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a report inside



Henry, Sam and Flynn Billington on the waltzers  
(Cousin Flynn came from Wales for the Fete)



Gethin Meredith on trombone

# CHRONICLE INFORMATION

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Editor: **Maurice Puddick, Barrow Road (538188)**

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## NOTES for CONTRIBUTORS

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1. The best is by **email** to [editor@draytonchronicle.net](mailto:editor@draytonchronicle.net). Your contributions should either be embedded in your email as **plain text** or attached as a **rich-text** or **Microsoft Word** document!

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Please head your email and label any attachments with a name distinctive to you, not just 'Chronicle'. Also, make sure the editor or advertising manager acknowledges your email within 2 or 3 days.

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# CHRONICLE LOTTERY

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## RESULTS OF THE JUNE LOTTERY

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## NEIGHBOURHOOD NEWS

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*Sally Dixon*

A very warm welcome to Matt Jones who has moved into Church Lane from Abingdon and Ian Manners and Natasha Brand who have also moved into Church Lane from Didcot.

*Susan Brooks*

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# CHANGES TO THE CHRONICLE EDITORIAL TEAM

Derek Pooley has now finished being an editor for the Chronicle but we are fortunate that Maurice Puddick is joining us so we maintain a team of three editors, Maurice, Tony Holmes and myself.



Derek has been editing for twenty years now and quite sensibly he is handing over his editor's baton. Those who know Derek are aware of his illustrious career before he retired and although Derek's career experience and qualifications are not a prerequisite for the work of a Chronicle editor (*thank goodness*), these attributes show in his work and dedication to the editing task. The Chronicle owes him a huge vote of thanks for his contribution to the production of the Chronicle.

I would like to thank Derek personally for his wisdom and experience in guiding me during my time as an editor.

Derek has written an interesting article on Page 6 on how the Chronicle has changed over the years.

*(Dave Lee, editor for July 2018)*

## So, welcome Maurice and good luck in your editing task.

Maurice has introduced himself as follows:

May I introduce myself, my name is Maurice Puddick (Mo or Moby for short). I have the pleasure in trying to follow the class act of Derek Pooley in the editorial stakes of the Drayton Chronicle. I will be editing the August issue under guidance from the incumbent editors.



I have lived in Drayton on Barrow Road for seven years and in this time I have made many friends in the local area. I am keenly involved in the village twinning with Lesparre du Medoc, having visited and hosted. I play green bowls for Milton Hill Bowls club and I've even dabbled in the Wednesday afternoon Badminton sessions in the village hall along with Stephen Fearnley (Advertising Editor).

I am a semi-retired ex-RAF aircraft propulsion, airframe engineer and college lecturer. I currently do very part-time freelance engineering assessment of young apprentices in the local counties to return some of my experiences and knowledge into training and assessment of skills.

I look forward to the challenge of editing the 'village voice' and I hope you, the readers enjoy future issues of the Chronicle edited by me.

*Maurice Puddick (Mo)*

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Monday	7.45 pm	Bell Ringing Practice <i>Bell Tower</i>
Friday	6.30 pm	Choir Practice (1st Friday) <i>Church Room</i>

## CALENDAR FOR JULY

Tue 10th	2.30pm	First Tuesday Connection <i>Church Room</i>
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## CHURCH REGISTER

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Steventon

### St Mary Magdalene – the woman with a past

Later this month Christians all over the world will commemorate probably the most unlikely saint in the Bible, Mary Magdalene. There was something in her background that has always fascinated people. All we are told about her 'past' is that Jesus had cast 'seven devils' out of her, but on that slender if intriguing evidence she has become the patron saint of 'fallen women'. Some see her as the woman 'who was a sinner' who washed Christ's feet with her tears at a respectable dinner party. Of that person Jesus remarked that 'she had been forgiven much' and consequently 'loved much'. Whether she was that woman or not, the description perfectly fits her. No one who has heard or read it could surely fail to be moved by her tearful encounter with the risen Jesus in the garden on Easter morning, the man she had taken to be the gardener revealing Himself in one word, Mary, as her beloved Teacher.

The problem with a good story – and hers is as good as it gets – is that people can't leave it alone. Fake news is not new! Down the centuries she has been John the Apostle's fiancée until he left her to follow Christ. She has gone with Jesus' mother and the same John to live in Ephesus and died there. In art and literature she has become an alluring, sexual figure, disapproved of by the mother of Jesus. There is no historical evidence whatsoever for any of this. In fact, the Gospels suggest the two Marys were close in their shared devotion to Jesus.

Her popularity is shown in the fact that 187 ancient churches in Britain are dedicated to her, and a college at both Oxford and Cambridge. Whatever the details of her story, we cherish it because it shows that having a 'past' is no reason not to have a future. It was when Mary went to anoint the body of Jesus at the tomb that the risen Jesus appeared to her. He told Mary to go to His disciples and tell them what she had seen. She was obedient and became the first human witness to the resurrection and the 'apostle to the apostles'. In those days, the witness of a woman was worthless. Despite ridicule, Mary had the courage to speak about Jesus in a place of great disbelief. We have to ask ourselves do we have the same courage as Mary? How prepared are we to stand our ground to share Jesus with others in the face of those who mock and scoff at us? As Mary discovered, Jesus can give everyone a new start; a new purpose and direction in life. Like Mary we can thank Him for blessing us, loving us and forgiving us and moving into practical forms of service. Only Jesus can transform our lives so that we can glorify God in all that we do.

With love and prayers, Helen

*The Reverend Helen Kendrick, Rector of the DAMASCUS Parish*



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# MOVING WITH THE TIMES Derek Pooley

The first edition of the Drayton 'Chronicle' was dated January 1978. It succeeded the Drayton 'Hall News', which had been published 44 times during the 1970s, to keep villagers informed of progress with fund-raising for the Village Hall. This current Chronicle (July 2018) is around the 225th, and you can see how things have moved on by looking at the issues pictured for three Januaries: 1978, 1998 and 2018, separated by intervals of 20 years.



**Introducing** ...

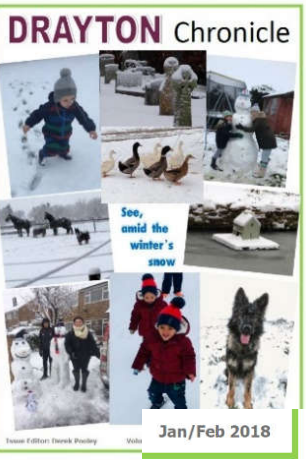
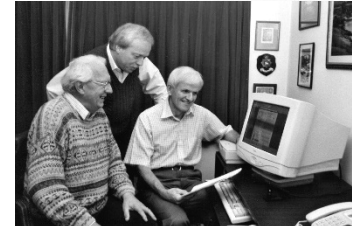
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CHRISTMAS PRESENT by Eric Robinson

... the first of the Christmas presents ...

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Looking at what members of the team are doing also illustrates change: Daria Stimpson is typing paper copy for cutting and pasting in 1978 but by the early 2000s Geoff Long (then an editor and the Chronicle team leader) with Tony Holmes and Derek Pooley are using a computer to assemble the Chronicle for printing.

Sadly, Geoff Long died in 2006 but Dave Lee was recruited to replace him as an editor. It has been my privilege to be a part of the team since early 1998; my first solo effort was April 1998 and my swan song May 2018. Maurice Puddick is taking over from me, dealing first with the August 2018 issue; I wish him well and hope that he finds the job as rewarding as I have done. Dave has asked me to sign off by writing this piece about how editing the Chronicle has changed over the 20 years that I have been part of the team.

The most obvious change is more colour. By the end of 1997 we were using a little colour for the front page of each December (Christmas) issue, but it was difficult for the editors

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**IT'S LATER THAN WE THINK**

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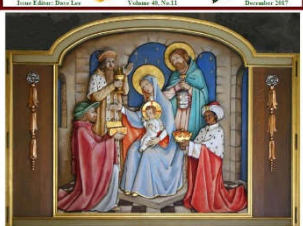
**DO I HAVE CHILDREN?**

... the first of the Christmas presents ...

THE CHRONICLE TEAM WISHES ALL READERS A MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

DRAYTON CHRONICLE

Issue Editor: Derek Lee      Volume 48, No.11      December 2017



A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our Readers

From the Chronicle Team

⇒ and consequently extremely limited in scope. Today, much-improved printing technology makes full colour very easy, as the comparison shows:

Another change which is obvious in the printed product is much more use of pictures, thanks to digital photography. The first Chronicle (Jan 1978)



contained no photographs at all, though it did include this one of first editor Harry Bisby's marvellous sketches. Even by January 1998 there were still no photographs, but in the Jan/Feb 2018 issue there were nearly 30 photographs, all in full colour.

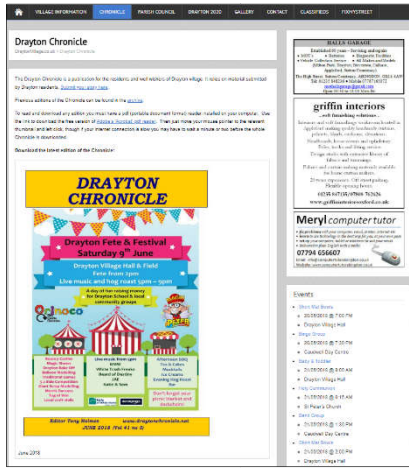
Yet another change is sheer size, i.e. number of pages. Chronicle number 1 did contain 12 pages but for many of the next 20 years, including January 1998, there were frequently only 10 pages and occasionally only 8. In contrast, December 2017 and 3 of the 5 Chronicles published so far in 2018 contained 20 pages, which is now no longer exceptional, though 16 pages is still common.

And just as much has changed behind the scenes, not obvious by looking at the printed products. When I joined the editor team most of our input material came as typing on paper; quite a bit was still hand written and some from technophile contributors was left in Lawrence Vickery's famous box on floppy discs – do you remember them? Now almost everything is sent to us by email to editor@draytonchronicle.net, using the web-site set up for us by our wonderful advertising manager, Stephen Fearnley. An occasional advertiser may still leave a paper copy in Vickery's box, of how they want their ads to look (and leave the cheques some still use to pay for their ads) and we editors still occasionally get handwritten letters. Floppy discs were replaced for a short while by CDs, but no-one uses either format now and we would probably have difficulty dealing with either.

Our dealings with the printer have also changed out of all recognition. When I began to edit, we used to send copies of each page to the printer, printed with a good-quality laser printer that we shared. The pages reached the printers thanks mostly to our volunteer couriers: Derek, Rosemary and Andrew Chapman, who did it as they went to work in Oxford on Mondays. When the printers moved premises and the Chapmans retired we had to find other ways to do things, but fortunately technology came to our aid once again and, with just a few minor glitches in the transition, we quickly switched to sending copy to the printer by email in what is called pdf (portable document format). We still do that.

Moreover, we no longer rely on just the printed paper publication. The village website, refurbished a few years ago by Jules Meredith and now maintained by him, contains copies of the latest Chronicle as well as archive copies of every issue back to Jan/Feb 2004 and some earlier than that. We have as an objective to extend the electronic archive back further but doing that is tedious and time-consuming, though Chronicle number 1, from January 1978, is already in the archive.

So watch out for more changes as Maurice joins and gets into gear. If you fancy becoming an editor yourself do contact Tony Holmes or Dave Lee (at editor@draytonchronicle.net) or the Chronicle team coordinator, Gareth Davies, on 01235529510.



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# DRAYTON FETE & FESTIVAL, SATURDAY 9TH JUNE 2018

Laura Billington

The Fete was a tremendous success and Friends of Drayton School Association (FODSA), would like to thank everyone who donated time to run a stall, serve food, set up, tidy up, sing a song or wang a welly. We could not have put on such a successful event without all your help. We would also like to thank Drayton Parish Council, Bloor Homes and Vale of White Horse District Council for their generous grants.

## A Busy Day

Abingdon Town Band opened the afternoon beautifully for us, and then ran a 'have a go' stall, which was enjoyed by both young and (not very) old.

There was plenty to keep families entertained all day. Thanks to successful fundraising events through the last year, FODSA could pay for entertainment from Magic Peter and Orinoco Scrapstore, both of which were hugely popular all afternoon.

The main arena held performances from our school choir, street dancers, Irish dancers and reception class doing the Moana dance. People could try their hand at circus skills, splatting rats, have their faces painted, try their luck on the tombolas and lots more.

## Community

We were also very pleased to have some local groups come along on the day.

- Drayton Football Club ran a penalty shootout and raised £70 for the club; winner for the adult shoot out was Kieran Hughes who very generously donated his prize money back to the club, and all the kids who won received a football.
- Damascus came along and ran the archery stall for us, making a fantastic £61 for their youth group.
- We had both Great Western Park and Drayton WI join us, and Georgina from her Guides Group.
- Drayton school year 6 class ran a very successful bric-a-brac stall raising money for their end of year ball. Well done them!

## Competition time

The Great Drayton Bake Off was a rip-roaring success with lots of delicious entries in both the adult and children's categories. Winners will receive an apron in due course. Cakes were judged by Headteacher Mr. Knight and Catering Supervisor Kathryn Caudle.

Children's winner in the 0-12 years category was Edmund Howe. Children's winner in the 13-16 years category was Rebecca Norkett

Victoria Sponge winner was Claire Cox. Showstopper winner was Georgina Arnold with her magnificent Air Balloon.

We also had winners on the welly-wanging stall.

Under 5's winner was Callum Moran at 10.1 metres, under 13's winner was Joe Crawford at 19.7 metres, adult winner was James Kent at 29.1 metres.

## A treat for the ears

A big thank you to the day's two comperes who kept the whole event running smoothly, Gary Hibbins and Mr Brabin.

As the rides and stalls were packed away, the hog roast and live music started. A massive thank you to Katie and Sam Mansfield who provided the hog roast (and delicious homemade apple sauce and stuffing) and were our first singers for the evening. A multi-talented pair!

We were then entertained by Jae, Beard of Destiny and our headliners BMW (Boon, Mew and our very own Mr. Wooster).

The bands all gave up their time for a beer and a burger, so a massive thank you to them, you were all amazing.

## Drum roll please

We are thrilled to announce that the fete made an amazing £5,773. We will keep some of these funds ringfenced to enable us to put the event on again next year, and of course the rest of the money will go towards school trips, play equipment, and lots more for the children at school.

We feel extremely lucky to have such a supportive school and village that turn up and spend money at our fundraising events; there'll be lots more to look out for this year (barn dance, Christmas disco, village treasure hunt....).

Next years Summer Fete and Festival will be on Saturday 13th July, (yes, we are planning it already). If you have any ideas or feedback for next year, would like to be on the festival committee or would like to run a stall please do let us know through our Facebook page or email fodsasecretary@gmail.com

Laura Billington (Friends of Drayton School Association)



Catherine, Nina and Laura, a quiet few seconds behind the bar  
(Oh Yeah? - Ed.)



Mr Brabin in action



Georgina's air balloon cake



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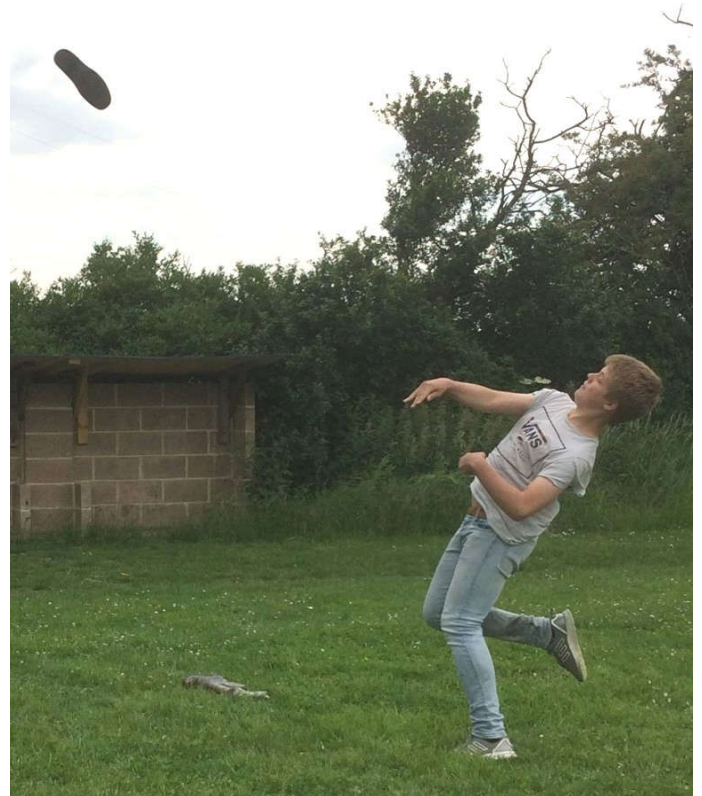
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# THIS MONTH'S RECIPE

Carol and Colin Arnold

## Apple & Nut Salad

You will need;  
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Two green apples.  
A small bag of salted peanuts.  
A hand full of sultanas.  
Mayonnaise.

Slice the apples, but do not peel. Then chop the slices into small chunks, put them in a mixing bowl with the peanuts and sultanas, and gently mix using your hands or a spatula. When thoroughly mixed add mayonnaise to bind the ingredients together.

Serve in a glass bowl.

This is a very simple salad that proves very popular at BBQ's and summer parties.



Carol and Colin regularly submit recipes for the Chronicle but other regular contributions of interest are welcomed such as seasonal gardening tips or advice on DIY projects

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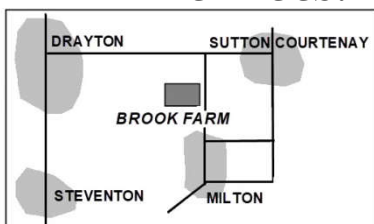
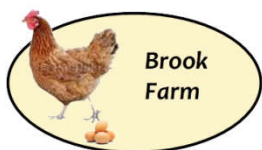
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# WESTMINSTER LETTER

Ed Vaizey

Lots of good news for our local area. Last month Business Secretary Greg Clark launched a major new scientific centre in Harwell Campus and announced its first major projects. The Rosalind Franklin Institute, which is backed by £100million in government investment, will focus on a number of projects, including the development of the world's best ultra-fast video camera for imaging, which will be invaluable for both detecting and treating disease.



The Big Lottery Fund has announced £17,280 of funding for projects in the constituency such as the The Pelvic Partnership in Harwell, which focuses on treatment for Pelvic Girdle Pain. The fund distributes money raised by the National Lottery to good causes which seek to improve lives and communities. If you have a cause that you believe deserves funding you can apply at [biglotteryfund.org.uk](http://biglotteryfund.org.uk).

Huge congratulations to Wallingford School, who have been awarded the prestigious ISM Trust's Silver Certificate in Music for 2018, and King Alfred's, who have been awarded the Bronze Certificate. This means that more than 15% and 10% respectively of all the schools' GCSE students who entered into GCSE music achieved an A\* to C grade. This is a huge achievement and demonstrates a real commitment to music in both schools. The Teaching Apprenticeship Programme (TAP) launched across the country last month to help schools recruit, train and retain the best graduates into teaching roles. TAP offers a one year programme which guides apprentices towards Qualified Teacher Status and schools can also use the Apprenticeship Levy funding to train and retain the best graduates into teaching roles. If you are interested in how the Apprenticeship Levy works you can find all the information you need at the Teaching Apprenticeship website.

Over the last month I was pleased to meet with representatives of 'Hands off Hagbourne Fields' to discuss Taylor Wimpey's plans for developing the land between West Hagbourne and Didcot, meet with local councillors to discuss how to tackle litter on the A34 and visit Enesi Pharma in Milton Park to see their revolutionary work on vaccines.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any pressing issues that you would like help with. You can contact me on any matter at the House of Commons, SW1A 0AA, [dicksonce@parliament.uk](mailto:dicksonce@parliament.uk) or 01235 768 888. Email is the quickest and most reliable way to get in touch, as I keep a very close eye on my emails and can reply very quickly. Details of my activities in Parliament can be read on my website, <https://www.vaizey.com>. I also send out occasional general interest emails about developments in the Wantage and Didcot Constituency. Lunarpages Web Hosting has detected definite fraud in the website at "bit.ly". Do not trust this website: <http://bit.ly/EdVaizeyMP>.

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## YOUR LETTERS

Dear Editor,

Has Drayton 2020 achieved a good outcome?

Having spent some time looking around the new developments in the village I am concerned at how these have manifested, in particular the benefits for Drayton village residents.

My main areas of concern are safety, pricing and the completion of village facilities negotiated as part of the developments.

Exiting left by car from Hilliat Fields towards Abingdon during busy times, a driver will inevitably focus their attention looking right. Positioning a crossing so close to the junction does not appear to have been risk assessed and the likelihood of a driver failing to notice someone crossing until very late is high in my view. I cannot see how this is a safest option.

The pricing of houses is prohibitive to young working people, more so than many developments in the region; Edward Park has 2-bedroom houses starting a close to £400,000. There are choices for the well-off plus the houses available for Local Authority including part buy part rent however; young people in their early employment are completely priced out of the market. I wonder if there was any negotiation for fair pricing for young people when these developments were initially proposed?

Finally, will facilities such as the sports pavilion and grounds ever be finished; it looks a long way off to me. There is a long history of developers not making good on similar promises and I wonder if this is another one for the list?

I understood Drayton 2020 as the village having a say in its own future, I believe it tried. However; in the reality of the commercial world and the financial resources of developers, I personally do not feel the outcome is much more than disruption over many months and more expensive houses that local people cannot afford – especially the young.

Roy Marshall

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# COUNTY COUNCIL

Richard Webber

## Committee System v Cabinet System?

Most residents are not particularly interested in how their councils organise themselves. But it is a matter of great concern for the councilors who serve on those councils.

Backbencher local politicians often get a raw deal. Whether their party is in power or in opposition, decisions are made by members of the Cabinet (rarely more than 10 members of the ruling party). All other politicians often feel that they are little more than voting fodder – expected to support their own side through thick and thin. Under the whipping system, there are occasions when they are under pressure from their own side to toe the party line – even though they may not agree with it.

This is the Cabinet System and is followed by most Councils. Its advantage is that decisions are made efficiently and quickly. Its disadvantages are that only a very small proportion of councilors (the Cabinet) take part in the decision-making, and other councilors can become disillusioned with their role and enthusing potential new recruits gets harder.

In recent years, a number of councils have switched to an alternative system – the Committee System. Here, each council department has a Committee making the decisions - made up of councillors of all parties. The numbers on each Committee are set to ensure that they are in line with the proportion of councilors of each party. This ensures that the ruling party always has the ability to hold the majority on each committee. The advantage of the system is that all Councilors sit on at least one Committee, all are involved in discussions, vote on decisions and all are obliged to work hard. The disadvantage is that decision making is slower.

Oxfordshire County Council is currently studying a number of Councils which have switched to the Committee System. The evidence so far is that it particularly suits a Council where there is an even balance of power between parties. Oxfordshire County Council is just one of those. A decision to change, if it happens, will be made next year.

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# PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Richard Williams

## Report of the Parish Council meetings held on Mon 14th May and Mon 4th June 2018

### May

The May meeting is the Parish Council's AGM, where officers are elected for the coming year. Richard Wade agreed to take on the Chairmanship of the Drayton 2020 Projects Board, but otherwise, the existing office holders remained in place. The Projects Board continues the functions of the former Implementation Committee, but with some changes to terms of reference and membership. As the name indicates, it will supervise the progress of the various projects identified in the Neighbourhood Plan, such as the new playing fields and sports pavilion at the Walnut Meadow site; the new village green at Manor Farm; and future redevelopment of the village hall.

Huw Thomas from Thames Water addressed the meeting on the subject of sewerage capacity in the village, in the light of concerns that it may be insufficient to cope with all the new housing development in Drayton. With the aid of maps showing the current extent of sewerage provision, he explained that Thames Water's on-site investigations had shown there was adequate capacity in the existing system and that major upgrading works would not be required.

Following further representations and a large number of responses to the recent E-mail consultation, a Working Party was set up to meet with allotment holders later in the summer and discuss with them the proposed rent increase and any other related issues.

Two responses were received to the consultation regarding the proposal to approach the Public Works Loan Board for a loan towards the construction costs of the sports pavilion. Both questioned aspects of the project, but in practice, the application will need to be deferred until such time as the Parish Council actually owns the land on which the pavilion will be built. This depends on how long it takes for Miller Homes to hand over the site, bearing in mind that the PC will not accept the land unless it is in satisfactory condition. We understand that the system for applying for loans may also change in the near future, and this could be an extra complication.

Richard Wade reported on the public meeting held on 11th May at St. Peter's Church Hall to discuss traffic and parking issues in Henleys Lane/Church Lane. The meeting was very well attended by local residents, and generated a good deal of discussion on how to alleviate the problems. A wide variety of views were expressed, some of them very far from agreeing with others (!), but there was sufficient consensus in some areas as to suggest possible ways forward. The Working Party meets again on 13th June to consider the points raised, but we should again stress that any proposals put forward by the PC will ultimately depend on the support of OCC and the Vale, and the availability of funds.

Interviews for the post of Parish Clerk took place on 4th May at the Village Hall. There were two candidates, both very well qualified. The interview panel reported its recommendation that the post of Parish Clerk should be offered to one candidate, while the other should be offered the post of Projects Manager for the Drayton 2020 projects described above. The latter post to be on a 3 year contract, potentially renewable after that period. The PC agreed to both recommendations.

### June

Further to the previous paragraph, the post of Parish Clerk was offered to Lorraine Watling, who accepted the job. The other candidate declined the post of Projects Manager. It was later agreed to revisit the job specification for the latter post and defer advertising until later in the year, or at least until such time as the handover of the sports pitches and land for the pavilion is completed.

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Lorraine is very experienced in the role of Parish Clerk. She was the Town Clerk for Woodstock Town Council for several years, and is now, in addition to her appointment with Drayton, also the Parish Clerk for Deddington, in which role she will continue. These days it is not uncommon for Parish Clerks to serve more than one parish.

Lorraine was present at the June meeting, but as an observer only. The July meeting will be her first as the new Parish Clerk. This was therefore David Perrow's last meeting as the outgoing Clerk. A tribute to David has already been printed in the last edition of the Chronicle, but on this evening, the PC took the opportunity to thank David for his eight years of truly outstanding service to the village. Later this month we hope to thank him in a more tangible way with a richly deserved farewell party!

**As David will be using the remainder of this month to hand over to Lorraine, in the transitional period, it is suggested that to contact any members of the Parish Council, you should continue to direct all enquiries to him, in the first instance.** Depending on the nature of the enquiry, David may re-direct you to Lorraine. He can still be contacted via E-mail at draytonclerk@gmail.com or by telephone on 07909 176061, and he will ensure that any messages are passed on, either to Lorraine or to the relevant councillor. 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 associated documents.

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

**PLEASE NOTE that for unavoidable reasons, the next Parish Council meeting has been (for July only) re-scheduled from the usual first Monday of the month to the second Monday. The venue is unchanged. The meeting will therefore be on Monday 9th July at 7.30 pm, in the Caudwell Day Centre in Gravel Lane. As ever, all are welcome to attend**



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## ALL AROUND

### DRAYTON WIVES

**Lisa Lammiman**

#### Meeting at the village hall 30th May - Catching Smugglers!!!!

Our latest monthly meeting was an excellent talk by Malcolm Nelson on catching smugglers that go through our various ports.

Malcom had spent 40 years as a customs officer in places such as the Port of London, Heathrow and as far afield as Russia and Malta.

He was an Alpha 1 officer who looks after all departments such as the Green Channel, the Detective Information teams and of course the dog handlers.

Heathrow has 80% of the drugs found because of its proximity to London so it is easy to move the drugs on. The customs officers look for people from high risk flights such as Bogota, Lagos and South America or who have travelled to London via strange routes. Some will have open ended tickets paid in cash.

The Green Channel officers look for things that are in fashion with which to carry drugs such as black handbags or wigs. The quality of the persons dress gives them a clue, if they feel its not right for the country they have come from or looks highly unsuitable for the traveller.

The work of the dogs is important as they can be either proactive behind the scenes or passive in the public eye. they can be trained to smell drugs, meat, money or tobacco. And believe it or not, it is always the bitches which are trained to smell money!!!!.

One of his best finds was a man bringing a load of old furniture over from Africa they suspected it of carrying drugs. So it was reduced to sawdust but no drugs found!

It was a very interesting and amusing talk but remember whenever you go through the airport you are being watched so try and act naturally!!!

### BOWLS CLUB

**Roll Up**

Around thirty members and friends of the bowls club celebrated thirty years since the club was formed with a visit to The Mill Theatre at Sonning where they enjoyed a three course lunch and a very good show in the afternoon, all those who attended agreed it was a lovely day out.

Two further internal competitions have been completed, 'The Rose Bowl' triple Monday league went down to the last match and was won by Barry Davis, Avril Holmes, and Bob Strachan. 'The Don Alexander' triples was completed and going through to play the final on finals day in December, will be Barry Davis, Jane Pimm, Tony Mullins who will play Bryn Jones, Pat Hoyland, Anne Hedges.

A reminder to all members that the A G M will be held on Monday 9th July at 2pm, this is the place to be if you would like to air any views you may have on how the club is run.

We end these notes with congratulations to June Hyde and Bryn Jones, who on a recent bowling holiday in Torquay, won the pairs tournament, and teamed up with Janet Pearson from Leeds to win the triples competition, well done, and helps to keep Drayton bowls club on the map



# MORE ALL AROUND

## HALL REPORT

**Tony Holmes**

As you've seen elsewhere in this issue, the (FoDSA) Fete was a great success in June, and I'll add to the chorus of "well dones" for the organisers, not just for all the prep work, and running around on the day like mad things, but also the mountain of clearing up at the end, and the next day! PLUS – I just heard they raised a fabulous sum (over £5K I believe), AND they're such gluttons for punishment they're already planning next year's, albeit shifted to a July date.

Hall Committee is moving on with planning the revamp, some new bar furniture may be turning up soon.

I'll repeat the regular call to parents not to leave things too late in booking a child's party date, they're very popular, and even though November & December are far off, we already have very few weekend dates left! Also for PARENTS, I just heard that the Toddlers Group (Thursday mornings) is planning to run all through the Summer hols.

Don't forget all our regular exercise and/or movement classes, Seniors' Yoga (& a 'regular' one!), Bounce Fit, Clubbercise, Pilates, and perhaps a spot of Martial Arts – all listed on the back page.

Anyone who likes **Crafts**, and would like to spend an afternoon with like-minded souls, our U3A group meets on the **second Thursday afternoon** of each month (they do all sorts, sewing, crochet, greetings cards, upholstery, plus a spot of tea & cake!). You'd need to join U3A (nominal fee) but that has lots of other benefits, and I think the Crafts Group let you have a trial session first, let me know if you fancy that.

I'm told our **Bowlers** have had some new members, but could still find room for one or two more (sessions through the week), and the **Sequence Dance** group are open to new members, they meet on Thursday evenings (nominal fee), also have several Saturday socials through the year.

## W.I.

**Ann Webb**

June meeting was great fun, not many members present, all escaping for a break, before summer exodus. The rest of us had a great time, good fun was had by all. Next month, a talk on famous women by one of our own members. Should be very enlightening, why not join us 7.30pm in the Caudwell Day Centre, Gravel Lane, on July 12th. See you there?

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## DRAYTON ART GROUP

**Cicely Willis-Dixon**

The annual Art exhibition was very well attended with a real vibrancy in the hall. A great deal of interest centered on our latest project, another group effort, a copy of a painting by Francesco de Mura which now hangs in the Day Centre. Apart from the big painting it is always interesting to see the work produced by our Art Group at our annual exhibition.

Grateful thanks to all our helpers and a big thank you to everyone who came and made the event such a success.



*The Francesco de Mura picture measures 36 x 28 inches and is made up of fifteen equal pieces each painted by individual artists*



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## DRAYTON TABLE TENNIS CLUB     John Gould

The 26th Club Senior Championships were held at the school on Sunday 13th May. A good level of entries ensured a good day of ping pong to end our season. For the first time we used the Didcot League Handicaps system in the singles competitions. This after 25 years of making up our own! This ensured that no one could take the blame if their personal results suggested they had the wrong handicap figure applied. As it was, the system worked very well. The doubles was, as always based on pairing the better players with the weaker to try and get a balanced set of matches. This is a long proven system that seems to work.

Of course there can only be one winner (or two for the doubles) so of course most of the players went home empty handed. However everyone stayed till the end so that suggests they all enjoyed their day.

The main singles tournament saw us split into leagues of seven players. Thereafter the successful ones went forward to a knockout and the unsuccessful into the Plate event. The latter saw Robbie Greenfield and Mike Russell reach the Plate Final and Robbie came out winning to suggest a good young un will overcome experience!

The singles final was between four times winner Matt Davies and Lewis Waddup (the club junior champion) looking for his first win. It was Lewis who proved better on the day, over four games and so he was awarded the John Prior Cup as our 2018 Club Champion.

The doubles final was between Chris Blencowe and John Gould up against Robert Mihalache and Francis Soltane. Chris and John won the title in a close fought encounter.

So, the trophies were presented and we all went home for a long rest until we start all over again in September!



*Club winners with their awards*

## 1st DRAYTON BROWNIES     Annette Mitchell

This term we are doing two Challenge Badges called the Expelliarmus and Mythical & Magical. Harry Potter fans will recognise Expelliarmus as a magic word spoken when disarming another's wand!

We have been very busy this term with lots of wonderful activities! We played a game called Crystal Ball Fortunes, we made up a fortune on a piece of paper and put it inside a balloon which was blown up, then we had fun popping them at the end of the meeting to read our fortune!

Some beautiful Fairy Peg dolls were made and the Brownies put on a show with them in their six packs. Delicious Wizard Cupcakes and Fairy bread was made and enjoyed! We also recycled Tesco brown paper grocery bags and made them into Fairy Crowns. Look out in the village for Dragon Eggs! Hopefully there will be some to find although the Brownies did a fantastic job of decorating pebbles, they may want to hang onto them.....



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## NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP 5 (NAG5)

### Bridget Haffenden

#### Please do not report abandoned vehicles to the police

If you suspect a vehicle has been abandoned, this is the correct procedure to follow:

Make a note of the vehicle's registration number then visit the page on the GOV.UK website which checks with the DVLA to ascertain if a vehicle is taxed and has an MOT. Link to page here: <https://www.gov.uk/get-vehicle-information-from-dvla>.

If this process confirms that vehicle is untaxed you can report it to the DVLA by following the link provided.

The police will take action if a vehicle without insurance is seen, or reported, driving on a public road.

#### Neighbourhood Watch

People who have recently moved into a new development in the area might like to join together to form a Neighbourhood Watch group. You can do this with just a handful of households or an entire street or section of street. It's a great way to get to know your neighbours better and it also helps to make a new neighbourhood feel like a real community! To speak to someone about Neighbourhood Watch, or for more details, please call 07762 597118 or e-mail [nhwsuttoncourtenay@outlook.com](mailto:nhwsuttoncourtenay@outlook.com).

To contact the police call either 101 (for non-emergencies) or 999 (for emergencies).

Contact NAG5 by calling 01235 848694 or e-mail [neighbourhoodactiongroup5@hotmail.com](mailto:neighbourhoodactiongroup5@hotmail.com)

#### Information about parking restrictions

- You must not wait or park on yellow lines during the times of operation as shown on nearby time plates.
- Double yellow lines prohibit waiting at any time - including parking and stopping to set down or pick up passengers.
- You should not stop near or park across school entrances, dropped kerbs, in front of an entrance to a property or block Emergency Services access.
- Police advice is that vehicles should not park partially on the pavement. This encourages traffic to attempt to squeeze past, increasingly the likelihood of vehicle damage. Parking vehicles fully on the road encourages traffic travelling in one direction to stop and give way to approaching traffic, thus providing a natural chicane. It also allows pushchairs, wheelchairs etc full use of the pavement.

#### Going on holiday? Don't forget...

- To cancel milk, newspaper and other regular deliveries.
- To tell a trusted neighbour that you're going away.
- To ensure tools, bikes, ladders etc are safely placed in locked sheds and garages.
- To leave lamps on timer plugs, making it look as if the house is occupied.
- To lock all windows and internal doors from conservatories, and to set a burglar alarm if you have one, before you leave.
- That leaving curtains closed all day can be an indication that there's nobody at home.
- Not to put photos and posts on social media which show you're away.
- To consider asking your neighbours to park a car on your drive during your absence.

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## DRAYTON'S MURAL PAINTERS

Among Drayton's hidden talents is artist Kevin Arrowood. Kevin has just completed a 60ft mural along the walls of the White Horse Tennis Centre in celebration of the sport. It features many local landmarks including Abingdon County Hall Museum, Uffington White Horse and the King Alfred Statue in Wantage. Painting on this scale was a challenging commission.

After the design had been agreed it had to be illustrated, scaled up and drawn onto the wall. Only then could Kevin paint it; finally it had to be sealed with a clear acrylic for protection.

This is by no means Kevin's first work of this kind. Last year he completed murals for the remodelled library at the Manor Preparatory School in Abingdon.

Kevin has been living in High Street for 11 years with his wife Antonia and his two daughters. Sadly we will soon be losing his talent because the family is planning to move to Bristol.

Murals seem to be something our artists are good at. In 1984 Margaret Jones of Sutton Wick was commissioned to depict Abingdon's history along the walls of the subway under Stratton Way - a length of 490 ft. In 2001 she was asked to update 'The Abingdon Murals' as they became known, to celebrate the 450th anniversary of the town's Royal Charter. Margaret also did the mural along the walls of the alley between Stert Street and the Market Place.



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## WORKING FROM HOME – IS IT FOR YOU?

The number of people working from home is rising dramatically - by 2020, 50% of workers are predicted to be working at least partly from home.



### Who is doing it?

- remote employees - working anything from a day or two a month to full-time at home
- freelance workers.
- small business owners.

Many types of occupations are suited to it, with some obvious exceptions such as pilots, zookeepers, construction site workers etc. Many jobs have elements of work that can be done at home, and a lot of employers are considering it, partly because they may be able to save on the cost of office space. More and more global businesses do without fixed office space completely, by using global networks of remote staff who may meet physically as a group just a few times a year.

### Why is it happening?

Technology has created the opportunity – internet broadband speed, instant messaging and the ability to share large files of data. And there can be advantages for workers....



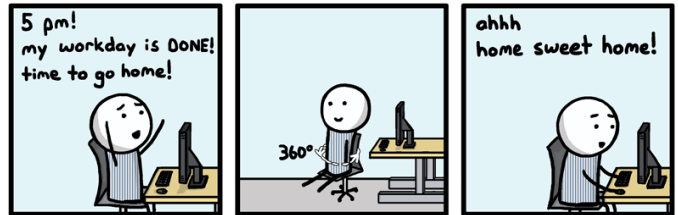
- top of the list is probably the avoidance of commuting. Seen as a waste of time and money and cause of stress by many people, this is a big incentive. You only need to look at the faces of drivers and passengers in the rush hour to see that commuting is not a favourite part of the day for many people. And the environment benefits too, through less pollution.
- Simpler life – you can wear anything, including pyjamas. Possibly a smart top half if you are video conferencing, but otherwise you can wear exactly what you like all day long. Reduced expense on office wear and minimal clothing stress in the morning.
- Flexible working hours, particularly if you are a freelancer or small business owner. Are you a morning person? Get started early. Are you a night owl? Lie in and work when you are most productive. Need to visit the doctor, dentist, optician, do the school run? It might all be possible in the working day because it's all local.
- Create your own bespoke working environment. Have the temperature/lighting/desk exactly to your liking.
- Improve health – by eliminating stress from commuting, avoiding germs and bacteria from enclosed office environments, doing your stretches and exercises whenever you like.



### What's not to like?

Nothing is perfect. Some disadvantages have been observed:

- Working from home does not suit everybody. A certain amount of self-motivation and self-discipline is needed to make it work. You need to be good with time-management and able to work without close supervision.
- It can be hard to separate home from business life.



- There are potential distractions: children, pets, doorbells ringing, washing machines spinning to name a few.
- There is no IT technician to come along and fix the computer.
- You may miss face-to-face human interaction, watercooler chats, informal information gathering. You will be Home Alone much of the time.

### Working at Home in Drayton

And is Drayton following this global Working from Home trend? What could the effects be on the local area of this huge change in working patterns? Will there be greater use of local facilities? Should there be informal networking events to share tips and advice on Working from Home and to meet others in the same boat?

### Food for thought, is it for you?



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# POLICE NEWS

Tackling dwelling burglary remains a priority for Thames Valley Police. We fully recognise the traumatic effect that these offences can have on victims and the impact on the wider community.

Operation Monitor commenced on the 1st of June and is South and Vales response to this type of crime, for the next four months there will be a dedicated team based at Abingdon Police station with a focus on burglary.

The team consists of two Detective Sergeants, five Detective Constables and five Police Constables.

They are divided into teams that cover each of the geographic areas on the police area. They aim to attend all reports of domestic burglary and work alongside our local Neighbourhood Teams and CSI unit to ensure a high quality investigation into each offence. All reports of burglary to a dwelling will be investigated by detectives from this team.

Operation Monitor will also target known offenders to disrupt their activity and work with our partners to seek to divert them from this type of offending.

We will be posting regular updates and crime prevention advice from the team under the hashtag #opmonitor.

## “Lovely weather.....for Burglars!”

We’ve all been enjoying the sunshine recently, but with the nice weather comes opportunities for thieves.

Did you know that a large number of burglaries reported to us have no signs of a forced entry?

Many burglars target homes with open doors and windows during the summer months, they rely on people forgetting to lock doors or windows that have been left open during the day for ventilation.

Here’s some straightforward advice to help you, help us to reduce burglary.

Before you go to bed at night, just take a couple of minutes to check around your home and make sure doors and windows, especially on the ground floor, are secure.

If you can afford them CCTV systems and alarms are great deterrents to thieves, but you can prevent crime by using less expensive means too.

Security lighting at the rear of your home or a courtesy light at the front door illuminates any activity and removes the cover of darkness for criminals.

If you have a side gate, fit a bolt and padlock to prevent easy access to your garden. Did you know that you can buy combination lock bolts to fit on the front face of the gate to allow access to authorised people?

Keep car keys out of sight and out of reach of your letter box- some burglars are adept at using implements to reach through letter boxes and hook keys from hall tables and shelves.

Some thieves will knock on the door of an address to see if its occupied before trying to break in. If you see or experience something suspicious or that you’re unsure of please call us, we’ll always do our best to get to calls of suspicious activity quickly if we think a burglary may be taking place.

Don’t purchase goods from sources that you aren’t happy with, your bargain buy may be the proceeds of a heart breaking crime for a victim of burglary and the next victim may be you or someone close to you. We know that some thieves will use Facebook selling sites to dispose of stolen property, we will always seek to prosecute those we suspect of handling stolen goods. If it seems too good to be true- it is, be careful.

The Op Monitor team is working hard to reduce burglary and to target and convict the callous criminals who commit this type of crime. We need your help, remember that you can contact us with information regarding burglary in confidence via 101, or via Crime Stoppers on 0800555111.

## Courier Fraud

The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau has identified an increasing number of reports submitted to Action Fraud from the public concerning courier fraud.

Fraudsters are contacting victims by telephone and purporting to be a police officer or bank official. To substantiate this claim, the caller might be able to confirm some easily obtainable basic details about the victim such as their full name and address. They may also offer a telephone number for the victim to call to check that they are genuine; this number is not genuine and simply redirects to the fraudster who pretends to be a different person. After some trust has been established, the fraudster will then, for example, suggest;

- Some money has been removed from a victim’s bank account and staff at their local bank branch are responsible.
- Suspects have already been arrested but the “police” need money for evidence.
- A business such as a jewellers or currency exchange is operating fraudulently and they require assistance to help secure evidence.

Victims are then asked to cooperate in an investigation by attending their bank and withdrawing money, withdrawing foreign currency from an exchange or purchasing an expensive item to hand over to a courier for examination who will also be a fraudster. Again, to reassure the victim, a safe word might be communicated to the victim so the courier appears genuine.

At the time of handover, unsuspecting victims are promised the money they’ve handed over or spent will be reimbursed but in reality there is no further contact and the money is never seen again.

### Protect Yourself

#### Your bank or the police will never:

- Phone and ask you for your PIN or full banking password.
- Ask you to withdraw money to hand over to them for safe-keeping, or send someone to your home to collect cash, PIN, cards or cheque books if you are a victim of fraud.

#### Don’t assume an email or phone call is authentic

Just because someone knows your basic details (such as your name and address or even your mother’s maiden name), it doesn’t mean they are genuine. Be mindful of who you trust – criminals may try and trick you into their confidence by telling you that you’ve been a victim of fraud

#### Stay in control

If something feels wrong then it is usually right to question it. Have the confidence to refuse unusual requests for personal or financial information.

For more information about how to protect yourself online visit [www.cyberaware.gov.uk](http://www.cyberaware.gov.uk) and [www.takefive.stopfraud.org.uk](http://www.takefive.stopfraud.org.uk)



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# DRAYTON DIARY

## DIARY FOR JULY

All events held in Drayton Hall unless otherwise stated

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Mon	9	7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting	Caudwell DC
Sat	7	5.00pm	Private Function	
Sun	8	10.30am	'Mess Around' ('Happiness' theme)	
Thur	12	2.00pm	'U3A' Crafts Group (Mthly - Small Hall)	
Sat	14	12.30pm	<b>Chronicle Lottery Deadline</b>	
Sun	15	noon	Private Function (child's party)	
Mon	16	5.00pm	<b>Chronicle Deadline</b> (see P2 - Ads 13th)	
Sat	21	11.00am	Private Function (child's party)	
Sat	28	noon	Private Function (child's party)	

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## REGULARLY OCCURRING EVENTS

Weekly in Drayton Hall unless stated otherwise

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### MONDAYS

8.45 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term)	School Ground Bldg
11.00 am	Seniors 'Gentle' Yoga (Helen 07712 646382)	
2.00 pm	Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours)	
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	Bell-ringing (for 1½ hours)	St Peter's
8.00 pm	Table Tennis (Social Play, one hour)	School

### TUESDAYS

8.45 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term)	School Ground Bldg
9.30 am	Pilates (via Alexandra Merson 07788 248925)	
1.45 pm	Drayton Art Group (until 4 pm)	Caudwell Day Centre
2.30 pm	First Tuesday Connections (1st Tuesday)	Church Room
6.30 pm	Yoga (with Olga - 07880 256107)	
7.00 pm	League Table Tennis (three hours)	School
8.00 pm	Clubbercise (run by Gemma Pearce, see her F'book)	

### WEDNESDAYS

8.45 am	Pre-School Playgroup (in Term)	School Ground Bldg
10.00 am	Pebbles (Baby, Toddler, Carer gp - p4)	Church Room
1.45 pm	Whist Drive (ACHLoFriends)	Caudwell Day Centre
2.00 pm	Drayton Wives (Last Wednesday in the month)	
2.15 pm	Badminton	
6.00 pm	Brownies	
7.00 pm	League Table Tennis (three 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
9.15 am	Holy Communion	St Peter's Lady Chapel
9.30 am	Parent & Toddler Group (NB Term-time ONLY)	
11am-1pm	Baptist Cafe	Baptist Church
2.00 pm	Short Mat Bowling Club Session (for 3 hours)	
2.00 pm	Wives' Whist (Mthly - 2nd Thurs)	Caudwell DC
5.30 pm	Rainbows (girls 5 to 7 years, call Vicky 07801 447720)	
7.00 pm	League Table Tennis (three hours)	School
7.30 pm	Women's Institute Meeting (2nd Thurs)	Caudwell DC
7.30 pm	Sequence Dancing (Brian - 01235 531701)	
7.45 pm	ShikiDojo Martial Arts (check w Paul - 07479 824887)	

### FRIDAYS

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

### SUNDAYS

8.00 am	Holy Communion (2nd Sunday)	St Peter's
9.45 am	Sung Eucharist (Praise Service 4th Sunday)	St Peter's
6.00 pm	Evening Service	Baptist Church

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