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## DRAYTON CHRONICLE

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# NEW SPORTS FACILITIES & RECREATION PLAN - SURVEY RESULTS

The results of the Drayton Sports Needs Questionnaire administered over the summer are now available and can be found on the village website at:

http://www.draytonvillage.co.uk/drayton-2020/ They are part of the Report produced for Drayton Parish Council by the Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association (OPFA). These results and recommendations (see below) will now be used to plan the new sports and leisure facilities in the village.

## Recommendations and conclusions; putting the right facilities in place for the future

Having studied the data in detail, OPFA draws the following conclusions:

- There is a clear desire for the improvements to existing facilities and the provision of a new pavilion and associated sports pitches and a Multi-use Games Area with an all weather surface, (MUGA). Results from the Sports Needs Survey show that they are overwhelmingly backed by the parish.
- Residents are keen to be able to stay in the village for their sports and leisure activities. They support the project as it will enable them to do so, including by partly funding this through their precept.
- There is a need to cater for a mix of both indoor and outdoor sports, therefore there is a definite need to ensure that the village hall complements the new pavilion and the two are able to work together to ensure that people can access the facilities they need.
- The new pavilion needs to meet facility requirements for both cricket and football.
- There is a clearly demonstrated need for a MUGA (Multi-use Games Area), as people wish to be able to play tennis and basketball in the village. Netball is also currently played at the school and it may be the case that the netball club wishes to move to the new facility. The surface of the MUGA must meet these needs as a minimum.
- The pitches and the MUGA need to be floodlit, in order to get maximum usage from them during the winter months.
- The design of the pavilion needs to ensure there is adequate car parking. This comes up clearly as important to residents. In addition this will increase the possibility of hiring out the pavilion for events. Sport England guidance states there should be enough spaces for 70 cars and 20 bicycle racks. The car park should be lit.
- The village is keen to be able to use the pavilion as a social and meeting place as well as a place to play sport; this must be taken into account in the design.
- There should be designated and well maintained walking/jogging routes to and around the new site, given the fact that walking is the top pastime, and jogging is also very popular.
- Residents would like to have some outdoor fitness equipment stations around the edge of the site. This was the third most important thing to them after the provision of a car park and floodlighting. There are different options for outdoor fitness equipment. Calisthenics equipment is static, and enables upper body workouts intended to increase body fitness, strength and flexibility. Alternatively there is the possibility to install outdoor fitness equipment stations, with moving parts —

effectively an outdoor gym. Outdoor fitness equipment must meet the new European standard EN 16630. It should be noted that any outdoor fitness equipment should be sited at a minimum distance of 25m away from children's play equipment. OPFA can give further advice on this separately should the parish council need it.

- The site should be easily accessible, including by bike; residents have also asked for a cycle path around the edge of the site.
- There is a clear desire for a skate park/BMX facility in the parish, which should be considered as a separate project.

OPFA fully supports this project and gives its backing for any funding applications. This is a much needed facility, which will make up the shortfall in provision that exists currently, and help in meeting government targets in getting more of the population active. Furthermore, it will serve to bring the community closer together and to help integrate new members of the community. Drayton Parish Council and Drayton 2020 should be commended for their foresight in considering this as a multi-sport/leisure facility that can be flexible to meet changing needs over time. The provision of a MUGA, pavilion and refurbished village hall will ensure that any future needs can be met should there be a desire for different sports in years to come.

#### What Next?

Under the Drayton 2020 Neighbourhood Plan a major revamp of the sports and leisure facilities in Drayton is being planned including:

- A new sports pavilion, sports pitches and MUGA at Barrow Road (now called Walnut Meadow).
- A refurbishment of the Drayton Hall at Lockway.
- Additional facilities outside Drayton Hall (such as a skate park/BMX track).
- New children's play areas at Barrow Road and South of High Street
- A new Village Green on the Manor Farm site (opposite the entrance to Hilliat Fields).
- Improved footpaths and cycle paths.
- A walking/activity trail South of High Street.

Some of these facilities are being provided by developers. Others have a financial contribution or land from developers, but the Drayton Community will need to raise money by grants, loans and local fundraising to pay for improved leisure facilities.

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## NOTES for CONTRIBUTORS

Contributions to and advertisements in the Chronicle are most welcome. Please be sure always to include your name, address and (in case clarification is necessary) telephone number. Without names we will usually not print an item at all.

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- 2. If you cannot send your contribution by email, send us a good quality paper version, using fairly large, simple black typescript, without underlining on white paper, A4 or smaller.
- 3. Finally, we do accept hand-written items. However, in this case please write the names of people and places in capital letters. This does save a lot of mistakes.

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We welcome to Drayton;

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Michael and Emily Bell are very sad to announce that Barbara died on September 26th at Sobell House in Oxford.

Many people will remember that, when the family arrived in Drayton, Barbara was soon involved in a number of village activities - typing for the Chronicle, production of the Peacetime Commemoration mug, the Millennium Green, preparation of a photographic record of Drayton, to name but a few.



Later on she was also supporter in chief of the Drayton Twinning Society which Michael and she set up in 1999. Whether Barbara was involved in preparing a quiz, organising a lunch, supporting village enterprises or helping a friend she went about it with a quiet no-fuss enthusiasm and conscientiousness. She did things for people because she could and because they needed doing, not because she sought recognition.

For some years Barbara worked as a much appreciated teaching assistant at Drayton school. Whilst her remit was to support one child, typically she did not confine herself just to this, but weighed in with help wherever it was needed. For example she used her considerable creative talents to make costumes for the school play as well as passing on her skills to others. At home, too, her creativity surrounded her family and those who were lucky enough to benefit from her hospitality. Cooking, gardening, sewing, knitting, jewellery making, craftwork and mosaics - Barbara tried her hand at everything, with notable success.

In August Barbara's mother died in Salisbury. Nursing staff, who looked after Barbara so well this summer, arranged for her funeral service to be mirrored at Sobell House on September 26th. It is, perhaps, fitting that Barbara slipped away moments after the end of this service. By the time this is published, Barbara's service of celebration will have taken place at St Helen's Church in Abingdon on Wednesday 19th October.

Barbara will be remembered for her integrity, enthusiasm, creativity, competence, hospitality and friendship.

Tribute by Ruth and Stephen Fearnley

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### ST PETER'S LETTER

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Remembrance is key to the Christian faith. Each time we share communion we are remembering the death of Jesus and are giving thanks that he loved us so much that he died for us. Knowing that we are secure in the love of Christ, means that no matter what we may face, we have reason to give thanks and have a secure foundation on which to continue living our lives. So however you may be feeling at this time know that the love of Christ is there for you, all you need to do is ask him for his help.

St Peter's has a memorial service on Sunday 3pm 30th October. During the service we read out the names and remember our loved ones by lighting a candle.

Our Remembrance Day Services, Sunday 13th November are 10am and 6pm (with the Royal British Legion), all welcome.

God Bless

Rebecca







## REBECCA LEAVING Linda Johnson and Alison Bone

It is with sadness that we see Rebecca Peters leave St Peter's Church, as she responds to God's calling to become Minister at Peachcroft in Abingdon. We wish her and her family well as she takes up her new appointment, and we want to thank her for her contribution to Church and village life here in Drayton over the past five or so years.

Recently all five parishes in the DAMASCUS Group (Drayton, Appleford, Milton, Sutton Courtenay and Steventon) all voted to move from being five parishes to becoming one. This is a big change for all our churches and parishes and it has taken a lot of prayer, planning and preparation to reach this point – and there is still a long way to go. A scheme is being drawn up and this has to be approved by all the Parochial Church Councils and the Church Commissioners.

Clergy numbers have been reduced to one full time stipendiary priest in Sutton Courtenay; one part-time (Sundays plus two days a week) House for Duty Priest and one part-time stipendiary (Sundays plus three days a week) in Steventon/Milton and Drayton. It is felt that that becoming a single parish will allow us to use the gifts and skills of clergy and lay people more effectively for the growing mission and ministry. It will simplify administration and structures and enable us to share resources and costs more effectively as well as encourage mutual support. Once the proposed scheme has been approved then we will be able to advertise the vacancy. Until then we are fortunate to be able to call upon our associate priest and a number of retired clergy to help take our services. It has been necessary to reduce the number of 8am Sunday services to one (2nd Sunday of month), because it is very difficult to find a minister for those services. (N.B. on 4th Sunday there is an 8am service at Steventon church). In the meantime we look forward to welcoming everyone at our main Sunday service which continues to be held at 10am every Sunday.

(The Chronicle adds it's best wishes to Rebecca and her family. Good luck Rebecca with your move and in your new post).

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Local contacts: Geoff or Jean Caudle, 531409

## FIRST TUESDAY CONNECTIONS Jean Hager

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Please note that the December meeting, (Christmas Party), will be held on **WEDNESDAY 7th**.

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## PARISH COUNCIL REPORT Richard Williams

Report of the Parish Council meetings held on Mon 5th September and 3rd October 2016.

#### September:

A Caudwell Close resident expressed concerns that the proposed Manor Farm development would entail the removal of some trees along the border with the Close. He was also worried about the proximity of some of the new houses and asked questions about the maintenance of the new green. Most probably, the maintenance of the new green will be a Parish Council obligation. This and many other issues relating to Manor Farm were discussed at the follow-up public Planning Committee meeting held on 14th September in the Village Hall. About twenty members of the public attended this.

A new bench for The Green and picnic table for the Lockway playground has been delivered. The bench has now been installed: it is located to the south of the bus shelter, opposite Vickery's hardware shop. Our thanks to the Ash family for donating the bench, and to Harry Ash, Steve Sadler and Chris Price for fixing it in place.

The Drayton Conservation Area report has been received but now needs to be changed to fit the Vale's recently published template. The PC agreed to pay Dr Kathryn Davies, who is a Heritage Buildings Consultant and Town Planner the additional costs necessary to carry out this work.

Quotes have been received from the Millennium Green Trust for the cost of renovating the footpaths across the Green and possibly creating a new one, to connect the two entrances from Sutton Wick Lane. Access points to the Green are also being looked at, with a view to improving disabled access, while retaining the existing kissing gates and barriers so far as possible.

It was agreed to set up a working group to manage arrangements for the Victoria Cross Paving Stone ceremony next January.

October:

Stuart Davenport, our District Councillor reported that completion of the Vale's Local Plan is at last in sight. The Planning Inspector will make his final report in November. If he approves the changes made as a result of this summer's consultation process, the Plan should be adopted in December. Hopefully this will help to fight off further speculative planning applications right across the Vale.

For the VWHDC Community Awards, the Parish Council nominated Sian Middleton who has just retired from 25 years of teaching thousands of young people at Drayton Community Primary School.

The Victoria Cross working group met on 21st September. Invitations to the ceremony are about to be sent out. The date of the Commemoration Service is Sunday 22nd January, and the Bishop of Dorchester has kindly agreed to officiate. Timings are 10:00am St Peters Church; 11:15am Reception at Drayton Village Hall.

It was agreed to open a second Unity Trust bank account to deal with Drayton 2020 projects and expenditure. This is intended to make the funding of these projects clearer and more transparent.

There have been communication problems between Drayton 2020 and Miller Homes regarding the Barrow Road (Walnut Meadow) housing site. Miller Homes are not forthcoming with information, particularly about the sports pitch layouts, why the new fence along the drainage ditch has stopped half way, and what they are going to do with the large pile of soil. It was resolved that the Clerk be authorised to write a letter if the sports pitch levels information is not provided soon, threatening legal action. Notwithstanding the above issues, it was also resolved to appoint an architect (SWA: Stanhope Wilkinson Associates) for the first stage of the sports pavilion design. On 30th September 2016 Colin Arnold and the Clerk visited several MUGAs (Multi-Use

Games Areas) in the surrounding district. Further information

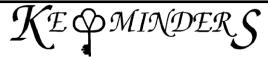
was now being sought on suppliers and costs. A separate article in this issue of the Chronicle (Page 1) addresses the results of the recent Sports Needs survey and the feedback report that the Parish Council commissioned from OPFA (the Oxfordshire Playing Fields Association).

Sadly, it appears that Thames Valley Police have made a decision to close all their outlying small police offices in the Vale, except for one in Eynsham, which is on the edge of a large area without a main police station. This means that the office in Sutton Courtenay, which Drayton PC had agreed in principle to part-fund, will close next March. Obviously, the question of parish funding no longer arises, and no grant will now be made. Our PCSO, Sue Haynes, will continue to serve the village, but although PCSOs could in the past be deployed to other areas if the need was greater, it seems that other changes in the role make this more likely to happen. In short, police funding has been cut, so the available human resources have to be stretched more thinly and further afield than before. A story which somehow sounds vaguely familiar....

To contact any members of the Parish Council, all enquiries should be directed to the Parish Clerk, David Perrow, in the first instance. David may be contacted via E-mail at draytonclerk@yahoo.co.uk or by telephone on 07909 176061, and he will ensure that any messages are passed on. Any Drayton resident may also ask to be added to the Clerk's E-mailing list, so that they receive prior notice of meetings and any relevant documents.

All Parish Council minutes are archived on the village website: http://www.draytonvillage.co.uk/. The website carries back copies of the Chronicle, information on the Drayton 2020 Implementation Committee, and details of other events in the village.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 7th November 2016, at 7.30 pm, in the Caudwell Day Centre in Gravel Lane. As ever, all are welcome to attend.



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## DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT Stuart Davenport

What constitutes success? For an athlete the answer is fairly simple: a quick time, a long/high leap or a far throw. For a business it isn't so straightforward, but many would say net profit is a rather good indicator. However, for public services the assessment is much more difficult.

The quality of service that a public body delivers is surely the most important factor? That might be true, but when the funding for delivering that service comes from general taxation it is vital that the service is delivered efficiently. And what about access to the service? Nothing is infinite and so all services need to be rationed according to some method; the method deployed will determine the quality for each individual.

This complex calculation over how to deliver a quality public service is what drives the rather lively debate between councils in Oxfordshire over which structure to adopt in coming years. Should the whole of Oxfordshire's local services be delivered by one council, or should smaller units of the county be responsible for delivering all services to their locality?

Expensive management consultants have been used to generate data on efficiencies, delivery and accountability. Despite the pages of fact, figures and projections, as with all decisions made by public bodies, the answer will be a decision on values and priorities. It is important that local councillors listen to the electorate and make decisions which aren't governed by sectional interests.

At a Full Council meeting of the Vale in October the whole council committed to working proactively with neighbouring local authorities to ensure the best interests of our residents are served. The debate will continue, and in large part will be governed by central Government's thinking, but I would be interested to hear your views.

If you have an opinion on how Oxfordshire's councils should be structured please let me know on Stuart.Davenport@whitehorsedc.gov.uk. As ever, I can be contacted on this email or by telephone (01235521078) on any council related issue.





## COUNTY COUNCIL REPORT Richard Webber

Still struggling to stay optimistic...

In a recent Planning bulletin, I read that there is a Council in Yorkshire whose planning officers have advised their Council to delay their local Plan because their future housing growth figures are based on pre-Brexit assumptions. Living in an area such as ours, where we have been desperate (for more than five years) to get our Local Plan in place to protect us from yet more speculative planning, many will want to throw up their hands in despair.

Our Local Plan is based on assumptions about future housing growth which many of us have questioned for some time. Are we capable of building the number of houses assumed in the Local Plan? Do we have the builders and the bricks? What makes us think we can build at nearly twice the rate we have achieved at any time in the last 20 years? Now we are told that some of the experts believe that Brexit may mean the figures on which a Local Plan is based may be all wrong. Of all the possible impacts of Brexit, that one had not occurred to me. The Government has plenty to occupy it at present (and spare a thought for the Civil Servants being asked to run around in small circles in trying to work out the possible effects of Brexit). The possible effect on Planning and Housing is, I fear, one more thing they need to sort out as quickly as possible. Asking towns and villages to take a mass of housing for which there may not be the demand will not go down well.

And it isn't just Government that has the headaches. Councils are settling down to worry about their next budgets in an atmosphere of unprecedented uncertainty. We may hope that the Chancellor's Autumn Statement will not contain any nasty surprises. "No changes" seems to be the best we can hope for. No-one is expecting any good news. It is all too easy to get very depressed about the immediate future.

Ah well, we have the election of a President to look forward to....

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## WESTMINSTER LETTER Ed Vaizey

Since Parliament's return from the summer recess I have used my new role as a backbencher to ask a number of questions and hold debates in the chamber.

I have asked the Home office about cyber crime — an area of increasing concern, and one where I am keen to see more specialist recruitment into the Police. On Brexit, an issue of huge concern to so many of my constituents, I also questioned the new Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union



about reassurances for the creative industries after Brexit. Finally, I asked the new Justice Secretary about how the arts can help rehabilitate offenders in the criminal justice system. I also attended the debate on the BBC Charter and asked about diversity, and made a speech in the debate on the Digital Economy Bill, focusing on the success of the rural broadband programme in my constituency. The new broadband Universal Service Obligation will be of great importance to rural areas such as Wantage and Didcot.

On constituency issues, I used Transport Questions to secure a meeting with the Minister responsible for highways, John Hayes, to discuss issues with safety on the A34. This meeting is to be held next month, and I am looking forward to discussing some ideas on how safety on the A34 can be improved.

I also hosted a debate on funding in the arts, where I called on the Government to increase funding and support to the arts and heritage.

Thames Water have contacted me to let me know about their new 'Bin it don't block it' campaign, aimed at alerting the public of the problems created when fat, oil and grease is poured down drains and when wet wipes are flushed down toilets. Over the last year there were 3025 blockages in our area. Over the next six weeks, Thames Water will be contacting residents to encourage them to change their behaviour, and prevent these blockages and their consequences from occurring.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any pressing issues that you would like help with. Either myself or one of my team will get back to you as soon as possible and do what we can to assist. You can contact me on any matter at the House of Commons, SW1A OAA, dicksonce@parliament.uk or 020 7219 6350. Email is the quickest and most reliable way to get in touch, as I keep a very close eye on my emails and can reply very quickly. Details of my activities in Parliament can be read on my website, https://www.vaizey.com. I also send out occasional general interest emails about developments in the Wantage and Didcot Constituency. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, please complete the online form at http://bit.ly/EdVaizeyMP.

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## **ALL AROUND**

### **DRAYTON WIVES**

#### **Gwen Price**

We had a very good attendance of members and non members at our September meeting as the speaker, Bill Rennells, was an ex Drayton resident. He has spent 70 years in the media first as a young man reporting on the Kentish Gazette. He eventually changed to broadcasting with the B.B.C. and was at the start of Radio Oxford. His most recent popular late night show on Radio Oxford is "Harmony nights" on Sunday, where his choice of music is very soothing and nostalgic. Bill has had many highlights, many funny episodes and has met many interesting people. One of his favourite tasks was to report on Test Match special and Saturday afternoon sports. Bill has a lovely sense of humour which he shared with us. We all enjoyed the talk.

### DRAYTON PRESCHOOL

**Katy Hoyle** 

As we enter a new academic year we have welcomed many new children to our preschool. They have enjoyed learning about the changing seasons. A small group of children were able to take part in a walk to the Millenium Green where they became 'squirrels' foraging for walnunts.

The children have also had a visit from Reverend Rebecca Peters, who shared the story of the 'loaves and the fishes' in keeping with Harvest Festival.

Our next intake will be in January 2017. If you have a child aged between 2-4 years and would like to arrange a visit or put their name on our waiting list, please contact Nadine on 01235 536094 or email draytonpreschool@btconnect.com

## BABY AND TODDLER GROUP Laura Hughes

Toddlers runs from  $9.30 \, \text{am} - 11.30 \, \text{am}$  most Thursday's, find us on Facebook (Drayton Baby and Toddler Group 2016), to check what's happening each week. Please note we will be closed during the school Christmas holidays, no toddlers on the 22nd or 29th December.

Sessions cost £2 per family, payable on the day, includes a snack and drink.

We have a wide range of toys, including a dedicated padded baby area, ride-on, cars, dolls, kitchen, Lego, books and puzzles and now a roller coaster!

All children aged under 5 are very welcome. Perhaps you're a new parent or recently moved to the area and are nervous about coming to a group, well please come along! We are friendly and not too busy at the moment so it's the ideal time to get to know other parents and their children without being completely overwhelmed. Jenny will be around weekly to welcome you and Joy has been making great tea and coffee for longer than any of us can remember!

We have lots of events happening over the Autumn term, including visits from toddler music group Boogie Beat, photographs perfect for Christmas gifts with Tiny Footprints photography, and a Christmas party with a visit from a very special VIP guest! So come along and join in the fun.

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#### 1st DRAYTON BROWNIES

### **Annette Mitchell**

Delicious Apple Crumbles were made by the Brownies with their harvest from the week before, followed by making a hot drink and toast, all part of their Brownie Skills Badge.

The Brownies have been learning a lot about Home Safety. When to make a 999 call and having the right information to give, i.e.: their address and telephone number! The Brownies were given lots of different types of accidents that might happen around the home, they had to decide if they would ring 999 or just get an adult to help.

They also had a look at different room scenes and had to decide if there was anything they would do or change to stop an accident happening. We have some very safety conscious Brownies now!

We would like to thank PCSO Sue Haynes who came to our meeting and talked to the Brownies about safety and how to keep themselves safe at home and when they are out and about with their friends.

We have a waiting list and would encourage you to put your daughter's name down if you would like a place next year, as our waiting list is growing! Details below.

Meetings are held at Drayton Village Hall, on Wednesdays during school term from 6pm - 7.30pm, meetings are open to all girls aged between 7 - 10 years old. You can register your interest on the girl guiding website and click on

"Join Us!" at www.girlguiding.org.uk/get\_involved or you can email us on drayton1stbrownies@live.co.uk

Further details are available from:

Ruth Hudson (Brown Owl) on 01235 205111 Esther Deabill (Tawny Owl) on 01235 528502

Annette Mitchell (Barn Owl) on 01235 555216

## TABLE TENNIS CLUB

### **John Gould**

Another winter and another new season of Whiff- Whaff as Ping – Pong ( I mean table tennis) was originally called!

Drayton Table Tennis Club first entered a team (in fact two teams) in the Didcot & District Table Tennis Association League Div 5 in 1986/87 season. It was a very good start with the A team finishing as Champions and the B team runners-up. Two seasons on and the A team were 4th Division Champions and the following season won Division 3! It was a few years later in 1994/95 that Drayton A finished runners up in Division 2 and thereby won promotion to the top flight. The A team tended to bounce up and down for a few seasons after that. These days we have a regular place in the top division. We were Champions in 2009/10 for the first and so far only time.

Moving on to this campaign, at the time of penning this tome, our seven teams have played only two or three matches, so its very early days to suggest what the season holds. For the first time in many seasons we don't have a team in Division 5. We anticipate that will be for one season only as new players usually join the club during the season and by this time next year we will likely have enough 'beginners' to support a starter team.

With three teams in Division 4 we have hopes one of them will challenge at the top. We also have strong teams in divisions 2 and 3 so hope they will also do well. More reports on that later in the season

Best wishes to all for an enjoyable winter whatever your sport!

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To book a place, please email Kally at bettybloomdance@gmail.com or: 07785 232862

W.I.

Our October meeting was extremely interesting. Ray from Q Gardens Butchers and Farm shop, at the top of Steventon Hill, came to speak to us. He started his talk by telling us all how he began his butchering career as a young lad in Kennington, he progressed through several employers until six years ago he took employment at Q Gardens. He explained to us that all beef and lamb sold in the shop was homegrown and matured under their care. Pork and poultry was also sourced from reputable producers.

Ann Webb

He proceeded to cut up the front end of a lamb carcass and showed how various cuts were formed. At the end of his talk we were all presented with a piece of lamb or beef of our choice to take home and enjoy, which we did and it was lovely roasted with potatoes etc. Thank you Ray and the Hartwright family for their generosity, much appreciated by us all. Final arrangements for the Quiz were made. If you haven't got a team in, please do so, it's a good night with a great supper thrown in. Details can be found in the October Chronicle and on page 14, of this Chronicle or ring 531418 to book a table for four.

Next month we have as our speaker, Anthony King our local circuit judge now retired. He will keep us well entertained probably about his life in court. 7.30pm November 10th in the Day centre.

Finally, the photo below shows me with a table cloth I made in recognition of our ninety fifth birthday last December. It fits in the centre of the previous cloth made fifteen years ago, with the members names updated for this year. These two cloths update our original cloth of green linen with many many names on.



## **MORE ALL AROUND**

### HALL REPORT

## **Tony Holmes**

The new front door is in, and all users should have new keys by the time of this issue.

DO bear in mind the upcoming W.I. 'Wit & Wisdom' Quiz (Nov 11th, book a team with Ann Webb on 531418), AND the following week (18th) a Ladies' Pamper Night, run this time in aid of FODSA & Preschool. For that one notices will doubtless appear, and also see the Families in Drayton Facebook page.

I try and give our various regular groups a mention in this column, one I haven't for a while is 'Tiny Talk', (Monday lunchtime), which on 'Netmums' website is described as "Come along to TinyTalk - baby sign language classes for 0-2 year olds, and help your baby 'talk' to you before s/he can speak!"

With Christmas looming, just time to get in shape before over-indulging, so check out our 'BounceFit' (Monday evenings), 'Clubbercise' (Tuesday eves), or Zumba (Sunday & Tuesday evenings). For something a little more restrained, there's Seniors Yoga (much of it sitting) on Monday mornings, and our Sequence Dancers have their weekly sessions on Thursday evenings, join now and you'll be just in time for their big December 'do'!

We have a Craft Fair booked on Sunday Nov 13th, and speaking of crafts, there's a small group meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each month, various crafts, whatever you like, knitting, painting, rugs, sewing, all sorts, you do need to be a member of U3A, but if so they'd be pleased to see you.

Oh, one more thing, if anybody wandered off with our last remaining dustpan & brush (we used to have 3), we'd like it back please as it's so old we think it qualifies for the Antiques Roadshow. In truth, whoever thinks their place looks better with them, let us know and we'll try and get you some paint to brighten the house, it would surely need it?

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Allan Costley

#### **Steventon and District Branch**

The Branch will be holding its Annual General Meeting at **7.00pm in the Sports and Social Club, Steventon on 21st November 2016**. All members **are strongly encouraged** to attend, and the AGM will be immediately followed by the normal Committee meeting if there is sufficient interest and support to enable the Branch to continue in its current form.

If there are any points for inclusion in the AGM, these should be forwarded to the Branch Secretary, Paul Francis (contact details below) as soon as practicable, and not later than 19th November.

As ever, your local branch is always available to support and advise, and key contact details for the Committee members are:

President: Pat Buckland, 07778 039967 Chairman: Al Costley, 07832 340468,

e-mail – al\_costley@hotmail.co.uk

Secretary: Paul Francis, 07799 026666,

e-mail – francisoxo@aol.com Treasurer: Rod Clewley, 01235 831206,

e-mail - rod@rclewley.orangehome.co.uk

#### GARD Derek Stork

Thames Water has issued a draft report refining the list of options for its 2019 Five-year Water Resources Management Plan. Readers will be well aware that the 2010 Public Inquiry resulted in the rejection of the proposed massive Abingdon reservoir to be sited on the land between Steventon, Hanney, Drayton and Marcham. The 2014 five year Plan did not bring back the proposal, but it is once more 'on the table'. In the new draft plan, Thames Water has calculated that there will be a large water supply deficit in the south-east by 2045 and a much larger deficit by 2080. This is mainly caused by increased demands from population growth in London, and the need to plan for more severe droughts due to climate change. There will also be a much smaller deficit in our Swindon and West Oxfordshire area. GARD does

not dispute these forecasts but we are strongly debating with Thames Water about how the forecast shortfalls can best be tackled. In this we work alongside organisations such as CPRE and the Cotswold Canals Trust.

All now agree that the problem can only be solved by a balance between a range of water sources including much more recycling of treated water, a second desalination plant in the Thames, reducing demand by tackling leakage losses and metering, transfer of water from the River Severn and, (Thames believe,) a large new reservoir. This last item is very much on the cards again. Thames are still undecided about the capacity, but the maximum proposed size is as big as the rejected 2010 proposal. Once again the only reservoir site being considered is the Abingdon site between Steventon, Hanney, Drayton and Marcham. Thames Water invested a lot in this option pre 2010 and clearly wants to capitalise on this, although it only stores water fed by the Thames and is not a new source of water.

GARD is challenging many aspects of the emerging Plan, and is supported by the expertise of our consultants. We believe there is no case for a reservoir of this type in this area. The work of our consultants shows that such a reservoir is not proof against climate change and could not survive more prolonged drought periods. Only water re-use, desalination and water transfers can help in these cases. We will need strong public support, as in 2010, in the looming battle. We are also keen to add talent to our committee. Please get in touch if you feel you can offer either technical input or administrative/secretarial help. You can contact me, (email

thestorks@btinternet.com or telephone 01235 831390) if you would like to help, or to join GARD (lifetime membership is only £5).

(Editor's note: Derek tells me that he has taken over as Chairman of GARD from Nick Thompson, who remains as Vice-Chairman).

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Police office: As a result of the planned withdrawal of funding for the police office in Sutton Courtenay, which was announced by Thames Valley Police (TVP) earlier in the year, NAG5 approached Appleford, Drayton and Sutton Courtenay Parish Councils to ask if they wished to share funding the anticipated cost (circa £4,500) to maintain the office. At the August meeting Drayton Parish Council agreed, in principle, to funding and Sutton Courtenay Parish Council had agreed an agenda item for a future meeting.

Since the request, NAG5 has learned that Thames Valley Police has taken a strategic decision to close all non-police-station offices within the TVP area as their leases expire. It is anticipated that the Sutton Courtenay police office will close towards the end of March 2017. Access to existing community facilities is being explored in all three villages to facilitate any occasional need by the policing team within the communities. Further details will be provided in the three NAG5 village newsletters as it becomes available. It should be emphasised that the closure of the office does not impact on the policing support we get within the community.

**Speeding:** NAG5 is in the process of understanding, through discussions with relevant experts, how speeding issues (both perception and actual) can be tackled in the current tight financial climate, where measures can only be taken if the recorded accident statistics are significantly high.

<u>Scrap metal:</u> Anyone selling scrap metal is advised that purchasers should have a licence and should also provide a receipt, on headed paper or similar, for all purchases. If there are any queries from the police this ensures that both buyer and seller have written proof of the authenticity of the transaction.

Cold callers: There have been more reports of cold callers in the area. It is thought to be likely that cold callers will return to an area if people buy from them. If they call on you, and you do not wish to purchase, a polite 'no thank you', then closing the door without any further engagement, might be an option. Those who have door chains are encouraged to ensure the chain is in place before opening the door to unexpected callers. If you have a 'we do not buy or sell at the door' style sign you may wish to draw the attention of cold callers to it. Please note that it is not an offence for callers to ignore such signs. If callers become aggressive or threatening please call the police for assistance.

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Avenging and angry, a chap named Guy Fawkes, Neath parliament house found a spot, And with like minded friends he deftly connived At gunpowder, treason and plot.

A great pile of firewood they carefully built And explosives they secretly got. The king and his henchmen they planned to blow up With gunpowder, treason and plot.

Sadly for Fawkes his intent was unearthed And he much deserved punishment got. He and his mates were publicly hung For gunpowder, treason and plot.

On the fifth of November each year do remember,
As Guys burn on fires raging hot,
'Tis not a good move to meddle and scheme
With gunpowder, treason and plot!

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## YOUR LETTERS

Dear Editor,

#### **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

This is just to say a very BIG thank you to everyone who came to the coffee morning, and to those who could not come but sent a generous donation.

This included the sale of craft items and cards made by Miriam Drew and Ann Hutchings, so our grateful thanks to all who helped and supported.

Brenda Malin and Liz Kidd

Dear Editor

After living in Drayton for over 54 years Mrs Doreen Fincham recently left the village to move to Mayott House in Abingdon, she would like to say a massive thank you to all her friends in the village for supporting her through this change, she has loads of happy memories from living in Drayton, but felt the time was right for her to move.

Robert Fincham

Dear Editor

I read with interest the letter concerning aircraft noise. We live in an area that has a lot of military bases nearby, Abingdon, Benson, Brize Norton to name a few, and obviously they train pilots, aircraft personal etc so at certain times there's more activity. I have lived here for seventeen years and it has never bothered me, I also have a baby in the house and it's never upset him, in fact over the summer months we would point them out to him! I'm sure in time the Mace family will get used to it, we used to hear the A 34 but now it's just background noise.

Julie Haynes

Dear Editor

Thank you so much to all who supported the charity concert held by the Drayton Community Choir and Wantage Male Voice Choir on Saturday October 8th. We are delighted to announce that £900 was raised to support the work of DAMASCUS Youth Project. We were astounded at the generosity of all who came along. Many thanks to those who worked so hard behind the scenes to make the evening such a success. Thank you to Lawrence at Vickery's for selling tickets and Austin & Geraldine at The Wheatsheaf for advertising the concert. Thank you to Jacqui Newman who arranged refreshments and Kirsty Darter for all her help on the night. Thank you to Ruth Hudson for her help in making up the raffle hampers and Josh Dennis for selling raffle tickets. Gary and co did a fabulous job of running the bar singing is very thirsty work apparently. Finally, a BIG thank you to Gary, Roxy and all the team who do such wonderful work with the youngsters in our area. Your hard work and commitment has such a positive impact on their lives. Many thanks again.

Jules Laws & Annette Mitchell

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Dear Editor

After being a diabetic for thirty one years I am very, very fortunate in that I received a pancreas and kidney transplant this year. Subsequently my family and myself took part in a Charity Walk in London to raise money for kidney research.

We raised the grand sum of £607 and we would like to thank everyone for their donations, and for all the good wishes I received on having my transplant in March. Thank you.

Daniel Etwell



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The Vintage Village Games is an opportunity for you to come along and team up and take part in a few activities with friends and fellow residents. Activities to include skittles, indoor croquet, new age bowls and new age curling.

Tea and biscuits will be served too.

Booking is essential contact 01235 422219 for details.

#### **Drayton Youth Centre Charity**

Are looking for a new treasurer and secretary. Ann Webb remains as the chairperson

The task would consist of one meeting a year when the grants are discussed and handed out. It is not too time consuming but we feel it needs somebody who is more involved with the younger community.

If you are interested and would like to know more, please contact Karen Tinson 01235 531596 or karen.tinson@gmail.com.

#### W.I. Wit and Wisdom Quiz

The annual quiz is to be held on Friday 11th November, 7.30 at Drayton Hall

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#### Vale of White Horse - Changes to your recycling services

From November, we'll only empty green wheelie bins if the recycling in them is loose or in clear sacks.

Despite a recent campaign to raise awareness of the issue, food waste, dirty nappies, and other items we can't recycle are still contaminating whole truckloads of recycling. When these are put into recycling bins in black or coloured sacks they're not spotted until it's too late (take a look at our video to see what happens when contamination gets into the recycling).

From November, if there's a sack in a recycling bin and the waste crews can't see what's in it, they won't empty it.

The best option is to put your recycling in loose (give it a quick rinse beforehand to keep your green bin smelling fresh). If you would prefer to use clear sacks, you can buy them from most major supermarkets and hardware stores.

#### From now to November

Throughout October we'll leave a note on any bins with the wrong colour sack in it to explain the problem and we'll empty the bin on that occasion. From November we'll start leaving them unemptied to help us protect everybody's recycling from getting contaminated. You will need to remove any sacks or contamination before your next scheduled recycling collection.

If you have any questions, please contact Biffa on 03000 610 610 or at admin.vale@biffa.co.uk.

#### New telephone No. for power cuts

On 6th September a new three digit national number "105" was to be launched by electricity companies. This means that from now on if you want to report or find out about a power cut in your area, you just dial 105 and you will be put through to your local electricity company, no matter who you actually purchase your electricity from. It's a free service so stick the number on the fridge.

#### Drayton area update from Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) Sue Haynes and PC Keith Morton. Cold Calling

We have received reports of two men selling cleaning items on doorsteps and being aggressive when they didn't get a sale. When answering the door always look through your spyhole or a window first and keep your door chain on when opening the door. If you do not know the person or do not wish to engage with them, then do not answer the door and tell them to go away. If at any time they become aggressive then please call us. If they don't get any sales in the village they are most likely to not come back!

#### Crime

On 2nd October between 7pm – 11pm a burglary took place in a house on Corneville Road, Drayton. Entry was gained by smashing the rear patio door and small items and cash were taken. If you have any information on this crime please call the non-emergency number 101 and quote 43160274785.

#### Fraud

There have been further incidents of fraud in our area. Please remember that the police and your bank with never ask for your pin or any information relating to your account over emails and the telephone. Please remember, computer firms will never call or email asking for personal information to fix your computer. If you would like any further information on the different types of fraud and advice on what to do please visit: www.actionfraud.police.uk.

### Contact us

If you want any advice or would like to contact the neighbourhood team you can call us on the police non-emergency number 101 or if it is an emergency then dial 999. You can also contact AbingdonOuterNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk. Please note this email address cannot be used to contact Thames Valley Police to report crimes or for any urgent matters. To view information on your neighbourhood team visit the Thames Valley Police website at: www.thamesvalley.police.uk. Receive free local crime alerts prevention advice by registering www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk today. This allows anyone who signs up to choose what updates they receive and how they would like to receive it.

## NOTICE BOARD CONTD.

#### **Earth Trust**

The Earth Trust is organising outdoor activities during November. All events take place at the Earth Trust, Little Wittenham, OX14 4QZ unless otherwise stated:

#### **Potions and Pumpkins**

Sunday 6th November, 10am-2pm

At this month's Sunday Drop-in, come and experience a naturally spooky Halloween with potions galore and pumpkin soup over the fire. £4 suggested donation per child, accompanying adult(s) free.

#### **Cordage and Fibres**

Sunday 13th November, 10am-4pm

Did you know you can make rope and cord from nettles, hemp and flax? Join Earth Trust for this practical session that includes spinning with the fibres you produce. £30; booking essential: 01865 407792.

#### Star Walk

Friday 25th November, 6pm-8pm

Join us for a starlit countryside walk with Dr Russell Layberry from Oxford University. For adults and older children. £5 adult, £2 child; booking essential: 01865 407792.

#### Hedgelaying

Saturday 26th - Sunday 27th November, 9.30am-4pm

Learn the basics of laying a Midland style hedge, or refine your skills, during this two day hands-on workshop with Clive Leeke. All tools provided. £75 (discount for Earth Trust Friends); booking essential: 01865 407792.

#### **Details from:**

#### **Lucy Benyon**

#### **Communications Officer**

Earth Trust, Little Wittenham, Oxfordshire, OX14 4QZ

Direct Line: 01865 409406 Office No.: 01865 407792 lucy.benyon@earthtrust.org.uk www.earthtrust.org.uk

#### **Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum**

Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum are hosting a talk by Stephen Barker entitled "Oxfordshire on the Home Front 1914-18". It will explain about the impact of the war in the towns and countryside. It will focus upon fundraising and charitable events, munitions production, recruitment, the effects upon women and children, the fear of invasion, the influx of Belgian refugees and many other themes. The talk is fully illustrated and uses testimony from those who were there.

Wednesday 9th November 2016. 7.00pm - 8.30pm.

Tickets: £10. Refreshments available.

Details from: Louisa Fagan

Visitor & Museum Services Assistant

Soldiers of Oxfordshire

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(Editor's Note: The Chronicle has recently received several photographs of the village taken in the distant past, two of them are shown here. At left, The Red Lion (19th century), above, The Wheatsheaf (date unknown, at least by me).

It is planned that these will be displayed in the Gallery on the village website, www.draytonvillage.co.uk)

## DRAYTON DIARY

### DIARY FOR NOVEMBER

All events held in Drayton Hall unless otherwise stated To book Drayton Hall call Tony Holmes on (01235) 531180 or visit the hall website:- www.draytonvh.co.uk

9.00am Zumba Party (Gemma)

Private Function (Child's birthday) 1.00pm

5.30pm Private Function 9.00am Private Function

Mon 7th 7.30pm Parish Council Meeting Caudwell DC

Fri 11th 7.30pm WI Wit & Wisdom Ouiz Sat 12th 7.00pm **Private Function** 

Sun 13th 10.00am 'MiLou' Craft Fair

Mon 14th 5.00pm Chronicle Deadline (p2) – Ads 11th

Fri 18th 7.00pm Ladies Pamper Evening

Private Function (Child's birthday) Sat 19th 11.00am Sun 20th noon Private Function (Child's birthday) Private Function (Child's birthday) Sat 26th 11.00am

Sun 27th 9.00am Bowls Club

Sat 5th

Sun 6th

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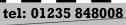
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#### REGULARLY OCCURRING EVENTS

Weekly in Drayton Hall unless stated otherwise

NB PLEASE – if an entry is wrong – tell one of the editors (page 2)

#### MONDAYS

8.45 am Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) School Ground Bldg

11.00 am Seniors 'Gentle' Yoga (07712 646382)

1.15 pm Baby sign-language classes (1 hr – 07927 339102)

Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours) 2.00 pm

6.00 pm 'Bounce Fit' (1hr - Sophie 07791 778388)

7.15 pm Drayton Wives Whist (3rd Monday) Caudwell DC

7.00 pm Table Tennis (Coaching, one hour) School

7.30 pm Badminton (Private Group)

7.45 pm St Peter's Bell-ringing (for 1½ hours)

8.00 pm Table Tennis (Social Play, one hour) School

## TUESDAYS

8.45 am Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) School Ground Bldg 1.45 pm Drayton Art Group (until 4 pm) Caudwell Day Centre

2.20 pm Mobile Library (Fortnightly, for 20 min)

2.30 pm First Tuesday Connections (1st Tuesday) Church Room 5.45 pm Zumba Fitness (Kelly)

7.00 pm League Table Tennis (3 hours) School

8.00 pm 'Clubbercise' (Hannah – 07811 209242)

#### WEDNESDAYS

Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) School Ground Bldg 8.45 am 10.00 am Pebbles (Baby, Toddler, Carer gp) Church Room

2.00 pm Drayton Wives (Last Wednesday in the month)

2.15 pm Badminton

6.00 pm **Brownies** 

7.00 pm League Table Tennis (3 hours) School

7.00 pm Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours)

7.30 pm Bingo Session Caudwell Day Centre

#### THURSDAYS

8.45 am Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) School Ground Bldg 9.00 am Foot Clinic (1st Thurs) Caudwell Day Centre St Peter's Lady Chapel 9.15 am Holy Communion Parent & Toddler Group (NB Term-time ONLY) 9.30 am 2.00 pm Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours)

2.00 pm Wives' Whist (Mthly – 2nd Thurs) Caudwell DC

5.00 pm Rainbows (girls 5 to 7 years, call Mary 832077) 7.00 pm

League Table Tennis (3 hours) School 7.30 pm Women's Institute Meeting (2nd Thurs) Caudwell DC

7.30 pm

Sequence Dancing (Brian - 01235 531701)

#### **FRIDAYS**

8.45 am Pre-School Playgroup (in Term) Sch'l Ground Bldg The Friday Club (fortnightly) 202466 CaudwellDay Centre 11.00 am Whist Drive (ACHLoFriends) 7.00 pm Caudwell Day Centre

#### **SUNDAYS**

8.00 am Holy Communion (only 2nd Sunday) St Peter's 10.00 am Sung Eucharist (Family Service 3rd Sunday) St Peter's 3.00 pm Baptist 'Family Time' (1st Sun) Drayton School 6.00 pm **Evening Service** Baptist Church 7.00 pm Zumba Fitness (Gemma)

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