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From the Rector-Spring 2019

Easter is late this year - almost as late as it can possibly be. But that hasn't stopped the shops stocking up on Hot Cross buns and Easter Eggs — which were both on the shelves a few days after Christmas!!

There's a story told about a great rabbi who when he saw misfortune threatening his people used to go into a certain part of the forest where he would light a fire and say a special prayer, then the miracle would be accomplished and the misfortune averted. Later when his disciple needed to intercede with heaven he would go to the same place in the forest and say, "Master of the universe, I don't know how to light the fire but I am still able to say the prayer" and it was enough, the miracle was again accomplished.

Still later when the people were threatened, the new rabbi went into the forest and said "I don't know how to light the fire. I don't know the prayer. But I am here in the place", and it was sufficient. Finally came the rabbi called to meet misfortune, and sitting at home, his head in his hands he said, "Master of the universe I'm unable to light the fire. I don't know the prayer. I can't even find the place in the forest. All I can do is to tell the story" And it was still sufficient, and the people were saved.

I thought of that traditional story when I read recently an opinion poll concerning the Easter story which, rather surprisingly reports that 57% of people believe that Jesus was raised from the dead and 43% think that the Easter story is about Jesus dying for the sins of the world, as opposed to 26% who think that it has no real meaning today.

Now I'm always cautious about the claims of pollsters. So much depends upon the way that the questions are framed, but these figures do give energy to the old rabbinic story. It may be true that fewer people in this generation in Britain go into our holy places and say the prescribed words and find strength and salvation by doing so. But the story which is told which is at the heart of the prayer and the ritual, and for which the holy places exist, the story is known far beyond the worshipping community and is bigger than any church going, profound though this may be.

And the story of the life and death of Jesus Christ - His sacrificial death on the cross for the salvation of the world; His resurrected life destroying death, not only in his own person, but for all people who put their trust in God. This old, old story, itself doesn't die. Religious faith may blossom and fade and blossom again. It may fracture and fragment, but the gospel story has a life of its own and it lives forever throughout all generations, everywhere, even down to 21st century secular Britain.

Twice a month in Ascott Church — and when not in Ascott, in the other churches of our Benefice — services are held and the prayers are said. You are very welcome to join us! But it's the story which brings salvation and church people don't own it; it's for everyone.

With every blessing

Mark Abrey

Notice to all members of the Churches Electoral Roll

In accordance with the *Church Representation Rules* a new electoral roll is to be prepared in each parish in 2019. The Church Electoral Roll is your parish church's register of electors and is the list of those qualified to attend and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in the elections for the Parochial Church Council and the parish representatives on the Deanery Synod. In 2019 and every 6 years thereafter the electoral roll is renewed. In a year of renewal, no names are carried over from the old roll and everyone must apply for inclusion on the new roll.

If you wish to be included in the new roll, please look out for the notices about enrolment on the Church noticeboards. Application forms will be made available at the back of Church and can be downloaded at www.tinyurl.com/chaseER2019. Completed forms must be returned to Beth Sinclair, Benefice Administrator, c/o The Vicarage, Church Road, Chadlington, Oxon. OX7 3LY no later than 24 March 2019. If you have any questions please contact Mark Abrey on 01608 676572.

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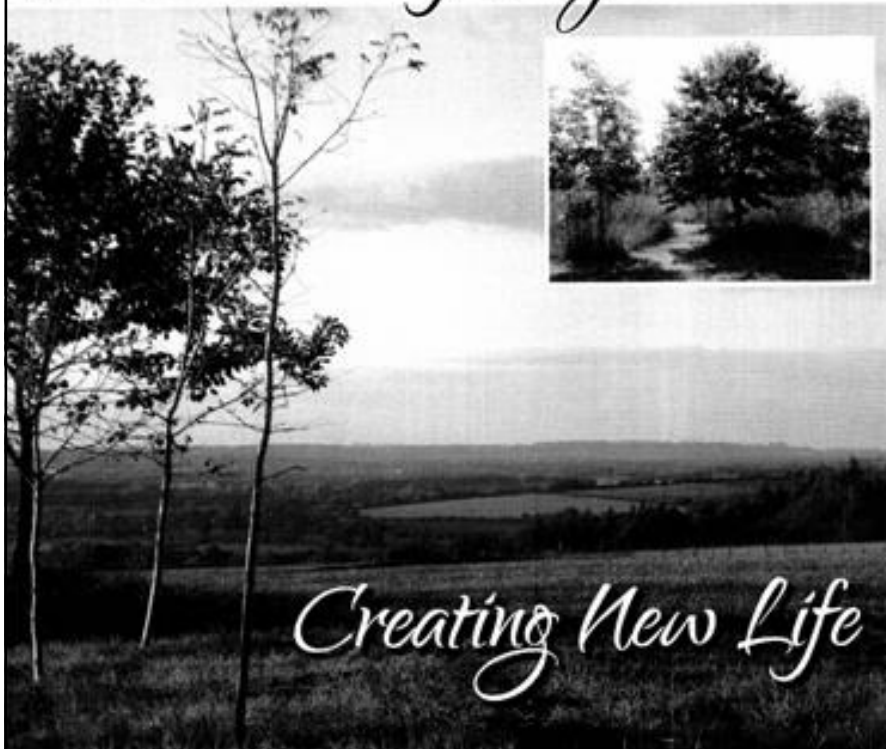
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A public consultation was held at the Tiddy Hall on 18 November 2018 where Bloombridge, and their architects, Space Strategy, attended to answer questions and present initial thoughts on the proposals to redevelop the Cowshed and Dutch Barns at the end of the High Street. Various images were displayed on boards and feedback was received through dialogue and by filling in a questionnaire. Approximately 45 people attended over the course of the afternoon and early evening.

The design team are now working through the various points made and undertaking further technical studies on site to refine (but not substantially change) the exhibited scheme. The intention is then to submit a planning application before Easter 2019.



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Garden Notes

Why the condition of your soil is so important!

‘A garden is a reflection of the quality of its soil. Gardens filled with beautiful soil have a vitality about them we can almost feel’. *Jan Johnsen author and landscape designer.*

Soil is often overlooked and undervalued as Gardeners sometimes disregard the impact soil has on the health and vigour of their plants. Soil preparation isn't the most thrilling aspect of planting a garden, but it is certainly one of the most important. If your soil isn't right, your garden will struggle to reach its full potential. Achieving that vitality requires understanding the composition of your soil and creating the perfect environment for plant growth. Don't think of soil as dirt, instead think of it as a microscopic world teeming with a vast array of organisms that breathe life into your garden. These organisms including earthworms, insects, fungi and a multitude of beneficial bacteria act as Mother Nature's recycling team converting dead leaves and plant debris into readily available nutrients. They also help to aerate the soil and convert organic matter into humus, (what's left after organic matter decomposes).

Good soil management is a continual process, but once you attend to the basics, your soil will do most of the work itself. Before you begin planting, dig up a scoop of soil and take a look at its texture, its smell and its colour. Soil should smell earthy. If it smells eggy this could be a sign of poor drainage. Likewise if it looks grey in colour with red or orange mottling this could be another indication of poor drainage. All soils are a mixture of mineral particles of different sizes and shapes, primarily clay, sand and silt. Organic matter in various stages of decomposition, air and water. Often they will contain higher amounts of one type of particle relative to the others. That doesn't make them bad growing mediums but it will affect their density, drainage rate and capacity to hold nutrients. In Ascott-under-Wychwood our soil type is mainly Lias Clay which has tiny dense particles that hold large reserves of moisture and nutrients. However it also drains slowly, is prone to swelling and shrinking and can become hard and compacted when dry. Sandy soils are just the opposite, with large particles that water moves through easily along with important nutrients. Silts have fine particle sizes that pack together tightly, inhibiting drainage and air circulation. The ideal soil would be a mixture of various size particles of mineral and organic matter, that hold together in clumps or aggregates, that holds moisture and at the same time allows a constant flow of air through the soil. Airflow brings oxygen to the roots and to micro-organisms and removes carbon dioxide from the soil. Loam is the ideal soil for most plants as it contains a balance of all three mineral particles and is rich in humus. Adding organic matter such as manure, fallen leaves and composted waste is the best way to make your soil more loam-like and improve its texture. Compost, cover crops, manure and mulches offer a habitat beneficial to soil creatures. The microbes that specialise in decomposing organic matter will unlock the nutrients

in these materials to fertilize your plants. It will loosen up the minerals that become sticky when the Lias clay is wet and hard and also when the soil is dry, and provide a rich supply of slow release nutrients for your plants as well as food for beneficial soil organisms. Organic material can either help to retain moisture around the large particles, or keep the smaller size particles better spaced to allow airflow. Organic material is also vital to support the presence of earthworms. The tunnelling activity of worms is essential for enabling the movement of air and water through the soil. The reason why soil is so important to a plant's survival is because of this need to maintain a balance between moisture and air. Over time a well amended soil will provide most of the nutrients your plants need, reducing fertilizer requirements. It will support plant growth by providing oxygen which the root cells use to break down sugars and release the energy needed to live and grow, water, nutrients, anchorage to root systems and temperature modification. To encourage soil life, your soil should be kept evenly moist and well aerated, the use of pesticides should be minimized as many of these are toxic to soil life as well as the insects you are trying to control. Avoid the use of concentrated fast acting fertilizers which can harm earthworms and other soil organisms. Instead use less concentrated organic fertilizers and slow release formulas. Organic soils encourage a greater balance and diversity of microbes to serve plants and better control pathogens.

Mulch with care. Mulching allows you to add organic matter to the soil without disturbing plant roots because it is spread over the surface and decomposes naturally. Mulch helps to retain moisture, suppresses weed growth, improves soil aeration and keeps the soil cooler during the summer. However it can also have its pitfalls especially if you apply it too thickly or use the wrong type of mulching material. It can change the chemical composition of the soil and leach micro-nutrients that are harmful to plants. It can also create continually moist conditions that lead to fungal diseases especially in wet soils.

Favour a no-dig approach. Tilling has a number of drawbacks. It can encourage the growth of weeds by bringing dormant seeds to the surface and exposing them to sunlight. It can disturb the beneficial burrowing activities of earthworms, the best free labour you can get for loosening and aerating your soil. It can also interfere with the activity of important soil microorganisms and destroy fungal networks. Despite these negatives, tilling is still a viable option if you need to work organic matter and nutrients into sticky clay soil or a new garden bed that is heavily compacted. After that initial deep tilling, you can often let nature take its course to improve the structure of your soil.

Creating a healthy soil for gardening is the most important key to success and can dictate whether the plants you prefer to grow will reach their full potential and flourish with vitality or just merely exist.

Juliet Ingram

Charlbury Chronicle Jan 2019

The new year means a new budget for the County Council, and I have recently spent many hours scrutinising the proposals for the coming financial year. The good news is that the capital budget, which is the money we spend on infrastructure like our roads, is now being managed on a 10 year rolling cycle, so that it is much easier to make forward plans. In the coming financial year, we will be spending £30 million more than this year on road improvements which will include work in and around Charlbury. This is thanks to the decision to borrow money for this purpose from reserves, a key Liberal Democrat policy that the Conservative administration agreed to in June last year.

Unfortunately, although we can borrow money for capital investment, we are still very short of revenue for core services. The cost of both adult and children's services continues to increase, mainly because of demographic changes. That means that council tax will be going up again, to help cover these costs. The government plans to make further cuts to council grants over the next couple of years which means we will be having to make further savings.

More positively, the recent merger between Cherwell District Council and the County Council is making progress, with some sensible new joint roles being implemented. For example, the two councils will share an HR team, and Environmental Health, which is the responsibility of the District Council, will be merged with Trading Standards, which comes under the County. This will mean closer working and easier access to these services for residents. It is to be hoped that other Districts, such as West Oxfordshire, will realise that this is a good idea and want to follow suit.

In my role as District Councillor, I am concerned about the amount of rubbish we are seeing on our roadsides, now that the hedges are bare. Driving to Woodstock recently, I counted more than 120 separate patches of rubbish on the verges of the B4437 – I probably missed some too as I was also concentrating on the road! The responsibility for keeping our roadsides clean lies with Ubico, the WODC -owned company that collects our rubbish. I will be taking up with the Environment Committee shortly as I believe that as a popular tourist area, we should be providing a better clean-up service that we do at present. Many people are very good at organising litter picking in our towns and villages, but clearing the verges on roads like the B4437 is not something that can be managed by volunteers for reasons of safety, and needs to be done by the District Council.

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Nature Notes

Writing near the end of January, with the north wind blowing and rain threatened nature looks rather bleak and uninviting. However, there are some small signs that spring may not be too far away. Hazel catkins have lengthened so it won't be long before they will start to shed clouds of pollen and there are signs that songbirds, particularly Blackbirds are pairing up ready to nest and breed and following a mild winter (so far!) Snowdrops and Winter Aconites are in full flower, brightening our verges, woodlands and uncultivated land.

Winter Aconites (*Eranthus Hyemalis*) are not a native species, they originate from Southern Europe and the Eastern Mediterranean so the patches growing in the wild are either garden escapees or have been thrown out with garden waste. Some patches are associated with gardens of cottages that have long ago disappeared. In the Flora of Oxfordshire survey 1998 there were 91 wild sites identified and the first written record of them growing in the wild was made in 1841.

Aconites are members of the buttercup family and like many other members of this family contain toxic compounds. When growing in truly natural conditions they are spring ephemerals growing on forest floors using the sunshine available before the deciduous trees come into leaf.



There is much speculation about whether the Snowdrop is truly native to Britain; it is certainly very widespread across Britain. The Flora of Oxfordshire identifying 323



sites in their 1998 survey of our county with particular mention of the area around Heythrop. The first written record of a wild population was made in the 1770's about plants growing in Gloucestershire and Wiltshire but as a garden plant it was described in a book written by Sir Thomas Hanmer published in 1659. Then they were known as Bulbous Violets, the name Snowdrop coming into use at the end of the 17th century. It was also mentioned in Gerard's Herbal of 1597 in which he

noted that it was found growing in London gardens. Truly wild populations are to be found from Brittany and the Netherlands southwards to the Pyrenees and west to Italy, Sicily and parts of Greece both in lowland areas and up to 1,600 metres. Despite its association with winter and snowy weather it isn't found in Scandinavia.

Most wild colonies of Snowdrops in Britain have spread by division of the bulbs. In this country they do not usually set seed, possibly because of the lack of pollinating insects when they are in flower, but also because the common cultivar appears to be sterile.

Like most common and popular flowers it has been called by many local names, these include; Candlemas Bells, Mary's Taper, Snow Piercer, February Fair Maids and Dingle Dangle. In the Catholic Church their pure white blooms have been accepted as a symbol of Candlemas, the feast of the purification of the Virgin Mary held on February 2nd. To this day many wild colonies are associated with monastic sites and former abbey lands. In the Victorian language of flowers, the Snowdrop is a symbol of purity and virginity, but in some parts of Britain they were viewed as death tokens considered unlucky to be picked and brought into the house.

We should just enjoy these early flowers as they brighten our gardens and countryside at this dreary time of year.

Stuart Fox

COFFEE MORNINGS AT ASCOTT CHURCH

DATES FOR 2019

January	29 th	July	30 th
February	26 th	August	27 th
March	26 th	September	24 th
April	30 th	October	29 th
May	28 th	November	26 th
June	25 th	December	TBC
All at 10.30 - 11.30am			

THANK YOU

Can I through this small space thank everyone who attended my Birthday Party on 5th January and also thank you for your friendship and generosity. If I didn't get around to speaking to you personally please accept this my grateful thanks. Wishing everyone a happy 2019.

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Rotary Club of Burford & Kingham news.

What a long time ago it seems since the year 2018! Before it ended we had a fascinating talk by Robin Smitten about the **Chipping Norton Amateur Astronomical Society**, which has a surprising and prestigious background, ranging from the Rollright Stone Circle to famous national scientific celebrities. He overwhelmed us with examples of recordings and observations achieved by members with “only”(!) amateur equipment. Truly a delightful presentation while being humbling when reminding us of the immensity of the universe.

We also had our Christmas dinner & Charter night, when we were royally entertained by pupils from the **Music Department at Burford School**. What amazing talent!



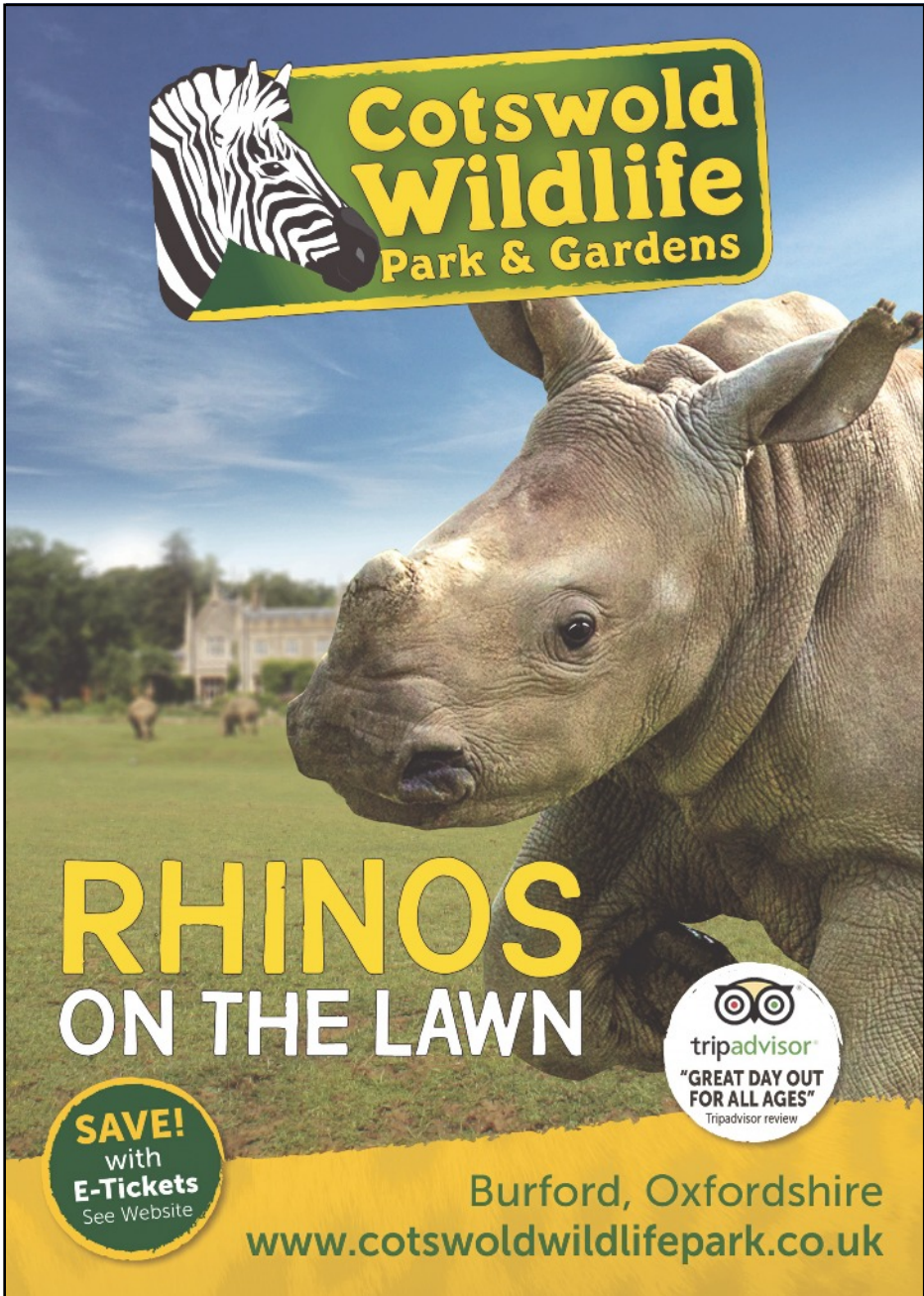
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During Advent, in the lead up to the Festive Season, the **Mermaid Inn in Burford** kindly supported the club's initiative to raise some funds for the **Rotary charity “Roll out the Barrel”** which provides barrels to villagers in developing countries who have to carry water from a communal source to their homes. Carrying water is very heavy and hard work, usually done by women or children. The barrels supplied allow them to roll the water rather than carry it. Please see www.rolloutthebarrel.org for further details. Money was raised by challenging people to balance a £1 coin on a lemon floating in a jar of water. Successful attempts were rewarded with £5. When the £1 fell off into the water, it went to the charity. Great fun – and an irresistible challenge! Many thanks to the Mermaid Inn for placing the challenge on their bar (see picture) and their support! IF YOU FEEL ABLE TO COPY THEIR EXAMPLE – PLEASE GET IN TOUCH! (barber.sg@gmail.com)

Looking to the future, over the next few months we have talks scheduled about:-

- “The History of RAF Little Rissington by David Brown (February) ,
- “Volunteering in War-torn Afghanistan by Jean Hartley (March) and
- “The Witney Blanket Industry” by Valerie Burton (April).

Visitors are welcome to join us for these talks & the accompanying club supper. Please contact our secretary, Terry Best, at terry.a.best@btinternet beforehand. Finally, a happy, healthy and prosperous 2019 to you all.



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Wychwood Library

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We have started a new Rhyme Time for children from 0-5 on Mondays from 2.00-2.30; an exciting opportunity to share interactive stories and rhymes, as well as make music, crafts and a bit of mess along the way. Please drop in and spread the word!

Late Spring, held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month in the library, is a bereavement support group which, over tea and cake, offers an opportunity for people to meet in a warm, friendly and supportive environment. Organised by Age UK, its aim is not to counsel but to enable people to meet together to look to the future, without forgetting.

Wychwood Library also offers one to one computer help sessions for beginners and customers with individual needs, such as searching for jobs or completing online forms. Our digital helper is available by appointment.

If you are interested in any of the groups or in our computer help sessions, please drop into the library, call us on 01993 830281 or email us at wychwood.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk.

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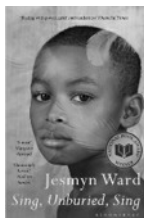
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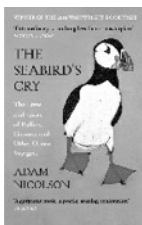
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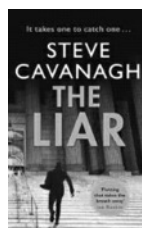
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Wainright Prize The Seabird's Cry, Adam Nicolson



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Friday 2.00-7.00

Saturday 9.30-1.00

Events

Every Monday	Tai Chi	9.30am-12pm
Every Wednesday	Coffee Morning	10am-12pm
Every Friday	Rhyme Time	1.30pm-2.00pm
1st Sunday (of Month)	Wychwood Circle	7.00-8.00pm
1st Monday	Evening Reading Group	7.15-8.15pm
2nd Monday	Knitting Group	7.00pm-9.00pm
1st and 3rd Tuesday	Late Spring (Age U.K)	10.30am-12.00pm
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DID YOU KNOW

DID YOU KNOW that other kinds of footprints, apart from human, can still be found in the parish of Ascott?

Do you sometimes decide to take a walk 'up Brazil'? This is the lane that continues across the Burford to Charlbury Road from London Lane. Have you ever wondered at its curious name?

The most important thing to remember is that until the Victorians regularised spelling, words were actually spelt by sound and could have many variations. When you take the local accent into account, they could sound a good deal different from how we hear them today.

Back to the lane. The name appears to derive from two furlongs in the medieval Open Field System on the south side of Ascott when all the land from the river to the forest was one large open field. As you head up the lane the furlongs were on the right hand side, not the bottom field of today, but from where the hedge coming from the right, meets the gallops part way up the hill. In 1591 these furlongs were named Beassell and Little Beassell. The names probably date back to earlier centuries. Could it be an association with bees which were highly valued in medieval times?

So the earliest reference we have is 1591 when Beassell is mentioned. By 1617 Brasewell Way is listed and in 1764 Brassell Way Furlong and Great Brassel. An estate survey of 1836 names Brossill Way and Brazil Gate (first mention of the South American country). The 1838 Enclosure Award lists Great Brassel as does the Tithe Award of 1841. In 1900 Brazil Gate Furlong is mentioned together with Brasswell Lane whilst on the 1981 Ordnance Survey Map Brasswell Lane still remains together with Brasswell Corner. This is right at the southern extremity of Ascott parish as the boundary rises to a point, then turns and continues north once more down the lane.

So no connection with Brazil in South America but rather a variation in the voices of local people over many centuries. Its original meaning is still unknown.

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DON'T TALK TO ME IN NUMBERS

One of the beatitudes states, "The meek will inherit the earth." I am still waiting.

If someday the meek will inherit the earth, will mathematicians inherit the universe? There are some people who are much more clever than most of us will ever be, who suggest the universe can be explained in mathematic theory.

I am afraid when I see an equation written on a blackboard it is as great a mystery as Egyptian hieroglyphics, and I realise I've been half awake most of my life.

The bible is full of numbers with meaning. 7 days of creation, 10 commandments, the 3 days Jonah was in the whale's belly, the crucifixion and resurrection over 3 days and 40 days often used. What interests me is why Jesus chose 12 disciples. If there had been football and cricket played in those days, who would Jesus have chosen as twelfth man to take the drinks out: or who would he have sent on at half time as super sub and who would he have chosen in goal? I first thought Peter. He would know how to fish in the back of the net. I was quickly put to right by my nephew Mark, who said had they played football in those days Jesus would have put himself in goal. He is the only one guaranteed to save.

The natural world seems full of geometry, two of which quickly come to mind. Why do bees always create six-sided cells in a honeycomb or why are there six points to a snow flake and why are there no two the same pattern? On a beautiful spring morning when the primroses and daffodils are in full flower and the hedges and trees are bursting into leaf and the birds singing, we say mother nature is in all her glory and think of the deity in the feminine form. Whereas if there is a terrible disaster like an earthquake or flood, we say it is an act of God and think of the deity in the masculine, which proves yet again, when anything bad goes wrong, men get blamed. If I by chance should reach the gates of heaven I have this fear St Peter won't ask if I have kept the commandments, but test me on mental arithmetic. I shall tell Peter what Mark Twain once said, 'Don't talk to me in numbers, talk to me in pictures and I will understand you.'

Fred Russell

Parish Council News

JANUARY 2019

Happy New Year to everyone – we hope that you had a very jolly Festive Season and are not getting too depressed about all the Brexit news!

FINANCES

The Autumn was the time for Parish Councils to set their budgets and we are pleased to say that we are not changing the Precept figure this year. This is the small amount of Council Tax which WODC allow us to carry out our business.

PLANNING

Bloombridge Development Partners held a village consultation on 15 November at Tiddy Hall and it was very well attended. They are proposing to develop the cow sheds and Dutch barns at the end of High St. They stated that they would consider all the comments and were aiming to submit a planning application early in the New Year. At the time of writing (22 Jan) no plan has been submitted. If any resident wants to register for Ascott-u-W planning news and has not already done so, please e-mail or speak to any Parish Councillor.

CAROLS ON THE GREEN

Thank you to all 200 people who turned out on Christmas Eve, sang so well and gave generously to our chosen charity. This year the beneficiary was North Oxfordshire Community Food Bank (one of its branches is in Chipping Norton) and we raised a wonderful £323. Thank you to the organising team of P Councillors, residents and grounds contractor who provide food, heat mulled wine, erect the Tree, collect donations but particular thanks must go to the members of the brass band who create an extra special atmosphere of festive spirit!

GIGACLEAR!!

We did almost have our Christmas spoilt though, didn't we? What a mess Gigaclear has created in all respects. All through December and early January, residents were in contact complaining about the trouble they have had with getting their internet properly re-connected. The re-start of works is imminent and the Parish Council has written a robust letter listing all the issues Ascott has suffered in the hope that they will be more careful from now on. WODC has only contracted Gigaclear to lay cable for a few homes at the far end of High St where the signal is very poor. Gigaclear has taken the commercial decision to lay cable everywhere in Ascott and we have been told by WODC and OCC that they can do that because they are a utility company and have statutory powers.

FOOTPATH THROUGH CORNBURY LAND

Peter Rance informed our County Councillor, Liz Leffman, about the signs at Kingstanding Farm which state that the right of way is closed. Thanks to Liz for working with the Rights of Way Dept at OCC to try and have these signs removed. They are illegal as the footpath is an official right of way.

ROADS

The longstanding concern about traffic dangers at the narrow River Evenlode bridge on Chippy Hill, led Peter Rance, Liz Leffman and OCC Highways to meet there and experience them first hand! Consequently, without cost to the PC, OCC have improved the outbound road warning signage and moved it closer to the bridge. However, appreciating that this was the least and simplest measure, the PC requested that OCC pursue a Consultation for a Priority system on the bridge carriageway, with those approaching down Chippy Hill giving way to outbound traffic. Notices were posted and by the time you read this, the Consultation period will have closed and if that proves positive, whilst the PC will have to fund the scheme, and provision has been made in our budgets, we very much hope that this year a significant worry, may be at least reduced as far as we think is possible.

Our enquiries have surprisingly found that this narrow and old bridge has no specific weight limit restriction! The PC shares the concern about ever larger and heavier lorries etc transiting the village and of all vehicle speeding. On the speeding issue, volunteers are still sought by WODC Cllr Jake Alcock to be trained in the use of a hand-held radar gun so that he can organise the training event and then we can gain actual usable evidence for the authorities.

DEFIBRILLATORS

We are pleased to announce that we now have a second defibrillator installed in the village. The original one has been resited to the side wall of The Village Shop overlooking the carpark and our thanks go to the Shop Management Committee who agreed to rehouse this life saving device. A new defibrillator can be found under the porch at Tiddy Hall and again our thanks go to those who have kindly helped us to fund it. Both defibrillators are in secure cabinets and in the event that anyone needs to access the equipment you must phone 999 in the first instance and the Emergency Service will talk you through the whole process until an ambulance can get to the village and take over.

If you would like some training in how to use a defibrillator and CPR or have already had training but think you would benefit from a refresher, then please do contact Sandy, email address below or call 831870 or contact any of the Councillors and book yourself onto a free training session run by the Ambulance Service on **Saturday 23rd March** at 10.30am till midday at Tiddy Hall.

When you read this the spring flowers will be just about to burst and hopefully you will all feel that same burst of energy. The Parish Council is always looking for potential Councillors – several of us have served for many years – and so if you think you might have the energy to join us please speak or write to one of us or attend one of our meetings on the second Monday of the month (except August), 7.30pm in the Tiddy Hall meeting room upstairs. It's an excellent way to get to know your village and its residents and each Parish Councillor contributes what they can depending on their other commitments and what they are interested in.

Don't forget to use our new Parish Council addresses when writing on PC business.

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contact@ascottpc.org.uk (for all councillors together)

Best Wishes



The Pantomime

The Ascott Pantomime Players apologise for the cancellation of the pantomime "The Big Bad Wolf" so late prior to the date. This was due to circumstances beyond our control. We are planning to show "The Big Bad Wolf" over the Christmas/New Year holiday period this year and would value your support.

The Wychwood Project

On Behalf of the Wychwood Project Board

David Astor, CBE has been confirmed as Chairman of the Board for the Wychwood Project (Oxfordshire) Ltd. at the charity's November AGM at which time it was also announced that Neil Clennell would be joining as Chief Executive in January 2019 from the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust (BBOWT).

David's appointment follows the retirement of Richard Lord, QC who served the Wychwood Project, with distinction, as its Chair over seven years.

David is a keen environmentalist, a former long-term chairman of the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE) and Deputy Lieutenant of Oxfordshire with notable prior roles in business. David is also a local farmer who has lived at Bruern since 1947 where he is currently engaged in creating a flood management and tree planting project on his farm with the help of The Environment Agency.

David Astor said: "I am delighted to take on the Chair of the Wychwood Project, a cause close to my heart and one which I have supported as a patron since its inception. In these turbulent times it is more important than ever that we do all we can to protect and enhance our countryside for future generations."

Neil's appointment follows the tenure and strong contribution of Sharon Williams as the Wychwood Project's Director since 2015. Neil has over 25 years of experience in the fields of conservation biology and landscape ecology, supported by degrees in Biological Sciences and Environmental Assessment and Management. He has applied his skills in a range of scientific, commercial consultancy and non profit organisations.

Neil Clennell said: "As an Oxfordshire resident for thirteen years and a Wychwood local for the last three, I have great affection for this part of the world. The former Wychwood Forest area still boasts some fine landscapes and important wildlife habitats. These can be the building blocks for sympathetic restoration of more of our countryside, making our local environment even more valuable for both people and wildlife. This is a very exciting time to be joining the Wychwood Project and I'm looking forward to playing my part in building on the organisation's impressive history of success."

Cynthia Sweeney Barnes, a trustee and Wychwood Project Board Member said: "The Board wishes to thank Richard Lord and Sharon Williams for the considerable contribution they have made, as Chair and Project Director respectively, in expanding the reach and impact of the Wychwood Project over the past several years."

We are excited that David and Neil will be joining the Wychwood Project as we move to the next phase of the charity's evolution. Both David and Neil bring a wealth of experience across environmental stewardship, education, conservation and general management and are well placed to continue and build upon the progress the Wychwood Project has made in expanding access to the countryside through its various programmes of conservation, restoration, learning and engagement."

Garden Waste Disposal

Garden waste subscriptions

You can now sign up for garden waste collections, or to renew your annual subscription to the service.

Although, the new collection year starts from 1 April 2019, residents signing up before the end of February, can be sure of having their licence in time for the beginning of the new subscription year.

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- **Sunday 3rd March**
- **Sunday 7th April**
- **Sunday 5th May**
- **Sunday 2nd June**

Ascott School Journal c1955

The Post Office

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The Post office has been in a lot of different places in Ascott. Once it was in Mr R. Edginton's house in High Street, then in 1899 it was in the corner House shop, kept by Mrs Busby. After that Mr J. Edginton had it, and then it was back in the corner House and Mrs Wallis kept it from 1919. Then Mrs Warner took it to London Lane and then Mrs Morris. Next Mr Mortimer had it in the hut in the Pound where it is now (The hut in belongs to the Swan) and then Mrs Bailey.

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Sat March 2nd Chris Leslie + support from *Under the Wychwood*

Tickets £12.00 in advance £14.00 on the door

Chris is a multi-instrumentalist and singer-songwriter based in Oxfordshire UK, primarily known for the past nineteen years for his work with Fairport Convention.

Sat March 23rd Peter Knight/John Spiers

Tickets £15.00 in advance £17.00 on the door

In the summer of 2016, the organisers of FolkEast Festival had the grand idea of pairing Peter Knight & melodeon player extraordinaire, John Spiers (ex-Bellowhead) for a special 'one off' concert at that year's festival.

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Sat April 6th Ninebarrow + support from *Odette Michell*

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Ascott Preschool

‘The Enormous Christmas Pudding’

We had a fabulously festive December at Ascott Preschool. We enjoyed lots of Christmas stories and crafts, and walked to Holy Trinity Church for our own mini carol service. We had a visit from Father Christmas (the *real* one, of course) and a lively end of term party. However, the highlight of the month by far was our Christmas Concert.

A memorable evening of Christmas fun

Friends and family came to Tiddy Hall to watch the children singing and dancing several energetic numbers and telling the story of ‘The Enormous Christmas Pudding’, a yuletide treat so huge that it got stuck in the oven. Much hilarity (and some confusion) ensued as the children – some dressed as ‘grandparents’, others as ‘grandchildren’, and the littlest ones as ‘mice’ – all helped to pull on a rope to extract the pudding!

The Concert culminated with rousing renditions of ‘Jingle Bells’ and ‘We Wish You a Merry Christmas’. It was great to see the children enjoying their time on stage so much, a credit to the Preschool staff who spent weeks rehearsing with them and worked so hard on the night to create a seamless performance. The evening was a huge success, with the refreshments and raffle raising funds for Preschool to spend on new equipment for the children.

Encore, encore!

The following week, the children performed an encore of the entire concert for the members of the Wychwoods Day Centre at New Beaconsfield Hall. There was much excitement as the children waited quietly on stage behind the curtains. The audience were amused by ‘The Enormous Christmas Pudding’ and impressed with the polished performance. The children also spent time enjoying the fantastic play area outside the hall.

New year, new starters

We have welcomed several new starters in January, who are settling in well with help from the staff and older children. We are looking forward to lots more fun activities throughout the Spring term. If you’d like to find out more about Ascott Preschool visit our website www.ascottpreschool.co.uk, or contact Pauline via email (ascott_pp@btinternet.com) or phone (01993 832671).



The Ascott Village Charity



Your Village Charity- What does it do, and who does it help?

During 2018 the Village charity raised a total of £2,785, of which the annual charity 5k & 10k run contributed £2,061. The remaining income came from donations in the shop collection box, rent on land that we own, dividends on our investments and gift aid.

Our expenditure during the year included £1,000 towards the cost of a second defibrillator, £440 to assist parishioners suffering financial hardship, £500 emergency funding for the village maga-

zine, £248 printing the Ascott Martyrs booklet and £25 for an education grant. If you are a student, particularly if you are planning to embark on further education, we are able to make grants towards the cost of books and materials required for your courses.

If you think that the village charity might be able to help you or support a project that would benefit the village please contact one of the charity trustees listed below to discuss the issue..

The Charity Run this year will be on Sunday 27th October

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TIDDY HALL

A fun evening was had at **Tiddy Hall** as about 80 villagers and friends saw in the start of 2019! Ascott's **Three Piece Sweet** played great golden oldies for us to dance to and we had a good laugh as we tried to do some Scottish Dancing, not the easiest of things to do under the influence of a few glasses! Thank you everyone for your contributions of lovely eats and treats...and once again, Happy New Year to all - I hope by now that you are all settled back into routine and persevering with your New Year resolutions!

The Wychwood Folk Club has a jam packed schedule of fantastic entertainment for the first half of this year! Dates are as follows:

March 2nd – Chris Leslie

March 23rd – Peter Knight & John Spiers

April 6th – Ninebarrow

May 4th – The Gerry Colvin Band

June 15th – Steve Knightly

June 22nd – Summer Dance

Please see the website www.wychwoodfolkclub.com for further information.

The **Sunday Tea Dances** are continuing to be popular. Spring dates are March 3rd, April 7th, May 5th & June 2nd.

On **Saturday March 16th** there will be a **Quiz Night** in aid of the Church, Quizmaster is Nigel Cleevely. Tickets are £10, including sandwiches and there will be a bar. Teams of 6, doors open 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm! Please book tables in advance with either:

Avril	01993 831113	Sarah	01993 359769
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A date for your diary - **Flix in the Stix** on **Saturday April 13th** – we are intending to show Queens' ("Bohemian Rhapsody" which is up for some Oscars I think. If you would like tickets please contact Simon on 831479 .As usual there will be supper and a bar.

Don't forget that there is also **Pilates**, **Circuits** and **Happy Fitness** taking place on various evenings during the week – see the regular activities for further details, and contact numbers, at the end of this article.

Regular Activities

Your Tiddy Hall Trustees are:

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Ingrid Ridley

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Contact: Ursula Beale 07917 090346

Wednesday Night

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Contact: Simon Gidman 01993 831479

7.30pm – 8.30pm Happy Fitness

Contact: Andrea Forrester 07747 853989

Thursday Night

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1st Sunday of each Month

2.30pm – 5pm Sunday Tea Dance

Contact: Jess 07827 235457

Post Office runs every Friday afternoon 2pm – 4pm

Special Events:

Sat March 2 nd	Folk Night	7.30pm
	Chris Leslie	
Sun March 3 rd	Tea Dance	2.30-5pm
Sat March 16 th	Quiz Night	7.00pm
Sat March 23 rd	Folk Night	7.30pm
	Peter Knight & John Spiers	
Sat April 6 th	Folk Night	7.30pm
	Ninebarrow	
Sun April 7 th	Tea Dance	2.30-5pm
Sat April 13 th	Flix in the Stix	7.30pm
Sat May 4 th	Folk Night	7.30pm
	The Gerry Colvin Band	
Sun May 5 th	Tea Dance	2.30-5pm
Sun June 2 nd	Tea Dance	2.30-5pm
Sat June 15 th	Folk Night	7.30pm
	Steve Knightly	
Sat June 22 nd	Summer Dance Charity Event	

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The Village Shop Spring 2019

Owned by the village, run by the village and there for the village.

The following newsletter to our volunteers, embraces the essence of the shop, the part it plays in our community and reflects the dedication of those who give some of their time to making it work for us all; without whom, the shop would cease to function.

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We are economically viable only through the support of our volunteers. Can you help, by volunteering just two hours per week please?

Product Range

The opposite page, created for us by Jack and Susie Morgan, shows the wide range of special foods that are available in the shop. If you have not tried some of them you might be surprised at just how good they are.

Apart from these items, we have a wide range of standard products at low prices. A customer who was working in the village earlier in January, bought a few items and remarked on how it was all cheaper than his Co-Op.

Volunteers

Our volunteers continue to do a remarkable job for us, keeping our wages bill to a manageable size and we work hard to keep our other overheads as low as we can. Despite this, we made no operating profit in 2018. This was due partly to additional maintenance costs but mainly due to poor sales over both the Easter and Christmas periods.

If you would like to support the shop as a volunteer, just doing one two-hour shift each week, or every other week, will help us keep things going. There are other behind-the-scenes jobs that need doing. If you are interested, please contact Bridgette in the shop or me on 831571 to discuss. At this time, we are desperate to find a successor to take over from Sally Jordan as the Honorary Secretary – Sally has filled the post for over five years and wants to stand down.

Nick Leadbetter



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Shop Hours

Monday – Friday 7.30am – 5.00pm

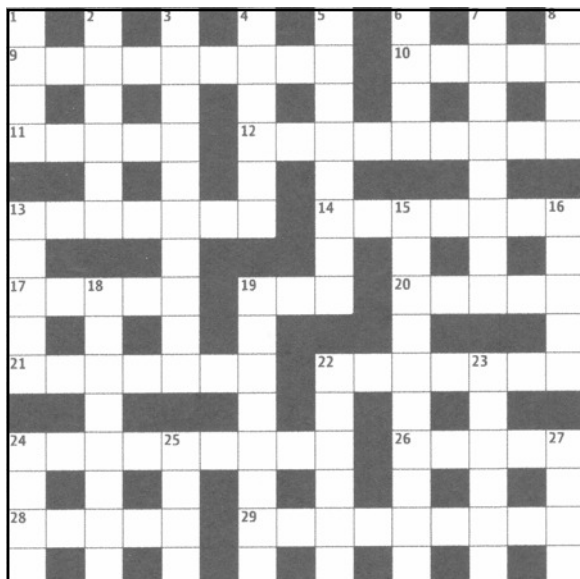
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Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 9 Handle call for part of book (5,4)
 10 Nose past drinkers outside room taking round....(5)
 11...drinks to flow? Write book first (5)
 12 Sexy and single - blood repelled American (9)
 13 Growth: college matter (7)
 14 Oddly, The Green Mile lost parts form a type of message (7)
 17 Satisfied over constant rates (5)
 19,29,3 Film somewhat hard? Stephen King's short novel (3,9,10)
 20 Stephen King primarily published about troubles (5)
 21 Writer, number one, describing punishment (7)
 22 King's evil woman in Misery (7)
 24 Left review that is good to fill jacket for Stephen King? (9)
 26 Dark Tower's beginning - hard drink knocked back (5)
 28 Left attempt to write pieces (5)
 29 See 19

Down

- 1 Shot wound (4)
 2 Sort out line by the main character in long walk (6)
 3 See 19 across
 4 Pet Sematary's top minds going first (6)
 5 One's carried away, tied up - drive here (8)
 6 Sort of characters in Duma Key (4)
 7 Love actor playing in Mr Mercedes? (8)
 8 What's meant by the end of Salem's Lot? (4)
 13 Deviously staged, whichever way you look at it (3-2)
 15 Isolation left section without a piece of text (10)
 16 Unclear - writer's block with first? (5)
 18 They deliver Times, collecting Scotsman around 5 (8)
 19 Support one in home that's extremely small (8)
 22 State answer: awkwardly ask hosts (9)
 23 Puzzle creator to shake over horror film? (8)
 24 After It, sign detailed deal (4)
 25 King established support (4)
 27 Buy Escort (4)

**Answers for
Winter Issue
100**

Across

- 7 Fishery
 8 Messiah
 9 Kent
 10 The Romans
 12 Peace
 13 Podiatry
 15 Life
 16 Brian
 17 Alas
 18 Medicine
 20 Mauls
 21 Done For Us

22 Duel

- 24 Epistle
 25 Bracket
 Down
 1 Wine
 2 What Have
 3 Writhe
 4 Beholden
 5 Asmara
 6 Mars
 11 En Primeur
 12 Poise
 14 Roads

16 Brim-full

- 17 Aqueduct
 19 Ionise
 20 Mysore
 21 Dupe
 23 Ever

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Events Calendar - 2019

Date	Time	Event	Venue
March 2 nd	7.30pm	Chris Leslie + support from Under the Wychwood	Tiddy Hall
March 3 rd	2.30-5pm	Tea Dance	Tiddy Hall
March 9 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
March 16 th	7.00pm	Quiz night	Tiddy Hall
March 19 th	12-12.30pm	Mid-Month Midday Meditation	Holy Trinity Church
March 23 rd	10.30 - Midday	Defibrillator Training	Tiddy Hall
	7.30pm	Peter Knight with John Spiers	Tiddy Hall
March 26 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
April 6 th	7.30pm	Ninebarrow	Tiddy Hall
April 7 th	2.30 - 5pm	Tea Dance	Tiddy Hall
April 13 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
	7.30pm	Flix in the Stix	Tiddy Hall
April 30 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
May 4 th	7.30pm	The Gerry Colvin Band	Tiddy Hall
May 5 th	2.30 - 5pm	Tea Dance	Tiddy Hall
May 11 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
May 28 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
June 2 nd	2.30 - 5pm	Tea Dance	Tiddy Hall
June 15 th	7.30pm	Steve Knightly	Tiddy Hall
June 22 nd	7.30pm	Summer Dance	Tiddy Hall
June 25 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
July 13 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
July 20 th	7.30pm	Wychwood Summer Showcase	Tiddy Hall
July 30 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
August 10 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
August 27 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
September 7 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
September 24 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
October 12 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
October 29 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
October 27 th		Charity Run	
November 9 th	10.00am	Coffee Morning	The Mill
November 26 th	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church
December TBC	10.30-11.30am	Coffee Morning at Ascott Church	Holy Trinity Church