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VILLAGE DIARY

The Diary is compiled from entries in the Village Diary kept at Burgrey Stores. Please enter your events in this Diary.



NOVEMBER				
Wednesday	1st	9.30am	First meeting Stay & Play Toddler Group- then every Wednesday	Village Hall
Tuesday	7th	7pm	Parish Council Meeting (NB earlier start time)	Village Hall
Tuesday	7th	7.30pm	Spiritualist Meeting	Village Hall
Monday	13th	10am	Wellness Walk	Recreation Ground Car park
Tuesday	14th	7.30pm	Local History Society	Village Hall
Wednesday	15th		COPY DEADLINE DECEMBER & JANUARY EDITON SCN	
Tuesday	21st	7.30pm	WI	Village Hall
Thursday	23rd	10.30am	Coffee & Cake	Church
Saturday	25th	11am	Christmas Bazaar	School
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Sunday	26th	7.30pm	All Saints Singers Advent Concert	Church
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Sunday			All Saints Singers Advent Concert A Night in the Church	







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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

The Ministry Team

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Services of Worship

1st Sunday: Family Service at 10.30am
2nd Sunday: Parish Eucharist at 10.30am (with Junior Church)
and Book of Common Prayer (BCP)
3rd Sunday: Morning Worship at 10.30am (with Junior
Church)
4th Sunday: Parish Eucharist at 10.30am (with Junior Church)
5 th Sunday: Special services across the DAMASCUS Group –
please see church noticeboard for details
Wednesday: BCP Holy Communion at 9.45am

SUTTON COURTENAY VILLAGE HALL



The village hall is a registered charity available for hire for community related recreational activities. It is located in Hobbyhorse Lane (post code OX14 4BB). It has a large main hall, a smaller meeting room and kitchen. There are regular activities that take place on some weekday evenings.

To find out more or book the hall please contact the Secretary to the Village Hall Management Committee Rita Atkinson on 01235 848694 or email <u>scvillagehallbookings@gmail.com</u> Hire Charges vary depending on the use of the hall. The maximum hire charge for the main hall is £16 per hour. Commercial bookings and regular hire are negotiated separately. Visits prior to hire are welcomed.

This newsletter is produced by the editors, Diane Armstrong and Clare Pennicott, and Bernie Jones, who is in charge of advertising. Mary Pike is responsible for distribution. Our contact details are:

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

FCC – Landfill site

Could anyone who experiences odours or smells from the site, or happens to see gas bubbling through areas of water, please report the matters to FCC on 01235 844502 or email *suttoncourtenay.info@fccenvironment.co.uk* This is in addition to reporting it to the Environment Agency on 0800 80

70 60. Local residents are mentioning problems within the village, but do not seem to be reporting the incidents to the Authorities who keep the official records. The Council would encourage you to report the incidents so that an accurate record of problems can be maintained.

<u>Fireworks</u>

Please be considerate for neighbours and the many pets and animals in the village when letting off your fireworks. Please notify others when any fireworks are going to be lit so that villagers are aware and arrangements can be made to keep pets indoors.

<u>Planning Application – appeal sites</u>

The Parish Council has now instructed a planning consultant to act on behalf of the Parish Council in regards to the appeals. There will obviously be some expense to the parish, but the Council took the view that residents would want it to resist, as far as possible, the proposed developments towards the southern end of the village, which amounted to some 554 houses in total. The Council will be considering, very carefully, the budget for the next financial year.

A great deal of time and effort has been put in by many people so far in planning and drafting the Council's case, which has now been sent to the Planning Inspectorate. The Council will be supporting the Vale of White Horse District Council in its objections to both sites, off Hobbyhorse Lane and Harwell Road. The next stage in the process is now awaited.

<u>Grants</u>

Final reminder that the Parish Council will soon be preparing its budget for the next financial year and if there is any worthy and needy organization, where Sutton Courtenay residents benefit, which is considering applying to the Parish Council for a grant, then please write to the Clerk, stating the purpose of the grant and supplying a copy of your organisation's accounts, as soon as possible. Grant applications will not be considered again until the Autumn 2018.

Police Crime

The Parish Council has become aware of several incidents of lead having been removed from roofs. The Council would



recommend that those with valuables consider marking them in some way. Marking your property is an extremely effective method of deterring thieves from stealing it, and if it is clearly identified it will be more difficult for the thief to sell and often reduces the value to the thief. It also increases the chances of having stolen property returned to you.

The following planning applications have been considered :

P17/V2524/FUL Replacement dwelling at Lakeside, All Saints Lane. Council objected on the grounds of the dominant impact the house would have on the area.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 7th October, 2017 at 7.00 p.m. in the village hall, Frilsham Street. Clerk: Mrs. L. Martin 90 Howard Cornish Road, Marcham Tel: 01865 391833 or email:

info@suttoncourtenay-pc.gov.uk.

<u>SUTTON COURTENAY PARISH COUNCIL -</u> <u>VACANCIES</u>

The Council has vacancies for two councilors, and the Council welcomes applicants to fill those positions. The Council is the tier of local authority closest to the people and provides local services, and a vital part of the community. If you would like to help keep the Parish a desirable place to live, interesting in planning and development and want to be a voice for the people, then please contact Linda Martin, Clerk to the Council, on 01865 391833 or email *info@suttoncourtenay-pc.gov.uk* to find out more about the role.

SUTTON COURTENAY POST OFFICE

A wide range of key Post Office products and services are available at Burgreys Stores in the High Street. The opening hours are





The opening hours are Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 08.00 – 18.00, Wed 08.00 – 17.00, Sat 08.30 – 13.00, and Sun 09.00 -12.00.

SUTTON COURTENAY NEWS

Notice

of

Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Sutton Courtenay News will be held in the Committee Room, Sutton Courtenay Village Hall on 11th December 2017 at 7.30pm

Nominations for Chairman, Editor, Advertising Manager & Treasurer together with the details of two seconders should be sent to Clare Pennicott at *clarepennicott@btinternet.com* or 8 Church Street, Sutton Courtenay.

Mary Thompson, the current Chairman, has indicated that she does not wish to stand for re election. All other office holders have indicated that they are available for re election. The Sutton Courtenay News is the village's newsletter. All the editorial is either supplied to the Editorial Team by members of the village, village organisations, other organisations that may be of interest to members of the village or information that may be of interest to members of the village. Please keep your contributions coming in. Are you organising anything? Would you like to bring something to the attention of others in the village? Are you celebrating anything that you would like to share with the village? If you do or you want more information about Sutton Courtenay News, please contact anyone of the Editorial Team. Our contact details appear on the front cover.

SUTTON COURTENAY DIARY

Thinking about organising an event in the village? Want to check whether it clashes with any other forthcoming event in the village? Do you want to avoid someone else organising something that clashes with your village event? Have a look in the Sutton Courtenay Diary and enter your event. It is kept in Burgrey Stores. Many events are entered in there. The Sutton Courtenay News Editorial Team checks it each month when compiling the Diary on the front of each edition of Sutton Courtenay News. The Team also tries to update it with the events that are published in the Sutton Courtenay News Diary.

SUTTON COURTENAY NEWS WEBSITE

www.suttoncourtenaynews.co.uk

Don't forget to check out the Sutton Courtenay News website for updates about village events and to see all adverts and photographs in colour. Complete editions of the News are available for digital download in pdf format from this website, as well as previous editions, and other material from the News.

We would welcome any comments and suggestions. We

would also like to invite any budding photographers who would like to see their photos of the village and village life featured on the website, or used as page backgrounds, to submit them to us by email.

This month's background is another fantastic photograph from the very talented SCN reader, Geoff Hill.

SUTTON COURTENAY SCOUTS



Please vote for our grant application

The 26th Abingdon Scout Group (Sutton Courtenay) has applied for a £1000 grant from the Aviva Community Fund to contribute

towards a new canvas for the scout marquee.

The scout marquee is a community asset used by individuals and a variety of local groups: local schools for summer fetes, Milton Manor for the Story Fest, Young Farmers' Rally and by Sutton Courtenay and neighbouring villages for community events such as the Vicar's fun day, Culham Show and Sutton Fest.

Use of the scout marquee generates $\pounds 500+/$ year in donations which allows us to organise some great activities for local

children. Recently, these activities have included ice-skating, canoeing, a golf lesson and trips to the Oxford Aqua Park and Youlbury, our local Scout Camp Centre for rock-climbing and archery.

Please visit the webpage: *avivacommunityfund.co.uk* and vote for our project: **'A new magnificent and money-raising marquee'**.

Voting takes place between 24 October and 21 November 2017. The first 200 projects to reach 1000 votes (10 votes per person), and the next 180 projects with the most votes at the end of voting, will be funded. So please vote for us as soon as possible!

Thank you for your support!

26th Abingdon Scout Group, Sutton Courtenay

SUTTON COURTENAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Build Progresses

It has been a very stressful term here as the building work progresses around us for our new classrooms. After a busy summer moving into temporary classrooms and watching our car park and playgrounds being carved up into trenches, we opened the school with no gas supply, which compromised the heating and hot water. Luckily the weather has been kind to us, but we have had several weeks with no hot lunches and Mrs Greenough our cook has had to be very inventive with the midday meals. We have even had two days without electricity! In true British fashion, we refused to be beaten and carried on without the photocopier, internet or lights (the teachers had to be very creative, adapting their lessons at short notice), but we did have to admit defeat and close the school for the afternoon when all the alarms went off and refused to be silenced. We are currently powering the school from a generator in the car park, and are all ready for a well-earned break at half term!

Meanwhile, the children have continued to make us proud through all the disruption with their adaptability and enthusiasm. They have behaved exceptionally sensibly in the school grounds with their reduced play space, but we are all looking forward to the point where we can move into our permanent new accommodation. We will soon be starting work on our project to re-model the grounds after the building work is complete. FOSCS (Friends Of Sutton Courtenay School) will be working closely with Mr Greenough our caretaker and the children to raise money and come up with the designs to reinstate our allotment and create some exciting play spaces.

Links With The Church

The school is very fortunate to have such strong links with the church. Each week, a team of volunteers comes in to school to deliver a very popular 'Open The Book' assembly in which they bring bible stories to life. The children participate in the assemblies, joining in with key parts and wearing costumes as they act out scenes to bring them to life. We also visit the church regularly for special events.



This term our Reception

class enjoyed a visit to explore the church. They learned some very interesting facts. For example, there is often a small cat flap in churches so that the local cats can get in and keep the mice and rat population down — this really appealed to their imagination! They all enjoyed climbing up the lectern steps and projecting their voices into the church too.

After the visit, they were joined by the rest of the school for our Harvest Festival Service. Each class had prepared a contribution, and there was a mixture of songs, poems and stories. Even after their long walk, the children sang with huge energy and it was a lovely occasion.

Sport

It has been a busy term on the sporting front. Some of our Year 6s are Sports Leaders in the school, and have organised a house Fun Run tournament to take place this week. Everyone from Years 1-6 will take part and have the chance to earn points for their house team. Meanwhile, our children have been competing in events outside school too. One of our athletes won his event at the Brackley Triathlon, and another 3 were placed in the Abingdon Biathlon. We are all very proud of them!

Rachel Hornsey, Headteacher Lisa Knight and Louise Tristram, Assistant Headteachers email: office.3243@sutton-courtenay.oxon.sch.uk telephone: 01235 848333



ALL SAINTS' CHURCH



From the Ministry Team

Two Minutes Silence In the month, when we think about those who have

given their lives in war, the two minutes silence is a familiar act of remembrance. We can use the silence to reflect on those who have suffered in war or on what it means to work for a peaceful world. Or do we end up thinking about lunch or panic that we haven't switched our phone off?

Victor Frankl, a victim of Auschwitz, suggested that the most intolerable of all human conditions is not imprisonment or hunger, but lack of meaning. The two minutes silence enables us to connect with Jesus' message, which offers true meaning to our lives and world. He spoke of giving ourselves in love for each other and the world, 'Love your enemies and pray for those that persecute you' (Matthew 5:44). He also demonstrated such love in sacrificing His own life, 'Greater love has no-one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends' (John 15:13). In observing the silence, let's use it to reflect on this sacrificial love, as we remember all those who have experienced pain and conflict.

Of course, we should be serious about silence and stillness in the whole of our lives, not just for two minutes at an act of Remembrance. In busy lives where so much is clamouring for our attention, silence enables us to reassess our priorities and rediscover true meaning in our lives. Jesus made a habit of withdrawing to experience silence. He did this before choosing his disciples, after He heard of John's beheading, after feeding the 5000, after healing a leper, at the Transfiguration and to prepare for His death. 'The seeking out of solitary places was a regular practice for Jesus. So it should be for us.' (Richard Foster).

With love and prayers,

Helen

ALL SOULS'

You are invited to a special service of naming and remembering for All Souls' in **All Saints' Church** Sutton Courtenay

Sunday 5th November 2017 at 6pm

This service will provide an opportunity to remember and to give thanks for the lives of those we love, who have died. During the service the names of those for whom we have conducted a funeral service in the past two years will be read out and a candle lit in their memory. If there are

other people you also wish to remember, regardless of where or when they died, please add their names to the list in church.

If you need transport to and from the service, or have any other questions, please leave a message at the Parish Office by telephoning (01235) 848297



Ministry Team Announcement

The Reverend Meg Heywood is being licensed to the DAMAS-CUS Parish at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th December in St Peter's Church, Drayton by the Bishop of Dorchester. And, at the same time, The Reverend Helen Kendrick will be licensed as Area Dean for the Abingdon Deanery. All are welcome to attend the service which will be followed with refreshments.

UPDATE ON CHURCH BUILDING PROJECT

We are delighted that planning permission was granted on 6^{th} October 2017 for The River Room - the church building project to provide much needed improvements including: three loos (one fully accessible); a kitchen; a vestry / office space and a meeting room. Although we have made fantastic progress with the fundraising there is still a long way to go and we will be stepping up our fundraising campaign as well as applying for further grants now that planning permission has been granted.

CHURCH DIARY

NOVEMBER

Sunday 5th – 10.30am Family Service for All Saints' Patronal Festival. 6pm Service of Naming and Remembering for All Souls'

Monday $6^{th} - 7.30 \text{pm}$ Baptism Preparation for all those interested in baptism for their children or themselves – please contact Helen on 01235 848297 to book your place.

Tuesday 7^{th} – 8pm Sutton Courtenay Local Church Council meeting in the church

Sunday 12th – REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – 10am Shortened Communion. 11am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial on the Village Green. 11.15am Service of Remembrance.

Monday 13th – 7.30pm DAMASCUS Parish PCC at Appleford Church

Thursday $16^{th} - 7.45$ pm Deanery Synod at St Helen's in Abingdon

Thursday 23rd – 10.30-12 noon Coffee, Cakes & Books aAll Saints

Saturday 25th – 11-2pm Sutton Courtenay Christmas Bazaar at Sutton Courtenay CofE Primary School – all proceeds shared between the church and the school

Sunday 26th – 7.30pm All Saints' Singers concert at All Saints DECEMBER

Friday 1st – Church sleep over – see advert for details Saturday 9th - 1.30-5pm Christmas Tree Festival

Sunday $10^{\text{th}} - 2.4 \text{pm}$ Christmas Tree Festival

COFFEE, CAKES & BOOKS Thursday 23rd November 2017 10.30am-12noon



All Saints' Church

Why not drop by for coffee, cake & conversation and to browse the books on offer? Open to all – a good place to meet. If you need transport to and from the church please 'phone Helen on 848297.

RIDE & STRIDE 2017

Christopher Kendrick and Fred Cubbage were the sole local representatives venturing out on their bikes on the 9th September but between them they raised £631 (plus gift aid) to be shared by the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust and All Saints' Church fabric fund. Christopher choose the rural rides of the Vale of the White Horse (covering significant distances) whilst Fred concentrated on mainly Abingdon and Oxford and signing off 40 places in the process. Thanks to those who sponsored as well as those who welcomed others to our Grade I church.

REST IN PEACE

We send our condolences and the assurance of our prayers to the family and friends of the following people who have died recently:

ROBERT EDWARD EVANS who died on 11th September 2017 aged 76, was born on 4th May 1941 in Derbyshire, one of three children, and grew up in South East London. He entered the Navy as a Boy Seaman, aged 15 and served for 12 years as a Gunner. He had many amusing stories to tell about his time in the Navy. He met Bridie at a rugby match in 1974 and following their marriage in 1976 they had two children - Kate and Lawrence. After working in the wine and spirit trade and for Oddbins he became Landlord of the Swan in Sutton Courtenay in 1987. On leaving the pub in the 1990s he continued to live in the village and had a variety of jobs including working for the Care Association, the Power Station and for G4 Security tagging offenders. Known as 'Uncle Bob' by many people he was an outgoing character, friendly and sociable but not afraid to speak his mind; a man with strong opinions and a stubborn streak; strong and resilient in the face of illness; a man who loved conversation and for whom family, friendship and laughter were the key ingredients of a happy and fulfilled life. He was a loyal and generous friend who worked hard and played hard. He will be greatly missed by his family and his many friends who filled the All Saints' Church for his funeral on Friday 29th September 2017. The service was conducted by the Reverend Helen Kendrick. Tributes were given by the family. After the service tots of rum were served at the Swan, where Bob had been publican.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

This was held at All Saints' Church on 28th September raised £455.50 for the Cancer Support charity. A huge thanks to everyone who came from the local community and beyond to support the special coffee morning. The choice of cakes was almost overwhelming thanks to all the generous local bakers.

THANK YOU FOR: HARVEST GIFTS

Thank you to everyone who provided Harvest Gifts for The Porch Steppin' Stone Centre to support their work with homeless people in Oxford. £192 was also donated to help them buy fresh produce through the year. All the donations were gratefully received from the Harvest Festivals at Sutton Courtenay and Appleford and Sutton Courtenay CofE Primary School.

AND DAY OF BOOKS

Sutton Courtenay's first one day Literary Festival was a great success. Four very different but all entertaining and informative speakers held our attention throughout the day and each talk was accompanied by delicious food – from bacon butties to cream teas. Thank you to the speakers – Ben Jeapes, Rod Hunt, Creation Theatre Company and Kev Reynolds; to the team of organisers who made the day possible and to all those who bought tickets and enjoyed the day. Over £1000 was raised for the church building project.

Sunday November 26th

All Saints' Church 7.30pm

Saint Saens—Oratorio de Noel

Britten—A ceremony of Carols

Featuring Anneke Hodnett: Harp and Elizabeth Nurse: Violin

This concert we are offering two main works; Benjamin Britten's Ceremony of Carols and Saint-Saëns' Christmas Oratorio.

The Oratorio features some beautiful music in a decidedly French-Romantic vein– some stunning arias/duets, for the soloists, a well crafted chorus or two, and some characteristically warm instrumental writing for organ, harp, and strings. A rarely performed quiet reflective work.

It's interesting to hear some musicians and choir members confess that they have been challenged by Britten's music in the past, so for them and the composers many fans, this Christmas work is a delight we are very pleased to sing. Performed in schools and concert halls across the country as the season approaches this is another chance to enjoy one of Britten's most accessible and delightful works, A Ceremony of Carols.

As always, we will have excellent soloists and our own professional orchestra under the direction of ourleader Elizabeth Nurse. We are delighted to welcome the return of Penelope Appleyard, Soprano, Clemmie Franks, alto, Felix Leach, Tenor and Michael Hickman baritone.

The concert will be directed by conductor Sebastian Thomson, now a firmly established, much in demand choral scholar and conductor within Oxfordshire.

Tickets will be on sale shortly from Burgrey Stores, Pamela Vivian (01235 848205) or from any choir member. Should any reader wish to join our choir, you are invited to attend rehearsals in The Matrix music school building on Friday evenings at 7.30pm, where you will be given a warm reception,! No auditions take place, just come along, sing and see if you like us.

Readers may be interested in the significant and groundbreaking Oxford based research on the benefits of choral singing for health and wellbeing, put simply,

Singing in a choir is good for you!



Don't miss out on one the Village's traditional events.....

FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS'

YULETIDE EVENING AT THE ABBEY

Saturday 9th December 6.30 -8.30 pm

Cheese & Pate, Mince Pies, Mulled Wine Soft drinks and cash bar. Raffle. Carol singing.

In The ABBEY Great Hall , The Green, Sutton Courtenay OX14 4AF Admission by ticket only: Adults £12, Children (under 12) £6

Available from BURGREY STORES, High Street – your local post office or Fred Cubbage (fred.cubbage@btinternet.com) 01235 848768

Everyone welcome!

The Friends of All Saints' Church is an independent charity that has been in existence for 30 years to assist with the preservation and upkeep of the Grade I listed church in the Village.



The Great Sutton Courtenay Cookery Book

Manna from Heaven

Tried and tested starter & pudding recipes from village residents past & present Ideal Christmas present! Available from Church at £3 per copy Also be available at the School Christmas Fayre on 25th November (see separate advert)



Here's some examples to tempt you.....

LEMONY LENVILS

Nora Haragin Ingredients

100g (3¹/202) puy lentils 1 small onion, finely chopped ¹/₄ unwaxed lemon, finely chopped 2 cloves garlic, chopped 1 bay leaf Small piece of cinnamon 400ml (³/₄) pt water 1 tsp soy sauce 2 lemon wedges to serve <u>Method</u>

Put all ingredients, except the soy sauce, into a saucepan, bring to the boil and simmer gently for about 25 minutes, until the lentils are soft but not collapsing. If the mixture looks too watery, raise the temperature slightly and boil away some of the liquid. Add the soy sauce.

I also add cooked, sliced leaks and chopped mushrooms (sautéed together in butter) and chopped ham when the puy lentils are ready, but you can put anything you like in it. Then warm it all up together.

Serves 2

CHOCOLATE MARQUISE

Daphne Sinclair <u>Ingredients</u>

3oz (75g) unsalted butter 4oz (100g) icing sugar 1 tbsp cocoa powder ³/₄ cup rum a packet of boudoir fingers <u>Method</u>

Dilute rum to make one cup of liquid. Pour into a shallow dish. Beat butter, sugar and cocoa powder together until soft adding a warm little water if necessary. Pass one boudoir finger quickly through the dish of rum liquid and place on flat dish or plate. Repeat with 4 to 6 more fingers putting them side by side. Spread a thin layer of icing over the boudoir fingers. Place a second layer on top working fairly quickly as the rum liquid makes the boudoir fingers quite soft. Cover with another layer Smooth of icing. and decorate with flaked almonds and walnut halves or glace cherries. Leave in fridge for several hours. Serve in slices.



Christmas Tree Festival

Saturday 9th (1.30-5pm) & Sunday 10th (2-4pm) December 2017

All Saints' Church, Sutton Courtenay

Come and join in with the Third Annual Christmas Tree Festival! We would like to invite <u>all</u> residents of the village – individuals, families or local groups/ organisations and businesses to take part in 2017. **This year the theme is: 'Water and Light'**. Bring along a Christmas Tree (artificial or real) and decorate it on the morning of Saturday 9th December 9.30-12 noon. Let us know if you need to borrow a tree. Then visit the Church over the weekend to join in the 'judging' and enjoy the refreshments.

Visitors to the exhibition will pay £3 (children £1.50). Each will be given three tokens to place next to the tree (s) they like the best. The winners will be the tree(s) with the most tokens at the end of the Festival and first, second and third prizes will be awarded.

Proceeds will go to the Church Building Project – working to provide new toilets, a kitchen and meeting room at All Saints' Church - and 10% of what we raise at this event will also be used to fund the building of our **third** toilet in an impoverished community.

Setting up – Saturday 9th December from 9.30-12 noon

Church open for viewing/enjoying/judging Saturday 9th December 1.30-5pm Sunday 10th December 2-4pm

Would you like to take part? Please complete this form and submit it to:

The Vicarage, 3 Tullis Close, Sutton Courtenay, OX14 4BD or place in the box at the back of church by Sunday 3rd December. Any questions? ('phone 848297)

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – Theme for 2017 'Water and Light'

Name

Contact 'phone number

Title for your Tree

Approx.. size of tree

Organisation/Group (if any)

Please tick this box if you need us to provide the tree \Box

Please tick this box if you would like to use lights on your tree

(we will try to accommodate your wish) \Box



NEW!

Sutton Courtenay Stay and Play Group

launching 1st November 2017

Parents, grandparents, carers - please join us with your babies and toddlers for fun and games and a cup of tea



every Wednesday 0930-1130

Village Hall, Frilsham Street, Sutton Courtenay

Cost £3 per family (includes kids' snacks and tea/coffee)

For more information

Facebook @SCstayandplay

Tel Sally 848664 or Ann 847662

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Calling all ex-servicemen and women, reservists, friends and partners

This is the 90^{th} year of the Steventon and District Branch of the Legion, which includes Drayton, Sutton Courtenay, Milton and Appleford.

In recent years, membership has been declining because of age and the passage of time, and social events have been limited to an annual dinner and occasional functions at the North Star and Steventon Sports and Social Club, with the traditional Remembrance Sunday church services in each village and the Standard on parade.

The hard work done by Diana Hasting and her team of Poppy people continues and we owe them much for raising precious funds for the Legion's work.

It would indeed be sad for the Branch to wither further and an urgent injection of new blood and ideas is needed.

I would like to invite ex-servicemen and others in our villages,

and existing members, to join me for a glass of wine or beer at **27 Stocks Lane, Steventon, OX13 6SS** (the barn house behind Stocks Lane Farmhouse) at **6.30p.m. on Friday 6th October** for an hour or so. The aim is to meet and enable us to identify the current level of support, to discuss any ideas that may appeal to members and most importantly to gather new and younger ones. Membership of the Legion is a modest £17 per annum.

We hope to send two members of the Branch to a very special battlefield memorial event at the Menin Gate in August 2018 and we urgently need a Standard Bearer to represent us for this great gathering.

I really hope that you can come and I look forward to seeing you. Please let me know if possible.

Brigadier Nick Thompson

Vice Chairman, Steventon and District Branch Tel: 01235 832077 Email: *nickandmaryt@hotmail.com*



SUTTON COURTENAY WI



Autumn is well and truly here and the nights are drawing in.

Why not come along to the Sutton Courtenay WI?

At our November 21st meeting speaker Anne White will showing us how to make fabulous Christmas decorations from winter garden plants. 19th December we will be celebrating at our Christmas party (theme to be announced!!)

Sutton Courtenay village hall, every $3^{\rm rd}$ Tuesday of the month at $7.30 \rm pm$



Sutton Courtenay Christmas Dinner

For the over 70's in the village



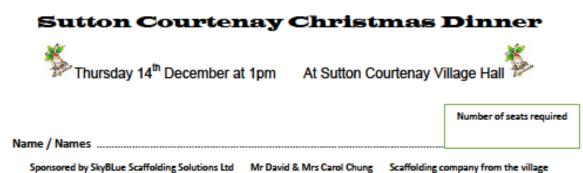
In Sutton Courtenay Village Hall On Thursday 14th December at 1pm Raffle £1.00 per ticket - Good selection of prizes



Please come and join us for a festive afternoon

To secure your place please fill in the name/name's below, cut it off and drop it into one of the box's either at the Post Office or Cost Cutters marked <u>Christmas Dinner</u>.

Then bring along the rest of this advert as a ticket to get in.



SUTTON COURTENAY HISTORY SOCIETY



Tuesday 14th November Village Hall, 7.30pm **"THE GOLDEN AGE OF STAGE COACHING"** Speaker – Martin Way

This illustrated talk will be about the rise of the Stage Coach, Turnpikes, Highwaymen and the Penny Post – with special reference to the Oxford to Gloucester road.

The Society has enjoyed two entertaining talks from Martin Way in the past when he always brings along many objects to look at and handle to illustrate his talks.

Everyone welcome: Members free; visitors £3

Website - sclhs.org.uk

DIDCOT & DISTRICT U3A

Autumn Events at the Didcot & District U3A



Well, Summer may have just gone around the corner but an eventful

Autumn is planned at your local **U3A!** Firstly, a brief look at some of the group activities and visits enjoyed over the last couple of months; the newly formed **Craft Group** had an insight and practise at 'wire work' for Christmas and other decorations, also attempts at glass painting; in March the **Garden Group** planted a single potato seedling in a **12**" **container** to see who could harvest the most come September?! Competition was 'fierce' with results ranging from 6ozs to the winning crop of **5lbs 8ozs**, McCain's beware!

Visits of interest saw members travel into the Capital to the **Museum of London** and **Bank of England** and there are Autumn visits to explore Science at the **Royal Institute**, a revisit to the **Viridor Energy Recovery** at Ardley, Landscape Painting at the **National Gallery** and 1000 years of Illumination at the **British Library** and a Christmas Outing to **Winchester** in November, to name but a few!

As for the monthly U3A meetings at the **Didcot Civic Hall,** held on the **third Tuesday** of every **month,** the subject and speakers are as follows;

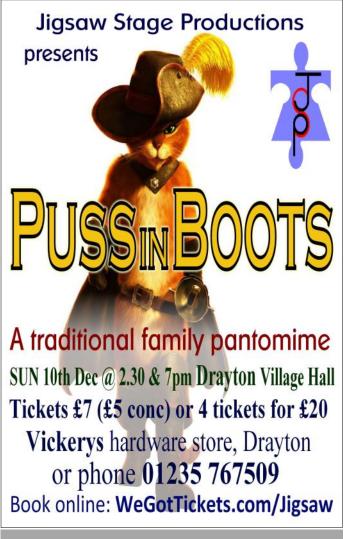
21 November - Victorian Ghost Stories (with props and some audience participation) - Speaker Bill Spectre

19 December - Christmas Lunch & Entertainment!

Meetings start at 2 o'clock (and early arrival is recommended) with 'meeters and greeters' always on hand to assist new members. As always the invite goes out to all retired/semiretired individuals who wish to continue to **Learn, Laugh & Live!**

For further inquiries please contact the following;

Chair - Shirley Rouse: chairman@didcotu3a.org Secretary - Chris Jones: secretary@didcotu3a.org Members - Bob Ashby: membership@didcotu3a.org



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Home security

• The neighbourhood police team offer **FREE** home security surveys. They take about 30 minutes and information and advice about the best locks, lighting and plants for your house and garden will be offered. Please e-mail *AbingdonOuterNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk* or,

if you don't have internet access, call 101 and request a survey.

- A house in darkness is usually a sure sign that there's no one at home. Why not consider purchasing a timer plug in device that can turn lamps on and off to make it look as if the house is occupied while you're out at work, out in the evening or away on holiday?
- Don't leave anything of value, such as laptops, tablets, mobile phones or cash visible through windows or front doors.
- Never leave keys in locks. Thieves always look for the quickest exit, which isn't necessarily the way they entered a property.
- Insurance companies often regard conservatories as insecure. Therefore, any internal doors to and from conservatories should always be locked, and the key removed, before you leave the house and before you go to bed.

- Lock tools, ladders, garden equipment etc away. If left out, or not locked away, they may actually aid a break-in.
- Keep side gates, garages and sheds locked with a good quality lock or padlock.
- Don't advertise the fact that you're going, or away, on holiday with photographs and posts on social media.

Vehicle security

- There has been a spate of thefts of expensive cars. If car keys are left near the front door it won't take long for them to be found and stolen.
- Anything whatsoever left in a car is an invitation to thieves.

<u>Halloween</u>

Police will be carrying out patrols on Halloween to ensure that people who are trick-or-treating are doing so in a friendly way, and not causing a nuisance.

If you feel unsafe,

- don't open your door if you're unsure about who is there. Use a spyhole or look out of a window to see who it is. Use a door chain if you decide to open your door.
- have a neighbour or good friend's telephone number handy, just in case you need to phone them.
- If you're part of Neighbourhood Watch and don't have internet access ask your Coordinator to download and print a 'no trick or treat' poster for you to display on your door.

Call the police on 101 for non-emergencies and dial 999 for emergencies.

Contact NAG5 by calling 01235 848694 or e-mail neighbourhoodactiongroup5@hotmail.com

SUTTON COURTENAY SPIRITUAL FELLOWSHIP

On October 3rd our excellent medium Patrick Cadbury came to us again and as usual was really good.

We are in the process of obtaining our mediums for next year, and we have some fresh names for you, all of them very good. By having only 12 services a year we are able to book the best. Churches that have about 52 or 104 services a year have a far more difficult job.

Again thanks for your help with the chairs. We, Pat and Sam, are somewhat old now, no longer in our twenties.

DIARY

Tues. Nov. 7th 7.30pm Village Hall Spiritual Meeting. Sheila Webb and David.

Tues. Dec. 5th 7.30pm Village Hall Spiritual Meeting. Malcomb and Sue Nash.

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ED VAIZEY MP



Last month the Herald published a small and innocuous article, with the heading "Response due on Wantage-Didcot name change plan". I would like to reassure you all that such a change has never been considered. Didcot and Wantage are two entirely wonderful, but separate, towns

with their own distinct identities - including names - and this will most certainly continue indefinitely. What is being proposed, as the rest of the article makes clear, is changing the name of the Parliamentary constituency from 'Wantage' to 'Didcot and Wantage' as part of a UK-wide boundary review by the Boundary Commission for England. This review is examining the boundaries of existing constituencies and will make recommendations for any changes that might be needed to make sure constituencies comply with legal requirements.

I have been receiving a lot of correspondence recently on the EU Withdrawal Bill, otherwise known as the Great Repeal Bill. While I support the Bill at second reading, it is on the basis that it is improved upon in the committee stage. There has been much discussion around the so-called 'Henry VIII' powers that will give ministers the power to change or update EU laws without putting changes before Parliament. On a practical level this measure is sensible, as putting every change before Parliament would be an impossible task due to the volume of legislation. However, I feel that the proposed powers go beyond what is reasonable for the Government to achieve its stated aims. To this end I have put my name to three amendments, all designed to ensure that the powers given to ministers are proportionate and strictly focused on achieving the policy objective.

Last month it was a pleasure to meet the team at Immunocore, based in Milton Park. Immunocore is one of the UK's fastest growing life science companies and an industry leader in the research and development of cancer treatments using T-cell receptors. I am immensely proud that our constituency homes some of the very best scientific researcher and engineers. As well as the brilliant organizations working collaboratively at Milton Park, we have over £1billion of world-leading research infrastructure at Harwell Campus - home to around 200 science and research organizations and 5000 of the UK's most innovative minds. Additionally, last month I also caught up with Sovereign – one of the main social housing providers in the constituency – and with Oxfordshire County Council to discuss a range of infrastructure projects.

Nominations are now open for the Countryside Alliance Awards – nicknamed the 'Rural Oscars'. They celebrate people going the extra mile to ensure that rural Britain's food and farming industry, small businesses, traditional skills and forward-thinking enterprises can flourish. Our constituency is home to a whole host of brilliant community champions, so please get involved and nominate at the following address: http://www.countryside-alliance.org/ campaigns/countryside-alliance-awards/

Please feel free to contact me if you have any pressing issues that you would like help with. Either myself or one of my team will get back to you as soon as possible and do what we can to assist. You can contact me on any matter at the House of Commons, SW1A 0AA, *dicksonce@parliament.uk* or 01235 768 888. Email is the quickest and most reliable way to get in touch, as I keep a very close eye on my emails and can reply very quickly. Details of my activities in Parliament can be read on my website, *https://www.vaizey.com*. I also send out occasional general interest emails about developments in the Wantage and Didcot Constituency. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, please complete the online form at *http://bit.ly/EdVaizeyMP*.

SHED OXFORD @ THE ABBEY

Shed Oxford @ The Abbey, The Green, Sutton Courtenay. OX14 4AF

Shed Oxford is now established and meets regularly on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10.30 until 4pm.

This new "Shed" at the Abbey is part of a national movement which is spreading like wildfire across the country with new 1 or 2 new groups opening somewhere every week. These Sheds are now being recognised as a great way for combating loneliness and isolation and bringing people together with skills to carry out community projects.

Up to now the group have been meeting in a disused outbuilding at the Abbey but have big plans. "We're busy planning and preparing the ground for where our new purpose built shed will go," says John Butler, chairman of Shed Oxford. "We've started the foundations but are now on the look out for any donations of materials so we can proceed with the build. We're looking for joists, concrete blocks, posts, flooring - in fact anything and everything you need for a shed!"

This is an exciting time in the evolution of Shed Oxford and new members are very welcome to come and contribute ideas and shape the future of this community project.

If you have any unwanted items which could advance the build please contact *shedoxford@gmail.com* or call John on 07484 819106



COUNTY COUNCILLOR

A34

Carving its way through the middle of our county, separating the West from the East, packed with traffic, noisy, too narrow, accident prone, the A34 affects the lives of all of us. Built in the early 1970s to connect the South Coast docks with the Midlands, the concerns of Oxfordshire residents were never the highest priority for the road. We would have the "benefit" of access to a new high speed connection to North and South but it was never planned to be a means of relieving congestion in Oxfordshire towns and villages. As the road has steadily filled up with more and more traffic (as roads do), the high speed "benefit" has become a thing of the past. Under the sole control of Highways England, Oxfordshire has had little say in how the A34 is organized. As the volume of traffic has increased, there have been more accidents, breakdowns and hold ups. Roads assigned as "Relief roads" only to be used for diversions in emergencies when the A34 was blocked, are now used many times a year causing long tailbacks through villages, towns, and even Oxford City. The A34 now seems to be much more "a pain" than "a benefit".

The problem of noise blighting the lives of nearby residents in Steventon, Drayton and Abingdon has been partly addressed by resurfacing with high density tarmac. The trouble faced by Highways, England and necessarily picked up by Oxfordshire Highways department is that improvement works to the A34 however great or small, involves closing the road while work is done, and diverting traffic through places and on roads not designed to take it. This is annoying enough for those on the official diversion routes as their sleep is disturbed by heavy traffic pounding past them in the early hours. OCC Highways does its best by trying to ensure that a minimum number of people are affected. But it is particularly annoying for the dozens of people in villages and towns not on the diversion routes as HGVs ignore the signs, follow their SATNAVs and plough through the main roads and high streets.

Surely we can solve this? Apparently it is not easy. The police say they do not have the resources to police the villages and towns all night. There is no law that says it is illegal to ignore a diversion route, and how would you enforce it? OCC is obliged to keep the roads open for all the normal traffic so can only put up notices to try to direct the diverted traffic down the right routes. Highways England agree it is a problem all over the country but are unable to offer a solution beyond getting the work done as quickly as possible. It seems the only solution is to improve Satellite Navigation. HGVs should have SATNAV systems whereby Highways England and local Highways can feed in official diversion routes.

The good news is that I am told the A34 work is all but complete for the next few months at least. The not so good news is that with all the infrastructure work in the pipeline, many more diversion routes will be in operation for the next few years. We can only pray for plenty of patience and plenty of creative thinking.

Richard Webber Richardwebber777@gmail.com 01235 534001

S.C.I.D.S

On 16th & 17th March 2018, Sutton Courtenay can indulge in the first village pantomime we've had for several years!

DATE: Sunday 3rd December 2017, sign up & casting PLACE: 30, Chapel Lane time 3.30 - 5.00pm DATE: Sunday 7th January 2018, rehearsals begin PLACE: Sutton Courtenay Village Hall.Time 3 - 5pm

The pantomime is called "The Land of XYZ" - is full of wonderful characters, all speaking parts, and has all the "he's behind you....." and a great "community song", combined with a beautiful story.

BUT - we need, two female adults in the roles of the King's sister and the Prince's Nanny, we have already a couple of male volunteers, as the king and an old Ostler! We hope that at least twenty six 8 - 16 year olds will appear, so all SCIDS young, come along and be ready for anything. Twenty six letters in the alphabet you realise, and lots and lots of backstage staff! So please volunteer "Oh yes you can....."

Do come along and help make this a real village event, it is just for fun and needs anyone who can face up to a panto here in Sutton Courtenay.

If any queries contact Morna Whitlock on 01235 848335 or morna28whitlock@gmail.com

CYCLING UK WANTAGE

Cycling UK Wantage is a local cycling group of Cycling UK, the UK's national cyclists' organisation, covering Wantage in Oxfordshire and surrounding towns and villages.

We are a friendly group offering rides for all types of recreational rider predominantly on the roads and occasionally along the local by-ways and bridleways. We cater for beginners, families, and more experienced riders, - in fact anyone who enjoys a bit of fresh air and exercise on two wheels.

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2nd and 4th Saturdays – Medium ride, c 30 miles, with tea stop.

We'd love to see you on one of our rides, so get in touch by

emailing info@cyclingukwantage.org.uk and join one of our

3rd Saturday – Gentle ride, c 20 miles, with tea stop.

See website for more details.

I shall be pleased to offer reports of interest throughout the coming seasons.

Roger Rance tel: 847241

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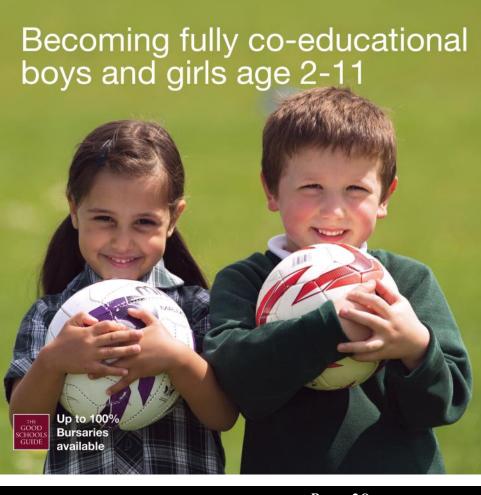
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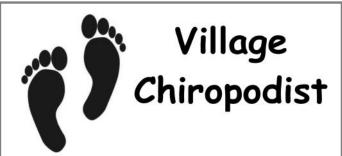


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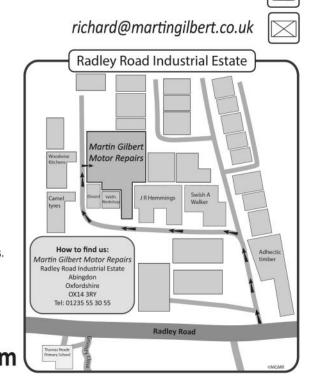
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