

SHUTFORD NEWS

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May / June 2017

Shutford
2017
FESTIVAL
Saturday 17th June
1:00pm - 10:30pm

The Caribbean
is coming to Shutford

CARIBBEAN competitions
ENCORE Dance Group

Festival Stalls
LIVE REGGAE BAND
COOKERY demonstrations
Hotsteppas
Dog Show
Fairground
RIDES

SWEET treats
ALL DAY
MINIBEAST Roadshow
Beer Tent & BBQ
CHERWELL Summer Hubs
AIR RIFLE competition

LIVE BANDS FROM 5PM
BIG EYED FISH
HOTSTEPPAS
FOLKLAW
GED WILSON

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY
£2 entrance fee during the afternoon • £7 from 4:00pm*

THE MANOR HOUSE PARK
SHUTFORD

Further information and ticket details please visit
www.shutfordvillage.com find us on facebook /shutfordfestival

*PLEASE NOTE: Children under 12 FREE
If you purchase an evening ticket you can use that as the entrance fee for the afternoon!

Tickets are available through Eventbrite.co.uk

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Dear Villagers,

What a journey we are on with the new village hall. Progress has moved on enormously with the support of a team of willing and active volunteers who have taken time out to work weekends and weekdays (even Bank Holidays) to get the hall to its current position. A special pull-out leaflet is distributed with this edition, showing the level of interest the hall has already received by those wishing to hire once the hall opens hopefully in July!



I would also like to reiterate the feelings of our villager's comments (see Mervyn Benford's letter in this edition) of the great community spirit in Shutford not only with the village hall, but all those things that just seem to happen. For example, the lovely flower tubs approaching, leaving and in the village that are kept looking beautiful all year round. The extra flower bulbs that were planted earlier this year and now are in full bloom. The new volunteers who have now stepped forward to deliver our Shutford News (Pam and Claudia). Thank you to Margaret & David who are now moving on from Shutford for their support and delivering the Shutford News over the past few years. We are lucky to live in a village where people care. Thank you.

Shutford Festival 17 June 2017 is just around the corner...

Details are covered inside this edition. If you haven't already like and follow us on www.facebook.com/shutfordfestival. This year we have decided not to collect any **BRIC A BRAC**, but we still are keen to have items for our Tombola (New or Nearly New), Wine, Plants & Produce & Cake stalls. A note will be going out nearer the time when we door to door collect on **14 June. So please give generously!**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rita".

Rita Livesey, Editor Email: rita@rlmarketing.co.uk

Have you noticed yet?

Arriving in the village from the west the sight hits you straight away- **our wonderful new village hall!** It's so obvious and so welcome! We are all grateful to Gordon and his team and now all those helping finish the job over many years ahead. And of course to those very generous donors who have provided the major investment in our future that the new hall will prove. Don't be shy- get your bookings in and though Val and I couldn't share the special 15th April visit as we were in Bristol welcoming Australian relations, we are sure your visits will have already generated ideas for future use- and not just by Shutford!

It has been an absolute reward for the legitimate community spirit represents and that exists among us- something I suspect we are going to need ever more as the years roll by. The new hall missed the 20th anniversary of Margaret's amazing Easter activities that remind us of just how valuable it is to have such a lead for helping ourselves- and not least our children! Margaret has found welcome help too.

The Church was as ever beautifully decorated for its special celebration weekend. The village flower tubs have once again well greeted spring- not least the lovely pale lilac tulips. Despite the absence of meeting space the book club and the WI- both active and welcoming enterprises- have kept going. The George has long helped out.

Plans for another super-Festival are well afoot. I am reminded of the inspiration dear Hazel Turner always was in terms of community well-being and a welcoming, warm-hearted postmistress for many years. Do tell your friends about the Festival. The old historic red phone box she looked after for so many years has now been restored and though I have seen many different uses for them across the country I have never seen one as a nature study centre- well worth a look now and again and a bit of interest and support.

I have seen at least three used as a base for a local de-fibrillator and our Parish Council had been prepared to assign £2000 of our parish finances to provide one for us. With a grant now secured from British Heart Foundation, maybe the £2000 could with goodwill support other community needs- perhaps even the final touches to the hall.

The politics of that is water under the bridge. Legitimate debate was had and I am sure all of us will enjoy the result of a tremendous example of good community living and effort. Speaking of that we have the splendidly loyal service of Ken Jeffs and his church team, not forgetting those flower arrangers, and of course the special floodlit Church for booked special occasions- £10 well spent and true enterprise.

The Council tried sincerely to rescue the bus facility but in the end the coach company stuck with giving Shenington not one but two services offering several daily return journeys to Stratford and Banbury. However, they pick up also in Wroxton so for any of us not fancying growing traffic congestion and parking in the towns a short car trip to either village, or Sibford for that matter, can still find a bus.

The number of people advertising in our high quality newsletter is well worth supporting. I have engaged the services of several and never found them wanting. The support they give enables Rita- a dedicated editor- to produce one of the best parish magazines I have ever seen- well worth regular support with news and pictures. The regular nature notes well serve a rural community.

And we have a vicar we can be proud of, someone prepared to offer a hug to a recently bereaved parishioner. Shared with the other parishes, Ronald cares for us in Shutford and sees the Christian Faith going beyond the needs of those attending services. He tries hard to encourage a wider interest in belief- maybe we can have meetings like those he has arranged elsewhere in his area discussing important issues of the day.

The Harvest Supper had to be held in the Church. It included a mini-market, wine and not a prayer in sight. It was not the Bible's "Den of Thieves"- but to help people in need. Caring for others is the essence of Christian belief and action and what we do for our community's best interests is well within those values.

Sincerely
Mervyn Benford

**Notes of the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council held on
17 May 2017
Your Parish Council**

Barbara Reynolds (Clerk)	780479
Lynne Parsons (Chair)	780649
Malcolm Goldie (Vice-Chair)	788538
Athene Duffield	788332
Rose Hancock	780622
John Yeomans	780564
Andrew McEwan	788266
Helen Gibbs	07500937390

We welcomed two members of the public as well as Cllr. George Reynolds.

**The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 12 July
2017.**

The meeting will start at 7.30p.m – venue to be confirmed

The meeting started with the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Council. Lynne Parsons and Malcolm Goldie were re-elected to those posts respectively.

All other positions were confirmed; allotments (Cllr. Goldie), village hall (Cllr. Gibbs), transport (Cllr. Duffield), NAG (Cllr. Hancock), Dairyground (Cllr. Parsons) and infrastructure/assets (Cllr. Yeomans).

HIGHWAYS: Progress has been made in some areas but not in others and this continues to be a cause for concern for both the Council and residents. The clerk will write again to the highways department at OCC and include a concern raised about drainage on Cooks Hill. There was a general feeling that there is unlikely to be much more progress until after the General

Election and the impact this may or may not have on local government restructuring.

SPEED CHECK: The data from the temporary speed camera purchased by the Parish Council has been scrutinised by members of the Council. The camera was located at the entry to the village from the Epwell Road, and the data indicated that, in fact, speeding at this point was rare with most cars travelling below the speed limit. It is, therefore, unlikely that we would be able to supply enough hard evidence to the highways division at OCC to persuade them that further measures need to be taken. As a next step the Council will investigate the cost of buying and erecting “twenty’s plenty” signs and dustbin stickers for any resident who may want to put them on their bins on collection day.

ALLOTMENTS: There are four residents on the waiting list who would very much like to rent and cultivate an allotment. Some have been waiting for some time. Some allotments still look as if they are either not being cultivated at all or only partially cultivated. The clerk has agreed to prepare a detailed map of the allotments and who rents them. Three councillors will then inspect the allotments and talk to allotment holders individually to discuss their continuing rental and whether sharing allotments is feasible in order to accommodate everyone. Allotment holders are also reminded to be careful if driving their cars up there when reversing etc. so that they do not disturb the ploughed and planted fields. Please be aware that we are approaching “dandelion seed falling” time, and this will cause problems for those who do cultivate their allotments. If you have an allotment and can do something about this then please do.

DAIRYGROUND: Please remember the sea saw can be used but it should **not** be used by children unless they are supervised by an adult. A final decision will be made at the next meeting.

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

17 MAY 2017

The annual Parish Meeting followed the AGM of the Parish Council at 8.00 pm. We welcomed three members of the public to this meeting which was disappointing.

Parish Councils are the lowest tier of local government and Shutford is amongst the smallest of parish councils. Powers are variable but limited. We do have the power to precept, but monies can only be raised for a limited number of purposes. Localism thrives when meetings such as this are well attended and views, requests and opinions are made in a spirit of good will yet understanding that the Parish Council does not have the power to accede to all requests.

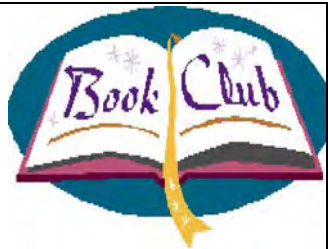
A very brief summary of the Chair's report below provides something of the work of the Parish Council over the year 2016/17. Back copies of the Shutford News have more detailed notes of each PC meeting over the last year. The full report is available on request from the Chair of the PC.

The council dealt with 15 planning applications over the course of last year; five were withdrawn, four were passed and five are still undecided. One application was refused by Cherwell District Council about which there was strong opposition from the Parish Council.

In June 2016 the Parish Council was informed that as a result of the withdrawal of the County Council bus subsidy the bus service from Shutford to Banbury would no longer be available. The Parish Council set up a trial bus service weekly over nearly three months. This was fully funded by the Parish Council for this trial period. The bus service was not especially well used, and little interest was shown in having the service on a regular basis.

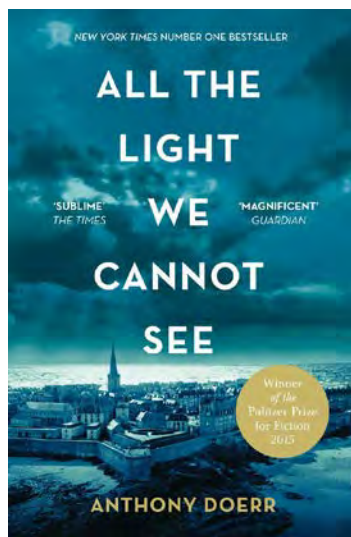
Councillors have received regular complaints from villagers about parking. The community police team came to Shutford at our request to inspect some of the "parking hot spots." All car users need to be more considerate about where they are parking and how their parked vehicles affect others. Parked cars that block the pavements or make it difficult to reverse out of drives are a nuisance, but cars that speed through the village are a danger and understandably this was also a source of complaints. Results of the installation of the speed trap can be read above.

Shutford Book Club

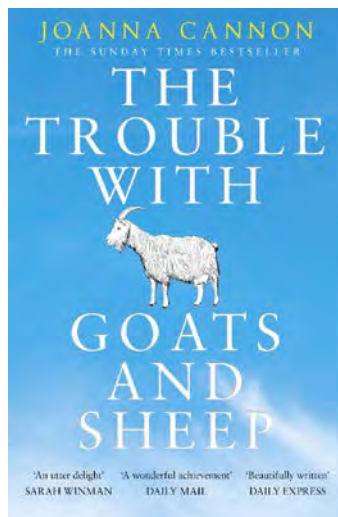


The Shutford Book Club meets on the last Monday of each month. Membership is currently full as space to meet is limited, but you can always take part virtually.

The books we are 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 to Kirsten Parrish 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:



26th June, '**All the light we cannot see**', by Anthony Doerr, hosted by Carole Ralph.



31st July, '**The Trouble with Goats and Sheep**' by Joanna Cannon

Contact details:

Kirsten Parrish: Kirsten@kdpr.co.uk or 780412



Friends of the Festival

The ambition of this year's Festival is:

- To provide the village with a bigger and better experience
- To engage more villagers in the event
- To increase the funds we provide to support the Church and the Village Hall

We are planning an event more extensive than last year, whilst still retaining the popular activities and introducing many new ones to increase the experience.

Following last year's success we are delighted that more villagers are expressing a desire to help with the organising and running of the event

We are aware that our final goal is a more challenging task as the increased event requires additional funding which without additional sponsorship will impact on the funds we are able to disburse. Hence, this appeal for more 'Friends of The Festival'.

If you feel that you would like to support the Festival but do not have the time for whatever reason then why not become a 'Friend of the Festival'.

Current Friends have donated either £50 or £100 but there is no specified amount. Should you wish to become a Friend you can either donate by cash or cheque, either to myself at the address below or to Rita Livesey (3 Church Lane, Shutford) (cheques payable to Shutford Fete). Receipts will be issued.

Thank you for taking the time to read this request and remember Friends can make a difference.

Email: John: john_hodgkins@icloud.com Rita: rita@rlmarketing.co.uk

Illuminate & Celebrate in 2017!



Don't forget to get your special dates in for 2017!

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 2017. How special it would be for the church tower to be illuminated for this occasion for a donation of only £10. Please get in touch with Ken Jeffs on KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk. Below is a list of those who have been or will be remembering a special day:

Date	Name	Occasion
22 nd April	Mervyn Benford	Daughter`s Wedding Anniversary
29 th March	Kirsten Parrish	Wedding Anniversary
30 th May	Patricia Jeffs	Ken`s 70 th Birthday
4 th June	Debbie Pitt	Magnus` Birthday
17 th June	Anon	Shutford Festival
18 th June	Anon	Father`s Day
21 st June	Kirsten Parrish	Huxley`s Birthday
1 st July	Ken Jeffs	Wedding Anniversary
13 th July	Rita Livesey	Charley Dog Birthday
16 th July	Kirsten Parrish	Remembering Darwin

Any other donation details received after Shutford News publication date will be included in the next issue.



CHURCH NEWS

Rector - Revd Ronald Hawkes - 780555

Church Wardens:

Mr Ken Jeffs – 788308

Mr John Hodgkins - 788609

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

The Annual Church Meeting took place in church on 28th March when the existing PCC members, officers and churchwardens were re-elected to serve for another year. The annual report and accounts were discussed: copies can be seen on the Shutford Village website.

A successful Lent Lunch was hosted by Sir Dominic and Lady Cadbury at Shutford Manor on 10th April. This was attended by 36 people and £325 was collected in donations for The British Heart Foundation.

Our Lent Jars of Change charity this year was Helen Hodgkins Trust and £385 was collected in change and some generous donations.

This year`s Easter Egg competition took place in the church on Easter Monday where 38 people gathered. Refreshments were available.

The PCC met in church on 16th May: the treasurer reported a positive financial situation as our tax claim on gift aided donations of £2073 had already been received. The check on the church electrics has recently taken place and a report has highlighted some remedial work is needed. This work has yet to be costed. The repair to the font has been agreed by the Diocesan Chancellor. Funds for the work on the electrics and font are available in our Restoration Fund and will be done shortly.

Messy Church Events for young children and their families have taken place across the benefice. These events are free, themed and well planned with crafts and excellent refreshments. The older members of our church community take time and effort to arrange these events and those families who do attend enjoy the experience. Who will be prepared to help and support Messy Church in Shutford on 24th June?

This year`s Christian Aid Week was 14th – 20th May – a door to door collection took place in the village. If you missed the collector donations can still be made directly to www.caweek.org. This year`s collection concentrates of the plight of refugees: the charity has been supporting people of all denominations or none for more than 60 years.

Members of the PCC will be running the tea stall at the Shutford Festival: there will be tea, coffee, soft drinks, scones with jam and cream in addition to savoury ones. There will also be a cake stall, we look forward to receiving cakes for sale on 17th June – please contact the email address below with your pledges.

Details of church services are published well in advance and the next Benefice Service in Shutford is on 2nd July at 10.00am.

The Deddington Deanery has organised a Deanery Pilgrimage with a plan to visit all parishes in the deanery 21st – 23rd July - see www.deddingtonpilgrimage.co.uk for details of the route.

A Summer Soccer School will be held at Bishop Carpenter School, North Newington, 26th – 29th July. This is an ideal opportunity for children to learn football skills and for them and their families to meet and get to know people from across the benefice.

The Youth Group continues to meet in Sibford church 5.30pm -7.00pm each Sunday. Table tennis, games and a tuck shop for all year 7s plus.

This year`s Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride is on Saturday, 9th September. We have not raised money for St Martin`s Church through this initiative for many years so we are hopeful to get a team of riders this year. Please keep this Saturday free.

For church news visit www.wykehambenefice.org.uk or contact KJJ@kennyjohn.co.uk.

BALSCOTE

VILLAGE

FETE

JUNE 3

from

2pm

A traditional village summer fete ~ Lots of fun for all the family!

Teas & Cakes BBQ Beer Tent

Dog Show Prize Raffle

Coconut Shy Toy Stall Football Game Bric a Brac

Skittles Childrens Games Books & DVDs Chocolate Tombola

Wine or Water Garden Plants Bottle Tombola Craft Stall

Tug of War event v Shutford the end of the fete (approx.4pm)

Balscote is 2 miles beyond Wroxtton, just off the A422 Banbury to Stratford road



Shutford Striders, Strollers and Shufflers!

We have formed an informal walking group for ladies in Shutford, to explore and enjoy the lovely walks around Shutford and the surrounding areas.

We meet on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am by the bus shelter. We then decide where to walk and the length of walk (varies from 45 mins to 2 hours), depending on the weather conditions.

Regular attendance is not necessary, just come along when you can. All welcome.

Land Wanted



I am looking for approximately 0.5 to 1 acre of land to buy. However, any size would be considered if it meets the requirements.

The land will need to have direct access for vehicles. Preferably there will be mains water or mains water located nearby for connection. A single storey wooden barn will be constructed on the land so a suitable area for this will be required.

The purpose of the land would be to relocate my existing dog day care business. The business runs weekdays from 7.30 until 5.30, with no dogs left overnight.

If you or someone you know is looking to sell any land that you think may be appropriate please contact Lisa on:

Tel: 07951 830004 premierpawsandpets@hotmail.com

Sibford Gower Primary School PTA present
The Orchard Summer Festival

SUNDAY 2nd JULY 2-5pm

A wonderful event for all the family, please come and join us...

Live Music from 16 Strings and a Dead Goat!

Cream Teas

Festival Stalls

Forest School Demonstrations

Coconut Shy

Treasure Hunt

and much more!



**EPWELL
OPEN GARDENS**

Sunday 25th June

2 – 5pm

£3 per adult.

Children free

Teas in the Garden



Holiday Hubs:

**Monday 24th July –
Friday 1st
September**

Hub Venues:

- North Oxfordshire Academy, Banbury
- Warriner School, Bloxham
- Magdalen College School, Brackley (South Northants)

Our hubs give children aged 5 -15 a unique opportunity to participate in a wide range of sporting activities delivered by qualified and DBS (formerly CRB) cleared coaches. In addition to fun and games, arts and crafts sessions will also be available. We run 8.45am-3pm for £14.95 and 8.45am-5pm (Long Day) for £18.95.

www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities

To book call: 01295 221803

The poster for 'The Savage Prunes' concert features a black and white photograph of the band performing on stage. The band members are silhouetted against a bright, hazy background. The text is overlaid on the image. At the top, it says 'The Swalcliffe Concerts' in a large, stylized font, followed by 'At St Peter and St Paul church, Swalcliffe'. In the center, a dark box contains the band's name 'THE SAVAGE PRUNES' in white, with the date and time 'Thursday June 1st 2017 - 7.30pm' below it. At the bottom, a paragraph describes the concert as the first of an exciting series featuring a young and innovative trio playing original compositions on traditional instruments.

SHUTFORD WI

Our speaker in April, Margaret Thomas, gave a talk entitled "Ladies Be Good" in which she told anecdotes about famous women in history, accompanied by a *cappella* renditions of appropriate songs.

At the end of April, seven members attended a WI Group Meeting at Hook Norton where we listened to Martin Hannant's "Confessions of a Butlins Redcoat". The talk was illustrated with photos taken in 1973 at Butlins Minehead, including those of Glamorous Grannies, Bonny Babies and Hairy Legs competitions. Afterwards we enjoyed a buffet tea, which concluded with an ice-cream in good seaside tradition.

At our May meeting, members discussed this year's two resolutions - Alleviating Loneliness & Plastic Soup. These both received a "For" vote, which will be taken forward to the Annual Meeting in Liverpool on 7 June by our delegate from Banbury WI.

Visitors will be made very welcome at our forthcoming meeting, held in **Wroxton** Village Hall at 10am, when our speaker will be:

Jun 6th Pam Sutton - Troop Aid

Instead of a July meeting, members are having a day out at Rockingham Castle, near Corby. Meetings from August onwards should be held in the new Shutford Village Hall.

For further information on our WI, please contact either Geraldine on 780579 or Jenny on 780570

WINNERS

EASTER EGG COMPETITION 2017

BEST CONCEPT EGG: Under 7

BEST CONCEPT EGG: 7-10



Space Egg
BEN WHITEHOUSE



Easter Bunnies
OLIVIA TAYLOR

BEST CONCEPT EGG: 11-15

BEST CONCEPT EGG: Adult 16+



Off with his Egg!!
FINLAY NEWTON-WHITE



Egg Sheeran
THOMAS BAILEY

BEST DECORATED EGG : Under 7



Flower Girl
ISOBEL WHITEHOUSE

BEST DECORATED EGG : 7-10



Fancy Egg
OLIVIA TAYLOR

BEST DECORATED EGG : 11 -15



Peggasso
GABRIEL DOE

BEST DECORATED EGG : Adult 16+



Blooming Marvelous
ERIKA DOE

EGG-AND-SPOON RACE WINNERS

Under 7



Isabella Aguilar Laud

7-10



Isla Newton-White

11-15



Finlay Newton-White

Adult 16+



Dawn Gibbs

As you will be aware, on this our 20th year, we held the Competition in St Martins Church while the new Village Hall is being completed.

Ken Jeffs made us very welcome and for the first time at this event we had refreshments ably managed by Ken himself with yummy cakes provided by Lisa Jeffs and Debbie Pitt. Very welcome on such a cold, dull afternoon.

We had some wonderful entries in all age groups which caused the judges to spend a great deal of time in their deliberations while we did the Village Hall 100+Club Draw and enjoyed our refreshments.

Joan and I were unable to make it up to Jesters Hill for the Egg Roll, but Sharon White and Charlotte, her daughter, did the honours for us. A big thank you to them for taking on the task.

We also have to thank Joan Wright, Brian Ailsby and Ken Jeffs for their help on the day; the 3 Judges, Sharon White, Val Benford and Gordon Freeman for such a difficult job well done and Martin Doe for taking all the photos for us.

With thanks to the Shutford News for sponsoring the event and the Sancroft-Baker family for letting us use Jesters Hill for the Egg Roll.

Margaret Holloway

SHUTFORD VILLAGE HALL
100+ CLUB RESULTS

APRIL £35.00 £10.00 £5.00

Raymond Sturdy Melanie Kirwin Marion Cullen

The Draw for May will have taken place at the Church Beetle Drive on 20 May and the June Draw at the Shutford Festival on 17 June when the **First prize will be £50.00.**

We have started this half year with **142** members and so
The First Prize for September 2017 will be £75.00







**KATHARINE
HOUSE
HOSPICE**



DOG SHOW

SATURDAY 17TH JUNE AT SHUTFORD FESTIVAL THE MANOR HOUSE PARK FROM 1:00PM. ALL PROCEEDS TO GO TOWARDS KATHARINE HOUSE HOSPICE (REG. CHARITY NO. 297099).

-  **ADORABLE ADULT**
-  **CUTEST PUPPY**
-  **VINTAGE VETERAN**
-  **DOG MOST LIKE THEIR OWNER**
-  **WAGGIEST TAIL**
-  **DOG THE JUDGE WOULD MOST LIKE TO TAKE HOME**

FURTHER GAMES AND CLASSES IF TIME ALLOWS. £2 ENTRY FEE PER CLASS. PRIZES FOR 1ST AND 2ND PLACE KINDLY DONATED BY CROFT PET FOODS BANBURY AND LILY'S KITCHEN.

LUCKY DIP AT 50P A GO.

**WIN A HOLIDAY VOUCHER FOR DOGFRIENDLYWALES.COM
WORTH £190. TICKETS COST £5 EACH. SEE PREMIER PAWS
AND PETS FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE INFO.**

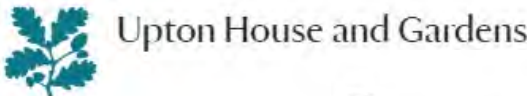
Shutford Festival Raffle Prizes
Thank you to all our supporters...



SOHO FARMHOUSE
OXFORDSHIRE



COTSWOLDS
DISTILLERY



Boden



Shutford Festival Band Line-up

17 June 2017 from 5:00 pm



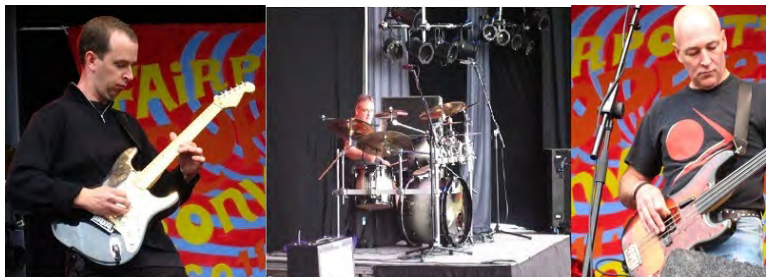
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Hotsteppas

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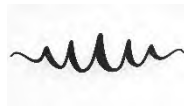


BANBURY
COOKERY SCHOOL

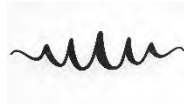
*Ilja Harvey joins
us from Banbury
Cookery School
Saturday 17 June
from 1:15pm*



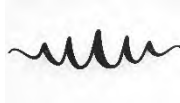
*1:15-1:30 pm: Cookery Demonstration 'Jerk Chicken
with Caribbean style salad'*



*2:30-2:45 pm: Cookery Demonstration 'Masala Chicken
Roti'*



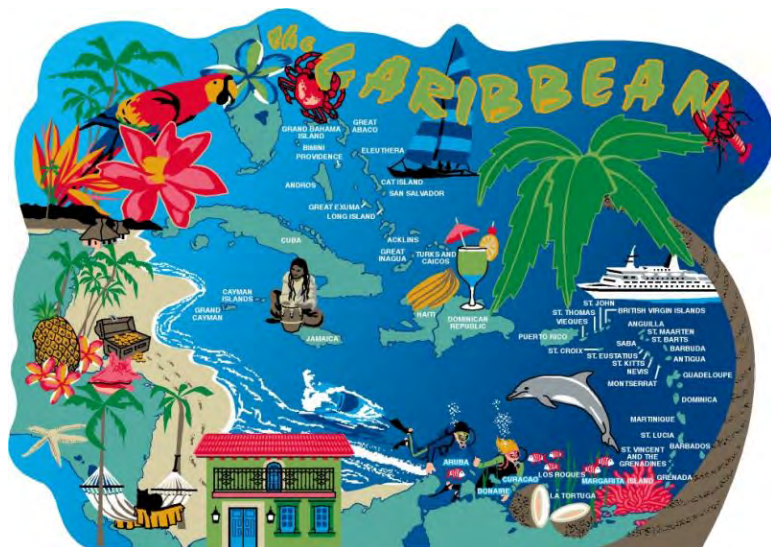
**3:15-3:35: Kids Get to Cook: Make a Caribbean Sweet
Treat 'Ginger & Honey Cake'*



**Register ahead of the festival for the Kids Cooking
Session (max. 20 Kids). Please email
rita@rlmarketing.co.uk with your name and any diet
preferences i.e. gluten free or any other allergies. All
ages welcome!*

Shutford Festival 17 June 2017

Kids Painting Competition Caribbean Theme!



Choose an island in the Caribbean to paint. Choose a fruit, flag and animal and create a painting with a Caribbean Theme. Paper can be A4 or A3. Remember to add your name and age group to the back of the painting.

Prizes & certificates will be awarded to two age groups:

- Under 7
- 7 - 11 years

Sponsored by



Entry Rules: A4 or A3 paper. Entries to be brought to the Shutford Festival at 1:00 pm Saturday 17 June 2017, prior to judging. Winners will be announced during the Festival at approximately 2.00pm. **Please note that any entries not collected before 4.00pm on the day of the Festival will be disposed of.**

Shutford Festival 17 June 2017

Create an arrangement
of flowers, fruit or both with
a Caribbean theme!



Create an arrangement of flowers, fruit or both,
with a Caribbean theme, a mixture of vibrant
colours. Maximum size 45cm x 45cm.

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Prizes: 1st & 2nd

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<https://emisapps57.erm.com/Rspb/Home/SubmitRecord>

To record sightings we need the following:

- The site address & Postcode
- Date of observation
- Type of nest: Purpose-made 'brick box' integral to the building; Hole in roof or wall; External nest box
- Building type and age
- Whether the nest site is at risk of any kind
- Numbers of Swifts flying at roof height (often heard screaming - indicates breeding birds)
- Any nests that are not being used this season and possible reason e.g. damaged or destroyed

Identifying Swifts:

Colour - grey-brown looking black against the sky

Sythe-like wings and very fast acrobatic flight, often gliding

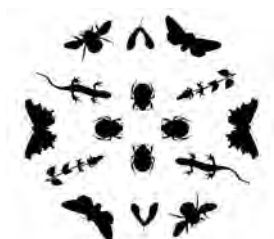
Shrill 'screaming' call, particularly when flying high in groups and low around nest sites

Local Bird Walk - 7:45 Saturday 10th June

One of Shutford's resident bird experts is Steve Holliday, who was, until recently, RSPB Midlands Regional Director, leading the Society's work across the East and West Midlands, including conservation work to halt and reverse declines in birds in the wider countryside, and managing and developing new nature reserves. Steve has kindly agreed to lead a walk to look for resident birds and a few summer migrants that visit the village each year from Africa. We need an early start!



Willow Warbler, Jim Almond



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Tuesday	6	WI – Pam Sutton, Troop Aid, Wroxton Village Hall, 10am
Tuesday	6	Shutford Strollers meet bus shelter every Tuesday 9:30 am
Friday	9	CDC collection Blue/Brown bins fortnightly
Saturday	10	Early Morning Bird Walk, 7:45am meet at the bus shelter. 1-2 hours!
Saturday	17	SHUTFORD SUMMER FESTIVAL
Monday	26	Book Club, G+ D, 7.30pm
July		
Monday	3	Shutford News Planning Meeting, 3, Church Lane- 7.30pm.
Tuesday	4	WI - Outing
Saturday	15	Deadline for Shutford News
Monday	31	Book Club, G +D, 7.30pm
August		

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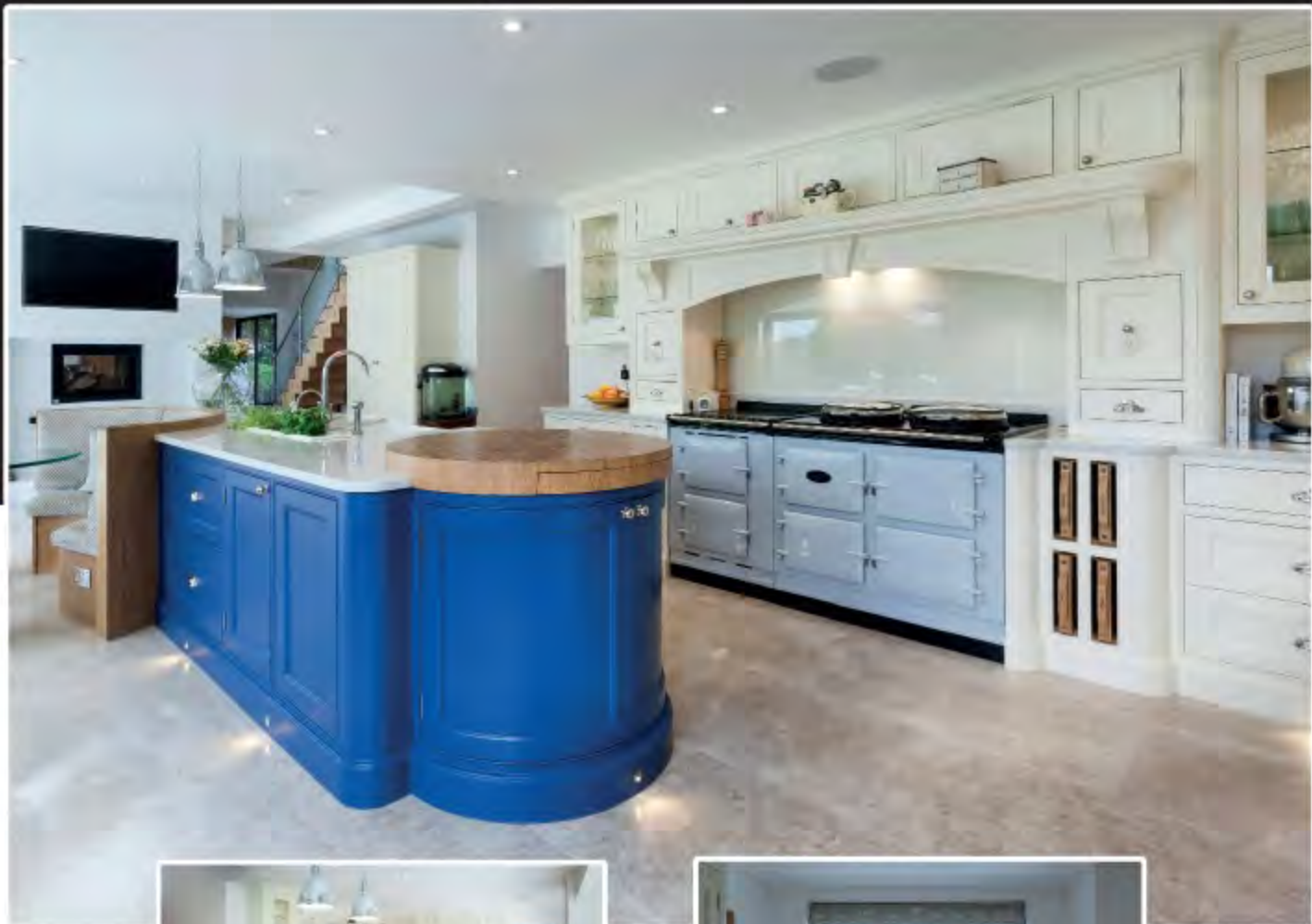
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