

The following day we started our journey home, travelling to Agra railway station to catch our 10:00 train to Delhi. However it had been delayed to 17:00, so we organised a bus with the travel company that we had been using. They picked us up at 11:00 and it took 6 hours to get to Delhi. Once we had got to our hotel, we headed out to a fancy western restaurant, where we decided to treat ourselves as it was our last night. Unfortunately the next morning I woke up very ill, and was so, the whole journey home. I had to bring a bucket all the way through the airport to have on the plane! Despite this, it was lovely to be home and to see my parents faces in the arrivals hall.

*Amy Hillyard*

## Thank you

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone, particularly the Arnold Trust and the Cafe on the Green, that contributed towards my fundraising activities and gave me work so that I could go to India this summer with World Challenge. I had to raise over £4,000 and I couldn't have done it without you.

i had the most amazing time in the north of India. The first part of the trip was spent trekking in the Ladakh mountains, at high altitude and with spectacular scenery. After a couple of days to rest up afterwards we moved on to the project phase; in my group's case this was helping out at a school for deaf and hearing impaired children. We spent time painting and decorating the school and playing games with the kids. The last part of our expedition was dedicated to seeing some of the main sights of the area, including the Taj Mahal. It was very impressive.

Thank you for your support. If you are thinking about doing World Challenge in the future, don't hesitate. I had the best time and all the hard work to get there was worth it.

*Harrison Pye*





# Revitalising the Allotments

## What's growing?

Some of you may have seen Monty Don's item on green manure in an August edition of BBC's *Gardeners World*. The principle behind this is that bare soil is not desirable; it simply becomes a target for weeds. Hence the sowing of a green manure; a special crop that grows quickly before winter takes hold and gives the plot a covering of vegetation for the quietest season of the year. The crop dies back in the spring and is easily dug back into the soil, providing organic matter and in many cases supplying nitrogen to the soil (good stuff for healthy leaves).

Green manure seed is available from most garden centres or good seed merchants, although it is worth checking that you get a seed that will still germinate this month. We sowed some field beans at the end of August after we'd lifted our onions and despite the dry weather they have grown well, providing a good blanket for the plot. It's a pity all our edible crops don't grow as well!

## Clearance and New Plots

More plots have been covered with tarpaulins since I last wrote in the Prattler and these will make ideal starter allotments for any of you who fancy taking on an allotment in the new year. By covering areas we also hope that we are making life easier for existing allotmenters who, in the past, have been faced with neighbouring plots that present as a jungle of tall weeds, casting their unwanted seed all over the place. Thanks go to plot holders and our volunteers who continue to mow the pathways. Keeping these in reasonable order makes a big difference, as the allotment site not only looks as though it is cared for, but makes growing things easier. Every little bit of help is appreciated.

There are hundreds of books about managing allotments, but when recently asked if I could recommend one for those new to growing, I recalled a book we'd been given when we first acquired our allotment. *The Half Hour Allotment* by Lia Leendertz is a really good read, full of useful (and surprising) tips. As the title suggests, the author reckons you can manage a medium sized plot on just half an hour a day – with weekends off! I take issue with some of her ideas but it is a book worth looking at. Even old hands at allotmenting could learn something from Lia about managing time and effort.

If you fancy taking on an allotment get in touch with either Lynda Eales on 01327 341707 or Sue Corner on 01327 342124. We have plots to suit everyone.

## Wildlife

There are just some parts of the allotment site that are too difficult to cultivate successfully. We have set these aside to create a wildlife area. In August we were pleased to welcome a visitor from the Wildlife Trust who advised on creating and

managing such a space. An area has been identified and later in the season will be roped off and the pathways around it kept mown and tidy. This will encourage greater bio-diversity on the site and become a rich source for pollinating insects to over-winter. We also hope to create a small wildflower meadow nearby.

## **Community Orchard**

As you will recall from the last article, the trees for our community orchard have been ordered and planting will begin in the next month or so. Organisations and businesses in the village have been contacted and offered the chance to sponsor a tree and we are enormously grateful to those who have already responded positively. Sponsoring a tree costs just £25 and in so doing the donors are ensuring that future generations will be able to benefit from a ongoing resource and help make our village an even more attractive place to live and grow. If you or your family would like to help us in this project contact either Sue or Lynda on the numbers given above. They'd love to hear from you.

*Mike Langrish*



# **LIVE ON**

TO THE MEMORY OF THE FALLEN  
AND THE FUTURE OF THE LIVING



## **Autumn Shopping Event**

Saturday 27th October to be held in Nether Heyford Church Rooms,  
found at the corner of Church Street and Church Lane

from 11.00am until 3.00pm

in aid of The Royal British Legion

event organised by Nether Heyford Women Section.

Stalls, Raffle, Poppies, Refreshments

All welcome - no entry fee

**Nether Heyford Village Hall** would like to welcome their new chairman, Alwyne Wilson, who took up the reins as of 10 September 2018. The new committee very much look forward to working together with Alwyne.

## Nether Heyford Village Hall



Large Hall or smaller Meeting Room  
available for Club Meetings, Parties,  
Weddings, Business Meetings etc.  
Modern facilities. Disabled friendly.

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### **"NETHER HEYFORD TENNIS CLUB"**

Results from Annual Trophy Day -16.09.18

Ladies Doubles – Kaylee Littlewood and Linda Miller

Mens Doubles – Joseph Taylor and Chris Prastka

Mixed Doubles – Jacqui Warren and Chris Prastka

*The club had a good summer season with 5 teams playing in the Northants League. The winter leagues are now well under away and the club has 7 teams playing.*

We are a friendly club that welcomes players of all ages and abilities. We offer four social sessions -including a men's night and a ladies morning. We also offer coaching sessions.

For more information please find us on facebook or phone Jo 349094

# Heyford Singers

Present

Graham Kinnersly's Acclaimed One-Man Show

## A Musical Love Story

**Is it a musical? Is it a sing-along?? Is it a quiz???**

**Come along and find out!!**

Nether Heyford Village Hall

November 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 2.00pm

**TICKETS Only £5.00 to include refreshments**

Tickets selling fast.....reserve yours now to avoid disappointment!

**Box Office 01327 340741 or 07971 786912**

Come and join us for what promises to be a very enjoyable afternoon

The performance will end at approximately 4.00pm

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## **HEYFORD SINGERS CHRISTMAS CONCERT ALL ON A STARRY NIGHT**

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY DECEMBER 14TH & 15TH**

**7.30 PM**

Nether Heyford Village Hall

Tickets £7.50 (Children under 12 £4.00)

Box Office: 01327 340741 or 07971 786912

## Community Flood Group

The change to the rural countryside along the Nene Valley corridor to the west of Northampton continues to change out of all recognition. Whilst the building of the roundabout for the Northern bypass between Upper Heyford and M1 J16 continues, few would have noticed the start of work on the Midway Development. Divided into three phases the development comprises:-

- (1) Phase 1-area to south of A4500.
- (2) Phase 2-area to north of A4500.
- (3) Phase 3-area to north of M1 J16.

Phase 1-the smallest of the three sites, is located to the east of M1 J16 to the south of the Red Lion lorry park. At present farm land this will be concreted over to provide 6 storage/distribution units of 1.6m sq. ft. Two new roundabouts will be built on the A4500 between J16 and the Harpole turn off. Clearly Harpole and Kislingbury expressed concerns over the proposed development both from the impact on the rural area but also on the potential increased flood risk from surface water run off, although some level of SUDS/storage is proposed. This will add to the already vast storage areas at Swan Valley and Pineham which is currently the largest storage complex in the UK known as the Northern Warehouse capital.

The UK Government has just allocated an additional £40M to the budget for Flood Alleviation. Unfortunately areas like Nether Heyford will struggle to attract Grant-Aid funding which is based on cost/benefit ratios. The FAS Study which suffered continuous delays before Capita finally produced a draft report for review in May 2017 showed reduced number of properties at risk of flooding as a result of revised modelling of the River Nene and Horestone Brook. However the areas at greatest risk (1 in 10 year) in the centre of the Village resulted from the lack of capacity of the E-W culvert and its ability to cope with outflow of Heyford Brook. Even regular maintenance of the culvert and repairs to the N-S culvert in Church St. would only improve the risk factor to 1 in 25 years. All the proposed solutions were impractical with the obvious solution being to limit the flow from Heyford Brook itself by developing up stream storage. The cost of conventional structures would be prohibitive, although a Natural Flood Management approach may provide a cost effective solution. The E-W culvert is now over 30 years old and showing signs of deterioration with longitudinal cracks and tree root ingress, probably aggravated by the transit of heavy articulated lorries. A weight limit of 7 tons needs to be imposed throughout the Bugbrooke/Weedon roads and Heyford Lane. In spite of this the E/A has conducted significant work along the River Nene and Horestone Brook and revised the E-W outflow and CFG will continue to lobby for additional work/maintenance to be undertaken.

Weather systems around the World have created huge devastation this year with the latest of the hurricanes, Helene, impacting the east coast of America where the equivalent of our annual rainfall (650mm) fell in two days resulting in flash flooding. In the UK the first official storm for 2018, Ali is due to impact the north and west.

Locally the May Bank holiday saw a repeat of Easter 1998 when over 100 homes were flooded by surface water in St Leonards Road, Far Cotton .It appears from rain gauge readings that the rainfall was very localised with the Quinton gauge showing 40 mm whilst areas to the west only recorded 12mm. Since then the longest dry spell and highest temperatures have been recorded and as a result the current total rainfall for 2018 stands at 75% of average. Forecasters are predicting continued good weather this year and that this years pattern could be repeated over the next four years.

*J. Arnold*

## **FLORE FIREWORKS**

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018**

Brodie Lodge Playing Field, Flore

**6:00** – Site opens

Candle Light Procession  
(from Flore Scout Hut)

**6:30** – Bonfire Lit

**7:30** – Fireworks

Kids Rides, Live Entertainment, BBQ, Drinks (Hot, Cold & Alcoholic), Prosecco & Gin Specialists, Homemade cakes, Sweets, Sparklers, Glow Sticks, hook-a-duck stall

**FREE ENTRY** with all donations and profits going to Flore Scout Group



## Heyford Garden Club

[www.heyfordgardenclub.com](http://www.heyfordgardenclub.com)

On 10th September we held our annual Autumn Show and I was rather interested to see how it might be effected by the hot dry summer we have just experienced. Surprisingly there were no entries in the onion class, but I was less surprised to see that there were no soft fruit apart from some rather sad raspberries (my own offering being the sadder by far). There were also few runner beans, and the standard of those was generally not high. On the other hand there were a lot of tomatoes, and in the assorted vegetables there were a number of large beetroot and some squashes, which usually ripen too late for our show. Because of the lack of soft fruit we allowed grapes and plums in what we will have now to call a miscellaneous fruit class.

Gil Guglielmi provided us with a wonderful non competitive display of pomegranate flowers and fruit from his garden.

The winners of the classes were as follows:-

Runner Beans - Tom Wallace  
Tomatoes - John Dunkley  
Assortment of Vegetables - John Dunkley  
Bunch of Herbs - Lotte Wallace  
Raspberries - John Dunkley  
Other Fruit - Pauline Musson  
Dahlias - Lotte Wallace  
Mixed Flowers - Mark Newstead  
Pot plant - Brian Haynes  
Jam or Jelly - Sue Corner  
Jar of Pickles - Sandy Alderson  
Loaf of Bread - Mark Newstead  
Scones - Sandy Alderson  
Bottle of Beverage - Mark Newstead

Thus John Dunkley was the overall winner of the vegetable and fruit section; yours truly the flower section and Sandy Alderson won the pot to plate section. Because John Dunkley had won several prizes in our bench shows earlier in the year he becomes the holder of the gardening club cup for this year. Congratulations to him and to all our worthy winners.

Our next meeting will be on 8th October when we will have a talk on "Growing food, not gluts".

## Three Jobs for October

1. Sow sweet peas
2. Divide rhubarb crowns
3. Take hardwood cuttings of roses and shrubs

*Mark Newstead*

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## Meal Club

The next meal club will be held on Thursday October 4<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall.

Please call Debbie on 01327 349163 for further details





*I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony  
I'd like to hold it in my arms  
And keep it company  
I'd like to see the world for once  
All standing hand in hand  
And hear them echo through the hills  
For peace through out the land  
(That's the song I hear)*

### ***"I'd Like to Teach the World to Sing" by the New Seekers***

In our increasingly busy lives, with family commitments, stresses and strains of work, concerns about health issues, etc, it becomes even more important to find ways to balance our lifestyle, to maintain a sense of well being. This may be achieved through social interaction with family, friends and people in our community. It may be by being outside in the fresh air, enjoying seasonal changes, in your garden, on your vegetable plot or walking in the countryside. Reading is something we might have to make time for but there is no doubt that enjoying a good book is a very satisfying activity. Following a hobby or developing a skill gives us a sense of purpose, achievement and ultimately satisfaction and self-confidence.

**And music.** Whatever your preferences are when you listen to music, the style, the genre, the mood it evokes, even the volume, it has the ability to help us relax, to participate, to recall and to remember, to enjoy on our own or as a shared experience.

Which is why for the choir of Heyford Singers, and indeed countless more choirs and singing groups all over the country, the coming together to sing gives a great sense of well being, and pleasure.

So what is it that inherently makes people come together to enjoy and share music? Why do we like to sing? Consider the following list and mentally tick off those which you have happily joined in with –

- a chorus of Happy Birthday,
- chants at a football game or other sports/stadium event.
- songs or tunes on the car radio when driving
- Auld Lang Syne on New Year's Eve
- singing in the shower or bath, humming or whistling whilst working,
- songs, nursery rhymes or ditties to babies and children
- the rousing, "patriotic" songs of the Last Night of The Proms
- favourite CDs or downloads played, and sang with, again and again

- songs sang as children - in school assemblies, in the playground, and in all manner of games.

**Singing is everywhere and singing is in every one of us, to one degree or another.**

We know from research that **singing is part of socialising** - along with cooking, eating, dancing, etc – it has been a crucial activity in teaching, customs, worship and simple partying. It helps to bond and keep groups of people together; consider the effect that “You’ll Never Walk Alone” or “Swing Low Sweet Chariot” has at football or rugby matches!

**Singing makes you feel good physically.** It increases the amount of oxygen you take into the body as you take deep breaths which in turn makes you feel more alert. As you sing, you articulate and use facial expressions, improving muscles in the face, throat, neck and jaw, which in turn increases our health, well being and sleeping.

**Singing** is without doubt a wonderful way to **help manage stress**, because it is absorbing and very different from our usual work-related tasks. Like physical exercise, singing requires us to focus on a bodily activity and helps shift our mind away from the distracting thoughts we all have at times.

**Singing improves our ability to listen.** Very many of us think that we listen, but actually we don't really listen, we are too busy thinking about our responses. The process of learning to sing and singing, especially with others, increases our attention span.

**Singing** - like laughter, play, sunshine, countryside and exercise - helps underpin and maintain our well-being and happiness.

You may not sing in a choir, or with others, may feel that “you can’t sing”, but just try it. Join in with a favourite song on your phone, on the TV or radio and feel the buzz you get!!

A date for your diary – Heyford Singers Christmas concert, “ **All on a Starry Night**” is on

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December**, when you can also join in with some lovely Christmas carols!

*Jill Langrish*

And if you would like to find out more about Heyford Singers please look at our website

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

or alternatively come along to one of our rehearsals in Nether Heyford village hall.

## From Cllr Adam Brown

As covered in the local press, at the end of August councils in Northamptonshire voted in favour of a move to unitary authorities. Of the 8 councils (7 districts + NCC) only Corby voted against the joint bid to split the county into "North Northamptonshire" and "West Northamptonshire". I would like to give you an insight into my views and how I arrived at my final decision to vote in favour of the proposals.

Firstly it is fair to say that I believe that unitary authorities are a better way to run local government than the two tier system we have at present. Unitary councils remove the confusion about who does what, allow coherent strategic thinking within a single authority rather than having to align two or more bodies, and provide an opportunity to reduce expenditure on councillors and multiple chief executives. Nonetheless, they are not a magic bullet and it must be recognised that particularly in the "West" region we have been well served by two very efficient councils in South Northamptonshire and Daventry. The success or otherwise of any council depends upon the ability of those running the organisation and the prevailing conditions in which it has to work. In the context of the County Council's continuing financial difficulties it was therefore not a simple decision for me to support the proposals put before us. The current deficit faced by NCC (at the time of writing) is £64m with the potential for this figure to rise significantly as auditors continue to clarify the final outturn from last year's budget. Clearly any new authority would be working with one hand tied behind its back were it to inherit that deficit, and therefore I believe that it is an inescapable fact that Northamptonshire will need special dispensation from MHCLG to use capital receipts to clear that deficit if we are to start life as West Northamptonshire with a clean slate. Debt repayments are also a significant burden on the County Council's annual budget but it is the deficit issue that is most pressing.

The bid document that was presented to the Secretary of State therefore laid out a number of challenges, and it is these challenges that form the most important element of the bid. The challenges effectively make the local councils' support for change contingent upon government recognising and rising to these challenges, namely; the aforementioned clean sheet; the provision of additional tools to fund transition costs such as a business rates pilot; recognition of the need for public service reform e.g. in the form of an integrated care system pilot to alleviate the strain placed upon councils by adult social care; additional investment in Northamptonshire's infrastructure to compensate for the cut backs on investment in recent years and allow for forthcoming growth.

With the bid now going forward to the Secretary of State, the challenges laid out form criteria against which we will be able to judge government's willingness to support Northamptonshire through our difficulties. Without these challenges and the clear demands for reasonable assistance that they represent I would have been unable to support the proposals, but I have on the record assurances from council leaders that they will be fearless in holding government to account and I will assist them in that endeavour wherever possible. The government has essentially given us one option

for a solution to the current difficulties and asked us to submit a bid within that very tight criteria in order to provide local input to the process. It is therefore incumbent upon ministers and our members of parliament to ensure that their solution is indeed a solution and not greater failure in a different name.

At times I was highly tempted to vote against the proposals, and I weighed up very carefully what would be best for residents in the long term. Ultimately my mind was made up by my belief that this is our most realistic chance of resolving the delivery issues being suffered by services that the most vulnerable members of the community rely upon. Voting against these proposals ultimately would have been a futile gesture of protest when having all 8 Northamptonshire Councils around the table arguing the case with government allows us to at least exert some influence over what comes next.

If you or residents have any questions then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Sincerely,

*Cllr Adam Brown*

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## Heyford Cricket Club

### Adult Cricket:

After a soggy start to the season both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> XI have enjoyed a successful 2018. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI have won 11 of their last 13 games, including a convincing win over league winners Weldon. Promotion looks to be a step too far this year, but with one game to play a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish would be considered a successful season in a very competitive league. There have been some magnificent individual performances, with 7 wicket hauls from James Baldwin and Jacob Gilder, and centuries from Adam Linnell, James Baldwin and Martyn Cory. Captain James Edwards has also been in magnificent form, averaging 57 with the bat and leading from the front with the ball.

But it is the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI who take all the plaudits this year, finishing top of Division 9 after winning a nail-biting final game of the season away to Weldon. After being bowled out for 110, it took all of captain Rob Pardon's years of experience to guide his young team to a memorable victory, bowling Weldon out for 99 in front of a partisan home crowd. It has been a real team effort this season with important contributions from all players, but a special mention must go to 16-year-old Josh Bastin who finished as the leading run scorer in Division 9 (781 runs), and currently sits 7<sup>th</sup> in the batting leader board in the entire County. Congratulations to Rob and his team on this magnificent achievement.

The T20 XI again made it to the T20 Plate Finals Day at the beginning of August, beating host team Wellingborough OGs in the semi-finals, before eventually losing a close final to a very strong Overstone side.

As the season comes to an end we would like to thank all our Patrons, supporters and volunteers for your support throughout the season. The dedication of Darren Bastin (and his support team of Richard Cooper, Joe Clare, Rob Pardon and Dom Cawley!) to pitch preparation has made a huge difference to the quality of cricket this year. Julian Rice and Lesley Faulkner have done a great job cutting the outfield and marking the boundary, and we all owe a debt of gratitude once again to Pete and Pauline Whittaker and Chris Pardon for their support with teas on a match day. There are many more people who do so much behind the scenes to the running of this Club; thank you to everyone for helping contribute to another successful season.

### Bonus Ball:

Since our last entry in the Prattler the winners of the £25 Bonus Ball have been:

May:

5<sup>th</sup> - Cliff Simms, 12<sup>th</sup> - Ray Cory, 19<sup>th</sup> - Ed Rogers, 26<sup>th</sup> - Ceri John

June:

2<sup>nd</sup> - Ross Cambray, 9<sup>th</sup> - no winner, 16<sup>th</sup> - Jack Hirst, 23<sup>rd</sup> - no winner, 30<sup>th</sup> - Tom Akrigg,

July:

7<sup>th</sup> - Phil Cowley, 14<sup>th</sup> - JP Rice, 21<sup>st</sup> - no Winner, 28<sup>th</sup> - Ross Cambray,

August:

4<sup>th</sup> - no winner, 11<sup>th</sup> - no winner, 18<sup>th</sup> - Chris Peck, 25<sup>th</sup> - Ben Taylor.

Thank you to everyone who plays. If you would like to support the Club for £1 per week, but also stand the chance of winning £25 each week then please get in touch for more information.

### **Forthcoming Events and Home Fixtures:**

10<sup>th</sup> November from 7pm: Annual Dinner and Presentation Evening @ Northampton Golf Club. If you would like to join us, then please get in touch with Matt Baker or any member of the committee. Players and supporters are welcome. More information can be found on our website, it would be great to see you there.

More details about Heyford Cricket Club can be found on our website [www.heyfordcricket.co.uk](http://www.heyfordcricket.co.uk) or via social media where we can be found on both Facebook and Twitter.

If you would like to get in touch you can also email us at [heyfordcricket@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:heyfordcricket@hotmail.co.uk) or call Matt Baker (Chairman) on 07779 795458.



## **300 Club**

### **August**

1st prize - £65 – Tony Lomax (47)

2nd prize - £30 – Football Club (31)



## Heyford Bowls Club

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

It was nice after a long summer without any indoor matches to return again to our autumn competitions. The MENS' 'PAIRS' competition was played on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September. With four pairs contesting for the trophy in a series of three round robin matches, with the highest aggregate scoring two teams progressing to the final. This produced a series of close fought games on both mats. The final proved to be well contested with some good bowling from both teams. It was finally won by Morris Freeman and Barry Clements over Geoff Groom and Den Taylor by a score of 7 to 5.

Our last competition, the 'BECO SHIELD', will be played on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October so names down please in the usual way. This is a well supported event, so let's make this a great last competition of the season.

Members' support for our Wednesday bowling sessions has been well maintained through the summer months and has provided some enjoyable sessions.

Anyone wishing to try indoor short mat bowls will be made most welcome at the afternoon bowling sessions in the village hall at 1.50 pm every Wednesday.

*Den Taylor*

Well, another outdoor bowling season comes to an end. The Finals weekend was one of our best; glorious weather, excellent competition and a healthy crowd to witness the games. The results were:

|                  | <u>Winners</u>                  | <u>Runner Up</u>                    |
|------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Ladies Singles   | Liz Davison                     | Jill Welch                          |
| Men's Singles    | John Steers                     | Brian North                         |
| Two Wood Singles | Morris Freeman                  | Michael Moulton                     |
| Ladies Pairs     | Lorraine Streeter<br>Jill Welch | Liz Davison<br>Helen Humphris       |
| Men's Pairs      | Bob Humphris<br>Merv Boyson     | Bernard Alder<br>Geoff Thorneycroft |
| Australian Pairs | Richard Holland<br>Bob Humphris | Mick Collins<br>Trevor Goodchild    |

Triples

Keith Mason  
Sandy Davis  
Brian North

Bernard Alder  
Matt Streeter  
Olive Forster

Captains Shield

Shirley Collins, Keith Mason, Bernard Alder and Barry Clements.

All that remains is to put the green to bed on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October, hold the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October and celebrate at the Presentation Night on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

This column will re-commence in the spring. Until then, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Geoff Allen*  
349909



Meetings are in Bugbrooke Community Centre at 2.00 pm  
(except where noted otherwise).

### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

#### **BETWEEN STAIRS - THE LIFE OF A LADIES MAID** by Jo Golby.

An experienced National Trust costume guide talks about all aspects of a maid's life including attending her mistress's every whim, dress making, concocting potions and lotions and a section on corsets and fans

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Luncheon Club  
Play Reading

Classics for Pleasure  
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My Kind of Music  
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## **Upper and Nether Heyford Neighbourhood Watch Scheme**

### **Darker Nights - Crime Prevention Advice**

When the longer winter nights arrive, take a fresh look at your home security and remind yourself of how to stay as safe as possible when out and about.

#### **At home**

- Keep front and back doors locked at all times and keep keys and valuables out of sight and reach from cat flaps, letterboxes and downstairs doors and windows;
- If you're out in the evening make sure you leave a light on and draw the curtains. If it's dark before you get home, use timer switches to turn on energy-saving lights;
- Light up your front door with dusk to dawn lighting – make sure it's visible from the street;
- Make sure your home is visible from the street by keeping bushes and fences less than one metre high at the front of your property;
- Don't forget about garages, sheds and outbuildings – make sure they're locked and secure too;
- Try not to leave your house in silent darkness. Just leaving a radio on could make a potential burglar think twice;
- Never leave a spare key outside your house, burglars know all the usual hiding spots;
- Keep bins away from windows when they're not being used, as they can be used as a climbing aid for burglars.

#### **Out and about**

- Plan ahead before you go out. Know where you're going, how you'll get there, and how you'll get back. Let someone know where you're going, and be prepared for a change of plan;
- Keep your purse or wallet and keys close and secure. Only take out essential items, and if you can leave valuables at home, do;
- When you're out, always walk with confidence, and stick to well-lit, busy areas, using the route you know best;
- Avoid quiet or badly-lit alleyways, subways or isolated car parks. Walk down the middle of the pavement if the street is deserted;
- Remain aware of your surroundings – don't walk along texting, making a phone call or listening to music. As well as being distracting, this advertises your valuables to criminals;

- Trust your instincts – if you don't feel safe then change your route, remembering to stay in well-lit and busy areas. Don't be tempted to take short cuts;
- Be a good friend and stay safe by sticking together. Always avoid walking alone at night;
- If you regularly walk home in the dark, get a personal attack alarm – they are widely available and inexpensive;
- If you regularly jog or cycle, vary your route and times you go out, particularly if you go alone. Try to avoid wooded or remote areas and stick to well-lit roads, or main paths and open spaces. Stay fully alert of your surroundings and don't use headphones

**Find more advice on crime prevention at**

**[www.northants.police.uk/crime-prevention](http://www.northants.police.uk/crime-prevention)**

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Finally, may we remind you that if you have a **non emergency matter** and require the **Police ring 101**

## **Welcome Packs**

Welcome packs are available for newcomers to our Village. The information in them helps people feel at home quickly. If you notice that someone has moved in recently, get a pack for them by calling:

Sue Morris  
21 The Green  
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## **Flore Arts Events**

Tickets are now on sale the last two events of a busy year. Call Rosemary Read (between 9am and 8pm) on 01327 341026 to be sure to reserve your place for...

### **SILENT MOVIE EVENING**

Here's an evening to really bring the silent movie era to life. Vincent Byrne's talented and versatile organ and piano accompaniment to two silver screen classics proved a huge hit in 2016, so we are delighted to welcome him back.

Vincent made his silent movie accompanist debut as a teenager in Birmingham a decade ago, performing for members of the "Laughing Gravy Tent" Laurel & Hardy Appreciation society. He has continued to wow audiences across the Midlands ever since.

On this occasion he will be presenting Charlie Chaplin's "Easy Street" followed by a main feature from Buster Keaton: "Our Hospitality". Both are classics of their time and guaranteed to raise a smile; "Our Hospitality" has been described as a "sublime silent comedy, one of Buster's best, with a genuinely hair-raising finale."

As in 2016 our plan is to make this a "Black and White" themed evening. Last time this really added to the enjoyment of the occasion; we hope you can make it!

Saturday October 6th, All Saints Church, Flore. 7.30pm. Tickets £7.50 (£5 Under 18s).

### **BUDAPEST CAFÉ ORCHESTRA**

We're finishing 2018 with a bang. Led by leading violinist and composer, Christian Garrick, the Budapest Café Orchestra play traditional folk and gypsy-flavoured music with an exotic twist. Expect an evening of raucous, toe-tapping Balkan and Russian numbers – played with immense skill, great verve and profound musicianship... and more than a hint of jazz and swing.

Here are just a few reviews... "The Music is magic in their hands"... "A gypsy style quartet with a talent for fun"... "Thrillingly inventive Balkan brilliance"...

Christian (aka "Balkan Bob") is joined by his fellow bandmates Kelly Cantlon ("Kelvin the Klaw") on double bass, Eddie Hession ("The Dragon") on accordion and last but not least Adrian Zolotuhin ("The Sultan") on a range of instruments familiar and not-so-familiar: guitar, domra and saz for starters!

Saturday November 17<sup>th</sup>, All Saints Church, Flore. 7.30pm. Tickets £15 (U18s £5).

### **2019**

The calendar's already taking shape for next year. There will be return visits from local favourites Northampton Male Voice Choir and the Northants County Youth Big Band plus some new events too.

Don't forget to keep an eye out for updates on our website at [www.FloreArtsEvents.com](http://www.FloreArtsEvents.com) and our Facebook page. We'll also be providing more information in future editions of the Prattler. We hope to see you soon!

## **Farmers Markets - Monthly 9am until 2pm unless stated**

**Brackley:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday


**Daventry:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday

**Grandborough:** (St Peters Church 10am - 12:30pm) 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday March to December

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