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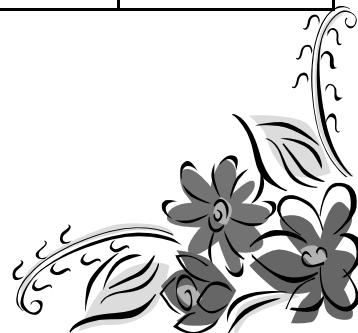
MAY 2014

## VILLAGE DIARY

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



May				
Tues	6th	7.30pm	Parish council Meeting	Village Hall
Tues	6th	7.30pm	Spiritual Fellowship	Village Hall
Tues	6th	7.30pm	Friends of All Saints' AGM	Church
Tues	13 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	Women's Christian Fellowship	Village Hall
Sun	18th	1pm	Vicar's Fun Day	Village Green
Tues	20th	7.30pm	WI	Village Hall
Weds	21st		<b>COPY DATE SC NEWS</b>	
Weds	21st	7.30pm	Patient Participation Group	Clifton Hampden Surgery
Thurs	22nd	10.30am	Coffee & Cakes	Church
Mon	26th	2.15pm	English Music Festival	Church



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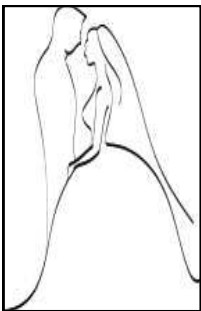
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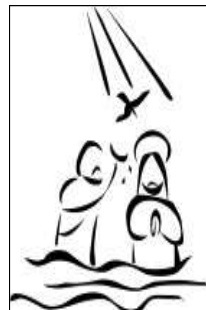
## VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS

Various organisations have permanent bookings for use of the Village Hall on certain days of the week. Local individuals or organisations may nonetheless enter one-off bookings for events which clash with permanent bookings. **At least seven weeks notice must be given to Rita Atkinson (848694) or Caroline Grundy (848679) of the hall management team, e-mail: [scvillagehallbookings@googlemail.com](mailto:scvillagehallbookings@googlemail.com)** This allows one week for them to convey the needful six weeks notice to whichever organisation had the permanent booking.



### HOLY MATRIMONY

WE SEND OUR BEST WISHES & CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO WERE MARRIED IN ALL SAINTS' CHURCH RECENTLY



### HOLY BAPTISM

WE SEND OUR BEST WISHES & CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO WERE WELCOMED INTO THE FAMILY OF THE CHURCH THROUGH BAPTISM

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## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### Vale of White Horse – Local Plan 2031 – Housing Delivery Update

The Parish Council has commented to the Vale of White Horse District Council on the Local Plan 2031 proposals. It is most concerned to note the extremely high housing target figures being put forward by the District Council and it is not sure that the numbers are at all realistic or whether there is adequate infrastructure. Historically, planning authorities have made provision for 10% of housing need to be met by sites which have not been specifically identified in the plan, and there was no recognition of this in the plan.

Also there was no attention paid to the fact that there are already commitments to build around 275 additional houses in the village, without the new increase which has been identified in the plan. The proposal is to site a further 220 dwellings off Hobbyhorse Lane. The Parish Council believes that this has not been adequately thought through. Land close to the landfill site is prone to surface water flooding, and the site too can be a source of complaints of odours and other issues. Frilsham Street itself is often reduced to a single width with parked cars, so the Parish Council cannot believe that the District Council seriously considers that a site off Hobbyhorse Lane is suitable for 220 houses.



### Thames Travel – X1 bus service

The Parish Council has made representations to Thames Travel again regarding the changes to the bus service. There are some amendments to the timetable, which if approved, will come into effect later in the year, probably from early June. However there are no changes to the route. It is extremely disappointed that part of the village, Church Street and Appleford Road, is going to be left without a bus service and residents will have to walk to Cross Trees to catch a bus. We have been told that the changes are to improve reliability, as traffic conditions have meant that buses have found it difficult to keep to the timetable. The changes will allow extra time for journeys, particularly at peak time. Whilst there is no intention at this stage to alter any route, Thames Travel is still mindful of the Parish Council's aspirations in this regard.

### Oxfordshire County Council – Minerals and Waste Local Plan

The Parish Council has expressed concerns to the County Council on the draft core strategy. These concerns are based on previous experience of :

- o The implementation of previous Minerals and Waste Structure Plan policies;
- o The inconsistent approach to the grant of successive planning permissions that exceeded or went beyond the various Structure Plan provisions;
- o The extremely inconsistent approach adopted by the regulatory authorities in respect of the enforcement of compliance with either policies or conditions on planning permissions.

The Parish Council was sceptical about the County Council's ability to protect the amenities of Sutton Courtenay, and about its interest in safeguarding the landscape and preventing the coalescence of the settlements of Sutton Courtenay, Appleford and Didcot.

To the Parish Council the strategy appeared to be worded in an ambiguous form. In places Hanson have obtained consent to extend the timeframe of their works on the site, yet in other parts of the documentation there is reference to limited reserves left.

Policies needed strengthening in order to protect Sutton Courtenay from the constant round of noise, light, odour and vermin pollution that it currently suffers and which has been the case for some years.

## PARISH COUNCIL CONTINUED

### **Drayton Road – traffic speed**

Concerns have been raised with the Parish Council regarding the speed at which buses and Biffa dust carts are travelling along the Drayton Road. The Council has drawn this to the attention of the relevant companies .

### **War Memorial Appeal**

The war memorial has stood for well over 90 years on the village green. As the anniversary of the first world war is approaching, a decision has been made to try and restore the war memorial by cleaning, repointing and relettering. A substantial amount of money needs to be raised to undertake the work. See Reverend Helen Kendrick's appeal elsewhere in this issue. If you feel able to contribute to the overall costs in any way, then please send your donation to The Vicarage, 3 Tullis Close.

### **Public Footpath to the weirs off junction of Church Street and Appleford Road**

Oxfordshire County Council is undertaking replacement footbridge works on the path that goes to the weirs. From 19th May there will be a closure order in place and access will not be maintained over the bridge. Unfortunately users from the Sutton Courtenay end will not be able to access the path at all, and there is no alternative route. The estimated duration of the works is 2 - 3 weeks.

### **Planning Applications**

#### **The following planning applications have been considered :**

P14/V054/HH Single storey side extension at 2A Abingdon Road. The Council expressed some concern regarding the proximity to the boundary.

P14/V0456.HH Single storey timber outbuilding to be used as garage and separate store area replacing an existing large shed at 66 Milton Road. The Council had no objections.

P14/V0464/HH Alteration and extension at 4 The Nursery. The Council had no objections.

**Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 6th May, 2014 at 7.30 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](mailto:info@suttoncourtenay-pc.gov.uk).**

## SUTTON COURTENAY POST OFFICE

Are you aware that the Post Office is now situated in Burgrey Stores in the High Street? It opened as a new Post Office service on 26th March 2012, and has been operating for over 2 years. It operates from a newly formatted open plan counter within the shop. A wide range of key Post Office products and services are available.

The opening hours are:-

Mon-Fri 05.30 – 19.00

Sat 06.00 – 17.30

Sun 06.30 -13.00.

## SUTTON COURTENAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

### The Performing Arts at Sutton Courtenay C of E Primary School

With an ever increasing amount that has to be fitted into the primary school curriculum, the performing arts can sometimes be overlooked. However, at Sutton Courtenay we strive to ensure that all children have the opportunity to learn an instrument, be part of our active choir and also to have plenty of opportunity to perform on stage!

Whilst not all of our children will become actors or musicians, there are many other skills that children develop whilst doing and practising these activities that will help them in all areas in their lives.

Watching children grow in confidence as they take on a role, and then seeing this transfer to other aspects of school life is one of the joys of teaching. There are many children now within our school who are confident to sing solo in front of a large audience, which does take a lot of control to do so successfully.

Resilience and determination are also needed when rehearsing for a play or practising an instrument – it will not be perfect first time. After all if it does not go wrong how can we further improve or perfect that scene or that tune? This resilience and ‘fail safe’ attitude is important in lessons too. There has to be challenge and children have to see school as a place to have a go, and learn from mistakes.

Team work also plays a huge part in a successful performance, and successful collaboration later on in life will certainly be a great talent to have. There is a huge sense of achievement when children have worked together to put on a play. The enthusiasm and excitement is tangible and infectious and the whole school gets involved. There is always disappointment when the performance is over but the memories will be long lasting.



Years 3 and 4 have had drumming lessons this year each week. The ‘Djembe Drums’ echo around the school building every Monday morning which certainly wakes us all up! The children have learnt so much about rhythm, notation, listening and performing.

So now there are opportunities every year for all children to perform on the stage: Christmas Production from Foundation Stage and Year 1, a musical from Years 2 – 4 and there will be a further production in the summer by Years 5 and 6. Do keep an eye on our website for dates, you would be more than welcome to buy a ticket to come and watch our productions!



**Love life; love learning;  
love one another**



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## THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS' SUTTON COURTENAY

### THE PARISH CHURCH OF ALL SAINTS', SUTTON COURTENAY

**Priest-in charge:** The Reverend Helen Kendrick (848297) Helen@kendricks.fsnet.co.uk

**Churchwardens:** David McKenzie (847489) Pat Napper (848292) **Treasurer:** Tim Budd (820942)

**Director of Music:** Ian Miles (01235 426109, mob 07788 715873) **Tower Captain:** John Napper (848292)

**Children's Church:** Vivienne Maunders (847077) **Sacristan:** Pamela Vivian

**Flowers:** Ann White (848857) **Women's Christian Fellowship:** Rose Woodward (848510) **Friends:** Nora Harragin (848235)

### MONTHLY SERVICES OF WORSHIP

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday: Family Service at 10.30am

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday: Parish Eucharist at 10.30am (with Children's Church) and Evensong at 6pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday: Morning Worship at 10.30am (with Children's Church), & Evening Praise at 6pm

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday: Parish Eucharist at 10.30am (with Children's Church)

Wednesday: BCP Holy Communion at 9.45am

From the ministry Team.....

During Holy week I read a story from early 20<sup>th</sup> century Russia when civil war ravaged the country. As war swept through the land the wife of an officer in the white army knew that she and her children were in great danger because the city where she lived had fallen into the hands of the rebel Army. Towards evening she heard a knock on the door. On the doorstep stood a young woman her own age who urged the mother to leave that night with her children. "You have been discovered," she said. "Tonight they will come. - Don't worry she added, I'll stay here, they won't even look for you".

So Natalie stayed as the mother and her children escaped to the woods. Natalie faced the certainty of death alone. With the cold of morning the soldiers came. They battered down the door and, without checking her identity, they shot her where she was and returned to their base. Next day she was found by her friends dead.

Almost 2000 years before, a man of Natalie's age called Jesus rode into Jerusalem to do something similar for us. In going to his death he took upon himself the guilt and horror of our sin. He sacrificed his life so that ours might be saved.

Christians believe that on Easter Day God honoured that sacrifice and raised Jesus from the dead. It is an awesome claim. Yet something happened that first Easter Day which changed the disciples. Before the resurrection they were frightened and broken men. Afterwards they travelled north and south, east and west, and preached the good news of a God who loved us enough to send his son.

Today the message of Easter is just as strong. We too can know a saviour who has shared every hurt and despair that we have. We too can meet a risen Lord who can change us, and fill us afresh with hope and life.

So as we met to worship on Easter Morning we proclaimed with Christians down the ages; **Alleluia, Christ is Risen; He is risen indeed Alleluia.**

Tim Budd (Sutton Courtenay and Appleford Ministry Team)

**COFFEE SHOP &  
BOOK SALE**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
10.30am-12noon**



**All Saints' Church**  
**Drop by for coffee, cake &  
conversation and browse the  
books on offer?**

**CHURCH DIARY FOR MAY**

- **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>** – 8pm Planning Meeting for the Summer Holiday Club
- **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>** – 7.30pm Annual Meeting for the Friends of All Saints
- **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>** – Service at Dorchester Abbey to mark the transfer of the Deanery of Abingdon from the Berkshire Archdeaconry to the Dorchester Archdeaconry.
- **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>** – CHRISTIAN AID WEEK
- **Sunday 18th** - Vicar's Fun Day on The Green
- **26th May 2.15pm** in All Saints' Church English Music Festival

**SMALL SAINTS**

Meet every Wednesday in term time from 11-12 noon in Saints' Church. We are a friendly group of 0-4 year olds with their parents/ carers and we look forward to welcoming you for a bible story, a craft activity, fun singing and refreshments!

For further information please contact  
**Helen Kendrick, 848297**



**ADVANCE NOTICE**

**Friends of All Saints'**

**Summer Lunch**

**8th June**

**12 noon**

**The Orchard, Mill Lane**

**CORRECTION!**

This year's Ride & Stride in support of Oxfordshire Churches will take place on

**Saturday 14th September**

And not as shown on the Friends of All Saints' 2014 Programme

## 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:

**Patricia Anne King** who died on 19th March 2014 was born in Bolton, Lancashire on 19<sup>th</sup> July 1933. Her parents Ellen and Frank ran a series of shops, newsagents and hotels across Lancashire. She had a slightly wandering childhood with her three younger sisters, Kathleen, Adrienne and Sheila, and to whom she remained in close contact all her life. She went to school in Lancashire and studied Hotel Catering and Management at Southport college.

It was whilst working at the family Hotel, the White Lion in Clitheroe that she met the man who was to become her future husband – Trevor King. Trevor had gone to the hotel for a pint with his brother in law, Jack and it was Pat's mother, Ellen, who took a shine to him and his sense of humour, thinking he would be a very suitable match for Pat and so invited Trevor home to tea in the drawing room with the best china (so all the sisters knew that this must be 'serious').

Pat and Trevor's first official date was in an old Austin A40 called Florence, a car which he was immensely proud of. But unfortunately one which had holes in the floor, and one that on the first date broke down! Nevertheless Pat and Trevor went on to marry on the 30<sup>th</sup> March 1957. They set up home in Bolton-le-Sands, Morecambe where their first child, Andrew, was born. Their second child, Sarah, some three years later whilst they were living in Devon.

In 1971 the family moved to Whitley Bay in the North East of England for what Pat often described as some of the happiest years of her life. She loved Northumberland living in the welcoming community where she made many friends.

Some eight years later Trevor's work moved and brought the family to live in Sutton Courtenay. Pat immediately joined in with the life of the community and over the next forty years was involved with many organisations and charities - from being Clerk to the Parish Council, a volunteer with meals-on-wheels and an officer of the Citizen's Advice Bureau. In later years she was involved with the Local History Society and, of course, was very much a part of All Saints' church congregation, and the Women's Christian Fellowship. Pat was always ready to bake a cake or serve refreshments. She liked to be busy, was a great planner and always well-organised. Her beautiful garden is a testament to the many hours she spent nurturing and caring for the wide variety of plants and flowers. She loved listening to the radio – being an avid fan of the Archers – and going to classical music concerts and attending the NADFAS lectures in Abingdon with friends or visiting National Trust Properties. She enjoyed travelling – particularly with Trevor – venturing to a variety of places including Malta, Portugal, Russia and Kenya and river cruises with Adrienne.

But her main focus was always her family – whom she loved very much. As a Nan or Nanny she was very hands on and showed infinite patience in playing alongside her grandchildren. She was a good cook and made a mean Apple Pie and was well known for her 'Jimmy Young Cake' – using a recipe she heard on the radio show of the same name. She was always up-to-date with and had a view on world events.

Sadly Trevor died in 1996 bringing to an end a partnership formed in true love. Pat continued to love and care for her family and give as much of herself as she could to those she loved and in helping out in the local community. She was a quiet, private and gentle person who greatly valued the friendships she had – one of life's gentle folk – always happy for a natter and a laugh. She was a good confidante and a great supporter and encourager to those in need. *Her funeral was held in All Saints' Church on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014 and the service was conducted by the Reverend Helen Kendrick. The tribute was given by her son of which this is an edited extract.*

**Elle May Kelsey** who died on 26th March 2014 was born on 25th May 1992 in the JR to her parents Gary and Carol. She spent her early years in Abingdon and then moved to Sutton Courtenay where she grew up with her older siblings – Lizzie and Peter and attended the primary school.

She was always a free spirit with an adventurous streak and from an early age she was accident prone – breaking her arm when she was two. Her first push bike was a three wheel Harley which her Mum and Dad bought her as

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## REST IN PEACE CONTINUED

an incentive to get her to go to school! Over the years she went onto enjoy going to motorbike rallies and the Bulldog Bash. She was always daring and would lead her big sister, Lizzie, astray. She didn't seem to have any fear and sometimes the daredevil in made her behaviour challenging for those around her.

Gary and Carol remember that her first school report stated that Elle was always away with the fairies but the family also remember her as being bright as a button and able to work out how to assemble flat pack furniture without reading the instructions. Gary recalls her figuring out how to open a suitcase with a complicated lock, which had completely defeated him, when she was just a toddler. Also whilst at school Elle sang in a girl band called 'Breeze' and they would do shows in their back gardens and practice for hours.

Other precious family memories include times spent cray fishing and going on holiday to Jamaica and they will never forget how much Elle loved cucumber sandwiches with the crusts cut off and eating gherkins, olives and beetroot and above all sucking ice cubes – a love which she has passed onto her daughter Isla.

On leaving school she trained to be a hairdresser and even though she didn't really enjoy it she became very skilled at it and when she was at college in Oxford she won the trophy for the Student Hairdresser of the Year.

She loved spending time with friends and enjoyed a good party – drinking cider and listening to music. She also loved to dance.

But above all Elle was an amazing Mum and when Isla was born on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2012 Elle showed a very caring and protective side of her nature. Anyone seeing the two of them together would never doubt that Elle loved Isla with all her heart and Isla brought huge joy and delight into her life. They both enjoyed spending time with Lizzie and her daughter Jessie going to play at the Treehouse in Didcot and to McDonalds. They were looking forward to watching the two cousins grew up alongside each other.

Elle was always determined and stubborn and she was certainly someone who knew her own mind. Life was not always easy for Elle and there were some very troubled and difficult times when she found herself unable to make the best decisions and take care of herself or Isla despite the loving support of her family who so wanted the best for her.

## WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Our meeting held on Tuesday 8th April was our Easter Meditation and held in Church. As our Vicar, Helen, was unable to take the service Gemma Beisley stood in for her and all who attended our Meditation appreciated the way she did so.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 13th May 2014 and will be held in the Village Hall at the usual time of 2pm. We are having an illustrated talk on the Island Donkey Sanctuary.

Visitors are always welcome to come to any of our meetings.

Rose Woodward (Secretary)

## SUTTON COURTENAY WI



Since our last meeting, we have been fortunate to host a joint group meeting. Our speaker was Simeon Courtie, broadcaster and writer, who spoke to us about his travels with his family singing Beatles' songs from Strawberry Fields in Liverpool to Strawberry Fields in New York. He was really interesting and hilarious.

We have had members attending the AGM at Oxford Town Hall and collecting the winner's trophy for our bowls team. Other members enjoyed a gold embroidery workshop. We have a newly formed walking group exploring the local countryside. This month we also had a fascinating talk from Andrew Hall of Philosophy Hairdressing.

In May we have members visiting London Docklands and Canary Wharf, and also a trip to The V&A museum.

Our next meeting will be held in the Sutton Courtenay village hall on the third Tuesday in the month, 20 May at 7.30 pm. We are planning a pizza evening and our speaker on this date will be from the Thames Valley and Chiltern Air Ambulance, and we will be presenting them with a cheque for £650 - the money we raised at our coffee morning at The Plough. Thanks to everyone for their support.

Beryl Davies

## SPIRITUAL FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday 1st April.

It was good to see new faces once again. Caroline Price and myself (Pat) took the service and we had a good response from the congregation. It was good to work with you all and Caroline said she was pleased with the response and she enjoyed working with you all.

Many thanks to all who help get the hall ready and put things away.

Enquiries? Welcome, please ring Pat or Sam 01235 847460.

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Tues. 6th May 7.30pm. Village Hall Spiritual Fellowship Meeting with Patrick Cadbury

Tues. 3rd June 7.30pm. Village Hall Spiritual Fellowship Meeting with Tom Dodd

## CLIFTON HAMPDEN SURGERY

### PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

We've been in existence now for nearly a year and we are pleased to report that we are getting things done. We have a membership from many parts of the area served by the Practice and would like more.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7.30p.m. at the Clifton Hampden Surgery and we will be pleased to see anyone who is interested in joining our group or who would just like to be kept informed as to what is going on.

Chris Dupond. ( Chairman )

01865 407264. [c.dupond@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:c.dupond@tiscali.co.uk)

**LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY****Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May****All Saints' Church 7.30pm****AGM and****Illustrated talk by Malcolm Lock****“A Victorian of Sutton Courtenay remembers:  
The life of Henry Lock 1875-1963”**

The Lock family were licencees of the Plough Inn for several generations. In his later years Henry Lock wrote at length about life in Sutton Courtenay in Victorian times and growing up in the village. His grandson, Malcolm Lock, now lives in Windsor where he is involved with local history organizations. He has done further research about his grandfather and his life and it will be an interesting opportunity to learn more about the village in Victorian times.

At the March meeting Liz Woolley gave an excellent talk on child labour in an area like this in the Victorian era. Henry Lock's account will add further to our knowledge of what children got up to in those days.

Everyone welcome: Members free: visitors £3

Mary Thompson

**CHURCH CROCKERY, CUTLERY & WINE GLASSES**

Our parish church is a Grade 1 Listed building and has stood at the heart of Sutton Courtenay life for many centuries, as a place of Christian worship, fellowship, outreach and support. You can hire everything you need for your occasion and help towards the upkeep of this beautiful church.

The items we have include dinner and side plates, bowls, cups and saucers, sugar bowls, milk jugs, soup and dessert spoons, dinner and dessert knives, dinner and dessert forks, teaspoons, wine glasses and tumblers, children's plastic plates and cups, large plastic serving platters, salt and pepper pots, yellow gingham and blue tablecloths

Hire conditions:

We would be grateful for a suggested donation of £20. Please collect and return at the arranged time. All crockery and cutlery to be returned washed and in the same condition as hired. Breakages will be charged at £3/item in order to replace lost or broken items.

Contact: Alison Allen, 12 Tullis Close, Sutton Courtenay, Oxon OX14 4BD. Tel: 01235 848932 or

email: [ajf1005@cam.ac.uk](mailto:ajf1005@cam.ac.uk).

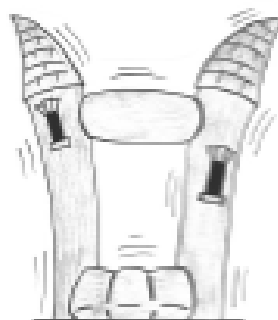
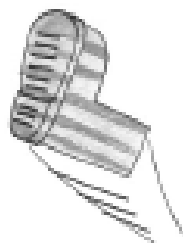
# Vicar's Fun Day

## Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Sutton Courtenay  
Village Green 1 – 4pm

***Come and Join the Fun!***

Traditional Puppet Show, Bouncy Castle, Tombola, Raffle, Expert Plant Stall, Teas, Cakes, Barbecue and much more.



FUNDS RAISED ARE USED FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS, including children's activity days, family trips and senior citizen's tea party.

*This year there is a special stall to raise funds for the refurbishment of the War Memorial – come and find out more.*

## WAR MEMORIAL RESTORATION APPEAL 2013—2014



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### SUTTON COURTENAY WAR MEMORIAL RESTORATION APPEAL 2013-2014

The War Memorial, unveiled by Lord Asquith, Earl of Oxford in 1920, is in urgent need of repair and restoration.

This will cost approximately **£15,000** and we would like to complete the work to mark the anniversary of the declaration of the First World War in 2014.

A small working party has been set up to raise the necessary funds on behalf of the Parish Council.

We will be applying for grants from a variety of sources, but will also need to do a substantial amount of fundraising within the village. This is a stone reminder of our history and our heritage. Please help us to

preserve it for future generations. **A BIG THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY RESPONDED SO GENEROUSLY.**

**Donations can be sent to The Vicarage, 3 Tullis Close, Sutton Courtenay, Abingdon, OX14 4BD (Cheques payable to Sutton Courtenay Parish Council)**

**Please mark envelope Sutton Courtenay War Memorial Restoration Appeal** and do include your name and contact details so that an acknowledgement can be sent to you.

For more information, or if you have any ideas for fundraising, please contact  
The Reverend Helen Kendrick on 01235 848297  
or e-mail [helen@kendricks.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:helen@kendricks.fsnet.co.uk)

*More information about the men from our village, commemorated on the memorial and who died in the two World Wars, can be found in the Sutton Courtenay Local History Society Publication 'Roll of Honour' – proceeds from the sale of which will be going to the restoration appeal.*

## CORNERSTONE ARTS CENTRE

The season kicks off at the end of April with Everything You Ever Needed To Know Ever (And Some Extra Stuff), on Sunday 27 April, is a very silly family comedy show sure to appeal to everyone from 6 to 106, and it's just an hour long. Funnyman Tiernan's pretty sure he knows the answer to any question children might ask, like, 'Why are there trees?' and 'What's the universe made of?' Don't miss your chance to come and ask that question you've always burned to have answered. 1001 Nights is the classic tale of Shaharazad, who tells a different tale every night and uses whatever's around her to help to transport us to the world of kings, viziers and jinns. This delightful family theatre production on Saturday 10 May will enchant all the family from ages 6 and up.



On Saturday 3 May London Classic Theatre bring their 50th anniversary production of Joe Orton's dark comedy, Entertaining Mr Sloane, to Cornerstone. Enigmatic Mr Sloane throws a family's lives into disarray in this story of seduction, blackmail and murder. Bitch Boxer - please don't be put off by the title - is a moving, thoughtful and beautifully performed play about a young girl who becomes a boxer, and her growing up. Audience members from age 14+ will find it really engaging and uplifting. Sunday 4 May brings The Showstoppers Improvised Musical. This will be a unique production at Cornerstone, since this brand new musical comedy show is created from scratch, from audience suggestions, at each performance. These shows are selling out in the West End and on tour so don't miss the chance to come and make your contribution to the Cornerstone version!

And, finally, we're very excited that The Rutles: Will Be Appearing As Themselves on Sunday 18 May. Originally created by Eric Idle and Neil Innes for the comedy sketch show Rutland Weekend Television they started as a spoof of The Beatles, but were so popular that they became an actual group, recording, touring and topping the charts. Following a great gig at Glastonbury they're touring again for a brief period, so catch them while you can!

Full details of the season's programme can be found on the web site <http://www.cornerstone-arts.org>, where you can also book online, or call the Box Office on 01235 515144. Do come and visit us!

**DIDCOT & DISTRICT UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 2pm at Didcot Civic Hall. Visitors are welcome to come to a meeting as a taster before joining.**



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

**The May 2014 meeting will be held on Tuesday 20 May 2014 at 2pm at Didcot Civic Hall on the topic of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution with John Owen.**

**Didcot & District U3A is a democratic, self-funded and self-managed organisation which exists to provide educational and leisure activities at minimal cost. It draws upon the knowledge, experience, skills and enthusiasms of its members to organise interest groups in accordance with the wishes of the membership. There are over 25 interest groups including family history, gardening, wine appreciation, dance, science & maths, art appreciation, philosophy, play reading, creative writing, walking, bridge, crafts, books, poetry, singing, badminton, photography and 5 languages. There's something for everyone!**

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## THANK YOU

Nora Harragin would like to thank everyone who has driven me around - taking me to Waitrose, Boots and the oculist and to Burgreys. One of my friends even picked me up at 7.am. to take me to the JR in time for my back operation, and picks me up on Mondays to do my shopping.

All these friends who have brought me flowers, delicious meals, chocolates and lovely handcream and so many cards.

Many friends have taken my bins out and brought them back when emptied.

One kind friend has taken me to my hairdresser in Cholsey many times.

Thank you also to those who visited me in hospital, which was much appreciated.

I am recovering well from my two operations and hope that I shall be soon able to drive again - which I haven't been able to do since September! The wonderful thing about living in a village is that people have really looked after me in so many ways and I hope it won't too long before I can help other people as they have helped me.

Thank you my friends

## SUTTON COURTENAY (NATIONAL POWER) TRUST

This Trust was established with a donation from what was National Power (now RWE nPower). The Charity will consider grants specifically for the relief of poverty and distress, education and recreation and any other general charitable purposes. The next meeting is likely to be on 6th May. If there is any local organisation or individual who would like to be considered for a small grant, then please contact the Clerk to the Trustees, stating the purpose of the grant, the amount required, and if an organisation supply a copy of the latest accounts.

Clerk to the Trustees: Mrs. L. Martin, 90 Howard Cornish Road, Marcham, OX13 6PU Tel: 01865 391833

## FLOWER FESTIVAL

# FLOWER FESTIVAL

**21 - 22 June 2014**

*WRITE IT WITH FLOWERS*

This year **All Saints' Church** will be staging a **Flower Festival** featuring arrangements/displays portraying works of literature.

Any individual or organisation is invited to participate.

Get in contact with: Alison Budd (820942), Lynne Cabbage (848768) or Ann White (848857) asap to find out how you can be part of this special event.

Open to **adults and children.**



## SUTTON COURTENAY COUNTY COUNCILLOR

Many thanks to Drayton PC, to Milton PC, to Milton Park and to OCC for their financial contributions which have made the installation of a 40mph zone between Milton Village and Drayton a reality. This must, at last, reduce the risk of any more fatalities on that stretch of road.

It is no secret that OCC is short of money. Indeed as the District Council gets richer on the back of New Homes Bonus, it seems the County gets poorer. With the arrival of Academies and Fee Schools, many of the County's Education responsibilities have gone. The Roads and transport budget is under huge pressure and the incredibly wet winter has not helped. The Social Service budget too is squeezed. There are outstanding OCC officers trying to take on ever more work.

Given the pressures, it is great to see OCC standing up for itself as it has over the proposed extra pedestrian crossing in Ock Street, Abingdon. This proposal was the result of the Planning Inspectors decision to allow 160 homes to be built on the Dayton Road - provided that the pedestrian crossing was completed. His decision effectively meant that "The need for housing" had trumped "the severity of the traffic". The question would now be would "the reduced safety of pedestrians including schoolchildren" be similarly trumped. To his great credit, the Cabinet member for the Environment said "No, the need for housing should not trump the safety of people". As a result, the house building cannot begin. A great result, but I fear the saga will not end there.

Bus Services, as never before have to be financially viable, there is no more money to subsidise unprofitable routes. Hence with that "Use it or lose it" health warning, I would like everyone affected by the lack of a service in Appleford and the Eastern end of Sutton Courtenay to assist by writing in to me, or the Parish Council, or Thames Travel to express their concerns. It may be a long haul, but to have any chance of persuading Thames Travel to rethink, we must demonstrate a need for such a service.

I have just returned from a Liaison meeting at Didcot B Power station where they explained, in some detail, their plans for the demolition of Didcot A. They are fully aware of how much public interest there is in this issue and are very keen to keep everyone informed. The 3 cooling towers which can safely be demolished with explosives are due to come down this summer – for those keen to get the best seats, we are all going to be given plenty of warning. The whole meeting was very helpful and frank and I warmed to the way n power were engaging with us all.

In the next few weeks, I am hoping to set up a series of surgeries, or more properly "opportunities to meet to discuss current issues". Perhaps one every two months. Rather than in a formal setting, perhaps in a quiet corner of one of the pubs? Suggestions from any residents of Appleford or Sutton Courtenay would be welcome.

Richard Webber Cllr OCC      *Richard.webber77@ntlworld.com*      01235 534001



## ED VAIZEY MP

The subject of new housing has been top of my list of correspondence in recent weeks. People are understandably concerned about the large numbers of houses that the authorities say need to be built in our area over the next fifteen years or so – something like 100,000. This is an increase of almost 40 per cent in the numbers of houses in Oxfordshire – twice the rate of increase there has been in the last fifteen years.

So it is clear to me that the housing predictions may be too high. I am therefore going to lobby at a national level for a change in the way housing need is predicted so that it reflects actual, current housing need and a well-grounded view of new jobs. The number of homes planned should also be based on what can, realistically, be delivered by developers in the local area, bearing in mind what can be planned and constructed within available resources. I will also ask that the constraints imposed by the Oxford Green Belt, floodplains and the Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty locally are taken into account, as there are large areas that can only be developed exceptionally if at all, which increases the burden of housing imposed elsewhere.

I have no doubt that this debate will continue for many months: I will continue to do all that I can to represent the views of my constituents to ensure that we get genuinely sustainable new housing to meet real need, but that we don't damage our local area in the process.

In the midst of the debate about housing, I have continued to lobby Network Rail to try to ensure that the impact of the electrification of the railway line will cause the minimum possible disruption. There are clear signs that Network Rail are taking much more account of the comments they have received, particularly about the needs of local residents as closures are planned.

I have also received a number of emails and letters from constituents regarding the Care Bill. Many of those who have been in touch are campaigners for Macmillan Cancer Support, and I think it is important to pay tribute to the work done by this fantastic charity in their efforts to raise awareness of the most pressing issues facing cancer carers. Cancer carers play a crucial role in the lives of cancer patients here in the constituency and across the UK, and it is vitally important they receive the support they need to help them to continue this invaluable work. A particular concern has been on the identification of carers by the NHS. I am therefore pleased that the Care Services Minister has confirmed that accompanying guidance to the Care Bill will reinforce the importance of co-operation between the NHS and local authorities on local authorities' duty to identify carers.

As ever please feel free to contact me on any matter at the House of Commons, SW1A 0AA, 020 7219 6350 or [vaizeye@parliament.uk](mailto:vaizeye@parliament.uk). 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. Surgery details can be found at [www.vaizey.com](http://www.vaizey.com).

**Ed Vaizey MP**

## CONSTITUENTS MEET ED VAIZEY MP

About 100 people attended the public meeting with Ed Vaizey to discuss the development in and around the village. For the most part, the conversation was constructive and the follow up asked him to action these items:

1. Transmit queries over the basis for house build estimates for Vale District and ask for explanation from Nick Boles department as to how these figures for housing/population growth were derived, especially given the amount of growth provided for these houses versus the actual historic population growth, as well as the outlook for employment in the area for the increased population. Also to enquire about plans for all infrastructure--schools, roads, sewage/waste, drains to deal with flooding and water, health services. We will welcome hearing the response.
2. Suggest Abingdon Road/Culham bridge to be returned to 2 way – with pedestrian footbridge as a cheap way of improving road gridlock. Write to OCC.
3. Joint examination of Culham no 1 site by both Vale DC and SODC--encourage the 2 councils to communicate.
4. Suggest to Vale a use of higher density apartment housing on power station site for affordability and better use of existing infrastructure.
5. Additionally, not mentioned yesterday but for consideration for Ed and the VWHDC to discuss would be to build an Ebbsfleet/garden city sort of development with purpose built infrastructure over the old reservoir site at Drayton.

I have asked and am hoping that he will provide his updates in this Newsletter for all to read and respond accordingly. I hope that all residents, whether or not you attended that meeting, will feel free to contact Ed at his email, [ed.vaizey.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:ed.vaizey.mp@parliament.uk). The more voices he hears, with constructive ideas, the better it will be for us all. Our meeting was featured on BBC Radio Oxford as well as BBC Oxford News. Many thanks to all of you who came to the meeting and I very much hope it will help save at least a part of Sutton Courtenay.

Sally Rowley-Williams



### Contacting Your MP

As your local MP, I can be contacted by email, at [vaizeye@parliament.uk](mailto:vaizeye@parliament.uk), by telephone at 01491 838816 or, or by post at Ed Vaizey MP, Wallingford Town Hall, Wallingford OX10 0EG. The quickest way to get in touch with me is by email. All these details, surgery times and locations and other information can be found at [www.vaizey.com](http://www.vaizey.com)

**Ed Vaizey MP**

## VOLUNTEER LOCK KEEPERS NEEDED

For the last three years volunteers have been assisting our Lock Staff on the Thames at the 45 locks along its length between Lechlade and Teddington. Now, ahead of our fourth season, we invite you to apply to become a Volunteer Assistant Lock Keeper at a lock near you.

The Environment Agency, which is navigation authority for the Thames, is now recruiting for the 2014 season and are looking for volunteers who can commit to assisting at least one day a week between May and the end of September. Volunteers can agree their hours with lock keepers but need to be available at least from 11 to 5. Volunteers are particularly needed along the river between Reading and Lechlade. Volunteering is a great way to meet people and to find out more about the Thames, its history, wildlife and management. At the same time volunteers know that they are doing something worthwhile that is really appreciated.

Our Volunteer Assistant Lock Keepers work alongside paid lock keepers. They help boats pass through the lock safely: taking ropes, directing traffic, and operating sluices and lock gates. They help maintain the site: painting, tidying and gardening. They provide information to visitors, be they on foot or afloat, so that they can make the best of their time on the river. Visitors really appreciate the local knowledge that volunteers can provide.

All applicants are invited to an assessment at a local lock. Here they will have the role explained to them and be shown what it involves in practical terms. They will also be assessed to decide which site may be most appropriate for them and to ensure that they have the physical capabilities required. After successful completion of the assessment, they attend an induction course which focuses on safety and preparing them for the lock side. On the lock side the volunteers follow a documented training programme before being signed off to take charge of the lock on their own. This will only be for short periods, while the paid keeper is at lunch for example. The volunteers are there to augment the service provided by paid staff rather than to replace them.

Volunteers are provided with some uniform and can claim mileage for travel to and from a lock local to them. They also receive a monthly newsletter which keeps them in touch with what is going on along the river and other activities of the Environment Agency.

If you would like to find out more about volunteering on the Thames and to receive an information pack and application form, please contact the Volunteer team on 01491 828360 or email [thames.volunteers@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:thames.volunteers@environment-agency.gov.uk)

## WANTED PLEASE

**For stalls at the Vicar's FUN DAY**

**Sunday 18th May 2014 1 to 4pm**

**The Green Sutton Courtenay**

Donations of any chocolates, wines or unwanted gifts that you are able to give; teddy bears and beanie babies also required.

Do you have any unused items in your kitchen store or lurking in the attic that could be used on the tombola or raffle?

Cake and plant contributions gratefully received.

**To collect your donations we will be calling round the village from the Sunday 11th May 2014. Alternatively please take your donations to the Church on Wednesday 14th May from 6.00 to 8.00 p.m.** Or please contact any of the following:-

Elaine (848565), June (848580), Victoria (847879), Fiona (848434 for cakes), Olwyn (847197 for plants) or Rita (848694)

Please do give generously if you can and if you cannot we hope you do not mind our asking.  
Thank you

## OTHER EVENTS NOTIFIED TO THE EDITORS

### **FAMILY FUN RUN DAY 31st MAY**

The Dyslexia Research Trust, a research charity based at Oxford University, which helps adults and children across Oxfordshire with reading, writing and associated difficulties, is organising its second Family Fun Run Day at Oxford University Parks OX1 3RF on Saturday 31 May, 10am -4pm. The event is to raise awareness in the local community of dyslexia and related conditions. It is hoped that the organisation will create event, which gives families an opportunity to gain information, exchange advice, and get valuable support in a relaxed environment.

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**30<sup>TH</sup> & 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY WALLINGFORD BLUES & BEER FESTIVAL** with The Blockheads (of Ian Drurie fame) at The Regal Centre, Wallingford. Profits from the festival go to supporting youth projects and live music in Wallingford and the surrounding areas. This year the festival is supporting NOFA (National Orchestra for All) Oxford branch and Young Diabetics.

You can find more information at our website <http://www.bluesandbeer.co.uk/>

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### **APPLEFORD FETE, RECREATION GROUND, SATURDAY 3 MAY 12 NOON- 4.00PM**

-with traditional attractions including steam engines, dog show, band, live music, side shows, refreshments, teas, stalls and car boots. (only available booked in advance, £5, contact Mary Hancock, Ab 848336) and a new venture - a beer tent with local beer. Euan Hartwright, who rowed the Atlantic earlier this year, and is the youngest person to do so, will be talking about his experiences. Come and enjoy a day out in Appleford.

## LIST OF VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

The Editors would like to include in Sutton Courtenay News a few times each year a list of all village groups, organisations, societies etc. together with contact details and any website information. If you would like us to include you in this list please send to the Editors the current contact details and any website information.

Don't forget, in addition to letting us know about events, you can also publish details of any AGMs that are held.

**CULHAM PLANT  
SALE &  
CHURCH FETE**

**Saturday  
17<sup>th</sup> May**

**1.30 pm - 4 pm**

**ST PAUL'S CHURCH**

**Plants ~ Cakes**

**Books ~ DVDs ~ Bric-a-Brac**

**Raffle ~ Teas ~ Tombola**

**Welly-Wanging**

**Children's Activities**

**All in aid of Church funds**

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY

I would like to say a big thank you to everybody who made the senior citizens party such a huge success. Everybody I have spoken to said how much they enjoyed it.

The young people from the DAMASCUS Group were fantastic serving us our tea which was delicious. The entertainment was great and it was lovely to see a mixture of young and oldies dancing together. If you missed it you missed a treat.

Again thank you from Pat Steptoe.

*(Note from the Editors: This letter was received just after the copy deadline for the April edition and could not therefore be included in that edition.)*

### HYDROELECTRIC POWER IN SUTTON COURTENAY?

Don't get screwed by Archimedes. This Archimedes chap was quite bright, He worked out that if water was in a confined area, if you put stuff in it that sank, it would displace the water, then took off all his clothes and ran naked down the street shouting 'I have it'. He most likely did. You and I would have been locked up. Then in his wisdom decided to make water go up hill, and give him his due he made a dam good job of it, the screw, (now widely used for irrigation). Had he wanted to make a fish slicer he would have invented something hand held and more usable in the kitchen. Now I am told that it could be used to drive turbines at Culham Pools to make electricity. It will not keep the lights on in Sutton Courtenay nor Culham, in fact if its power were spread between the villages a candle would be more useful. Cost huge, just like windmills, and use negligible, just like the windmills. Rivers were used to create power for mills and factories, and there is a case for this, as the power would be directed to one site and be of good economic sense in keeping the price of products down, and a good back up power source for that industry. Should Mr Putin turn the gas taps off. On a green note our wonderful River Thames has enough to contend with, Himalayan balsam, knotweeds, cormorants, crayfish, invasive shrimp and mussels, mink and otters. Before the greens and naturists start, otters are indigenes spices and the other problems should have been dealt with first, without adding to its demise. Rubbish tips, transfer stations, over development, floods and effluent diverted to our river, with every action there is a reaction. EUREKA. EUREKA. You may have it. BEWARE. BEWARE. P.S. (I like otters).

Roger Rance.

### THE HIGH STREET PARKING ODYSSEY CONTINUES...

I have worked diligently to find proof that "Parking on the pavement is an absolute offence", as stated in a letter to last month's edition. Certainly, pavement parking in Greater London is an offence and has been since the days of Ken Livingston and the GLA, but the boundaries of the capital are where that legislation begins and ends.

The Department of Transport says, "There is currently no national legislation banning the parking of all vehicles

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR CONTINUED**

on the pavement, due to the wide range of circumstances and locations where pavement parking occurs".

Confused.com says, "According to the 1835 Highways Act, there's no law saying motorists can't park on pavements outside of London."

The House of Commons Library (Note SN/BT/1170) says, "There is no national prohibition against on-street or 'pavement' parking except in relation to heavy commercial vehicles. Local authorities may act to tackle pavement parking in various ways, such as under legislation governing obstruction and dangerous parking; designating limited areas of 'no pavement parking' through a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO); or establishing a special parking area. A vehicle can only be illegally parked if there are parking restrictions operating in the area."

Blocking the highway, on the other hand, is an absolute offence. TfL says, "The right to pass and re-pass along a highway is from a judgment in common law, and this refers to the whole highway being blocked and not just the footway."

So, it seems that there's no law against pavement parking outside London unless specifically designated (and signposted) by the relevant Council, but there is a nationally applicable law against blocking the road. This is something I'm trying to avoid - which is why I park with two wheels on the pavement.

The 1835 Highways Act does impose certain conditions that apply to those living in the disputed section of the High Street. These include offences of:

\* "Throwing or laying any dirt, litter, or ashes, or nightsoil, or any carrion, fish, offal, or rubbish, on any street."

\* "Knowingly suffering common prostitutes or reputed thieves to assemble at and continue in his premises."

\* "Wanton and furious driving."

I am fastidious and resolute in my compliance with these laws and will not transgress, regardless of temptation or coercion.

On a final point, I note that a previous letter stated that..."Mr. Connor knew there was no available parking at his house when he moved there". This suggests that houses on my stretch of the High Street are suitable only for carless pedestrians, which seems a little harsh, and also denies the apparent truth that, according to the statutes as they currently stand, there is available parking and I'm legally entitled to use it.....provided, of course, that I don't block the road and deny other vehicles the right to pass and re-pass freely.

David Connor.

## PAT KING

The Editors would also like to send their condolences to Pat King's family and friends. Pat's obituary appears on page 8. Along with all her other activities, Pat was a great supporter of Sutton Courtenay News and the distributor for the Green and Churchmere Road for 20 years. She was always chatty and had a ready smile. She will be missed.

## CRAFT & PRODUCE SHOW 2014

I am pleased to say that the Craft & Produce Show will be taking place on the 6<sup>th</sup> September this year in the village hall and after last year's turn out I will be looking forward to seeing you all again.

It is quite satisfying knowing that we all live in the locality where the residents are very talented and strive to make, grow and show beautiful items and have a bit of a competitive edge.

Once again the judges were over the moon with the standard but, as always they are giving the committee further pointers to try and make it better for the following year.

So, we have a note from the cookery judge asking if people can please enter chutneys with a good maturity i.e. 3 months plus, in fact if you have any scrummy chutneys left over from last year with 6 months plus maturing, and you are thinking of entering the cookery section and chutney class then please keep them to one side for this year's entry.

Some of the entrants would have won 1<sup>st</sup>'s last year but, because items had been entered into the incorrect class, within a section the judges had to pass them by! So, this year 'we' the committee will move items into the correct classes if it is deemed a better result would be bestowed upon the entrant.

The craft judge last year said she is always impressed with the quality of the crafts from the villages and 2013 was no exception. Therefore, please keep up the hard work.

Just to add we will be adding another trophy to the collection this year. The Daphne Sinclair Trophy will be awarded for the most outstanding item in the hall. It will not be dictated by section or class, just purely for the best item in the room and it will be judged by the judges.

On that note the schedule is on the following page and entry forms will be following shortly.

Tracey Frankum.





## CRAFT & PRODUCE SHOW CONTINUED

### Sutton Courtenay Produce and Craft Show 6<sup>th</sup> September 2014 (*Show open for viewing at 2 pm*)

Please note: Entries must be staged by **11am** when judging begins. Late entries cannot be accepted.

#### Produce

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| 1. 3 potatoes, any one variety                      | 11. 3 beetroot – with 3” tops                               |
| 2. 6 runner beans                                   | 12. 5 shallots (trimmed)                                    |
| 3. Bunch of fresh herbs                             | 13. 3 dessert apples  |
| 4. 3 onions (trimmed)                               | 14. 3 cooking apples  |
| 5. 3 leeks  | 15. 5 plums   |
| 6. 3 tomatoes                                       | 16. 3 pears   |
| 7. Cherry tomatoes on the vine                      | 17. 2 capsicum peppers                                      |
| 8. 2 courgettes                                     | 18. Dish of 9 soft fruits, any one variety                  |
| 9. Collection of 3 different vegetables (3 of each) | 19. A celebrity look-alike vegetable (dressed or undressed) |
| 10. 4 carrots –with 3” tops                         | 20. 3 hen’s eggs  |

#### Flowers

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| 21. Vase of 3 stems of roses                           | 26. A potted Busy Lizzie                                 |
| 22. 1 specimen rose                                    | 27. 1 pot plant in flower                                |
| 23. Vase of 4 herbaceous flowers (different varieties) | 28. An orchid  |
| 24. 4 dahlias  | 29. 1 pot plant shown for foliage                        |
| 25. 1 potted cactus or succulent                       | 30. Vase of 5 or more mixed garden flowers (inc. shrubs) |

#### Cookery

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| 31. Victoria Sandwich (given recipe must be used) <sup>1</sup> | 37. Jar of pickled beetroot |
| 32. Jar of jam   | 38. 4 plain scones          |
| 33. Jar of marmalade   | 39. 2 Gingerbread figures   |
| 34. Jar of jelly   | 40. A tarte tatin           |
| 35. Jar of lemon curd  | 41. A savoury loaf          |
| 36. Jar of chutney   | 42. 4 madeleines            |

#### Drinks

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| 43. 1 bottle wine (white) | 45. 1 home- made lemonade       |
| 44. 1 bottle wine (red)   | 46. 1 bottle fruit gin or vodka |
|                           | 47. Home-made cordial           |

#### Crafts

*(No item in this class to have been shown or used before)*

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| 48. New hand knitted item       | 53. Hand-made soft toy  |
| 49. New hand crocheted item     | 54. A hand-made item made from clay   |
| 50. An item of cross stitch     | 55. Item made from fabric   |
| 51. A hand-made bag             | 56. A hand-made ‘Get well’ card   |
| 52. Hand-made item of jewellery | 57. A piece of original craft work – made from resistant materials (wood/metal/stone/plastic) |

#### Art

*(Items not to have been shown before)*

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| 58. Drawing (pencil, charcoal or pen-and-ink) | 59. Picture (any medium including collage) |
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#### Photography

*(Photographs to be taken by exhibitor and not previously exhibited; mounted; overall size max. 14” x 10”)*

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| 60. Black and white photograph | 62. Colour print: ‘Make us smile’ – Amusing with a caption |
| 61. Colour print – general     | 63. Colour print – An odd perspective                      |

#### Children’s Classes

*(Must be child’s own, unaided work. Child’s age must be given.)*

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| 64. Original picture made from handprints. Age 6 & under. | 67. An item made from modelling material   |
| 65. Original collage made from leaves. Age 7-11.          | 68. 4 decorated homemade biscuits          |
| 66. Flowers in a jam jar                                  | 69. A hand- made Christmas tree decoration |

#### Flower Arranging

*(Accessories must be within size limits)*

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| 70. Petite : max 4”x4”x9”ht   | 72. Arrangement in a boot ( garden flowers only)                   |
| 71. ‘A World War One song’ max 21” ht x 20” sq. Accessories allowed | 73. “Remembrance” max 20” sq. unlimited height Accessories allowed |

1. **Victoria Sandwich:** 175gms(6 oz) butter, 175gms(6 oz) castor sugar, 175gms(6 oz) SR flour (sifted), 3 standard eggs, lightly beaten. Pre-heat oven to 180° C, 350° F, Gas 4. Grease and base line 2x20cm(8”) tins. Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy, gradually add eggs, stir in flour. Divide mixture between tins and bake for approx. 20 mins. When cold sandwich together with jam. (Not to be dusted or decorated with sugar).