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## SCAN 440 AT-A-GLANCE DIARY MAY 2014

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<b>BROWNIES</b> – Every <b>MONDAY</b> term time, Sherington Pavilion - 5.30 – 7 pm - contact: KERRIE MAXWELL 07917610115 / 01908 60144 OR PATSY CLIFTON 01908 616009			
<b>FRIDAY AFTERNOON TEA, The Pavilion, Perry Lane,</b> 2.30 – 4.45 pm: contact Paula 01908 216925			
<b>SHERINGTON FOLK WORKSHOP:</b> 8 – 10 pm Sherington V.H. - <b>2nd Thursday</b> of month – Liz 07941 403492			
<b>SHERINGTON SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB:</b> Monday 2 – 4 pm and Friday 7 – 9 pm contact Sheila 211153 or Bob 01234391436			
<b>SHERINGTON YOUTH CLUB:</b> 7 – 9 pm <b>Wednesday</b> Nights (term time) contact Jay: 07799005568			
MAY	Group/ event/place	time	page
1	The New Thursday Group	8 pm	33
3,4,5	Beer & Sausage Festival, The White Hart, Sherington		
4	Thumbstick Walk, The Knoll, Sherington	9.30 am	18
4	North Crawley Parish Council (& A.G.M.) Village Hall	6.30 pm	12
5	May Day Celebrations, The Knoll, Sherington	11 am	19
6	Annual Parish Meeting, Sherington P.C. Annual Meeting, V. Hall	7 pm	26
8	Flower Festival Meeting, St. Lauds	7.30 pm	20
10	North Crawley Bowls Club Spring Quiz	7.30-8pm	15
10	Coffee Morning – Chicheley Village Hall	10.30 pm	5
10	Sherington Historical Society Outing – meet Village Hall	6.45 pm	32
13	Chichchat – Chicheley Village Hall	10.30-noon	6
15	Sherington DCC Chicheley Meeting – 28 Carters Close, Sherington	8 pm	3
18	North Crawley W.I. Outing		16
21	Souper Lunchtime Get-together	12 – 2pm	3
22	North Crawley DCC Village Hall	7.30 pm	3
25	North Crawley Village Walk – meet The Institute	10 am	8
25	Rogation Service, Grange Farm, Chicheley	5 pm	6
27	ChichTea, Village Hall	2.30 pm	6
30	StarBQ – Chicheley		6
<b>JUNE</b>			
1	Thumbstick Walk, The Knoll, Sherington	9.30 am	18
3	Sherington Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall	7.30 pm	26
4	Souper Lunchtime Get-together	12-2pm	3
5	The New Thursday Group	8 pm	33
10	Meeting in Chicheley Village Hall – (First World War)	8 pm	6
18	Souper Lunchtime Get-together	12-2 pm	3
21	Scarecrow Competition (Last Entry 19th June)		22/32
21& 22	St. Lauds Flower Festival		20
<b>JULY</b>			
5	Summer concert – St. Lauds, Newport Singers		33
9	Souper Lunchtime Get-together	12- 2pm	3
23	Souper Lunchtime Get-together	12 – 2	3

John writes,

## **TWO MYSTERIES**

As I write this, the greatest aviation mystery of all time is still unsolved: “What happened to flight MH370”? This came home to me a couple of weeks ago when I flew out of Kuala Lumpur airport on a Boeing 777! The people in Malaysia were horrified by the potential loss of so many lives, and the seemingly never-ending uncertainty. I saw prayer walls in a shopping mall, and the mystery was on everyone’s lips. So what happened?

Accident investigators need to gather as much evidence as possible, form hypotheses and then test them to get the truth. The current evidence is sparse, which is why it is so important to recover the cockpit voice recorder and the flight data recorder (the ill-named “black box”- its orange!) Most of the current hypotheses are extremely unlikely:

- Terrorism? But why has no-one claimed responsibility?
- Suicide? But why no note, no psychological evidence, and what about the other pilot?
- Mechanical failure? The aircraft was designed with many back-up systems, so that a catastrophic mechanical failure should not occur more than once in 1000 million flying hours, and how could it have flown for more than 5 hours after contact was lost?
- Electrical failure? The systems were designed to the same safety level as for mechanical failure, and the aircraft was still transmitting some data several hours later.
- Fire on the flight deck, and crew disabled? Again there are many back-ups, including oxygen. Why didn’t the crew signal, and how did the aircraft stay flying for so long?

All the hypotheses must be examined. When those which are impossible are eliminated, the remaining one is likely to be true. .

The second mystery I want us to think about, is what Tim discussed last month - Easter.

What really happened on the first Easter day? Like accident investigators, we need to gather evidence, form hypotheses, test them, and then determine that which is most likely to be true. There is no space here to examine this in depth, but though there are credible witness accounts of the events, Jesus’ body was never found. What happened to it?

-Did the disciples hide it? But would they have died for a lie?

-Did the authorities take the body? But they could have shown it, to scotch the rumours of Jesus' resurrection.

- Did Jesus faint, and then revived in a cool tomb? The Romans were professionals who knew what death was!

All these hypotheses do not stand, so the claim of Jesus' return to life through God's power seems likely to be true. Lord Darling, the former Lord Chief Justice said: "there exists such overwhelming evidence, positive and negative, factual and circumstantial, that no intelligent jury in the world could fail to bring in a verdict that the resurrection story is true." If it is, we can trust Jesus' promises of eternal life ourselves.

Prof John Fielding, Licensed Lay Minister

### **DATES OF CHURCH MEETINGS**

**Thursday 15 May 8pm Sherington DCC Chicheley 28 Carters Close**

**Thursday 22 May 7.30pm North Crawley DCC Village Hall**

### **Souper Lunchtime Get-together'**

**SCAN FELLOWSHIP, A FORTNIGHTLY CHANCE TO ENJOY A  
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**at 4 Griggs Orchard Sherington**

**01908 616763**

**12 pm – 2 pm Wednesdays**

**April 30**

**May 21<sup>st</sup>**

**June 4<sup>th</sup>**

**June 18<sup>th</sup>**

**July 9<sup>th</sup>**

**July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

## MAY SERVICES

### 4 May

8.00am SCAN Service of Holy Communion – Chicheley  
9.30am SCAN Service of Holy Communion – North Crawley  
10.45am 'Something Different' – Sherington – (refreshments at 10.30am)

### 11 May

9.30am SCAN Service of Holy Communion – Sherington  
11am SCAN Service of Holy Baptism - Sherington  
6.00pm SCAN Evensong – Chicheley

### 18 May

9.30am Scan Service of Holy Communion – Sherington  
10.45am Sunday Community At North Crawley School (SCANS)

### 25 May

#### **Rogation Sunday**

9.30am SCAN Service of Holy Communion – North Crawley  
5pm Rogation Service at Grange Farm Chicheley

### 29 May

7.30pm Ascension Day Service – The Rectory Sherington

### 1 June

8.00am SCAN Service of Holy Communion – Chicheley  
9.30am SCAN Service of Holy Communion – North Crawley  
10.45am 'Something Different' – Sherington – (refreshments at 10.30am)

# **C** HICHELEY

**Success!** At last the message appears to be sinking home that the main road through our Village is not a race track. All credit to the police for keeping up the campaign against speeding drivers, we were pleased to hear that earlier in the week the Officers left without having caught anyone over the 40 mph speed limit. I only hope this restraint continues, enabling old cronies like me to cross the road with at least a sporting chance of reaching the footpath.

Of course, there will always be those with no regard to the safety of others who will abuse the rules; we hope that the chance of getting caught and the extra points on their license and/or fine will at least make them question whether it is worth the few minutes saved.

*From Brian, a Chicheley Resident*

## **.Coffee Morning**

at

**CHICHELEY VILLAGE HALL**

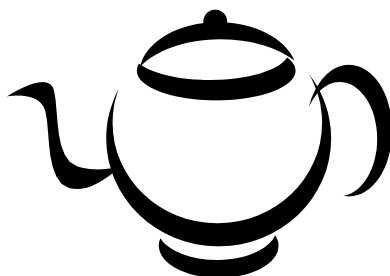
**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**10.30 am till 12 noon**

**In aid of St Lawrence's Church**

**Coffee – Tea - Home Made Cakes**

**Books - Home Produce Stall – Raffle**



**ALL WELCOME**

The teas in the village hall on Good Friday were really well supported, both by those providing all the delicious cakes and savouries and all those who came to eat them, giving a boost to the hall funds. The hall was again in use early on Easter Sunday morning, providing breakfast to the early risers who had attended the dawn service at the church. This year, with Easter being quite late, the service began well after dawn had broken and it was a welcoming chorus from the birds that greeted us as we made our way to the church, the peacocks providing the most volume

Chichchat will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May from 10.30am until noon in the village hall. There will also be a ChichTea, with cakes, on 27<sup>th</sup> May from 2.30pm until 4.00pm.

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May there will be a Rogation Day service at Grange farm, Chicheley at 5pm, an opportunity for us to give thanks for our blessings of the crops and animals that enrich our lives. This will be followed by refreshments.

On the 31<sup>st</sup> May Pierre and Christine Girard are inviting us to a StarBQ at their home in the evening. For further details please call 01234 391489. Let us hope for a warm, cloudless evening.

Much publicity has appeared in the daily papers this week about the escaped Rhea in Hertfordshire. This reminded us of our own local experience with a similar escapee Rhea some time ago. This was eventually caught by our ex-rugby playing farming neighbour who may yet have to be volunteered for his expertise, so watch this space.

I have been asked by Mrs. Jo Duncombe to say that £1,861 was given to the British Red Cross from donations made in memory of her late husband Ted. This grand sum was a reflection of the high esteem that Ted was held in. During the Second World War, Ted was a prisoner-of-war for several years and he used to say that the parcels given to him and his fellows by the Red Cross often made the difference between life and death, so I'm sure he will have been well pleased.

Finally, an advance notice for your diaries.

There will be a meeting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm in the village hall to plan how we at Chicheley should commemorate the First World War, more of which in next month's SCAN.

David.

## **N**ORTH CRAWLEY NEWS AND COMMENT

Some of you may have noticed that repairs have been made to the village shop which has lain dormant for several years now. There is also an application for the sale of alcoholic drinks in process with the planning department at Milton Keynes. My efforts to find out much more have faltered, apart from being informed that it is intended to re-open as a convenience store. When I cannot say, but as there was an outcry when the previous shop closed, and various groups of people tried to come up with ways to get it re-opened, I hope that everyone in the village will do their best to use and support the shop when it does re-open.

Well there has been a marked improvement in the weather and it is marvellous to see the daffodils, tulips, hyacinths and other early bloomers flowering. The change in climate has occasioned a few visits to the allotment and my over-wintering onions look strong, as opposed to this time last year when they had actually shrunk in size since being planted and eventually yielded around ten per cent of the previous year's bounty. Potatoes are in, as are peas and broad beans, and at the moment things are looking good. Of course, the mild and wet winter does seem to have favoured the slug and snail populations, so there are still hurdles to overcome before anything arrives at the table.

The Spring also heralds the return of those popular village sports of bowls and cricket, which both open their fixtures on Saturday 26th April. Further details of the club's activities follow.

### **North Crawley Bowls Club**

The green opened on 14th April and has been successfully assessed by county administrators. **On Saturday 10th May a Spring Quiz will be held in the Institute** so contact a member of the club if you would like to take part, or if you are really keen put together a team to compete for the honours.

On Sunday 11 May it is open day at the green, so no matter your age or standard, come along and join in, as all are welcome and if you don't have any woods, there are always some spare you can use. For further details contact Sheila Hart (Secretary) on 01234 750221.

### **North Crawley Cricket Club**

The club's three senior sides are aiming to be every bit as successful as last year and there will also be further effort to build up the Junior section.



The ground was prepared for the season on 5 April and a lot of hard work has gone into the restoration of the sight screens. Players have been to indoor net sessions over the winter and competition for places in the senior sides will be keen.

It is also planned to expand the junior section this season with two more players from the club having qualified as coaches. **The club is running sessions for Under 7 to Under 12 age groups 18:00 to 19:30 from Friday 2nd May until Friday 25th July.** Over successive years the age groups will be expanded to accommodate the players as they get older. As there are not many current players in the 13-16 year old age bracket they will be considered for the senior sides this year. Also if anyone is collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers, the club would like to put these towards the purchase of youth kit, so pass them on if you can.

**Please contact Sam Howe by emailing [youth@northcrawleycc.co.uk](mailto:youth@northcrawleycc.co.uk) for more details, or visit the NCCC website ([www.northcrawleycc.co.uk](http://www.northcrawleycc.co.uk)).**

### **Historical Society**

There has been a very positive response to the tour to the **WW1 Battlefields in October** which has enabled the Society to get some firm details. It will be a 4-day (3-night) tour by luxury coach and ferry. If you haven't already indicated your interest, **please call Chris Stapleton on 01234 391205, or John Brandon on 01234 391365, to book your place.**

**Walks** - Please support your village walks which are on the last Sunday in the month. The walks are suitable for young and old alike and are up to two hours in duration. The next two walks will be **Sunday 25th May and 29th June**, meeting as always at **10 a.m.** outside the Institute.

If anyone would like to contribute newsworthy information, please don't hesitate to send it to Hawk-eye before the Scan deadline (around the 18th of each month), to the following email address: [hawkeye.scan@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hawkeye.scan@hotmail.co.uk)



## **To all Parish Clerks**

You may or may not be aware that Age UK Milton Keynes offers a service for older people who are no longer able to maintain their gardens. This garden maintenance service covers lawn cutting, weeding, pruning and cutting back and generally keeping a garden neat and tidy so that it can continue to be enjoyed by its owner.

However we are not in a position to undertake garden clearances. This might happen when a person becomes unable to look after their garden through illness or infirmity, or following a spell in hospital. Recently we participated in a community event at Home Retail Group [Argos, Homebase, Habitat] who have their HQ in the city centre, where they employ 2,000 staff. One of the volunteering options we put forward was to help us undertake garden clearances – and a number of people have come forward to say that they would like to help in this way.

Last year Wolverton & Greenleys Town Council undertook a clear-up of some of the back alleys in Wolverton and in doing so came across a couple of gardens belonging to older residents that had become overgrown. Together with another charity that has since closed down, Age UK Milton Keynes was able to assist in clearing these two gardens. We would now like to be able to help other older residents – utilising the volunteer force from Home Retail Group.

If you are aware of any older people in your community that would benefit from a garden clearance, so that they, with the help of friends, family – or even the Age UK Milton Keynes gardening service – can continue to enjoy their gardens, please do get in contact and we will try to link up these people with one of the volunteer teams. The projects will be overseen by Age UK Milton Keynes. Volunteers will be placed on our register so will be covered by public liability insurance. All equipment to be used will be checked and volunteers instructed in its safe use.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards. Paul

**Paul Griffiths**

Marketing & Fundraising Manager  
Age UK Milton Keynes

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# **FAMILY FUN DAY**

**Saturday 17 May - The Peartree Centre, Peartree Bridge,  
MK6 3EB**

**Stilt walking Samba Band Pizza Cook Off Plant Sale  
Crafts & More ....**

**E. [sally.wood@ageukmiltonkeynes.org.uk](mailto:sally.wood@ageukmiltonkeynes.org.uk) T 01908 557891  
for more details**

**Sunday 22 June - Willen Lake, Milton Keynes  
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# **North Crawley Parish Council**

The Council met on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014.

## **Planning:**

14/00603/DISCON: One pending application this month attached to Planning Permission 13/00750/FUL and the type of windows to be installed at 4B Brook End, North Crawley.

## **Defibrillator update:**

Derek Flint of the South Central Ambulance Service attended the meeting to demonstrate the Automated External Defibrillator and answer questions. The purpose of the AED was to improve the chances of survival of victims of heart failure before health professionals take over. This is particularly important in more remote areas where an AED is stored in a secure cabinet. The unit can be accessed by dialling 999, obtaining a code to unlock the cabinet and calling the ambulance. The AED gives audible instructions on how to use it and it was stressed that the use of the unit could only improve survival chances.

It was agreed to find out if a unit could be positioned on the outside wall of the Village Hall and that the Clerk should examine the possibility of grants to assist purchase which with maintenance packs would be around £2,000.

Derek Flint explained that there were Community Responders who were volunteers from the public who were prepared to be trained to provide emergency care in their local communities.

## **Ward Councillor's Report:**

Cllr Mclean reported that the broken gully at Brook End would be repaired but it was not clear when. He suggested that the Clerk wrote again to MKC stressing the safety concerns.

Cllr Mclean commented that although horses on pavements were an offence under the Highways Act 1835 the police did not have the manpower to enforce it. Milton Keynes Council was proposing installing signs but it is doubtful what effect this will have.

Pot holes continue to be a problem but extra crews are proceeding as fast as possible.

## **NAG Report:**

Cllr Hunt reported that implementation of the new SIDS was been delayed slightly due to the various training sessions the volunteers would have to attend.

## **Update on Waste Ground Project:**

Cllr Rogers pointed out that one of the outstanding items from the Village appraisal

was to tidy up this area to make it the centre of the village again. It was agreed that it would be again known as THE VILLAGE GREEN and Cllr Rogers agreed to carry this forward.

### **Councillor's Reports:**

Residential Safety - The work agreed on the High Street and Folly Lane will be completed this summer.

Highways – Parking on pavements is still an issue, particularly where an obstruction is caused. It is also illegal as well as being inconsiderate to others. Lowered kerbs outside houses are for the convenience of driving in and out of driveways not for ease of access onto pavements. Please park in the road.

Landscape – Cllr Hatton and Flower to look into the situation where electric fencing around a field to the rear of the cemetery is making it difficult for walkers with dogs to pass through the gate.

### **Councillor's Items:**

Cllr Flower reported that the new doors and window for the Institute had now been ordered and when installed will enhance the appearance of the front of the building. Cllr Rogers suggested that the letter from AgeUK Milton Keynes should be highlighted in SCAN. It offers help to elderly people who need help managing their gardens.

Cllr Hatton would like the Parish Council to provide a 'Welcome Pack' to new residents to let them know the activities and facilities available in the village.

Cllr Hatton would contact Bucks County Council to try and obtain further copies of the leaflet 'North Crawley Parish Paths'

### **Questions from Residents:**

It was reported that the ditches had been cleared along the North Crawley Road and the debris, including the road side reflector posts were piled on the verges.

An update on the shop was requested but apart from an alcohol licence being applied for nothing was known.

It was suggested that a flower trough could be installed by the bus shelter. This was agreed to be a good idea consistent with a wish to improve the centre of the Village.

The date of the next meeting confirmed as Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2014 (to include AGM) at the earlier time of 6.30pm in the Village Hall.

Cllr David Hunt



# South Central Ambulance Service

NHS Foundation Trust

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Oxfordshire  
OX9 3HU

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07768 635501  
[derek.flint@scas.nhs.uk](mailto:derek.flint@scas.nhs.uk)

Dear Member of the Community,

South Central Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust has long subscribed to the fact that the quicker we can have a suitably trained person, with the appropriate equipment; to a member of the public during a life threatening emergency, the better the chance of survival and making a good recovery.

A few years ago we launched a charity division called “Community Responders”, this initiative depends on members of the community volunteering within their local area to respond to emergencies giving lifesaving treatment prior to the ambulance arriving.

Volunteers are given 2 full days of training at one of our training Centre’s, explaining how to recognize and treat many life threatening medical emergencies, ranging from cardiac arrest to strokes in the elderly down to infants, to name but a few of the situations the volunteers may face.



Once they have successfully completed the course they are supplied with an Automated External Defibrillator, breathing equipment and a mobile phone. The volunteer responders can then respond, to an emergency in their local community and tend to the needs of the most vulnerable, whilst an ambulance is on route. Due to the close proximity of the volunteer responder to the emergency they are very often first on scene and their actions can directly affect the

outcome of the patient, this will have an impact on the lives of their family and friends within your community.

We are currently looking for volunteers to be a part of this lifesaving scheme to help within your community. Do you have a few hours a week to spare? No prior medical knowledge required as full training is given.

If you would like to find out more then visit our website [www.southcentralambulance.nhs.uk](http://www.southcentralambulance.nhs.uk)

Or get in touch by email [cfr@scas.nhs.uk](mailto:cfr@scas.nhs.uk) or [derek.flint@scas.nhs.uk](mailto:derek.flint@scas.nhs.uk)

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# **North Crawley Bowls Club**

Affiliated to Bowls England & Buckinghamshire Bowls Association

## **Spring Quiz Evening**

**The date for our Spring Quiz is**

**Saturday, 10 May, 2014**

**at 7.30 for 8.00 pm**

**at North Crawley Village Institute**

This light-hearted, fun event is open to all comers.

Come either as a table-team of 6 players, or individually, and everybody will be accommodated.

Free refreshments will be provided during the evening, and a cash bar is open until closing time.

An entry fee of £5 per person will be collected on the evening, and prizes awarded to the winning team.

**Be sure to book your team/place early for the Quiz Evening. For further information, please contact either**

Graham Kinns (01234 391544), or  
Sheila Hart (01234 750221)

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## **NORTH CRAWLEY W.I.**

Well, four of us went to the Annual Council Meeting in Aylesbury and we had such a good day. Three excellent speakers; Mimi Harker, former Mayor of Amersham, a very busy enthusiastic lady; Patricia Pearce MBE, "Dreamflight", again a very busy lady doing good work for disabled children fund raising for flights to Disneyland in Florida, truly inspirational; followed by Chris Beardshaw - what a speaker - if ever you have the chance to go to see him you must take it. He is not at all what you would expect, he is funny, educational, inspirational and lively. A treat not to be missed. Then on the Thursday morning on Chris Evans Radio 2 Breakfast Show, one of our trustee's, Pat Poole, was chatting to him about our meeting, she told him she had won a floral arrangement in the raffle and she invited him with his wife and family to our centenary party at Waddeson Manor on 16th June 2015. We are having a picnic party for all the family, the competition is to



make a party animal - any animal, monster, 1,3,5,10, 12 legs does not matter, any colour, 8 heads - please yourself, just have fun! Everyone is invited. Pat also said WI is for inspiring women, we have grown 7% in the last year. In Bucks we have 4,500 members with 137 institutes, it's cool to belong to WI.

So to our monthly meeting. We had Joy talking to us about Teddy Bears; very interesting the history of Joy's collection, how they are made, where they came from, nearly all of them (and there were lots) had their own story and they were named. Joy had brought with her about one third of her collection, some very old, some modern, most were gifts, some holiday presents, some just because Joy liked them and, of course, some because they were homeless. We all took our own bears with their stories and names and again some old ones. One was a first birthday gift to one of our ladies, Anne, his name was Edward. A lovely evening.

We have a lot going on, Isla St Clair summer lunch, Vikings Life & Legend, Denman College Day, Planting for Wildlife and Cooking without Meat. Our annual outing will be at Jordan's Mill in Biggleswade; looking forward to that!

Raffle was won by Daphne, Jill and Bridget. Competition won by Jan. Dee has had a great success with her fruit cake and won through to the next level, so watch this space we may be famous. Good Luck, Dee!

Next month's speaker is Jackie from Detection Dogs, sounds very interesting.

Our June outing is to Jordan's Mill at Biggleswade, that is on Wed 18th June

Come along and join us you will be very welcome,

Lynda and the team

**To who ever BORROWED our four new, never been used, hand sewn tablecloths in tan with a gold lettering design from the WI cupboard in The Village Hall, please would you return them. You would have been more than welcome to use them if you had asked one of the committee members.**

**Many thanks Lynda Barber**



## Mailbag and Announcements

### In defence of the Number 40 bus service

I sympathise with the unfortunate experiences mentioned in March SCAN. However, quite a few of Sherington residents use this bus service regularly, myself included, and having lived in the village nearly 40 years I can honestly say it is the best service to operate through Sherington. It's route takes it to the top end of the village so those of us who live there are very grateful that we don't have so far to walk, especially carrying heavy shopping!

No service is perfect and there are times when the bus is late, but on the whole, they do run to time, and most of the drivers, with the exception of one or two, are very pleasant and helpful.

June Drew

I would like to say to the person complaining about the buses going through the village – many of us appreciate the route that serves the top end of the village (number 40). This service also goes to Newport and the Milton Keynes Coachway, very useful if you need to travel by National Express. There are many in the village that are unable to drive for one reason or another and rely on buses. Not having to carry heavy shopping up the hill is a joy!

Sandy Brock

As a regular No. 40 bus user, I find all of the drivers are very nice and helpful. The bus service is my lifeline as it is the only means of transport for myself and many others. Please can I take this opportunity to appeal to folk to USE it, or we shall LOSE it. Thank you,

Olive Thornton



**CAR STARTING HANDLE LOST. Fell off vintage car on the circular route Sherington, Filgrave, Tyringham on 12<sup>th</sup> April or thereabouts. Happy to exchange a £20 note with the finder. Tony. 01908 211000.**

A big thank you to everyone for all their prayers, cards, letters and flowers etc. that I received after my recent stay in hospital and also to all those who ferried us around while I was unable to drive. Also Betty and the gang for dealing with SCAN.

There are still some things that I have difficulty in doing, but luckily I can usually find someone to help; that's what comes of living in Sherington.

Again, many thanks, Ella



**KATE AND GRAHAM WILL BE LEADING THE THUMBSTICK WALK ON 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY WITH BLUEBELLS IN MIND. PLEASE MEET AT THE KNOLL AT 9.30 am AND BRING A CAR IF POSSIBLE. NO DOGS PLEASE.**



**THUMBSTICKS WALK on 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE. PLEASE BE AT THE KNOLL AT 9.30 am FOR A FAIRLY LOCAL WALK OF BETWEEN 4 TO 5 MILES. Public footpaths; so, well behaved dogs on leads.**

**Thank you. Madeleine and Tony**

From SHERINGTON CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL -  
**NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY:**

*We will be joining in the  
May Day celebrations  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May,  
11 am, The Knoll*



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**I HAVE BOOKED A COACH FOR A  
TRIP TO THURSFORD, (NORFOLK) CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR  
SATURDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2014  
COST £44**

Coach will leave North Crawley 8.00 am. Newport, Market Hill 8.10 am  
Sherington 8.15 am Olney, The Bull 8.25 am  
We will stop in Swaffham to get some lunch, arriving at Thursford  
about 1.30 pm Show starts at 2 pm

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO COME PLEASE LET ME KNOW  
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE**

Ella Field 01908 610560

# **ST. LAUD'S CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL**

# **'BYGONES'**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014  
11 a.m. – 5.30 pm**

**There will be a meeting in Church,  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30 pm  
for all interested.**

Once again, we would be pleased if you or your group/club/  
organisation could help, either by arranging flowers yourselves, or by  
making a donation for flowers to be arranged on your behalf.

## **ALSO**

If you can spare an hour or two, we are always glad to recruit stewards  
to welcome visitors to the Church and our tea ladies are grateful for  
contributions (cake, scones, etc) to offer to our guests.

**DO COME ALONG and HELP MAKE OUR 17<sup>TH</sup>  
FLOWER FESTIVAL THE BEST YET!**

**Contact: 611163**

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## **HELLO GARDENERS!**

**If you are willing to open your garden  
[ANY SIZE OR TYPE WELCOME] On the  
weekend of the flower festival [see above],  
Please contact: Betty 611587 13 SCHOOL LANE.**

**I will distribute signs, etc. and  
encouragement.**

### Where are they now?

On behalf of several correspondents, I am making an appeal to readers, specifically those planting a new garden or perhaps 'making over' an established one. Please give some thought to the size, location and speed of growth when positioning shrubs, trees, etc. and think of neighbouring properties.

In today's world, folk tend not to settle 'for life' in one location but for those that do, very tall vegetation left after the 'planters' have long moved on, can be a real nuisance.

Editor

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☺ *A reader Great Linford*



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# Scarecrow Competition 2014

**Sat. 21st June - Sat. 28th June**



Image by Caroline Leslie

Judging will take place on

**Saturday 21st from 10am**

Flower Festival Weekend

**Entries £1 per Scarecrow**

***This year's competition will be judged per household***

Please register your Scarecrow and get your entry form from  
the Sherington Historical Society Gazebo  
on The Knoll, May Day **(am only)**  
and afterwards -

Sherington Village Shop Church Road

**last entry Thursday 19th June**

Display your Scarecrow where it can be seen attaching the entry form  
so it can be judged

Queries phone Mark 216543 or Kay at 23 Carters close  
**THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL**



## Sherington Synopsis by Jack Daw

I must begin this month with a huge apology. Last month I incorrectly said that the owners of the Old Rectory, Katie and Terry Hine, were responsible for the devastation of the orchard. I now know, thanks to Katie, that the orchard does not form part of the land belonging to the Old Rectory. It was in fact bequeathed to the brothers Philip and Mark Hine by their father, Jeremy, and it was the brothers who carried out, or who had carried out the work there. No doubt we shall hear more about this in the future but once again, my sincere apologies to Katie and Terry for any embarrassment that I may have caused them.

As you may have noticed everything in our gardens are way ahead of time, certainly in comparison to last year when things were some four or five weeks behind. Danny Coles saw a swallow up at Sherington House on the 5<sup>th</sup> April, Jim Fleming on the 7<sup>th</sup>, Mrs D on the 8<sup>th</sup> and I saw one (possibly we have all seen the same one) over The Knoll on the 11<sup>th</sup>. It is believed that swallows send out a 'scout' to see how things are at the intended summer resting place for the flight. I don't know exactly how word gets back but perhaps we can assume that if the 'scout' does not return then conditions are probably all right. Still on the subject of wildlife I had a chat the other day with Mick Wing who saw a bird that he did not recognise, unusual for Mick, down by Sherington Bridge. When he returned home out came the bird book and it appeared that it was almost certainly a smew which is normally only seen around the London area. He then saw something also unusual at the Blue Bridge. It looked like a tortoise but it was in the reeds, not somewhere that you expect a tortoise to be. On closer inspection he found that it was actually a terrapin! He rescued it and it eventually ended up in the care of the RSPCA.

The Twinning Association quiz night was a great success with 98 out of the 100 tickets sold which meant that there were 18 teams vying for the medals. The fish and chips at half time proved very popular and were really tasty. The winning team (called The Numbskulls) won by a convincing margin having 25% more correct answers than their nearest rival team, Dave's Skint Again.



You may have noticed a flock of sheep in the field next to the High Street that goes up to the rear of the church. Nothing unusual you would imagine but do you know that these are called 'Easy Care' sheep? No, it's not an April Fool although I thought that it was. Easy Care is a revolutionary breed of sheep which requires minimal shepherding and veterinary care, sheds its wool in the summer, does not need shearing and yet offers excellent meat yields and lambing ratios. The breed is now well established in Britain and abroad and is proving extremely popular and successful with breeders in today's farming environment. The Easy Care Sheep Society was formed to promote this wonderful breed and to ensure its continued development.

"12<sup>th</sup> April saw the first fishing match for the White Hart Danglers which was held at Wold Farm on the Oaks Lake where the recent rains had made the lake very high. It was overcast with chilly winds so we all thought that it would be hard to catch anything. Results were very good though with 12 anglers catching just over 400 lbs with top weight going to Roy Heffron with 77 lb of skimmer bream and roach and prize money of £70, followed by Terry Castle with 59 lb of mixed fish and £40 prize money. Welcome to our 2 new anglers, Robin who has recently moved into Sherington and Ian from Olney who both caught double figures weights."

Thanks to Danny for the above report.

12th April also saw the meeting to try to take forward the village shop, which, as most of you will know, will see the current managers, Dina and Udi, leaving at the end of August. Volunteers were requested to form a new committee as Mel and Nigel have too many commitments to continue. The first meeting will be in St Laud's at 8 pm on 23 April. Anyone who has not put their name down would be very welcome especially if you feel strongly that the shop is a real village asset and should continue to be supported. Mr Philip Smith thanked Mel and Nigel for all their efforts and urged everyone to help with the transition to a new management.

Don't forget to keep me up to date with what's going on – Tel.: 216214 or <mailto:jackdaw@fastfreenet.com>.

## **SHERINGTON PARISH COUNCIL APRIL 2014**

### **1 CLERK'S REPORT**

#### **Ditch and drainage work down from Alban Hill**

MKC will be carrying out a detailed survey now that initial work has been completed.

#### **Repair to tree at recreation ground**

Councillors have approved a quotation for £150 from MKC Landscaping to remove branches from a conifer.

### **2 DAMAGE TO LAND AND FENCE AT VH PLAY AREA**

Councillors had been concerned prior to the April meeting that a contractor had driven heavy machinery over soft ground in the play area behind the Village Hall leaving tyre marks and had then removed fencing belonging to the parish council in order to gain access to the rear garden of the Old Rectory and to carry out tree and hedge clearance within a Conservation Area. MKC were then involved and one of their officers instructed the landowner to cease all work immediately. Mr Mark Hine who was present at the PC meeting stated that it had always been his intention to reinstate the fencing and then apologised for crossing the land and removing the fence without authorisation. At the suggestion of the chairman, he agreed to put this apology in writing to the parish council and the Village Hall committee and to fit new fencing immediately.

A representative from a property consultancy announced he was present on behalf of Mr Hine regarding proposals for development of land to the rear of The Old Rectory. The chairman advised him that, in the absence of any planning application there would be no discussion or comments from the parish council.

### **3 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**The Manor, 4 High St –tree maintenance.** No adverse comment.

**5 Knoll Close – Extension to form first floor extension over existing dwelling.** No adverse comment.

### **4 SHERINGTON RECREATION GROUND**

It was agreed to hold a separate meeting with the management committee to decide which refurbishment works for the pavilion should be carried out and to apply to the Parish Partnership Fund for 50% of the cost.

## **5 BEER & SAUSAGE FESTIVAL THE WHITE HART 3<sup>RD</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

The parish council has been contacted by licensing officer James Sloan to report that a Temporary Events Notice (TEN) for the Beer and Sausage Festival 3<sup>rd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> May 2014 has been applied for and is due to be considered by the licensing sub-committee on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014. A copy of the supporting documentation for the application has been provided to the parish council and Keith Shepherd owner of the White Hart public house was present at the meeting. During public comments Keith summarised the main changes to proposals for this year's event which include the provision of portable toilets on site, improved security, less live music and more emphasis on the use of public transport. The usual litter picking activities will also be in place. In response to a query by Cllr Collinge, Mr Shepherd stated that due to many factors the suggested alternative venue (the "sledging" field off Chicheley Hill) had turned out to be inappropriate.

## **6 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

The **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held on Tuesday 6th May 2014 in the Village Hall commencing at **7 pm**, followed by the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council at **7.30pm**. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be at 7.30pm on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2014.

Cllr David Hyde

### **SCHOOL HOLIDAY SOCCER CAMPS - ACTIVE SOCCER – MILTON KEYNES SHERINGTON RECREATION GROUND**

May Half Term – May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>

Summer Holidays – July 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>

8.45 am – 3.15 pm

Prices: £40 for three days or £15 per day

(May - £27 for both days)

Pay online facility available

**Call Adam for further details on 07766502479**

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# Sherington Church of England School News

## *The Village Schools Church Partnership*

PTFA Easter activities on the last day of the Spring Term



What a fantastic morning - thanks to everyone who came to watch the children celebrate Easter. The bonnets and hats were wonderful and the egg-rolling great fun, and just a little bit competitive, as always.

We hope you enjoyed the PTFA provided refreshments which were intended as a big thanks to you our wonderful parents, staff and supporters. The children certainly enjoyed the hot lunch and prospect of chocolate eggs after school.

You've helped us to raise over £600 this term alone and subsequently allowed us to buy new equipment and provide extra fun outings for the children. In addition to the things you are already aware of (trip to see Northern Ballet and the wonderful new Noah's Ark), there are a number of very exciting things in the pipeline for next term and beyond. Look out for more updates soon.

A very special mention of thanks to Anne Shedden, Colin and all other members of Sherington CE staff for helping us realise our new fundraising ideas.

And finally....ENORMOUS thanks to the best wing-man a PTFA could ever have - Claire Lawrence, we'd be lost without you (and probably still locked in the playground)!

**SHERINGTON P.T.F.A.**







Colin R Storey  
AST & Assistant Headteacher  
Sherington CE School

## SHERINGTON PRE-SCHOOL

Continuing our animal theme, this month we had a visit from 'Squidge' the bearded dragon! Some children were brave enough to touch and stroke his strange, rough skin. Thank you to Stevie for bringing Squidge in to see us.

Sport Relief Friday inspired us to venture into the big play area next to the village hall for racing, chasing and lots of physical play. We had fun encouraging the children to move in different ways over the obstacle courses, while balancing and challenging themselves.

Easter was celebrated early with card making, baking rice crispy egg nests and of course an Easter Egg Hunt! The children compared their finds, seeing who had the same coloured chocolate bunnies and eggs. There was lots of counting and lots of chocolaty faces!



We have also made a start in Tom's Garden. Peas, carrots, two varieties of potato and sunflowers have all been planted from seed. We are very fortunate that Anita and Ian Thatcher have invited us back into



their secure garden to continue our Home Grown in Sherington project, a big thank you to them both. The children had great fun setting up a dinosaur landscape, filling two old tyres with soil and stones before sprinkling on the grass seed and adding the dinosaurs! Thank you to Mike and Adrian for supplying the tyres.

Please come and visit our May Day stall on The Knoll on 5<sup>th</sup> May, we'll have face painting and games for children and the grownups! Hope to see you there.



## **Sherington Short Mat Bowls Club**

During March we held our club Singles' competition, which was won by Alan Paul and who is now the proud holder of the Paterson Cup. April saw the Doubles competition which was won by Bob Clarridge and our youngest member, Jessica Vale. Unfortunately, they did not receive any silverware just a chocolate Easter Bunny each! Bob has been bowling for several years but Jess is a relative new comer, having first come to the club for part of her Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, enjoyed playing and is now a fully paid-up member.

Age is not a barrier for playing bowls! Fancy trying your hand? 'Phone either Bob Clarridge, 01234 391486 or Sheila Quinn, 01908 211153.

Alternatively, call into the village hall any Monday afternoon 2pm – 4pm or Friday evening 7pm – 9pm. We will be pleased to show you how to play and give you a cup of tea and a biscuit.





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Sherington Historical Society will be attending the May Day festivities on the Knoll on the 5th May from 10.30am onwards.

We will be selling copies of Phil Smith's 'A Little Bird Told' Me together with notelets and other stationary. We are also still taking orders for the limited edition Crump prints priced at £35.

On Tuesday June 10th there is a visit planned to Milton Keynes Museum for a guided walk. We plan to leave the Village Hall car park at 6.45 pm.

Society members are reminded of the event and you would like to know more, costs for the event and to pre-order refreshments please contact Mark Vale on 216543 booking is essential. If you live in the SCAN area and would like to visit the museum you could join us but please contact Mark first.

Scarecrow Competition 21st - 28th June. Our biannual competition will be taking place again this year. Starting on the 21st June the same weekend as the Flower Festival in St Laud's. To enter come along to the Historical Society Gazebo on the Knoll on May Day to get your entry form or afterwards at Sherington Village Shop. It will cost you £1 to enter. Just remember to have your Scarecrow displayed in your front garden by 10 am on the 21st when judging will commence. The winner will be announced in St Lauds Church in the afternoon.

So get your thinking caps on, there is no theme so anything goes. In the past we have had some brilliant Scarecrow so lets make 2014 the best yet.

Thank you,  
Sherington Historical Society Committee.

# THE NEW THURSDAY GROUP

**1<sup>st</sup> May**

## **The History of Post Boxes – Open Meeting**

Helen Crabtree will share her fascination with our iconic red post boxes.

***This meeting is open to both men and women.***

Entrance fee for visitors is £2.50.

**5<sup>th</sup> June**

## **Karibuni**

A charity working for children in Kenya.

Freda and Les Driver from Newport

Pagnell will talk about Karibuni and their visit to the village.

*The New Thursday Group meets in Sherington Village Hall on the first Thursday of each month at 8.00 pm, unless otherwise indicated. It is open to all ladies from the village and surrounding area and new members are always very welcome. There is a varied programme of talks by visiting speakers, outings and events throughout the year. If you would like more information please contact Julie Smith on 01908-615043 or, alternatively, just come along to the village hall for one of the meetings.*

## **Summer Concert**

### **July 5th at St Lauds,**

Music by Newport Singers, a selection of jazz, Mozart, the last night of the proms, Les Miserables and more. We will be serving Strawberries and Pymms as usual and it's sure to be a great evening and a sell out.

**Best to get your ticket order in early.**

More info to follow in June Scan and lookout for the notices around the villages

David W.



# *Rural Play Project*

## We're back in Sherington!

### **FREE ACTIVITIES IN SHERINGTON FOR 4-19 YEAR OLDS!**

Milton Keynes Play Association is thrilled to announce that Sherington Parish Council has kindly agreed to fund another Rural Play Ranger Project in your area.

Activities will take place on **Thursday afternoons at 3.30pm,**  
**term time only until the Autumn**

on the play area by Sherington Village Hall - whatever the weather.

**Activities commence on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2014**

Look out for our big shiny blue van!



For further information, call MKPA on: (01908) 263033  
Or e-mail [steve@mkpa.co.uk](mailto:steve@mkpa.co.uk)

March was a momentous month for awards, tributes and accolades! I am delighted to inform you that **North Crawley Church of England School** has been awarded the **Basic Skills Primary Quality Mark Award** for the **third** time.



This national accreditation is awarded to schools which meet the Quality Mark Standard. The Basic Skills Quality Mark promotes, supports and celebrates progress and improvements made by a school in English and Mathematics. To achieve a Quality Mark schools have to undergo an assessment, carried out by an external accredited assessor, against the 10 'Elements' of the Quality Mark framework. The National Director of the Quality Mark Programme wrote, *"I hope you will share in the pride of the school and its pupils in achieving this award."*

In addition, the feedback received from the external Primary Quality Mark assessor was extremely positive and included the following highlights -

**"North Crawley School is an outstanding school in each respect of the Ofsted framework."**

*"The school has worked tirelessly to encourage independence and autonomy of the children. During the visit all pupils were fully engaged in independent learning.....It was evident that children enjoy all aspects of school life and that together with the adult team the school is viewed as a safe, joyful, stimulating and outstanding environment for learning."*

**The PQM assessor highlighted 'Good practice' identified in relation to the 10 Elements of the Quality Mark:**

- The basis of ensuring and maintaining outstanding learning is rooted in the quality of monitoring and evaluating performance. The Headteacher has a particular expertise in this area. Every aspect of the school is routinely and meticulously monitored for quality and impact. The pursuit of excellence is relentless using clear performance related policies, procedures and hard evidence of outcomes for pupils.
- Ofsted reported that ***"..by the end of year 2, pupils' progress in reading, writing and maths is outstanding. Standards in reading and writing are consistently well above the national average. In mathematics, they are above average and rising."***
- North Crawley is increasingly working in partnership with its sister school Stoke Goldington. The Deputy Headteacher of Stoke Goldington is a leading maths teacher..... and has inspired both schools with her exceptional expertise in maths teaching.
- Ofsted found that ***"...by the end of the year, they were generally working above the nationally expected levels in all areas of learning."*** This is because progress is excellent due to the outstanding provision in the Early Years class.

***The Early Years Foundation Stage demonstrates exemplary practice.***

- The rich learning environment inside and outside the classroom is continuous. During the visit children were engrossed..... Activities on offer were varied, interesting and presented challenge.
- ***What makes this provision outstanding is the ability and skills of the staff to excite, make relevant, and bring alive the broad and challenging curriculum of the school.***
- Staff have a natural gift which exceeds most expectations; they present activities which inspire and excite the curiosity of children.
- ***Books and words are used and displayed in all areas of the learning environment. Every opportunity is made to present the children with opportunities that inspire, motivate and stimulate investigation. Resources are of the highest quality and every effort has been made by staff to give children relevant and meaningful equipment.....***
- The very impressive work of the EYFS class is continued into KS1.
- ***Teaching assistants have a very high level of expertise. They are skilled in open investigative questioning, assessment and optimum learning techniques.***
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- The school has achieved an **outstanding** SIAMS report from the local diocese inspectors in relation to its Church School status. The full 2014 SIAMS report for North Crawley Church of England School is available via  
[http://www.churchofengland.org/pdf/schoolreports/2013\\_2014/Oxford\\_North%20Crawley\\_10.03.14\\_110406.pdf](http://www.churchofengland.org/pdf/schoolreports/2013_2014/Oxford_North%20Crawley_10.03.14_110406.pdf)
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Indeed, there have been celebrations all around for North Crawley CE School **AND** Stoke Goldington CE First School which form the "**Ouse Valley Partnership**". At the beginning of March 2014, Ofsted judged Stoke Goldington Church of England First School to be **OUTSTANDING** in all areas which is certainly a fabulous accomplishment.

The PQM assessor wrote, "The Headteacher leads two federated schools which North Crawley is one. Her leadership and management have taken both schools to outstanding status." Very many congratulations to all staff, governors, parents and children at both '**Ouse Valley Partnership**' schools. What a fantastic team effort!

**Would you like your child to attend a school judged by Ofsted as outstanding? Unexpectedly there are a few places available at both schools for September 2014 – please telephone North Crawley on 01234 391282 or Stoke Goldington on 01908 551253 for further details.**



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