

# SCAN



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## SCAN 445 AT-A-GLANCE DIARY OCTOBER 2014

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<b>PILATES:</b> <b>Monday at 8 pm</b> – contact Helen Terry on <a href="mailto:Helen@1to34pilates.co.uk">Helen@1to34pilates.co.uk</a>			
<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:</b> The venue is now back at St. Laud's Church from 2.30 pm until 4.30 pm.			
<b>PILATES 10 am, YOGA 11am, NORTH CRAWLEY INSTITUTE Thursdays. Call Debbie 07764 391687</b>			
<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			
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John writes:

### **“SIMPLIFICATE AND ADD MORE LIGHTNESS”**

This phrase was coined by an obscure American aircraft designer called Bill Stout. He was active between the 1920s and 1950s. His maxim was effective in his designs and was copied by many other designers, including the late Colin Chapman, founder of Lotus cars. He didn't say add beauty, but Chapman certainly added it to his lightweight, powerful sports cars.

These eminent engineers were not first with this concept. Jesus emphasised simplicity to His disciples when he said: **“Do not store up for yourselves treasure on earth... why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these...But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well”** (taken from Matthew, Chapter 6)

I don't think that Jesus was saying that we should sit back and do nothing, but that our priorities should not be to accumulate more and more “stuff”. I'm sure that you, like me, have so much accumulated “stuff” cluttering up our homes, our diaries, and our lives. Jesus is saying to us that we should get our priorities right. We shouldn't be burdened by worries and possessions, but should concentrate on building the Kingdom of God where we are, in terms of justice, peace, love and worship. We should treat our “stuff” not as our possessions, but gifts of which we are stewards. We could “simplicate” by giving some of them away, or sharing them with others. A simple example occurred, in another town. 'Two neighbours and I decided to buy one lawnmower between us, rather than 3. It was simpler, and cheaper!'

The second part of Stout's maxim was “add more lightness”. Don't we all need to lighten up? We certainly see the joy of Jesus and his young disciples as they went round Galilee. Sadly, some of our Christian services can seem to some to be heavy, boring, or incomprehensible. That is one of the reasons that, almost a year ago we started our “Something Different” service. It is very simple, but profound. We don't use books, have well-illustrated talks, a mixture of traditional and modern songs, and enjoy food and fun. It is proving to be popular with all ages, and we believe follows Bill Stout's words. We **“Simplicate and add more lightness”**. Do give it a try on the first Sunday of each month from November, at 10.45AM in St. Lauds!

**Prof John Fielding, Licenced Lay Minister**

## FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

### Baptisms

*'Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus the Messiah, then your sins will be forgiven and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.'*

The following were welcomed into God's through Holy Baptism

7 September - Chloe Rae Turner at St Firmin's Church – North Crawley

14 September - Baxter Leonard Crawley at St Laud's Church - Sherington

21 September – Sophia Elizabeth Cove at St Laud's Church - Sherington

*May you all grow to know, love and serve God in your life. God Bless you.*

### Weddings

*'Marriage is a way of life made holy by God'*

We ask for God's blessing on:

Richard Gray and Caroline West who were married in St Lawrence's Church

Chicheley on Sunday 31 August 2014

and

Kenneth Chamberlain and Diane Broadbent who were married in St Laud's

Church Sherington on 20 September 2014

*In your goodness Lord watch over this couple you have joined in the covenant of marriage.*

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### 'Autumn Clean' for St Laud's Church



on Saturday 4 October between 10am - 12pm

If you can spare any time to help please come along to lend a hand!

## OCTOBER SERVICES

### 5 October

8am Scan Service of Holy Communion (BCP) – Chicheley  
11am SCAN Animals Blessing Service – North Crawley

### 12 October

9.30am Scan Harvest Service of Holy Communion – Sherington  
6pm Scan Harvest Evensong – Chicheley

### 19 October

9.30am Scan Service of Holy Communion – Sherington

### 26 October

11am Scan Service of Holy Communion – Chicheley  
6pm Scan Evensong – North Crawley

## NOVEMBER SERVICES

### 2 November

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

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A **huge** thank you to all those who contributed so generously to the St Firmin's Church gift day appeal last month – the amount raised was **£937**



Revd Mandy



In September we celebrated with the Revd Pam Fielding as she completed her curacy and is now officially an associate Priest here in SCAN Parish. Well done Pam! Thank you for your caring, wise and gentle ministry among us.

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St Laud's Christmas Bazaar  
Sherington Village Hall  
Friday 28 November – watch this space  
BUT  
any ideas or offers of help would be greatly appreciated  
PLEASE contact Pam Fielding – 01908 616763

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#### **NO CHILD TAKEN - Tearfund Tea and Bakesale**

Thank you so much to all who made cakes, who came on the day or who gave a donation. Altogether we raised £300 at the Tearfund Bakesale. Thanks to your generosity this astonishing sum will help prevent children being tempted to leave the poverty of their villages in Laos to work in Thailand, where they would suffer exploitation of the worst kind. Thank you so much, Pam Fielding.



# Join us to add beauty to our gorgeous village!

*Thank you so much to everyone who came to plant crocus bulbs last year. They looked wonderful this spring. So popular that we're doing it again!*

**This year bulbs will be available to plant from St Laud's Church porch. The holes will be pre-dug. Just collect your bulbs - leave a donation to the Church in the wall safe, choose your hole and plant.**

Couldn't be simpler ... then come back next year to see the colour!

## Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th October Pop up to the Church when you can!



A huge thank you to Peter Crook of Sherington Nurseries  
[www.sheringtonnurseries.co.uk/](http://www.sheringtonnurseries.co.uk/) [info@sheringtonnurseries.co.uk](mailto:info@sheringtonnurseries.co.uk)  
for supporting us with this fundraiser in aid of the continued ministry of St Laud's Church

### Why are we fundraising?

We need help from the good people of Sherington with the financing of our church and ministry costs for our village. Each year we pay our contribution towards our costs to the Diocese of Oxford. This is called the 'Parish Share' and this year **in Sherington we need to raise £21,242!** If we live in the expectation that there will always be a church, with a vicar and other ministers to provide Sunday services, to preside over weddings, to baptise our children, to bury our loved ones, to celebrate major festivals like Christmas, Easter, Harvest, and Remembrance, to help our children know about the Christian faith and to minister to the needs of our community, then we have to make sure that we can resource the ministry needed.

**♥ Please support us now so we are always there for you when you need us ♥**



# *St Laud's Church*

## *Autumn Quiz Night!*

Church End, Sherington, Near Newport Pagnell, Bucks, MK16 9PD

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

**7:30pm – 10pm**

*With our popular quizmasters:*

**Neil and Patricia Hodges!**

**£8 per person**

**Teams of 6!**



**We can make up teams on the night too if you prefer**

**To order fish and chips please confirm attendance ahead of the date**

***Book soon !!     Ring Paula Noble 01908 216925***

**Fish and chip supper from 8:30pm**

**Tea and coffee in the interval**

**Bring own beverages and nibbles**

**Raffle prizes (*raffle tickets available on the night*)**

**Prizes for the winning team!**





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

SCAN fellowship, a fortnightly chance to enjoy a simple lunch together

4 Griggs Orchard Sherington home of Pam and John Fielding

01908 616763

12pm -2pm Wednesdays

15 October

29 October

All ages welcome (children too!)

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## **A**STWOOD

Well I think you'll all agree what a fabulous summer we've had. I'm currently writing my Astwood October newsletter from Suffolk as Mrs Eagle and I are enjoying a late summer break in Suffolk at a delightful cottage in Walberswick. Just returned from a fabulous walk to Dunwich along the beach with our dogs and finished up with a good pint of Adnams bitter as an end to the perfect day.

Our neighbours, Dick & Carolyn Arundel have returned to their native Yorkshire after 25 years in Astwood. They served our village well with both on the village hall committee for a number of years and Dick on the parish council. They will both be missed by all that knew them.

On a positive note we now have the Blakemore family next door in Main Road and a warm welcome to Rob, Ali, their children Archie and Pippa, and dog Merlin. Enjoy the Astwood experience!

Bob and Janet at The Swan hosted a September fund raising event for Willen Hospice following the Astwood ladies night walk. The restaurant was closed to the public on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September and the three course meal with music was quickly sold out.

A big thank you to Bob, Janet and all their staff for the fabulous food. Also Doug Smith who managed to put a selection of music together that kept everybody on the dance floor until 2 am. The evening raised £700, so big well done to all of you for your hard work.

September 29th will once again host an Astwood Harvest Supper taking part in the village hall.

Finally, this is just a suggestion, but up until the church closed we always had the church illuminated in December and it looked fantastic. I realise that electricity power to the church no longer exists!!! However, what do the Astwood residents think about donating towards having the lights on again this December? I understand that the equipment is still available so it's just the electricity bill to be covered. If you think you would like to support this suggestion please contact any member of the village hall committee who will then be able to discuss it at their next meeting.

And finally ... always remember that the nice part about living in a small village is that if you don't know what you are doing; somebody else does!!!



*All the best.*

*Bald Eagle*

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**PILATES REMINDER – 8 pm Mondays at Astwood Village Hall**

*We always welcome new members*

*Please contact Helen Terry for more information on*

*07887 354234 or [Helen@1to34pilates.co.uk](mailto:Helen@1to34pilates.co.uk)*

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## **C** HICHELEY

We SCAN correspondents write our notes in the middle of the month; you of course don't see them until the beginning of the next month. I'm writing mine on the 18<sup>th</sup> September and you will all know by now what happened on that day. It's tempting to put down my own thoughts of the campaign and possible outcome but I will resist that, perhaps though just one reflection from me. Parts of our world are in turmoil and extreme violence as their citizens try and decide how to rid themselves of those they don't like, or to claim lands as their own. The Scottish referendum may have given cause to a lot of "blather" but generally seems to have been conducted in a civilised manner. Let us hope whatever the result that continues.

There is still time to book your team into the Quiz in Chicheley village hall on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October from 7pm. Supper will also be provided, entrance is £10 per person and the proceeds are for Chicheley church. Please telephone Judy on 01234 825075 to book your place.

Chichchat will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October from 10.30am until noon in the village hall. There will be also be a ChichTea, with cakes, on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October from 2.30pm until 4.00pm

Chicheley's Harvest Festival is on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October, with the harvest produce sale the following evening in the village hall. The harvest supper is on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October, 7.00 for 7.30pm, tickets are £10 per person and please telephone David on 01234 391371 to book your place.

The writing of these monthly notes is an interesting challenge, particularly when not much seems to be happening in the village. Astwood have for some time used correspondents who write for two or three editions in turn, which offers differing viewpoints of village life. Would anyone in Chicheley like to join me in doing the same for our village? If so please give me a call on 01234 391371 to discuss.  
David.

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

Anyone spotted what's new in the village?

Well from comments received it appears the traffic lights at either end of the High Street have caused a stir, even though they seem to be doing a marvellous job of calming traffic speed. The associated works appear to have caught everyone on the hop even though there was plenty of warning that a traffic scheme was going to be implemented during the summer. For those that don't know, the Parish Council have been trying for years to persuade MKC that something was needed to make the main crossing area in the village safer for pedestrians, and had proposed a comprehensive and attractive solution, but unfortunately this was not approved due to cost. The simpler MKC idea to widen the pavement and introduce a curve in the High Street, was the one progressed, and meets the two primary objectives identified when feedback from residents was considered on this subject many moons ago, to provide more room for pedestrians and those with buggies to pass one another, and to make crossing the road in the centre of the village safer. Unfortunately the work carried out does not meet with agreed guidelines, especially the concrete strips in the middle of the pavements, so at the time of writing the Parish Council is making representations to MKC to remove these and address a number of other issues. It has also been pointed out that the work was scheduled to be complete within the school summer holidays but started late, so is another matter of annoyance shared with MKC. A number of remarks have been made

to me about it costing the village money, but in fact we as villagers put money into the unitary authority's coffers every year so nothing different there, except this year we can actually see something tangible in return.

Another comment made is that residents and visitors have struggled on occasions to find somewhere to park so have straddled pavements, which in the circumstances is understandable. I have heard on good authority that once the works are completed it is expected that normal parking patterns will resume and parking on pavements will not be seen as acceptable behaviour.

On a lighter note regarding other news in the High Street, a 'Yurt' was recently erected in the garden of the resident known as Frank, who is a bit of a card. It transpires he was planning his 50th birthday party and after studying the odds on a change in the weather, decided to provide some cover for his guests. As it happens the gamble paid off and it was reported that a good time was had by all. Happy birthday Frank.

As many of you already know the **Autumn Fayre in aid of Willen Hospice and Macmillan Cancer Support Saturday, was held on September 20<sup>th</sup>.**

If you didn't get to the event but want to make a donation contact **Marie Graham at 35 High Street, or phone 07956 559285.**



### **North Crawley Cricket Club**

The first team were one of four sides in contention to top the premier league going into the final game of the season. Approaching late afternoon it was clear that other results meant that the first team had to beat their opponents Milton Keynes City to come top, which they duly did in a hard fought and close game. Two weeks later they also won the Wolverton knock out cup, so they are double champions once more, which is a great achievement for a small village club. On the same final day of the league programme the second team bowled Newport Pagnell **first team** out for 45 and then quickly knocked off the runs to secure their place in the second division. With the third team doing well in their league it has been another all round good performance from the club. The junior section has expanded by another age group, so a big thanks to Sam Howe and his coaches for their time and expertise in building for the future. Their season is also at an end on the playing front and an awards event and a barbeque took place on 6th September. On the same day a club 20/20 event was held starting at around 10.30, which marked the end of the playing season, and with good weather on the day a large number of spectators partook of the odd tipple and enjoyed the organised barbeque.

## **Historical Society**

On Saturday 13 September as part of the MK Heritage Open Days events, the village society held an exhibition in North Crawley Institute detailing the servicemen and women from the village who served in WW1. The presentation of the servicemen's lives and stories was extremely well done and quite harrowing in many cases. Personal belongings, old photographs, medals, were provided by villagers and local families. It gave an insight into just how terrible the conditions were that these people were thrown into and from which so many didn't emerge. It was an excellent exhibition and all involved in staging it deserve praise for their efforts. A walk around the village and nearby fields was also organised, followed by tea and delicious cakes.

**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 walks will be on Sunday 26 October and 30 November, 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)



*Hawk-eye*

### **NEW CLASSES AT NORTH CRAWLEY INSTITUTE**

#### **PILATES**

**THURSDAYS 10AM – 11AM**

#### **YOGA WITH CORE STRENGTHENING**

**THURSDAYS 11AM – 12.NOON**

**£5 per class or 6 week block - Just bring a mat**

**Call Debbie on 07764 391687**

**Inspiredfitness2@aol.com**

# Animal Blessing Service

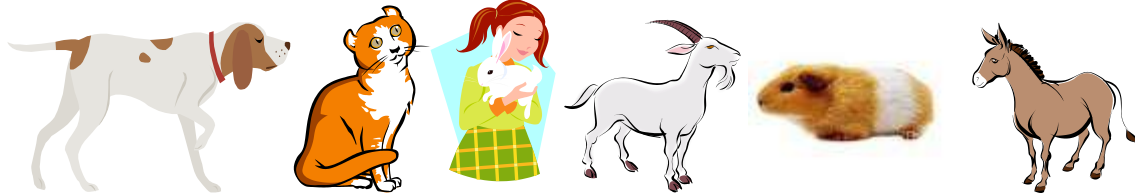
All creatures great and small are welcome to this very special event at  
**St Firmin's Church in North Crawley**  
**On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 11am**



Animal Blessing service followed by refreshments  
Creatures great and small, furred, feathered and scaled, two-footed, four-footed and no-footed, are welcome to be blessed.

Please bring in a tin of cat/dog food as a donation for the RSPCA  
Non animal church attendees also welcome!

Please provide restraints-leash, cage, or whatever is appropriate for your animal (and respectfully remember that the care and behaviour of your animal remains with the owner/carer) any cows/horses etc please tether by the door at the rear of the church.



## **NORTH CRAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

The Council met on 2<sup>nd</sup> September

The following are notes from the meeting and not the official minutes

### **Planning**

14/01280/FUL, 26 Orchard Way – Two storey side extension to form annexe. No adverse comments. However the Clerk to monitor as it was agreed that we should stress to the applicant that any disruption must be kept to an absolute minimum whilst the building works were being carried out. Should Planning Permission be granted, the Clerk will write to the applicants regarding the parking of vehicles. .

14/01883/CLUE, 25 Folly Lane – Certificate of lawfulness for continued residential use. No comments.



### **Ward Councillors Report**

Ward Councillor Keith McLean reported that, following the resignation of the Mayor of MK, Cllr Derek Eastman of Newport Pagnell Town Council had been appointed to cover the post until 15<sup>th</sup> May 2015

There are two consultations ongoing, the planning obligations and the minerals local plan, the latter probably not affecting us much. We can respond if we feel it beneficial.

Folly Lane may be closed for a short while when they install the white lines, although it is not definite as yet

### **NAG Report:**

Cllr Hunt does a lot of work for NAG with both the speed watch scheme and the SIDS; he was thanked for this by Cllr Hatton. He reported that MKC have expressed regret that they won't be able to input to NAG due to staff cuts. NAGs priority is speed control via operating SIDS. He reported valid data showing high speeds in Chicheley Road which will be looked at by Sgt Andy Caulden at Newport Pagnell police station; Adrian Carden is happy with the use of SIDS and has ordered a post to erect a SID in Folly Lane which has a big problem with speeding

### **Landscape:**

Cllrs Hatton & Flower had drafted a tender document for the grass cutting next year which was handed out and discussed. On reflection the process is more complicated than first thought, needing a legal contract to be drawn up as well as a lot of extra work when showing prospective applicants around the various areas to be looked after. It was resolved to invite a representative from Serco to our next meeting when we can express our concerns and, hopefully, be assured of good service should we decide to stay with them. We will, however, be inviting other Companies to tender for this contract. It was also agreed to invite our Ward Councillor Peter Geary who has experience with landscape contracts.

### **Village Green Project:-**

The stone trough is looking grand and Cllr Stapleton was thanked for keeping it watered as necessary; it was suggested to possibly plant spring bulbs overlaid with winter pansies.

### **Councillors Items**

Some residents have been complaining there is nowhere to park during the road works. This is only temporary.

There is concern for a group of children charging around Kilpin Green on bicycles not looking out for cars who could easily run them down. As there have been incidents of near misses with cars PCSO Ryan Michel will monitor the situation and may discuss road safety with the children if he deems it necessary. In the meantime, parents are asked to ensure their children are aware of the possible consequences of using the road like a racing track.

Parking on pavements continues to be a problem particularly in parts of the High Street where cars are parked on either side of the road. Not only is the pavement being blocked for pedestrians it also makes passing very awkward, plus of course the damage to the pavement. The PCSO will look into this. In the meantime please do not park on the pavements. The road is for cars, the pavement is for pedestrians.

Excellent news on the buses!! From 21<sup>st</sup> September 2014 buses will run from CMK to Bedford via North Crawley. The new timetable will be displayed in the bus shelter and it is hope people will use them. **As always use them or lose them!**

### **Questions from Residents:**

A resident thanked the Parish Council for the trough on the village green, saying it looks colourful and brightens the centre of the village. The Parish Council very rarely receive any thanks so it was much appreciated.

**The date and time of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 7th October 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall.**

Cllr Roz Hatton

### **Parish Councillor Contact.**

Please attend the PC meetings to have your say, or send your comments through the Clerk via email address: [patclerkncpc@btinternet.com](mailto:patclerkncpc@btinternet.com)

The above advice is the best route to follow in most cases and ensures that points are formally recorded, but of course if there is a real emergency that cannot wait, contact your councillors by whatever means possible

### **Dog Fouling from July Meeting**

As well as some owners still not cleaning up after their dogs we now have an issue where they are cleaning up but then leave their bag of dog waste on top of the footpath marking posts such as at Cradle Plank and, no doubt if, we looked in various bushes we would probably find bags there also. Dog fouling is also continuing to happen outside the school. This is totally unacceptable and, if dog fouling continues, especially where children's' health is put at risk, the Parish Council will have no alternative other than to seek a Dog Control Order which will entail dogs being kept on a lead **AT ALL TIMES** when in public places. If you do not want this to happen then name and shame the people who are spoiling it for the majority of villagers and their dogs.



## **NEWS FROM NORTH CRAWLEY CE SCHOOL**

**North Crawley CE School & Stoke Goldington CE First School**

*'Together in Learning – Sharing Excellence and Expertise'*

We are delighted to welcome our nine new children and their families to the Foundation Stage class at North Crawley CE School. Everyone is settling in very well and making new friends. The children are enjoying exploring the indoor and outdoor classrooms and have already begun gardening and planting on our wonderful 'Welly Wednesdays'. The current early years topic, 'Super Sounds and Nimble Numbers', has provided lots of fun opportunities for counting and learning the first set of letters. In particular these new children are all looking forward to our special

### **OPEN MORNING on TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

**between 9:30 and 10:30am**

**when we can show around potential starters for September 2015!**

The KS1 children have also had a great start to the new academic year. The new playground activities have been set up and everyone is enjoying playing co-operatively and learning new skills.

As we reported in August, the children are now provided with a **FREE** school meal which is served at lunchtime. The initial 'tasting' sessions went down a treat but now the children are tucking into popular dishes like chicken pasta bake, sweet potato and chickpea curry, breaded fish with potato pom poms, and rustic beef cottage pie with garlic bread. School meals are certainly very different these days! Apparently they are "really, really, really, really GOOD!"



Even though it is early days, there are lots of exciting things we are planning for this term including a role-play baptism in church, finding out about 'where we live' in the world, and learning about ourselves and other animals. We have begun by creating fabulous portraits of ourselves using different tissue papers and developing out photography skills.



Do you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011? Would you like your child to attend a school judged by **Ofsted** as **outstanding**? Parents can choose where they send their child to school. Visit our NEW website at [www.northcrawley.milton-keynes.sch.uk](http://www.northcrawley.milton-keynes.sch.uk) We have an **OPEN MORNING** for any prospective parents on **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER between 9:30 and 10:30am** Come along to see what a small village school has to offer.

Please telephone North Crawley on 01234 391282 for further information and to confirm your attendance at the Open Morning – we look forward to meeting you.

# **North Crawley Bowls Club**

Affiliated to Bowls England & Buckinghamshire Bowls Association

## **Autumn Quiz Evening**

**The date for our Autumn Quiz is**

**Saturday, 1 November 2014**

**7.30 for 8.00 pm**

**at**

**North Crawley Village Institute, High Street**

This light-hearted, fun event is open to everyone.

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.

To book a table or individual place please contact either of the following people:

Sheila Hart (01234 750221)

Graham Kinns (01234 391544)

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

Well, Hello again: Raffle winners from last month were Dilys, Angie and our visitor Jan, who we wished a very warm welcome. The competition winner was Barbara.

This month we had our Harvest Supper, a delicious selection of five starters and six desserts and everyone was able to eat as many as they could. A BIG THANK YOU goes to the committee for their splendid efforts at preparing the food. It was, to say the least, a feast fit for a queen.

We have a full program coming up for next year with speakers on Country Superstitions, Maderia Flora & Fauna, How to Take the Perfect Photograph, and an open meeting in April with SERV, the voluntary group that delivers emergency blood, breast milk, organs for transplant - all on a motor bike - so watch this space for venue

and ticket price and as this is a charity we are also having a Bring 'n' Buy sale for them. Everyone will be welcome, so pencil in Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April, 8 p.m.

We have a Dabble Day on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at Newton Longville and three members are hoping to go.

The fashion show at Aylesbury sounds good, but wrong time of the year for us. Raffle winners were Maime, Barbara, Jan, Angie and Joan. Competition winner Carol Quiz winner Barbara

Next month is our AGM followed by the usual bingo or quiz – SEE YOU THERE!

Lynda and the team.

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## Mailbag and Announcements

### TUESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

October



14 Pearl Teasdale, 33 Crofts End

28 Doris Stephens, 1a Church Road



### THUMBSTICKS – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

The Thumbsticks will be going on a 3 mile walk from Newport Pagnell. Please drive down to meet at The Knoll for 9.30 am. No dogs please. J & A.

New resident in Sherington:

**Mark and Polly Baddeley are delighted to announce  
the arrival of their daughter.**

**Una Molly Mavis was born on Monday 8th September, weighing  
6lbs 15oz. Baby is healthy, happy and doing well.**

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

### SAMARITAN'S PURSE – SHOE BOX APPEAL



Thank you to all who have supported this over the years. Leaflets for this year giving information on wrapping boxes and what items may be sent, are now available. Please call at 3, Hillview, Sherington or phone 617599 and I will deliver.

Please return completed boxes to 3, Hillview, Sherington, by Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Thank you, Pam Ellis

EVERYONE WELCOME TO THE LATE, LATE,  
HARVEST SUPPER!  
SHERINGTON VILLAGE HALL  
7 pm  
TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2014

ITEMS FOR AUCTION WELCOME

Tickets £7.50 (child £4)  
from: Jill Burgess 611163  
Tina Ferris 611083  
Pam Fielding 616763

DO COME - IT'S GREAT FUN



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*Pearl Teasdale invites you to the:*

**ANNUAL TRAIDCRAFT EVENT IN SHERINGTON**

*at*

**33 CROFTS END**

*on*

**SATURDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**

**10.00 am - 6.00 pm**

*and*

**SUNDAY, 9<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**

**2.00 pm - 5.00 pm**

*Fair Trade gifts for children and adults  
craft goods, cards, wrapping paper, notelets, Advent Calenders etc.  
Dried fruits, nuts, sweets, chocolates.  
Orders also taken from the catalogue.*

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# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

MILTON KEYNES COUNCIL

PLAN: MK AND THE SITE ALLOCATIONS PLAN – PUBLIC CONSULTATION

*“Milton Keynes Council is at the first stage of preparing two new planning documents for the Borough and want to encourage as many people as possible in our parish to get involved at this early stage in the process, in order to help them shape the future of Milton Keynes.”*

Of these new Local Plans, the one that is perhaps of particular relevance to Sherington is on Future Housing Development, called the **“Site Allocation Plan”**. **MKC are proposing that 20 to 40 houses be built in Sherington, outside the current village limit, and have identified 4 potential sites: Smith’s Yard, Crofts End, behind the School and the top end of the High Street.**

They are inviting public comments. The full details are on the Milton Keynes Council website under Consultations. **The deadline for public comments is 5 November 2014.**

Ian Collinge, our Web Master, has kindly put a summary of the Plan, including the maps of the 4 sites, plus a downloadable copy of the Plan and links to the MKC web site, on the [www.sherington.org.uk](http://www.sherington.org.uk) web site, which he hopes will be helpful for people getting access to the information.

The link for MKC web site is <http://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/site-allocations-plan>.

**The Parish Council have been advised of the Public Consultation and asked to publicise it to get everyone involved, as their input is requested. The next PC meeting is not until 7<sup>th</sup> October, and will be the first opportunity for the Council to discuss how it should respond.**

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HOLLINGTON WOOD BONFIRE PARTY on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Admission from 5 pm, fire lighting at 6 pm, fireworks at around 6.30 pm

Celebrating fire, the magic of autumn and an extra hour in bed, arrangements will be similar to last year with a shuttle bus running from Prospect Place, Newport Road, Emberton, MK46 5JQ from 5 pm to 6 pm. Return shuttle 8 pm – 9 pm

Only limited car parking is available so spaces (£10 per car) must be pre-booked via [info@hollingtonwood.com](mailto:info@hollingtonwood.com) or Philip on 07762 441275.

In order to cover our costs, donations will be expected. We suggest adults £10, children £5, families £25.

Refreshments including home-made soup, home-grown sausages and mulled wine will be available.

NOT FOR THE FAINT-HEARTED, BUT FOR THE RECKLESS AND BRAVE, FIREWORKS LIGHTING UP THE TREES IS AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE.



## Sherington Synopsis by Jack Daw

The main news this month has to be the sad story of the fire at the house of Steve and Sarah Davies in Perry Lane. The fire was discovered late at night on the evening of 21<sup>st</sup>

August but raised to whole family, including William and Louisa, was able to leave the property safely. The incident was attended by 8 fire engines from various fire stations in the county plus there was a British Red Cross Fire and Emergency support vehicle from Marlow. The roof would appear to have been seriously damaged by the fire but apparently the interior of the property is not as badly damaged as the family was expecting it to be. The family has been temporarily re-housed in Newport Pagnell courtesy of a generous neighbour who happened to have a spare house available. Our thoughts are with the family and we hope that they are able to move back to the village in the not too distant future.

On to some better news now regarding missing pets. You may have seen notices posted around the village concerning Paula Noble's missing tortoise and a very fluffy cat called Reggie, missing from The Knoll. Both, coincidentally, were found in the High Street, but not at the same time, and the owners were very pleased to get their charges back home again. Unfortunately though Merlin, a black cat from Griggs Orchard, is still missing so please keep an eye open for him.

It was sad to see the leaving of Luke Sandall from his place behind the bar of the White Hart. He started work in the kitchen 7 years ago and moved on to run the bar which he did very well. However, the time came for him to further his career and he will now be front of house for a new restaurant in Stony Stratford High Street. We wish him all the best for the future.

Our garden continues to keep us well supplied with produce although it has been very dry necessitating the use of the hose pipe. My newspaper today said that we have had the driest fir half of September for 50 years! Oddly though, we had a communication from our twinned village, Saméon, saying that they have had a really bad summer and have not seen the sun. This is strange because their weather nearly always mirrors ours.

Please remember the late, late, Harvest supper which will take place on 21<sup>st</sup> October in the Village Hall. This is always a good evening and will include an Auction as usual. More information can be found elsewhere in the publication.

Latest news from The White Hart Danglers.

The Danglers won the White Hart Challenge Shield in a match against The Cannon, Newport Pagnell at Alder's Farm on 16.08.14 with a total weight of 1245 lb (almost twice our challengers' weight!).

Dangler Robin Storey was the man of the match with 207 lb 12 oz. a magnificent performance.

Harry Odell weighed in with 153 lb 8 oz. and Terry Castles had 135 lb.

All the prize money, totaling £180, was donated to Willen Hospice (via Phil Smith).

We would all like to thank Duncan at the Cannon for providing sandwiches after the match, and Dan Coles at the White Hart for the casserole later on – much appreciated !

Thanks to Tony Barry for the above.

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

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## **'Realising every child's potential'**

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The new term has begun with warm weather, a lot of smiles and a few 'wobbles' as we settle in to our new teaching groups. As we prepare for our seasonal Harvest Festival we found the beginnings of a rich harvest in our small orchard on the field. Children were able to collect several bowls full of plums, nuts and apples to take home and share with their families. We are looking forward to further crops of these as well as pears.





## HARVESTING THE FRUIT FROM THE ORHARD

The new lunch time arrangement of providing a hot dinner for all has been full steam ahead. With the conversion of a room into a kitchen/food technology resource and the appointment of Ms Janet Abra to work alongside Sue Temple the children are getting to grips with high quality food freshly and locally sourced from Olney Academy. All credit to our administrator Mrs Claire Lawrence for

heroic efforts at the end of last term and through the holidays to get this new venture up and running.



Reverend Mandy Marriott resumed her weekly assemblies with a review of school rules and behaviour - a timely reminder after the lovely free-range summer break! Alongside this a new 'Reflection Area' has been created in the library to allow children to ponder wider questions that arise during the hustle of daily life.



Currently we are considering *How can we help each other?* Here are some of the children's responses; *I could play with people who are on their own. I could take them to Miss Lea if they are hurt. I could help the new ones. I could share my work with a friend. I could read with someone else. I could help tidy up the Reception classroom. I could play with the reception children in the mud kitchen.*

Nigel Willard from Olney Tennis Club continued his first class coaching with the school; hockey skills in PE and multisport skills after school. This is supplemented by Miss Lea's outstanding Energy Club® provision across the school. All-in-all a busy and energetic start to the new school year.

Our new website can be found at <http://www.sheringtonceschool.co.uk/>

## ***Sherington School Open Days***

***Please come and see the school at work on Wednesday 15th October, between 9.30-11.30am and 1.30-3.00pm. Alternatively we will be open to visitors to view the facilities (and engage in some seasonal school activities with your child) on Saturday 18th October, 9am - 1pm.***

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## **SHERINGTON PRE-SCHOOL NEWS**

The Autumn term began with us getting to know the new children and their families along with catching up on all the news from the children who are re-joining us after the holidays, it has been a busy time for all. For the new children it is a time to explore their new surroundings, learn the routine of pre-school, get to know their key person and make new friends and for our returners a time to adapt to the changes each new term brings. We are looking forward to watching them grow throughout the new school year.

Our themes continue with Patterns then Light and Dark will lead us towards half term at the end of October.

Some of the children have visited Tom's garden and set to work pulling up carrots of various sizes, one child stating, "It's tiny"! The children were also able to pick their tomatoes which have proved to be our best crop ever. Somebody must have had green fingers!



With the help of the grown ups the children took the last bucket of potatoes back to Pre-School. A group of the younger children enjoyed the thrill of finding the potatoes hidden in the soil, then proceeded to re-plant them so they could find them again. We counted 31 potatoes and the children have consumed almost all of these after they helped prepare them for their snack.

We are in the process of updating our website and hope to have the changes completed as soon as possible. We also have some exciting plans for fund raising events to take place later in the year so watch this space!.

Our next 'Open Morning' is on the 16th October between 9:30 -11:30am. We look forward to welcoming visitors into Pre-school.

Places are filling up fast and we have had to begin a waiting list for certain sessions.

If you would like to contact us you can call us on the land line 01908 611398 or mobile 07538 695918 or Email

Admissions.sheringtonpreschool@yahoo.co.uk or

[chair.sheringtonpreschool@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:chair.sheringtonpreschool@yahoo.co.uk)

# Sherington Short Mat Bowls Club



We regret that due to unforeseen circumstances (that well worn phrase!) we have cancelled our planned Open Day on the 25th October. The good news, however, is that those of you who wanted to give bowls a go, are more than welcome to call in during our twice weekly sessions for a chat, try bowling and have a cup of tea; all free and no obligation to join. We meet in the village hall Monday afternoons between 2pm and 4pm and Friday evenings 7pm 'til 9pm.

We'll look forward to seeing you but if you would like more information ring either Bob Clarridge 01234 391486 or Sheila Quinn 01908 211153.

As I write this we have just finished our Open Day -

	<b>SHERINGTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY</b> web: <a href="http://www.mkheritage.co.uk/shhs">http://www.mkheritage.co.uk/shhs</a> email: <a href="mailto:SheringtonHS@yahoo.co.uk">SheringtonHS@yahoo.co.uk</a>
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**“SheringtonRemembers the Great War”** where there a number of displays about what was happening to Sherington people who went to war as well as what happened on the home front. Many thanks to all who put time and effort into the displays. It was a very good show. Our visitor from Toronto, Canada, June Corfield, came and gave a very interesting talk about her family the Griggs, and it was not what you expected. We have recorded it and we'll see about showing it at a future time.

We were also visited by the Heathers from Cornwall and the family of Adolphus Holton (who is listed on the war memorial) and they brought his medals that he was awarded and shared information about him that we did not have in the archive. The hamper was won by Bet Rose, well done Bet.

**4<sup>th</sup> October at 7:30pm at St Lauds Church, Film Night.**

We are showing the film of **The 1977 Feast** by Peter Gardiner which has lots of shots of the village and village people, so do come and have a look to see how it was in the olden days!

£6.00 a ticket, will grant you entry, we will sell available tickets on the door, but to avoid disappoint contact Mark Vale (216543), Diana Morgan (611389) or Caroline Leslie (616426) to pre-book you tickets.

**On the 14<sup>th</sup> October Stephen Kennedy is coming to give us a talk to us entitled Mine's a Jameson.**

This is about his family tree, he has said that it's "A curious family tale of Emigration, Piracy, Slavery, Ethnic Cleansing, Drink, Drowning, Famine, Bereavement and Shipwreck, all in one happy lifetime", so not to miss out on it be at the Village Hall by 8pm. £3 non-members, £2.00 members, Raffle and Refreshments available.

**On the 11<sup>th</sup> November is our next meeting, "Members Can Talk".**

For this meeting we ask the members to come and present to the group for as long as they would like in something that interests them, that is relevant to the group. As you might well imagine we are asking to keep the theme to the WW-I if you can. Queries on this to go to Caroline Leslie (01908 616426)



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# **Sherington Historical Society**

A Peter Gardner film

## The 1977 FEAST

**AT ST LAUD'S CHURCH  
SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 7:30PM  
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INCLUDING REFRESHMENTS

**Ticket Sales: Mark 216543, Diana 611389,  
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**Limited Seats, so to avoid disappointment  
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Sherington Village Hall  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 7-45 pm for 8pm

**Entry: £2/£3 for members/non members**

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# THE NEW THURSDAY GROUP

2<sup>nd</sup> October

**The Sherington Folk Group Entertains.**

We are delighted to welcome the Sherington Folk Group to our meeting, where we shall also be joined by the ladies of Stoke Goldington Thursday Club.

6<sup>th</sup> November

**“A Taste of Christmas”**

A representative from Sainsbury's is coming to give us some food and drink ideas for the coming Christmas Season.

*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.*

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