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Celebrating our longest reigning Monarch:



Laurel Drive residents celebrate the Queen's Jubilee in 1977 with a street party.

On 9th September Her Majesty the Queen will reach a new milestone in British History when she becomes our longest reigning Monarch.

Throughout the past 63 years this village community has recorded events to celebrate major dates during Her Majesty's reign. The Coronation in June 1952 was celebrated by children's sports and a fancy dress football match for adults followed by a traditional dance in the old Village Hall. The original brick bus-shelter at Latton Close was also built to commemorate the Coronation.

Forward 25 years and the village had become a very different place when the Queen's Silver Jubilee celebrations were held in 1977. The theme was very similar which lasted for a week starting with a competition to select the village Jubilee Queen and Princesses. There was a concert for senior citizens at John Blandy School and an open-air disco at the Cricket Club with numerous street parties taking place around the village and the PTA organised a Jubilee Dance at the school. A Grand Jubilee Fete took place in the recreation ground which included many traditional activities for all ages including a tug of war between Kingston football teams, the Pig Improvement Company and teams from the Hinds Head, Waggon and Horses and other local pubs. There was also entertainment by the 1st Longworth Scout Band plus a Pig Roast and Crazy Football match. The week concluded with a special Family Service at Kingston Parish Church.

The village continued to recognise the milestones of the Queen's reign the most recent being the 60th celebration in June 2012 with the lighting of the Jubilee Beacon and pig roast at the Village Hall. *Ron Green.*



Village Show - don't be late!

As you're reading this, it won't be long until the Village Show - it's on Saturday 12th Sept at 2pm in the Village Hall.

With the children's classes themed around the 150th anniversary of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, please "don't be late"!

It's also not too late to take part! If you've been inspired by the Great British Bake Off, then try your hand at fruit cake, Victoria sandwich, cup cakes, apple pie, or biscuits. We can't promise Mary Berry (or Paul Hollywood) but you'll get the pleasure of eating them afterwards - the judges only sample a tiny amount! There's plenty of other categories too - plants, flowers, vegetables, craft, photography as well as other cookery classes for you or your children. The schedule is available on www.kbsonline.org.uk so take a look. If you can't take part, please do come along and visit. There'll be plenty of tea and cake (to eat, not just to look at!), a raffle with some great prizes and hopefully you'll be inspired to take part next year. The show opens at 2pm and prizes are presented at 3.45pm. We hope to see you there. *Paul Gill.*

Want to get involved with the Neighbourhood Plan? See page 23



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Beyond the Whinge - the Editor's blog

Why is it that everything seems to be getting worse? Back in the day we had a village policeman who knew most of the locals and what they were up to. Now we hear they may not even investigate burglaries. We never see a bobby on the beat, or patrolling motorways, traffic cars almost seemingly having disappeared. We used to have our own dedicated doctor when we attended the surgery. Now we see whoever is available. Dentists used to clean and polish teeth after a routine check-up but no more. New mums were in hospital for several days before being released and the health visitor called regularly to check on mother and baby but not now. The less said about the utterly disgraceful state of our once pristine roads now pot holed and overgrown hedgerows now liberally decorated with litter the better. Our border force seem unable to stem the flow of illegal migrants flooding into our country by fair means or foul yet bring a bottle of whisky in over your allotted ration and it's 'Step this way Sir'. Bin men used to go around the back of your house, hoist a metal dustbin on their shoulders, carry it to the cart to empty then return it back from whence it came. Now if you place your bin more than 18in from the edge of your property it's possibly not emptied, and if they do you are automatically entered into the guessing game of 'Where's my Bin Gone?' Could it be the one stood on its end 100 metres down the road? Great fun. Yep, we seem to have lost the plot. We of course are to blame. We put up with second-rate services from third-rate politicians more interested in Political Correctness and their own pensions than improving our lot. You really couldn't make it up.

KINGSTON BAGPUIZE CHURCH NOTICES

<http://stjb.churchinsight.com/>



Sunday 6th September	9.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Joe Cotterill
	10.30am	Morning Worship	Speaker: Mr David Lever
Sunday 13th September	9.00am	Holy Communion	Revd David Pickering
	10.30am	All-Age Service	Revd David Pickering
Sunday 20th September	9.00am	Holy Communion	Revd Joe Cotterill
	10.30am	Questions of Life Service	Speaker: TBC
Sunday 27th September	9.00am & 10.30am	Holy Communion	Revd David Pickering

SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

SUNDAY 27th SEPTEMBER – ‘STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY’: At both our services on the 27th, we will be looking at godly giving, what is known in the trade as the issue of stewardship: if we believe that all we have is from God and really belongs to God, how best can we act as stewards in charge of the good gifts he has given us? Our time, our talents, our treasure, how should we use them for the service of others and the glory of God?

OUR NEW CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WORKER: We are delighted to be able to say that Mr Gary Long will be joining us on the 1st of September in a newly-created half-time role as our Children and Families Worker, for the next three years. We'd like to welcome Gary and his wife Jacky and wish them many blessings in their time with us all.

CHURCH GROUPS: We have a range of groups for adults and children. Call David on 820451 or Hazel on 821358 for more information.

Do contact our Vicar, The Revd David Pickering (820451), re baptisms, weddings, funerals or pastoral care (on any day of the week except Wednesdays).

Do you have something to say? Why not get it off your chest and put it in the KBS News?

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Fyfield Baptist Chapel

Morning Service & Sunday School Sunday 11.00 am

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more information:
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VILLAGE VOICES



POPPY DAY COLLECTORS 2015

Another year, another Poppy Day !! Unfortunately the team of street collectors does not get any younger... it looks as if we will have lost two or three of the team since last year and with the three new developments in the village coming on stream three or four volunteers would be welcome. Any Ex-service personnel in the village who might be interested ? Please give me a ring on 820062 – Ian Charlton

Incidentally 2015 is a particularly poignant year for Southmoor and the surrounding villages. One Hundred years ago, early in the morning of September 25th, Private Fred Harris from Hinton Waldrist died in the advance of the Ox & Bucks Light Infantry and the Berkshires against the enemy positions near Hulluch, during the Battle of Loos. Private Arthur Henley from Southmoor Cottage received a single bullet wound to the chest during the same advance from which he died in hospital on October 6th, just short of his twentieth birthday.

REMEMBER REMEMBER

Dates to Remember 1. 5th November 1605.

2. 19th August 1953. 3. 30th July 1966.

4. 22nd November 2003. 5. 6th August 2015

How many did you recognise? 1. Guy Fawkes (we all got that).

2. Denis Compton hits 4 to win Ashes v Australia

3. Geoff Hurst hits hat trick to win World Football Cup

4. Jonny Wilkinson kicks drop goal to win World Rugby Cup (v Australia)

5. Stuart Broad takes 8 wickets for 15 as Australia all out for 60—and win the Ashes. *Keith Graham*

SpeedWatch

We had an excellent response calling for volunteers to operate the SpeedWatch programme announced in the July issue. Our thanks to the villagers who volunteered their time, your name has been passed on to the Parish Clerk

Now, the first piece from our newest columnist, Gary Parsons, on behalf of all our new neighbours

'Despite moving to the village in February this year, I am not new to the village. My children have been going to John Blandy Primary for 2 years now, and I myself help out on as the treasurer for the Friends of John Blandy. One thing I really love about the village is the friendliness of everyone. When I am walking the dog in the morning or just on my way to the One Shop, people smile and say hello. Recently whilst at Millets farm with family, I went to take my children on the merry go round ride that was there. As I approached to pay, the man who was running the ride asked me if I was from the village, I said yes. He replied by saying I thought so. He then said that my children didn't have to pay. His child went to John Blandy Primary School. I didn't know the gentleman but his act of kindness really did make me feel part of the village, and I am grateful to him for this. I hope the welcome continues but so far so good'.

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The Way We Were



*Fancy dress competition Southmoor circa 1974
(Our thanks to the History Society)*

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Village Notice Board

Sunday 6th September
St Lawrence Church, Tubney

6.00 pm

Poetry and Pimm's Evensong



The theme this year is: **"Birds"**

Parking in the field opposite the church.
This is a Cluster Group Service for
Appleton, Fyfield with Tubney, Kingston
Bagpuize and Marcham.

*If you would like to read a poem then please let
Rosemary Kitto know by the last day of August.
01865 390 466 or rosemarykitto@gmail.com*

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books, paintings)

Welcome one and all!



The Hanney Road was closed five days recently. I naturally thought it was for resurfacing. Silly me. Driving down there two days later I find there are 3.5 potholes filled. Somebody please tell me they did other work as well! Ed.



PUMP HUNT FOR SEWAGE STATION OWNERS

· Thames Water to take on the responsibility of 4,000 sewage pumping stations from property owners and managers

· Utility will take over electricity and maintenance costs under new legislation, potentially saving customers thousands of pounds

· Firm appeals for help tracking 1,800 'missing' stations

Thames Water is appealing to customers to help identify privately owned sewage pumping stations. The utility, which serves 15 million customers across London and the

Thames Valley, will take responsibility for around 4,000 pumping in October 2016, but needs to track down 1,800 currently off its radar. New legislation means sewage pumping stations, which power wastewater away from properties and out into the public sewer pipe network, currently owned and maintained by customers will become legally owned and operated by the local water company.

The pumping stations are found in all shapes and sizes, and can be in places where there are a number of properties needing to connect to the public sewer network. Customers will know they have one as they'll be paying to maintain and power them. Jerry White, of Thames Water, said: "This is really good news for customers. We'd urge anyone who thinks they may have one to get in touch so we can check they are eligible for the transfer of ownership. In some cases, as well as electricity savings, maintaining and replacing pumps can cost thousands of pounds so it's an excellent deal for them.

"We believe we know where approximately half of the stations we need to take over are, but really need help to find the other 1,800. Please get in touch if you think this applies to you and we can take on the responsibility forever."

Anyone with a private pumping station can make Thames Water aware at thameswater.co.uk/pumphunt



FEEL LIKE EATING OUT TONIGHT? No: 29 Revisiting The Plough at West Hanney

Having frequented the Plough at West Hanney for a number of years, I was interested to see the new Plough now it has been purchased by the community and had a makeover. I had no idea of what to expect but a makeover it has certainly had. There is new decor, furniture, flooring, toilets and even a new bar. In short the pub has changed totally. Gone are the black beams and old seats and new light coloured wood abounds. I understand a lot of the work was undertaken by Hanney residents and shareholders

and an excellent job they have done.

So, four of us booked a table for a Saturday night and off we went. The dining room is light and welcoming with new chairs and tables but above all a new varied and innovative menu is offered on a fixed price basis. A three-course meal is just £19.95, which also includes a rib-eye steak. Diners can have two courses for £16.95. All starters and desserts are £5.95, Main courses £12.95.

The staff are very friendly led by local landlord Phil Curtis who has returned from France to run this venture which on the evidence of this evening is going to be a winner.

The menu choice is impressive as was my starter of Potato Skins Stuffed with Bacon & Cheese. Sounds good eh? And it was. Tasty, moist and a hearty portion size. I've had smaller main courses.

For the main event two of us decided on Phil's world famous Rack of Pork Ribs. Tony Roma is known worldwide for his Ribs, he knows nothing compared to Phil. Again a sizeable serving and it looked good I must say. As for the taste, Mmmm - delicious covered in a sweet sticky sauce, and tender, tender?? If you had asked it nicely the meat would have fallen off the bone. Served with a salad and fries, the meal was a delight.

The bride went for a Creamy Mushroom Stroganoff and rice as the veggie option, and she described it as very tasty, praise indeed.

To be honest I was going for a pud but frankly couldn't manage it. The only downside to the exercise was the price of the wines, just a tad high I thought, the cheapest being £16, the Plough is still a pub after all.

A meal for four with two bottles of Pinot Noir, two starters and two desserts, four mains and pre-dinner drinks came to £112. Excellent value and highly recommended, oh those ribs! *Eton Lovett.*



*Always something going on
at the Kingsmoor Club*

Kingsmoor Community Club at Hinton

We have had our annual seaside trip on Friday August 21st to Weston Super Mare, some villagers from Southmoor and Longworth and Hinton joined us to swell the numbers. It has always been a trip for everyone to look forward to and to remember, often bringing back happy memories of seaside holidays and of time spent in the past at Weston-Super-Mare. This year we had a coach and a mini bus.

We have had a few new members lately which has helped our numbers very much, we still have some places on a Friday, so if you have been thinking about joining now is the time.

Leaflets and adverts have been put through everyones doors in the last few months in Southmoor and all the surrounding villages, either in the KBS News as an advert or as a leaflet in the Seven Voices or The Advertiser. We hope everyone now knows that Kingsmoor Club is the local day centre for

older people to meet with each other and to have a day of activities and good food. So many of our members wish they had come ages ago and are glad they made the step .

We encourage our members to continue with other clubs and groups as well, as we are open three days a week this usually is possible .

Well September will mean we will be making chutney with Harvest produce and windfalls. Lavender trimmings will be made into bags for sale and we make cards too for our funds. We are always busy with various activities and of course our monthly raffles .We are always glad of gifts for our raffle table which are collected throughout the month .Thank you to those who do support us in this way .

Contact Gwyne 01865 820166 Age Uk Oxfordshire Community Club

THE KBS NEWS WINE LIST: WINES OF THE MONTH



With Summer drawing to a close, we thought it would be good to say goodbye to summer days with a bang!

Subsequently, we decided to look for some reasonably priced fizz to accompany your

final September BBQ's and parties, and hope that we have an Indian Summer, with plenty of sun, to accompany them.

After checking what was on offer at the local supermarkets, we resorted to one of our favourites for reasonably priced and good quality wine, Aldi, of which there are two stores locally, one on the Botley Road, Oxford, and one in Carterton.

Our first choice is an Italian Belletti Rose-Spumante, Extra Dry, priced at £5.99. This wine is extremely pleasant to drink, it is dry, which is unusual for a Spumante, and is a classic and elegant rose sparkling wine. It has intense summer fruits, pears and citrus freshness, also we thought, a hint of strawberries. It is ideal as an aperitif and would go well with Strawberries and Cream.

Our second wine is a French Fizz, Philippe Michel Cremant du Jura 2012, made from 100% Chardonnay, priced at £7.29. This is an excellent example of reasonably priced fizz, it is carefully aged in cellars to give a subtle complexity, with hints of apple and lemon citrus fruits, and a fresh elegant finish. Perfect for any occasion, but wonderful if you are celebrating a special event.

We hope you enjoy trying these wines, we certainly enjoyed the tasting! Cheers, *The Wine Quartet*

SERENDIPITY OVER 55's CLUB

Sonia from Age UK came to our August meeting and gave us all an update on different services available to us. She told us that electric blankets can be checked free of charge, who to contact if we need our feet attended to etc., There are many things available and information given through Age UK and each member was given leaflets.

It was lovely to see Billie Chandler back with us and hope we may see more of her now that she is feeling better.

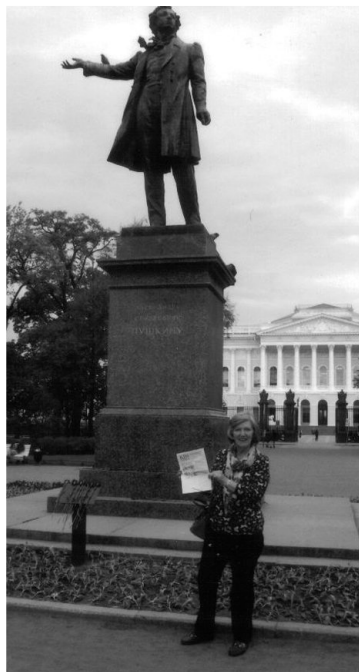
Hopefully we will see Joan Weaving back with us very soon, as she is home from hospital now

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN THE HALL IN SEPTEMBER AS WE HAVE A MINIBUS OUTING TO EVESHAM COUNTRY PARK.

We will be back to normal in October and would welcome any new members to our friendly little group.

For more details please contact Pat on 820775.

Out and About with the KBS News



Nice photograph of Jenny Charlton in St Petersburg displaying her copy of the KBS News. The travelling Charltons did try to find a statue of Leo Tolstoy in order to maintain the local connection but even the locals couldn't help them find one. Eventually they had to settle for this likeness of Pushkin, Russia's most famous poet, who died a couple of streets from where the picture was taken following a duel to defend his wife's honour. That'll teach him.



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Green flag award for another year.

For the 7th year running the Abbey Gardens in Abingdon has been awarded Green Flag status by Keep Britain Tidy. In addition to the gardens the neighbouring Abbey Meadows area is set for a major revamp including improvements to the outdoor swimming pool.



Bristol to Oxford Charity Bike Ride

On the 30th August, I will be cycling over 70 miles from Bristol to Oxford to raise money for Restless Development.

As an amateur cyclist, the route will take me 8-9 hours to complete (hopefully!); I will be starting in Bishopston, Bristol and finishing at my local pub and work place for many years, The Hinds Head.

The charity works with young people across the world in developing countries taking a grass roots approach against poverty rather than throwing money at corrupt governments.

Their focus is specifically on getting teenagers and young adults (especially girls who have turned to prostitution) back in to education, providing them with an adequate sexual health education to prevent HIV/AIDs, and to provide them with life skills that will help them to gain employment. Further information can be found at www.restlessdevelopment.org.

I will also be travelling to Dar Es Salaam in Tanzania this September to volunteer and actively participate in the charity's work (no proceeds from my bike ride will go towards my travel, flights or living costs).

The whole trip will be full of video diaries, pictures and blogs which You can follow online via Facebook, Twitter (@kingjimmo) and through my You Tube channel, so you can see at why the continuation of this amazing charity's work is so important.

To sponsor me on this cycle ride please head online to

www.justgiving.com/James-King33 or you can sponsor me via text by sending REST97 and the amount you would like to donate (e.g. REST97 £2) to 70070. Many thanks for your support! *James King*

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KBS CAFE @ SOUTHMOOR

The café is open (almost) every Thursday from 9am until noon, in the main hall at Southmoor Village Hall, Draycott Road. Everyone is invited to come along and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit, scone or piece of cake.

We serve Fair Trade tea, coffee and hot chocolate, orange and blackcurrant squash, bacon sandwiches and a selection of (mostly) home-made cakes and scones, including some dairy- and gluten-free options. We also have some newspapers and magazines to read.

For our more mature visitors, the Kingston Codgers meet here on the last Thursday of the month. For our younger customers, we have toys for the children to play with while their parents can relax and chat.

Sadly, due to lack of holiday cover and help with setting up we had to close for two weeks in August. We desperately need a few fit and strong volunteers to set up the tables and chairs either the night before or early on a Thursday morning, and also to help put them away again after the café. We could work out a rota system similar to our serving one so people wouldn't have to commit to helping every week.

New volunteers are always welcome to come on our rota of helpers. If you are interested, please contact Jenny Bone on 01865 820368, and she will happily add your name to our list of lovely helpers. If anyone needs a lift please contact one of us on the numbers below.



"We are friends you haven't met yet"

Jenny Bone (820368) Carole Watts (821710)

Longworth & District History Society

The last summer outing is on Saturday September 19th to The Merchants House in Marlborough. It is a restored 17th Century Silk Merchants house, run by a Trust. Our tour is booked for 10.00am, but if there are more than 30 of us we will have another tour at 11.00am.

Lifts can be arranged by getting in touch with either Pam Woodward or me. 820500, or 820193. This visit requires tickets which are £7.50, and can be bought from Pam.

On 15th October there is a talk in Southmoor Village Hall entitled "Children and War" by Liz Woolley. This is a talk about the experiences of children in Oxfordshire during World War Two. Talks start at 7.30, but the Hall is open from 7.00. Everyone is welcome. Non-members welcome £3 each.

We are trying to make Village Time Line for each of the villages of Longworth, Hinton Waldrist, Southmoor and Kingston Bagpuize. If you have any information ancient or modern e.g when your house was built, when the pub opened, when playgroup started in each of the villages. Any local dated information that we can create a time line. We look forward to hearing from you. Kathy Fletcher 820193



The Merchant's House, Marlborough



NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council took a break in August, (first time for a couple of years), and consequently did not meet.

The major event over the past month was the expected outline planning application for the 280 + houses on land to the south of the A420 and east of the Witney Rd., by a company known as Mactaggart & Mickel, based in Glasgow. P15/V1808/O(Outline) There is very little we can do to oppose this application, as under The National Planning Policy Framework (N.P.P.F.) most applications are almost always bound to be approved if considered "Sustainable".

We will strive to achieve the Max S106 Planning gain in order to improve facilities and amenities for the Village (which is fast becoming a town!).

P15/V1795/Ful. Application for 73 dwellings/Field Close. David Wilson Homes. This is a resubmission, having been refused once by the Vale, hopefully, the same reasons for the first refusal will prevail.

P15/V1366/Ful. This is the application for two further tennis courts to be constructed on land to be transferred to the Parish Council under S106 gain from the Taylor Wimpey Site, off Draycott Rd., now known as Southmoor Grange. This is proving contentious, with objections from adjacent residents, both new and old. The Next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday September 7th, at the Village Hall, in the Swallow Room. All residents are invited to attend. *B. Forster. Chairman.*



SOUTHMOOR PRE-SCHOOL



And just like that the summer holidays are drawing to a close. We are looking forward welcoming new faces to the pre-school in September and we wish all the best to the children who have flown our nest and moved on to 'big' school.

Towards the end of the summer term the kind donation of £500 from David Wilson Homes was gratefully received

and this was used to purchase several items that will aid early literacy skills as well as listening games, musical instruments, puppets and books.

Throughout the summer break a small band of committed volunteers have been working behind the scenes to tidy up the children's outdoor play area, work that has included giving the woodwork a fresh coat of stain, cutting back the hedges and generally refreshing the space ahead of the new school year.

Preschool will start back on 3rd September. Don't forget if you are interested in an "Outstanding" preschool place or increasing your child's sessions, we currently still have a few places left for 2016 so please contact manager Jackie Taylor as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. All children who are 3 in the term following their 3rd birthday are entitled to 15 hours free early years education! Email southmoorpre-school@live.co.uk Tel: 01865 821505 – *Adam Dewar*



Southmoor & Kingston Bagpuize Gardening Club

Enjoy your garden!

The cooler days of September are a great time to get into the garden. If you're lucky to have fruit and vegetables growing, it's a busy harvest time. If not, then you can plan ahead for colour next year - spring bulbs like daffodils, tulips and crocus are the well-known options but why not try something different and plant English

bluebells (to help counter the spread of their Spanish cousins), winter aconites and, my personal favourite, the snakes head fritillary. Bags of bulbs are relatively cheap and it's just a case of pushing them into the ground, with the assistance of a dibber, although a simple stick does the job too.

Hopefully you're reading this before Tuesday 1st September, as this is when when Andrew Mikolajski, gardening author and lecturer, will come and talk to us about Shakespeare's Plants and Gardens. As usual this will be at the Village Hall 7.15 for 7.30, free to members & £3 for visitors. And a reminder that if you fancy coming along you can also benefit now from half price membership - only £5 for the rest of the year. For more information about the club, call Rebecca on 01865 820793 or email skbgardeningclub@gmail.com. *Paul Gill, Secretary.*



Winter tennis and half price membership

The nights are slowly starting to draw in and, although turning back the clocks still seems some way off, it is a good time to remind KBS News readers that tennis isn't just a summer sport.

The club has two floodlit hardcourts, and this means that we play right through the year.

The only things that stops tennis are heavy snow and ice. In fact the winter is an extremely busy time for the club - not only do the regular coaching sessions for our juniors and adults continue, but we have five teams in the Oxfordshire winter tennis leagues. These leagues are actually larger than the summer ones, so each team has to play 12 fixtures from September to April.

As is traditional at this time of year, we will be offering half price membership from the end of September. This means that junior membership is just £8, student £11, adult £25 and a family membership £50. This runs to the end of March next year. To find out more please email info@kbstennis.org. *Paul Gill*

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KINGSTON BAGUIZE & SOUTHMOOR BOWLS CLUB

The Berkshire Kennet L two wood rinks League division 2 and the Kennet LX League division 1 fixtures are both now complete with the final league tables here.

KENNET L (Div. 2)

TEAM	Pld	Won	Drawn	Shots F	Shots Ag	Shot diff	Pts
Island Bohemian			14	11	0	1288 951	337 145
Thatcham 'B'	14	12	0	1189	1015	174	140
Tilehurst 'B'	14	9	0	1095	1047	48	117
Newbury	14	8	0	1114	1089	25	105
Trentham 'A'	14	6	0	1090.5	1039	51.5	92
Kingston B&S	14	5	0	1061	1157.5	-96.5	79
Milton Hill	14	3	0	976	1233	-257	58
Abingdon 'B'	14	2	0	971	1253	-282	48
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KENNET LX (Div. 1)

TEAM	Pld	Won	Drawn	Shots F	Shots Ag	Shot diff	Pts
Thatcham 'A'	14	10	0	799	603	196	104
Abingdon 'A'	14	9	0	745	627	118	87
Tilehurst 'A'	14	9	0	749	706	43	83
Newbury	14	8	0	707	677	30	74
Hungerford 'A'	14	7	0	661	695	-34	63
Didcot 'A'	14	6	0	665	719	-54	62
Wantage	14	4	0	635	753	-118	48
Kingston B&S	14	3	0	614	795	-181	39
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As the Kennet L table shows we missed relegation down to division 3 thanks to a great to a great run in at the end the season with KB picking up vital points against Milton (10), Trentham (12) and Newbury (12).

Unfortunately we are relegated back to Division two in the KLX. In the Ashley Baker Mixed League we have one fixture still to play, league table next month.

We still have matches to play before our Autumn Triples Competition commences including our last Friendly against West Oxford (A), the Captains Plate, Club Finals, Tour to Weymouth and closing Tournament. The 26th Sept is the date for our 8TH GRAND JUMBLE SALE at the Club House next to the Millennium park where there is a huge array of articles to buy, ample parking available, watch out for the posters around the Village with all the details on. *Mick Fuller (01865 820818)*

Church Ladies With Typewriters



- Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM . Please use the back door.
- The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
- Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
- And finally this one just about sums them all up - The Associate Minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: 'I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours.'

The Waggon and Horses - Events Notice Board•

- Disco Bingo Saturday 12th September 9.00pm •
- **Rugby World Cup bring shown from 18th Sept •**
- Race night in aid of meningitis 19th Sept 9pm •
- **Macmillan coffee morning Friday 25th Sept from 10 am •**
- Take Away Fish and Chips and a selection of Take Away Curries available during food service times •
- ???? WHOAGA Gardening Show 6th September 12 noon ???? (Waggon & Horses Organic Gardeners' Association) GET GROWING!**

Ist Southmoor Guides

The school holidays are normally a quiet time for the Guides as we take a break over the summer.

However, this year the Southmoor Guides took part in a week long international camp near Faringdon. Girl Scouts from America and Guides from Mexico joined 500 girls from across Oxfordshire, sleeping in tents and taking part in a wide range of activities.

Rain and high winds in the early part of the week did nothing to dampen the Guides' spirits as they tested their balancing skills on slacklines i.e. webbing strung between two trees, built shelters and cooked bacon in paper bags on an open fire. The more adventurous also faced the climbing wall and 3G swing at the local PGL activity centre, while on-site a foam slide and zorbing proved very popular, especially when the sun came out later in the week.

The international camp, which takes place every 5 years, played host to various VIP guests. The Chief Guide Gill Slocombe enrolled eighteen new Guides and presented special awards including the Baden Powell Challenge badge to various Guides across the District. We also met the Mayors of the Vale of White Horse, Thame and Oxford on one day, followed by a visit by hundreds of Brownies from across Oxfordshire who took part in a grand fete. Our camp kitchen also had a mention on BBC Radio Oxford, as presenter Lilley Mitchell joined us for a traditional camp breakfast of eggy bread.

We finished the week in style with a carnival, with each section representing various festivals including Mardi Gras, Rio and Notting Hill. Our section represented the Cocin festival, from Kerala in India. The Guides made elephant masks and wore brightly coloured clothing for the closing ceremony to end a week of fun, adventure and making new friends.

Meetings will start again in September. Our regular meetings take place on Wednesdays at 7pm to 8.30pm in the Swallow Room at the Village Hall, and we can be contacted at southmoorguides@gmail.com. Our leaders are Sarah Harris, Sally Dance and Carole Armstrong.



The Way We Were



*Niki Cafferata holds up the crown that won him first prize at the Hayes Avenue Street Party to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee in 1977.
Anybody recognise anyone else?*



Poets' Corner

Full marks this month to Jacky Johnson for her take on the English Summer

WHAT HARVEST?

*They talk about global warming
And say the earth may soon die.
Oil supplies are depleting
And electric prices soaring sky high.*

*They've closed down all the mines here
And gas is in short supply,
But when I look out the window
The rain's falling down from the sky.*

*It rained all February, March and April,
May, June and July too,
We had heavy showers in August
And September's gone that way too!*

*So you're drinking a toast to the harvest,
And enjoying a jolly good meal.
The hailstones are hitting the windows
And lightning is striking your wheels.*

*The farmers are dressed like frogmen
And their wives have taken to gin
The sheep are all wearing raincoats
And the cows are learning to swim.*

*The hay is doing the breast stroke
Oil seed rape is doing the crawl
The corn has taken up diving
But the ducks are enjoying it all.*

*Well I've sat at home with two coats on,
Shivering in thick thermal socks,
While outside the rain is still falling,
And there's only repeats on the box.*

*So next time they talk about warming,
Send them to Long Marston here
And if they still insist it's warming.
Give them a b****y thick ear!*

Jacky Johnson

*Any other poems written by villagers out there?
Or do you have a favourite poem? We're happy
to publish them in Poet's Corner. Send your
copy to editorkbsnews@gmail.com*



Kingston Bagpuize Cricket Club

Well the cricket season is almost over and with KBCC 2nd XI finished their season with a loosing draw and finishing 12th out of 14 teams after having to forfeit their penultimate match due to lack of availability because of players on holiday. Even though the 2nd XI finished near the bottom this year, KBCC have used this league as a Development League so more KBCC Juniors have the chance to play Senior Cricket in which they have excelled and the future looks good for next season.

KBCC 1st XI are in a relegation battle and have helped their chances of staying up with 2 wins and a draw but will need to win at least 2 of their last 3 matches to secure safety. Toby Ricks has been the most consistent batsman this season and 2 weeks ago scoring a superb 107 v Chearsley CC. Arthur Verdin took 6 wickets v Bletchley Town CC and is now catching George & Richard Woodley as the top wicket taker for the 1st XI.

Hopefully in the next KBS News KBCC 1st XI would have stayed up and looking forward for next season in Cherwell Div 4 and a new pavilion?

KBCC Junior News: Kwik Cricketers - U15's

Friday 4th September there will be a Presentation Evening 6pm start

Bar will be open from 6pm

There will be matches v dads/mums if the weather and light is ok

Tiffins (one of our club sponsors) will be doing the food.

Fingers crossed for the 1st XI

Well Done to all the Junior Players that played for both Senior teams this season

Rich Woodley

(KBCC Co- Head Coach)

(ECB Level 2 Coach)

Do you have something to say? Why not get it off your chest and put it in the KBS News?

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High-speed broadband arrives in Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor

As part of the Better Broadband for Oxfordshire programme, a fibre-enabled cabinet is now live and ready to take orders in Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor. This means that 435 residents and businesses in the parish will be able to request an upgrade to fibre-enabled broadband from a range of Internet Service Providers (ISPs). In most cases, this means that residents can select a product offering download speeds above 24Mb/s following infrastructure upgrades made via the Better Broadband for Oxfordshire programme.

The aim of the £30.1m programme, funded by Oxfordshire County Council, Vale of White Horse District Council, Broadband Delivery UK (BDUK) and BT, is to provide access to fibre-enabled broadband where this is not commercially viable without public sector investment.

The cabinet in the following location is now sporting a large sticker declaring, 'Fibre broadband is here.' This indicates that the cabinet is live and ready to take customer orders.

Longworth Cabinet 5: Located opposite 34 Draycott Road, Southmoor, Abingdon, OX13 5BZ

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OX13 5DG OX13 5DH OX13 5DJ OX13 5DL
OX13 5DN OX13 5DQ OX13 5HE OX13 5HS
OX13 5HT

Please note that improved broadband services are not turned on automatically. To access fibre-enabled broadband, please contact your chosen ISP or use comparison sites to find available packages. There is a list of ISPs on the Better Broadband for Oxfordshire website:

<http://www.betterbroadbandoxfordshire.org.uk/broadband-providers>. If you contact an ISP, please state that you wish to order 'fibre-enabled / superfast broadband,' otherwise they may offer you a slower broadband service. Your chosen ISP should be able to offer any technical assistance to access fibre-enabled / superfast broadband.

It is also important to note, that not all premises within a postcode area will be necessarily be able to order superfast speeds (above 24Mb/s). Premises will be able to access a range of speeds – some will get superfast broadband and others will be able to get anywhere between 2Mb/s and 24Mb/s, depending on distance from the cabinet.



KINGSTON BAGPUIZE DRAMA GROUP

Our production in November is going to be a fun show for ALL the family!

We are going to be putting on The Emperor's New Clothes at the end of November with a mixture of evening and matinee performances to ensure that everyone of all ages will have the opportunity to come along and be part of it. Rehearsals are well under way and the cast is working very hard to make this a production like no other that KBDG has put on! There are many new faces appearing in this production and it is great to have some new talent in the group.

We will also be running a number of competitions for kids to make them really feel part of it - of course we won't restrict adults from entering these but you are unlikely to win!

The show will run from the 26th - 28th November with two performances on Saturday 28th November, one of which will be a matinee. We anticipate that tickets will sell out fast so to register your interest please email rob.bateman28@live.co.uk; prices to be announced shortly. We really look forward to seeing you there!

Rob Bateman



KINGSTON BAGPUIZE WITH SOUTHMOOR W.I.

This month's report covers the meetings held in July and August. Our July meeting was an open meeting and we had several visitors along with members to listen to our speaker Muriel Pilkington who gave a very interesting talk on 'Lost villages of Oxfordshire'.

The speaker for our August meeting was Geoff Richardson a volunteer with the charity Medical Detection Dogs. He gave a fascinating overview of their work in early cancer detection with dogs working with clinical samples and Medical Alert Assistance Dogs working with people whose medical status can fluctuate and change very quickly. The dogs can alert these patients before they feel unwell for example Type 1 diabetics and treatment can be given much quicker.

Lovely refreshments were enjoyed thanks to our hostesses. Next month's meeting is on 8th September and the subject is 'Brass Rubbing' by Dave Maycock. Members competition will be 'a Brass Ornament'

All our meetings are held in Southmoor Village Hall on the second Tuesday of the month at 7-30pm. New members are always welcome and we have more information on our Facebook page or through the OFWI. Karen King



WORDS OF WISDOM

The art of hospitality is to make guests feel at home when you wish they were.

Anon.

Youth Matters

Scott Thomson writes:



One thing that, in my opinion, many adults take for granted is their ability to drive around wherever they want. If they want to say, watch a movie or go shopping in town, they can just drive over, but if any of us 'youths' want to get anywhere on our own, we have to either cycle or take a bus. As the latter can often be excruciatingly expensive, a lot of us decide to cycle. A lot of the elder members of the village may remember cycling anywhere they wish, but today, due to increase in congestion, caused by multiple reasons which I definitely do not have the space to list in this article, many of us are restricted to footpaths and small country lanes, cutting us off from most large towns and cities.

Since our success at competitive cycling has dramatically increased with three 'Tour de France' winners in the past five years, so has our population of casual and amateur cyclists. However, the government and local councils have failed to react by building routes for cyclists to use that are free of traffic. These would not only keep cyclists safer, but they would encourage more people to partake in what has become a nationwide phenomenon, decreasing emissions of greenhouse gasses and encouraging people to do exercise, helping with the country's obesity epidemic, especially amongst the youth population.

A good example of a road that would benefit with a cycle path would be the A415 Witney-Abingdon road. It is extremely dangerous for cyclists to use this route, due to the narrow bridges at the Rose Revived and the notoriously difficult Marcham road. If a cycle path could be built to bypass these locations while keeping the beauty of these sites, it is likely many people, including the youth population would use it to reach the two large towns, which offer shops and other facilities. But for now any aspiring Chris Froomes will have to keep to careering down the Faringdon road.



WORDS OF WISDOM

*Man is the only animal that blushes.
Or needs to.*
Mark Twain



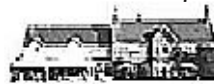
Mark Potts' Kitchen Talk

Quiz time

This month I wanted to do a ten question quiz related to food and drink. If anyone wants to send their answers, the prize is afternoon tea for two people at the hotel! Good luck!

- 1.) In which year did ww2 rationing formally end?
- 2.) What is the name given to an Australian beer glass just smaller than a pint?
- 3.) What is a Berwick cockle?
- 4.) How many gallons of beer are there in a barrel?
- 5.) "Marjorie's seedling" "jubileum" and "yellow pershire" are varieties of what?
- 6.) Death in the afternoon is a cocktail invented by which famous author and journalist?
- 7.) What is the real name of the "galloping gourmet" famous for a tv cooking show started in 1969?
- 8.) What is the town of burol in Spain famous for?
- 9.) In what year was the Mars Bar launched?
- 10.) Fear of cooking is recognised as a phobia, what's it called?

Please send answers to mark@fallowfields.com answers. Winner's name published next month



Mark is Head Chef at Fallowfields Hotel & Restaurant



Southmoor Baby & Toddler Group

We hope you've had a lovely summer holiday, but as the temperature drops and you're running out of ideas for cheap things to do then here's a welcome reminder that Southmoor Baby & Toddler Group restarts on Friday 4 September!

We meet on Friday mornings during term time from 10:00-11:30 at Southmoor Village Hall. We're a fun and welcoming group and are always keen to make new friends. Each session is only £2 per family and your first visit is absolutely free. We provide teas/coffees & biscuits for the adults and snack time for the children.

We offer a wide range of toys and craft activities and cater for babies to pre-schoolers. There's plenty of room for the children to run about as well as a safe outdoor area. Plus we organise special events and themed days. So if you're new to the village or haven't been for a while then do come along. Hope to see you in September! Don't hesitate to email us if you'd like to know more. Rachel Skeet,

Neighbourhood Plan: Your Voice in the Vale

If you have an opinion about how our village should grow and want to have a say, volunteer now to help create a Neighbourhood Plan. Over the last year, our village has seen three major housing developments of over 250 new houses without any strategic planning for the growth of the village. Now, developers are proposing another 73 houses on land off Field Close (again) and 280 houses at the A420/A415 site. Our opinions on facilities, housing and land use have not been heard.

A Neighbourhood Plan will allow our community to shape the development and growth of the village. It is used to choose where new homes, shops and offices can be built and have a say on what those buildings will look like. Communities with a Neighbourhood Plan also receive more money from all developments in their area. This cash boost of 25% of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds (instead of just 15%) is paid directly to us to invest in the village however the community sees fit. We can only produce a Neighbourhood Plan with the participation and views of local residents. The Parish Council can start the process but the Plan must be developed by members of our community.

We therefore plan to form a Steering Committee from interested village organizations. We will also need Working Groups of residents to look at particular policies for the Plan. If you are interested in participating, contact the Parish Clerk. Also, please get in touch if you have any relevant skills and can volunteer your expertise (are you a surveyor or an architect, or have experience in planning or the environment?). We extend a warm welcome all new residents to the village. If any of us want a say in the future of our village, we must speak up and work together to produce our Neighbourhood Plan.

The Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Neighbourhood Plan: Want to get involved? It doesn't matter how long you have lived in the village – your contribution matters. Tell us what you can do for our community (in approx. 200 words) and send it to the Parish Clerk at kingstonbagpuizesouthmoorpc@gmail.com or c/o Mr David Groves, 55 Blandy Avenue, Southmoor, Oxon OX13 5DA. Also, look out for a survey on resident views in an upcoming issue of the KBS News.

What is included in a Neighbourhood Plan? It can include policies to identify sites for housing, businesses, schools and health/leisure facilities, as well as the creation and protection of open space and play areas, cycle ways and footpaths, and the promotion of renewable energy schemes.

Who writes it and why? We do! Each community writes their own plan that focuses on the needs of the village. It must conform to the Local Plan to become part of the local statutory development plan. This means that the Vale of White Horse District Council or planning inspectors have to take the Plan into account when considering planning applications. It will take a lot of time and effort, but there are financial benefits in the form of additional developer funds as well as knowing that our opinions will influence the District Council.

How much will it cost? Anywhere from £15,000+. The Parish will provide some funding and there are grants available. To reduce costs, we will rely on local residents volunteering their relevant expertise and time. How long will it take? Developing a Neighbourhood Plan, approval and holding a village referendum takes, on average, two years. Josie Allsworth



ED VAIZEY'S Parish Newsletter

This month's postbag has been dominated by letters and emails on the upcoming parliamentary bill on assisted suicide. I have no moral objection to a law that would assist someone to die – provided they were of course making a decision entirely of their own free will, and based on their circumstances. However, my very real concern has been and always will be what one might call “the thin end of the wedge”. For every person that we might consider to have a clear and settled wish to end their lives, there are countless others who are vulnerable, despairing and often lacking in support who may feel under pressure to go through with this decision. Would we, in effect be encouraging those who might not otherwise have done so to decide to take their own life? This Bill legitimises the idea that suicide is a solution for disability and severe sickness. But, as years of debate on this issue in the House of Lords has shown, there is no safeguard that would be sufficient to stop a person who feels a burden on their caregivers from ending their life; nor can doctors accurately assess this, or worse, pressure or abuse which does regrettably exist in certain cases. This is why none of the Royal Medical Colleges support a change in the law. In fact, the British Medical Association, the Royal College of GPs and the Royal College of Physicians, actively oppose such a change for that very reason. This is a matter of conscience, and as such, will be decided by a free vote. For the reasons set out above, we must fiercely resist this bill. 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. 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.

gardening club
