

# SHUTFORD NEWS

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**shutford**  
**2015**  
**Summer**  
**FESTIVAL**  
**SATURDAY 20 JUNE**  
Afternoon Event: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm (£1.00 entrance fee)\*  
Evening Event: 5:30 pm - 10:30 pm (£6.00 per ticket)\*  
**THE MANOR HOUSE PARK**  
**SHUTFORD**  
\*PLEASE NOTE: Children under 12 FREE.  
If you purchase an evening ticket you can use that as the entrance fee for the afternoon!  
Further information and ticket sales please email [summerfestival@shutford.info](mailto:summerfestival@shutford.info)  
[www.shutfordvillage.com](http://www.shutfordvillage.com)

 **RED HORSE VALE**   **COUNTY PUMPS**



**We are looking for donations for the Shutford Produce & Plant Stall!**

**Homemade drinks such as "wines, beers and cordials"**



**Homemade "Shutford pickles, jams, jellies, flavoured vinegars and infused oils"**

**Do you keep hens? We would love to sell any donations of fresh eggs!**



**Early produce such as "strawberries, gooseberries, rhubarb, salad, asparagus"**

**Do you have beautiful garden flowers we can arrange into posies to sell? We would love to have Roses, sweet peas, and any pretty blooms. Just a couple of flowers can be combined to make attractive posies so don't feel we need the whole bunch from any one donation. Please can we have these the day before the festival so flowers can be prepared and arranged.**



**If you have any questions or queries or anything needs collecting please call Carolyn on: 788002. Or please drop items off at either Carolyn's: Jesters Hill, The Rickyard, or Karen's: Millstone Cottage, High Street, prior to Saturday 20 June or bring them along to the stall on Saturday 20 June!**

Dear Villagers, Over the past few years we have enjoyed an amazing print cost agreement with Steve Lewis who used to run Prontaprint in Banbury for which we are extremely grateful. Unfortunately due to various reasons this has now come to an end and we have had to seek an alternative printer who could give us a competitive price. GOOD NEWS, we have! Phil & Marian who run Mail Boxes Etc., in Banbury are now our new printers and what a super job they did of our March edition! As you probably know the printing cost is mainly paid for by advertising revenue. We shall be ok for this year as inevitably there is an increase in the printing costs. But we may need to look at other ways in which to raise funds to cover the cost of the printing in 2016. We will keep you posted on plans. We have already had an offer of a donation from the SCA which is fantastic!



Thank you to all who turned out for the Easter Egg competition it was a great turn-out and beautiful weather for the event! Thank you to Margaret Holloway for organising the event and making it a special day. A full report on the winners is inside.

**'Festival Fever'** is hitting the village once again. This great tradition in the village has involved many devotees who have tirelessly worked to raised funds over the years and made the event a very special one. Our next annual event is on **Saturday 20 June!** More details are inside, and again we are looking for your support to make this an amazing event, so please put the date in your diary now!

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Rita". The signature is stylized with a large, flowing 'R' and a cursive 'ita'.

Rita Livesey, Editor Shutford News E: [rita@rlmarketing.co.uk](mailto:rita@rlmarketing.co.uk)

**Local Shutford family looking for ad-hoc weekend babysitting  
for two children.**

**If interested, please call Alison on 07834 502416**



Well done everyone who contributed to the restoration of Shutford's original telephone box.

Particular thanks to Tim Page, Richard Freeman, Ken King, Adam Proud, George Reynolds and Nick Hibbs. The SCA is delighted to have been the initiative behind this project and to have had so many from the community helping out.

Plans are afoot to repeat the Shutford Sports Day from 2013 later in the year. The previous event was a great success with young and old all taking part. Events such as the wheel barrow race, three legged, tug of war, welly throwing and an adult against kids Rounders match to finish off, are all on the agenda. Our plan is to organise this for the end of the summer. Watch out for the date.

Many thanks to our wonderful webmaster, Mr Martin Doe, for creating and maintaining the current site. This is proving to be a great village resource and visitor numbers are rising as more and more useful information and important events are posted.

As always, we hold a meeting the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30pm in the George and Dragon and welcome any new people joining us. We aim to make the meetings fun and you can get involved in as many or as few of our projects as you wish (or just come along for a drink and meet fellow villagers). We welcome any suggestions for new projects that will benefit our village. Our meeting minutes are posted on the Shutford website.

**[www.shutfordvillage.com](http://www.shutfordvillage.com)**



## OFSTED rating 'Outstanding' for The Ark Nursery, Epwell

The Ark Nursery are celebrating after receiving their 'Outstanding' rating following an inspection by OFSTED in which 'The Ark' nursery received a glowing report.

The nursery was inspected by OFSTED at the end of April under the stringent guidelines regulating the governments Early Years Framework.

All aspects of the nursery were highly praised by the inspector and graded 'outstanding'. The report concluded:

*"The quality of teaching across the nursery is outstanding. Staff provide an excellent range of high-quality learning experiences for children. As a result, children are highly motivated, eager to explore and develop a curiosity for learning."*

*"Staff create a warm and caring environment where they teach children to be respectful and understanding of others. Therefore children's behaviour is impeccable, they play extremely well together and co-operate fully with each other."*

*"Children form exceptional strong relationships with staff that care for them each day. Therefore children's individual needs are always met extremely well as children's emotional well-being is given the utmost priority by a truly caring staff team."*

*"Staff are highly qualified and the manager recognises the positive impact of staff's continued professional development on the quality of care and learning opportunities the children receive."*

*"The manager is passionate about ensuring children have an excellent start to their learning and is highly effective in driving improvements."*



### Children's Day Nursery, Epwell

- Care for children aged 2 to 5 years
- Full and part time places available
- Open Mon to Fri 9.00am – 4.00pm.
- Excellent Ofsted Report
- Competitive rates
- Early years grant registered.

The nursery provides excellent opportunities for children to explore and learn through play under the guidance of highly trained, experienced and caring staff.

Ring Julia on: 01295 780580 or e-mail [Julia@arknursery.net](mailto:Julia@arknursery.net) for details

This 'outstanding' result is fantastic news for the staff, parents and above all, the children and I'd like to thank them all for contributing to the nursery's success! We are committed to providing an excellent quality of care and education to the children, who attend. I am extremely proud of my staff and our achievement. Our dedication to the children and the nursery has been rewarded and I am extremely grateful for all their hard work. We are celebrating this good news with the nursery children and their families by having a 'Princesses and Super heroes garden party including face painting, tiaras and medals, plenty of bunting and of course a celebration cake and refreshments.

For more information on The Ark Nursery or to arrange a visit you can call them on (01295) 780580 or e-mail [Julia@arknursery.net](mailto:Julia@arknursery.net).



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Philip Gilbert



# 2015

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HOLIDAYS**  
4<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
25<sup>TH</sup> MAY

### HOW TO FIND US:

After leaving Wroxton, A422 Banbury to Stratford road, drive past the Alkerton - Shenington Recycle Centre turn on your left. Take the next turning right, signposted Horton and Horley. We are on the left about 1/2 mile along Quarry Road.

### Opening Hours:

**Spring:** April 18th to June 20th - Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sun - 10:00 to 17:00. **Summer:** June 24th to July 25th - Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat - 10:00 to 17:00. **Autumn:** Sept 2nd to Nov 21st - Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sun - 10:00 to 17:00 or dusk if earlier.

## SHUTFORD WI

At our April meeting, Susan Myburgh told us about the Oxfordshire Country Markets, which were originally WI Markets. She explained how they were organised and the rules that they had to follow. Samples of jams and chutneys were available for purchase after the meeting.

The Resolution to be presented at this year's Annual Meeting in the Royal Albert Hall in June, was discussed and voted on at our May meeting. Joan will take this vote to the AM, when she attends as the delegate for Shutford & Sibford WIs.

Several of our members are attending a live screening of the AM, together with lunch, in Cropredy Village Hall on 4<sup>th</sup> June. Earlier that week, Iris will be our representative at a Royal Garden Party to celebrate the Centenary.

Visitors will be made very welcome if they wish to join us at any of our forthcoming meetings, held in the Village Hall at 10am, when our speakers will be:

June 2<sup>nd</sup> - Valerie Burton - Witney Blankets

August 4<sup>th</sup> - Summer Social

There will be no meeting in July as we are going on an outing to Sudeley Castle instead.

Enquires can be made to Geraldine on 780579 or Jenny on 780570.



WWW.SHUTFORDVILLAGE.COM



Take a look at our new website!

Send in your news stories and events

Catch up with local events, diary dates  
and 'what's on'

Find out more about your village

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## **Shutford Baby and Toddler Group**

**We are a small and friendly group, meeting for tea and a chat whilst our children enjoy the toys, games and craft activities. Sometimes we even have cake!**

**Lunch (beans on toast) and drink provided for the children. £2.50 per family**

**Monday: 12.30-2.30 pm (during term time only)**

**Contact tel: 01295 780937**

**Shutford Village Hall**

**Banbury Road**

**OX15 6JD**



**1940s Weekend at Upton  
House**  
**Sat & Sun 30 & 31 May**



When World War Two broke out the world changed and none more so than at Upton House.

Lord and Lady Bearsted moved down to The Dorchester Hotel in London and their Merchant Bank, M Samuel and Co moved into Upton House with all their staff for the duration of the war.

On 30 and 31 May, Upton House will reflect all that was happening at that time with two Home Guard groups camped on site giving marching displays, stripping guns down and helping children to understand what happened during the war in the countryside. The ARP and WVS will be on hand to discuss the work of air raid wardens and the work the women's voluntary service did in the community. The Upton Estate was worked by the ladies of the women's land army, who will also be with us and to cap it all we will have a real 1940s pub serving real beers and soft drinks.

Of course a weekend at Upton would not be complete without music and Paul Casper will be playing the Ukulele on the rear terrace as the dynamic George Formby, whilst the ladies parade the fashions of the day.

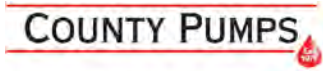
Victoria Wright, Marketing and Events Manager said, "This project is the biggest transformation Upton has ever had and this event is going to be a really exciting weekend to kick off our schedule of major events. Our visitors will really get a feel for wartime Upton and feel immersed in the 1940s both inside and outside the house."

# Shutford Festival Sponsors & Raffle Prizes

A big thank you to our Festival Sponsors and to all those who have donated prizes for this year's Festival.



[www.redhorsevale.co.uk](http://www.redhorsevale.co.uk)



[www.countypumps.co.uk](http://www.countypumps.co.uk)

## Raffle prizes:

- Jersey Radison Blu Hotel: Two nights accommodation
- Shutford News: £100
- Turpins Lodge: Voucher for a riding lesson
- Boden: £50.00 voucher
- Abraxas: Prizes for the bake off
- Belflair Chocolates: Prizes for the miniature garden competition
- Photo Finish: 16" x 16" canvas print
- Beggars Barn: Afternoon use of the swimming pool for 6 people + cakes & tea
- Tandem Flights: 2 x vouchers
- Crocodile World: Tickets
- Upton House: 1940's theme evening tickets
- Hook Norton Brewery Tour
- The George + Dragon: Two course meal for two people
- Premier Paws & Pets: Dog MOT pamper voucher
- Sarah Thorp: Fit or Barret Fit classes voucher

# SHUTFORD SUMMER FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 20 JUNE 2015



**Everything is organised we just need a little help  
with setting up!**

**Below are the dates and times. If you can spare a  
couple of hours to help with this year's festival  
please let us know.**

**Help make a difference by helping out!**

- **Wed 17 June:**
  - 7.00pm – 8.30pm\*
  
- **Friday 19 June:**
  - 6:00 – 7:30 pm\*
  
- **Saturday 20**
  - June: From 10:00 am\*
  
- **Sunday 21 June:**
  - 10:00 am to 12:00 pm\*

Please email Roger [roger@pipersrise.plus.com](mailto:roger@pipersrise.plus.com) or Gordon [gfreeman@savills.com](mailto:gfreeman@savills.com)

or just turn up!     \*FREE DRINK AT THE FESTIVAL.

## **SHUTFORD VILLAGE HALL**

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - May 2015**

Activity in the Hall during the 2014-15 year has been interesting with the well attended 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tea Party, which carried details of the proposed new building and a splendid display of our history since inception in 1954. The user groups have remained unchanged during the year, with the Mums and Toddlers still our most regular user. The Church has increased its bookings, holding fund raising events and the children's 'Messy Church' fun days.

The committee has seen a few changes when Athene Duffield and Rose Hancock resigned their positions towards the end of the year and we must thank both of them for their support and help over the years. Athene was our Deputy Chair and I must thank Gordon Freeman for stepping in to replace her. We look forward to welcoming Helen Gibbs to the committee when she takes on the roll of representing the Parish Council from Athene. The committee met its usual four times during the year and we were very pleased to have Lynne Parsons, now replacing Margaret Holloway as the Women's Institute representative. Our regular cleaner, Gus Freeman, has left to study at University and was replaced by Nathaniel Sabin at the end of last year, so we have many new faces on the team now.

Maintenance has been restricted to essential repairs comprising a couple of minor electrical issues and a sticking main entrance door that caused not one but two door handles to be ripped off their mounting plates.

The most important topic that has occupied the minds and time of our committee during the whole year has been the progress of the project towards a new Village Hall. Following a majority decision by the committee to support replacement of the hall with a new building on the same site, planning permission was applied for and obtained earlier this year with many letters of support having been received by the Planning Officer. Funding for the project has also progressed with a pledge of £100,000, some grant aid from the Doris Field Trust, a comedy magic show by 'Carl and Dave' plus an increasing flow of money coming from the easyfundraising website and a number of other donations. We hope that the bulk of the remaining funding will be raised through a Public Works Loan of £150,000 to be repaid through a precept on our Council Tax. Work on this is currently on-going and the committee would urge all our parishioners to support it through the survey shortly to be conducted on behalf of the Parish Council. If this is successful, then the Trustees of our charity will also be able to release funds currently held in reserves specifically associated with the existing building.

The on-going fund raising activities will supplement our finances and we must thank Margaret Holloway, Joan Wright and Athene for their work with the 100+ Club, the Christmas Bingo, plus all the villagers for the efforts and generosity with the Festival, which benefits the Hall, the Church and the Community Association.

Roger Bancroft – Chairman  
19<sup>th</sup> May 2015

# SHUTFORD VILLAGE HALL

## INCOME AND EXPENSE REPORT

Between 01/04/2014 and 31/03/2015

### INCOME

Donations	191	
Bank interest	85	
Pole rent	8	
<b><u>Rental Income</u></b>		
Regular Booking	567	
Special Event	<u>302</u>	
	869	
<b><u>Fund raising</u></b>		
Fete	1,100	
100 Club	790	
Bingo	<u>297</u>	
	2,187	
<b><u>Rebuild Project</u></b>		
Grant	1,000	
Donations	25	
Fund Raising (Theatre)	498	
EasyFundraising	<u>53</u>	
	1,576	
<b>Total Income</b>	<u><u>4,916</u></u>	

### EXPENSES

Admin expenses	10	
<b><u>Consumables</u></b>		
Cleaning materials	10	
Misc	21	
Paper products	<u>29</u>	
	59	
<b><u>Equipment</u></b>		
Cleaning	8	
Kitchenware	<u>4</u>	
	12	
<b><u>Overheads</u></b>		
Insurance	520	
Safety equipment service	27	
Lottery Reg.	20	
ORCC affiliation	50	
Cleaner	200	
Electricity	318	
Water	<u>104</u>	
	1,239	
<b><u>Maintenance</u></b>		
Electrical	37	
Miscellaneous	<u>22</u>	
	59	
<b><u>Rebuild Project</u></b>		
Planning	385	
Printing	17	
Survey	<u>306</u>	
	708	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u><u>2,087</u></u>	

### NET WORTH

As of 31/3/2015

#### **Bank & Cash Accounts**

Scottish Widows Bank	£ 15,000.00
Business Money Manager	£ 429.28
Current	£ 11,001.22
Cash	£ 97.20
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><u>£ 26,527.70</u></u>

#### **Reserves**

Roof Fund	£ 20,000.00
Maintenance Reserve	£ 4,000.00
Rebuild Project	£ 868.56
General Reserve	£ 1,659.14
	<u><u>£ 26,527.70</u></u>

### SURPLUS

**2,829**

**The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council took place at 7.00pm on Wednesday May 6th 2015 in the village hall.**

Present were Cllrs Miss H Gibbs, Mrs L Parsons, Mrs A Duffield, Mrs R Hancock, Mr M Goldie & Mr A Taylor. Apologies from Mr J Yeomans. Also present were District Cllr D Webb, County Cllr G Reynolds and 5 members of the public.

**Elections** The following were elected to the relevant positions  
CHAIRMAN Cllr Taylor proposed by Cllr Goldie seconded by Cllr Hancock V-CHAIRMAN Cllr Goldie proposed by Cllr Duffield seconded by Cllr Taylor.

The following responsibilities were agreed after a proposal by Cllr Goldie seconded by Cllr Hancock. Transport representative Cllr Duffield, Allotment representative Cllr Goldie; NAG representative Cllr Gibbs; Village Hall representative Cllr Gibbs; responsibility for The Dairyground Cllr Parsons and responsibility for other assets Cllr Yeomans.

**Urgent business:** Survey for the village hall will be taken under matters arising.

**Interests:** Cllr Goldie declared an interest in planning apps 15/00500/F & 15/00449/LB

**The minutes** of the last meeting were signed as a correct record after a proposal by Cllr Goldie seconded by Cllr Hancock.

**Matters arising**  
**Highways:** The Clerk reported some potholes had been filled but not all, some white lines had been repainted but she had had no response to concerns over the state of the Epwell Road and moving the 30 mph limits. Cllr Duffield will follow up on the potholes in Epwell Road.

**Speed Checks:** TVP have now been in touch. The Clerk to check the availability of the volunteers and arrange a meeting

**Grass verges:** A resident has complained about the state of the verge in front of their house. This is the result of OCC only cutting them twice a year. The Clerk has contacted OCC to find out how much they would grant the village, the exact area to be cut and the name of the contractor. When these details are available the Council will look at the possibility of arranging more cuts.



**Dog litter bin:** This will be erected in the field at the top of Church Lane in the next 14 days. CDC have notified the PC that the cost of emptying the bin has gone up from £110 to £121 per year. Many thanks to the Cadburys for the agreement to have this installed.

**NAG:** Cllr Gibbs had heard nothing, District Cllr Webb offered to inform her of future dates. A comment was made regarding neighbourhood watch.

**The telephone box:** The newly renovated box is now in situ at the Jame Corner thanks to the SCA. It is now insured. It was agreed that for the present it could possibly be used as a library with a map of the village on the wall. Any ideas and suggestions for its future use gratefully received.

**The village hall:** A meeting has been arranged for Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May to finalise the village survey. It was agreed after a proposal by Cllr Duffield seconded by Cllr Parsons that the Chairman be given authority to confirm the sending out of the survey provided it was agreed by the working group.

**The Dairyground:** The Council agreed on the bench to be purchased to replace the damaged one.

**Allotments:** No report

**Finance:** One cheque was signed at the meeting to Alexander Rose for the new bench. The accounts for the year were agreed proposed by Cllr Parsons seconded by Cllr Duffield, the Chairman then signed the audit form ready for internal audit

**Planning:** App 15/00223/F a greenhouse at Lower Barn for Mr Goodwin has been passed. App 15/00218/F a terrace of 5 houses at The Cottage, Ivy Lane for Hawkins Estates has been refused for access, parking and overdevelopment in line with PC objections.

There are no PC objections to Apps 15/00500/F & 15/00449/LB extension to outhouse for Mr M Goldie at Honeysuckle Cottage, Lower End nor to app 15/00619/F a new pull in for Mr & Mrs Gillespie at Drogheda. Malthouse Lane.

**Correspondence:** This has been circulated. Nobody wished to attend the Parish Liaison meeting.

**AOB:** It was agreed to thank Martin Doe for the website which will be used more often by the PC under the new transparency rules.

The meeting ended at 7.40 pm

**The next meeting will be on July 15<sup>th</sup> 2015 at 7.30 pm**

# **The Feather Forecast for Shutford:**

## **Bird Ringing**

**What is bird ringing or more specifically scientific bird ringing.**

Ringing is a method used to individually mark a bird so that recordings can be made when the bird is recaptured or found dead. The ringing technique is an effective way of studying the movements, behavior, breeding habits & population demographics of our birds. By capturing birds at regular intervals allows us to track the migratory routes including the staging areas, so providing vital information needed to ensure that protected areas can be set up to help them on their journey. Other information derived from recaptures is population size, survival lifetime & reproductive success rates within given periods. The ringing & data collection is undertaken by well trained & qualified licensed amateurs who are motivated by a love of birds & their conservation & welfare. Because there are over 4 million birds ringed in Europe alone that freely migrate across all borders it needs a very efficient organization to collect, collate & process the data.

There are several ways of ringing birds the most commonly used are: ringing the chicks in the nest, using a mist net to capture & ring or recapture & record & rocket nets which are used for capturing larger birds on the ground whereby a strong net is launched by a series of rockets over the ground flock. The rings which can be metal or plastic are attached to the leg of the bird & contain a unique series of letters & numbers. This code is used to identify the bird when recaptured & specific information can be logged against it such as location, date, etc. Measurements of the bird's anatomy are also taken in order to check its growth, health & well being. GPS tags are also used to track birds by satellite.

One of the oldest wild birds ever recorded is a Manx Shearwater, first captured & ringed in 1957 at around 6 years old, caught again in 1961, 1978 & 2002 making it over 50 years old.

Data extracts from EURING (The European Union for Bird Ringing)

## Things of interest locally:

The winter has been very good to the birds this year for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in a row with no snow & very few prolonged periods of frost or frozen ground. This suited birds such as the thrush & blackbird that feed on the invertebrates buried in the earth. Jays seem to be plentiful & there is the usual drumming of the great spotted woodpecker. I witnessed for the first time a female great spotted wood pecker drumming in a tree & within a few minutes a male bird had landed, mated & flown away, job done. Quite a few yellow hammers & green finches in the hedgerows looking for nest sites. House sparrows are nesting in the eaves of the house so let's hope they increase in numbers this season. Still 5 years without hearing a cuckoo in Shutford maybe we will get one this year, keep your ears pricked. The winter visitors have all but gone making room for the summer migrants.



Yellow hammer: Species of bunting; they feed on seeds & insects



Song thrush: dark reddish brown with chocolate spots.

## Did you know?

- The chicken is the closest living relative to the Tyrannosaurus Rex.
- The 1<sup>st</sup> bird domesticated by humans was the goose.
- The Kiwi is blind so they hunt by smell.

The Shutford feather forecast is brought to you by 'Jack Dors'



## SHUTFORD NEWS QUIZ QUESTIONS

Q1. What make of car is Lady Penelope's FAB1 in *Thunderbirds*?

Q2. *Holiday Rock* was the theme song of which 1980s sitcom?

Q3. For which country's football team do Premiership stars Marouane Fellaini, Vincent Kompany and Eden Hazard play?

Q4. On a weather map, what name is given to the line joining places of equal atmospheric pressure?

Q5. Where in the human body can you find the Incus bone?

Q6. Augusta, Countess of Lovelace, a 19<sup>th</sup> century mathematician and computer pioneer, was the daughter of which Romantic poet?

Q7. What type of food has a name derived from the French for "twice cooked"?

Q8. Which iconic landmark was the tallest man-made structure in the world from its construction in 1889 until 1930?

Q9. What is the architectural term for a recess, usually semi-circular or polygonal, most associated with the East end of a church?

Q10. Benetton Treviso is a leading Italian team in which sport?

Answers will be published on [www.shutfordvillage.com](http://www.shutfordvillage.com) date from 20 June 2015.

# Illuminate & Celebrate in 2015!



## Don' forget to get your special dates in for 2015!

If you have a special celebration, maybe a birthday coming up, or a loved one you would like to remember, a christening or some other occasion in 2015. How special it would be for the church tower illuminated specially for this occasion. It only costs £10.00 per occasion:

Please get in touch with Ken Jeffs on [KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk](mailto:KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk)

Here is a list of those who have been or will be remembering a special day:

Date	Name	Occasion
5 April	Anon	Easter Sunday
19 April	Jenny Ingham	Grandson Ruairidh's Baptism
20 April	Martin Doe	Memory of his father Reginald
21 April	Jenny Ingham	Susie's Birthday
23 April	The George + Dragon	St George's Day
1 May	Gill Williams	Eric's 70 <sup>th</sup> Birthday
17 May	Roger Bancroft	Wedding Anniversary
4 June	Debbie Pitt	Magnus Pitt-Smith's 3 <sup>rd</sup> Birthday
26 June	Kirsten Parrish	Darwin Parrish's Birthday
13 July	Rita Livesey	Charley's Birthday

Any other donation details received after Shutford News publication day will be included in future issues.

**Please note a bank note was found in Church Lane on 10 May. If anyone wishes to claim it they should contact Ken on 788308, otherwise it will be given to the church.**

**SHUTFORD VILLAGE HALL**  
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**APRIL                    £35.00                    £10.00                    £5.00**

John Finnegan    Dorothy Jones    Jennifer Townsend

**MAY                    £35.00                    £10.00                    £5.00**

Dennis Basten    Alison Newport    Claire Winfield

The Draw for May took place at the Village Hall AGM on  
Tuesday 19 May.

The Draw for June will take place at the Summer Festival in  
the Manor Park Field on Saturday 20 June.

**We have 153 members signed up for the current  
6 month period.**

**The First Prize for September 2015 will be £105**

**VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS TO**

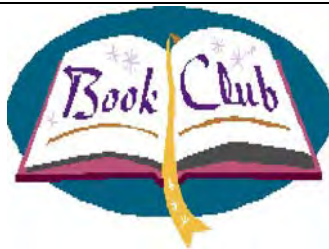
**Geraldine & Roger Bancroft - 780579**

**BANBURY GUARDIAN CORRESPONDENT**

Joan Wright, 32, The Dairyground, Shutford

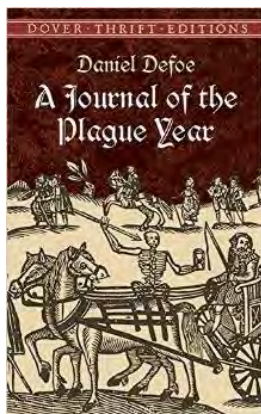
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# Shutford Book Club



The **Shutford Book Club** has a regular monthly attendance of up to 15 people, meeting on the last Monday of each month at 7.30pm in the George & Dragon restaurant. Although membership is currently full as space is limited, you can always take part virtually. The books we're reading are regularly published in the Shutford News and on the village website, so feel free to read them alongside the Book Club. You can volunteer your thoughts via email or a note in the door of "The Nook" in Church Lane if you'd like to, and we'll share them at the meetings!

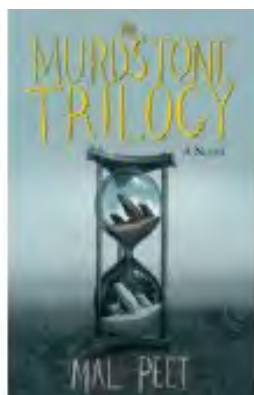
Forthcoming books are:



Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June, "**A Journal of the Plague Year**" by Daniel Defoe, hosted by Marian McClellan

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July, "**The Murdstone Trilogy**" by Mal Peet, hosted by Chris Woodcock

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# Shutford Summer Festival - Saturday 20 June 2015



## “Bake Off” Entry Form

We would like to invite you to enter the Shutford Village “Bake Off”.

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Certificates will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each category.

Please tick the box next to the category in which you wish to enter. Entry fee is 50p per category.

Category	Please tick to enter	Children’s Category	Please tick to enter
6 Decorated Cup Cakes		“I Made it Myself” Ages 3 – 7 Years	
6 Fruit Scones			
Victoria Sponge		“My Favourite Recipe” Ages 8 – 14 Years	
Loaf of Bread (hand or machine made)			
6 Cookies or Biscuits			
Savoury Pastry (6 if small or 1 tart size)		<i>Children’s entries can be any baked or cooked item, 6 small or 1 large</i>	
The Shutford Showstopper Create a decorated caked with the theme “Festival”			

Name:

Contact telephone number:

Total number of entries:

Entry fee payable:

Entries, together with completed form and fee, to be brought to the Shutford Festival at 1.00pm on 20 June 2015, prior to judging. Winners will be announced during the Festival at approximately 2.15pm.

We would like to auction off all entries during the festival to raise additional funds. If you would prefer your entry to be returned to you, please tick here.

*Please note that any entries not collected before 3.45pm on the day of the Festival will be sold.*

If you require any further information, please contact Diane Speck on 01295 788364



**Create your own Miniature Garden to be judged at the Shutford Festival!**

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The idea of the garden is to create a visual "themed" small garden on a tray, plate, small plant pot, plastic container, you choose. Maximum size 50 x 50 cm.



Suggestions as to natural components to use are soil, moss, flowers, twigs, pebbles, sticks, craft items, vegetables etc (no artificial plants) and small toys or a small mirror or water container set as a pond?

The plants (or part plants) are not expected to be planted or growing and will usually have been picked that day. For example individual lilac flower heads could represent a row of flowers.

**Choose your own theme and name your entry!** Judging will be on imagination and the overall appearance of the garden.



**Prizes will be awarded to four age groups:**

**Under 7 : 7 - 11 years : 11 - 16 years : 16 & over!**

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# Easter Egg Competition Winners 2015

## Best Concept Egg



**Under 7 – Chicky Choo  
Isla Newton**

**7-10 - Egg & Spoon Race  
Finlay Newton**



**11-15: Egglection  
James Speck**



**Adult 16+: E1-egg-tion Debate  
John Bailey**

## Best Decorated Egg



**Under 7: Egg Gaga**  
**Nancy Wakelin**



**7-10: Eggstrordinary Egbert**  
**Ben McPherson**



**11-15: Cracking Easter**  
**Charlotte Newport**



**Adult 16+: Vintage Floral**  
**Sandra Forrester**

## First Egg Down The Hill



**Under 7: Olivia Taylor**



**7-10: Ben McPherson**



**11-15: Ellie Wakelin**



**Adult 16+: Louisa Heathcote**

**"A beautiful day which brought the crowds out, 70 in the hall and about 50 on Jesters for the Egg Roll.**

**As usual a difficult job for the 3 Judges with some wonderful topical ideas and as you see the Election featured in 2 prizes.**

**Our grateful thanks go to Joan and Christine Yarborough and Gordon Freeman for their valiant efforts. Many thanks to Joan Wright for her invaluable help, Ashley Taylor for taking the 'photos, the Sancroft-Baker family for letting us use Jesters (and for taking a crowd down to see the new-born lambs) and the Shutford News for sponsoring the event. We sent £10.00 to Katharine House Hospice raised from donations for the knitted Easter novelties."**

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**Church Wardens:**

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**SERVICES:** Most Sundays 9.30am but see Wykeham News & Benefice website for details.

The Lent Lunch on 30<sup>th</sup> March raised £230 for Banbury Young Homeless Project\*. More than 30 people from across the benefice enjoyed a variety of homemade soups, bread and cheese and simnel cake. To help with their day to day needs, we have a box in church to receive non perishable food for their store cupboard in Banbury.

This year`s Jar of Change Appeal held during Lent raised £315 for Water Aid\*. 12 people took part and the amount collected was the highest ever for a Lent appeal. Thank you letters\* have been received.

Our Paschal Candle holder has been repaired/rebuilt by Tom Gibbs and is in pride of place in church by the pulpit. We are grateful to him.

The Easter Day Service was well attended. The church was beautifully decorated with spring flowers and the PCC is grateful to the village ladies who donate and arrange flowers all year round. Everyone was offered an Easter egg as they left church.

A successful Benefice Quiz Night was held at North Newington Sports and Social Club. Sadly no team represented Shutford with just two volunteers: were the usual village quiz teams scared of the competition?

Christian Aid Week took place in the week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> May: last year we collected £272. The charity is 70 years old this year and the theme of the appeal is a woman named Loko: she dreads the chore of collecting wood to sell to provide food for her children. She has a dream to own a cow which will provide milk for the family and also income. A cow costs about £150. As there has been no door to door collection in Shutford this year for Christian Aid (nor Red Cross) could we collect enough money to buy one? It`s less than a £1 per household! Find out more at [caweek.org](http://caweek.org). Donations would be gratefully received.

22 people had great fun at the Beetle Drive on 16<sup>th</sup> May: the adult top scorer was Andy Whitehouse and junior Gabriel Doe. £100 was raised.

The next Messy Church Event will be in Shutford Village Hall on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June 4.00pm – 6.00pm. This is ideal for young children and their parents/guardians with crafts, a story and refreshments. These events are enjoyed by all involved but very often there are more helpers than children so please make an effort to come on 14<sup>th</sup>.

Our usual church service is at 9.30am on a Sunday with a short Morning Prayer meeting on Saturday at 9.00am. A less formal service is held on the third Sunday of the month at 11.00am with refreshments and time to chat afterwards. We have a core congregation of about 20 and about 40 others who come to church at sometime during the year. Others support fund raising and care about the church but do not worship. Should we be concerned that the congregation is not growing? Is there a need for a church in every village? How can we encourage more involvement with church and become part of 2015 lifestyles?

If organised worship is not for you, you can still use our church as it is open daily for everyone to spend time for some peace and quiet. The churchyard is full of wild flowers at this time of year and is worth a visit: you can watch the world go by from the seat in the churchyard.

The church building has recently been inspected and our architect has highlighted some work needed but nothing of major concern. Fund raising is never easy so we hope that the Festival in June will help to support the church, village hall and community association with their various projects. Special thanks to Rita Livesey and organising group.

The Crown Nominations Committee has failed to find a suitable candidate to put forward as a prospective new Bishop of Oxford. Rt Revd Colin Fletcher, Bishop of Dorchester, will continue to oversee the running of the Oxford Diocese probably until the end of 2016.

To keep in touch with church news, services and events visit: [www.wykehambenefice.org.uk](http://www.wykehambenefice.org.uk) or email [KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk](mailto:KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk).





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**Wroxton Primary School** is looking for a few people over the age of 50 to be part of a weekly intergenerational friendship group that will be starting soon. The group will provide a very positive experience in a small and supportive setting for children and older people to get to know each other, enjoy each other's company and learn lots from one another.

The school is working with Full Circle, an Oxfordshire intergenerational charity, and are following in the footsteps of other schools in the Warriner Partnership namely Bloxham Primary School, Deddington Primary, and Dr Radcliffe's School in Steeple Aston where Full Circle groups are running very successfully. There are over a dozen other schools across the county also benefiting from the fun and friendship of a Full Circle group, and the rewards are felt both by the younger and the older members of the groups, in lots of ways.

In the words of one older volunteer, "The main thing that I have got out of it is that I have made about ten new friends, who I look forward to meeting up with each week, and miss during the school holidays. I have received from them their friendship and trust, and we have shared a lot of fun, laughter and enjoyment. It opens my eyes wider to what young people think, what they enjoy, what's important to them, what worries them and what makes them tick. It keeps me in touch, and gives me an opportunity to share with them my experiences about family, work and holidays, where I've visited, what I've enjoyed, what I've found challenging, interesting and important to me. It is very satisfying and good fun."

The group will meet in school for one hour each Thursday lunchtime in term time, will be looked after by a dedicated member of staff, and will be supported by Full Circle.

If you or someone you know is interested in taking part please contact Ruth at Full Circle, on 01865 246456, or email [ruthstavris@fullcircleoxon.org.uk](mailto:ruthstavris@fullcircleoxon.org.uk).

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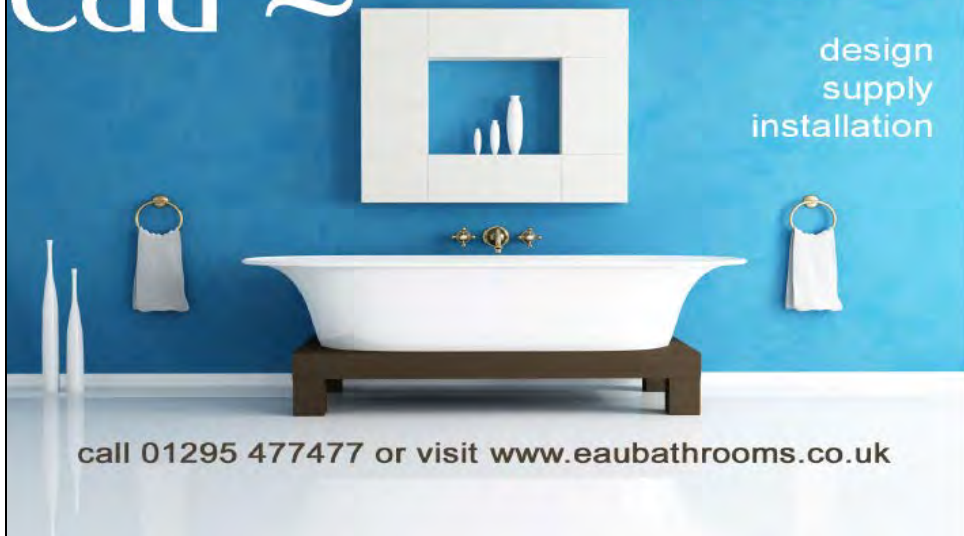
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<b>June</b>		
Tuesday	2	WI –Valerie Burton, Witney Blankets, Village Hall, 10am.
Tuesday	2	SCA Meeting, The G & D, 7.30pm.
Wednesday	3	Mobile Library – West Street, fortnightly 9.30-9.50am
Friday	5	CDC Normal Waste Collection fortnightly
Friday	12	CDC collection Blue/Brown bins fortnightly
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Shutford Festival, Manor Field, from 2pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Shutford Evening Event, 5.30pm</b>
Monday	29	Book Club The G & D – 7.30pm
<b>July</b>		
Monday	6	Shutford News Planning Meeting, 3, Church Lane- 7.30pm.
Tuesday	7	WI – Outing
Tuesday	5	SCA Meeting, The G & D, 7.30pm
Wednesday	15	Parish Council Meeting, 7:30 pm Village Hall
Saturday	18	<b>Deadline for Shutford News</b>
Monday	27	Book Club The G & D – 7.30pm

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