

The Villager

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The community newsletter for Mapledurwell
Up Nately, Nately Scures and Newnham

MAPLEDURWELL AND HATCH FEN

Just before Conkers Garden Centre, after you sweep over the M3 bridge to join the A30, are two marshy plots of land called Mapledurwell and Hatch Fen. Most locals would barely give a second glance to these squelchy 'Sites of Scientific Interest', however, for Nature lovers like us, they are some of the most biodiverse and protected places in Hampshire.

In a good season, each are a haven for dragonflies, rare wildflowers and marginalised birds and insects – all carefully managed by the Wildlife Trust and a team of local Volunteers. Access is restricted however, to protect the flora, fauna and rare breed cattle which occasionally graze there to regenerate the areas which were covered by chalk spoil during construction of the M3.



Sharpening the scythes

Now fully restored, these ancient habitats are well on their way to making a full recovery and the wild orchids, for which they were originally famous, have slowly begun to re appear. That's not the end of the story though, as these fens are also precious 'carbon sinks' which naturally absorb the emissions from the exhausts of 1,000s of cars and HGVs which pass just a few metres away – cleaning the air almost every one of us reading this article breathes each day. So next April, if you fancy releasing your inner Poldark, everyone is welcome to join us in cutting the reeds which grow there, by learning how to scythe or build a Monet inspired haystack – like the ones we created just a few days ago. Give them a wave before you carefully join the A30, as our village fens are helping to keep us well, while silently slowing Climate Change for future generations of villagers.

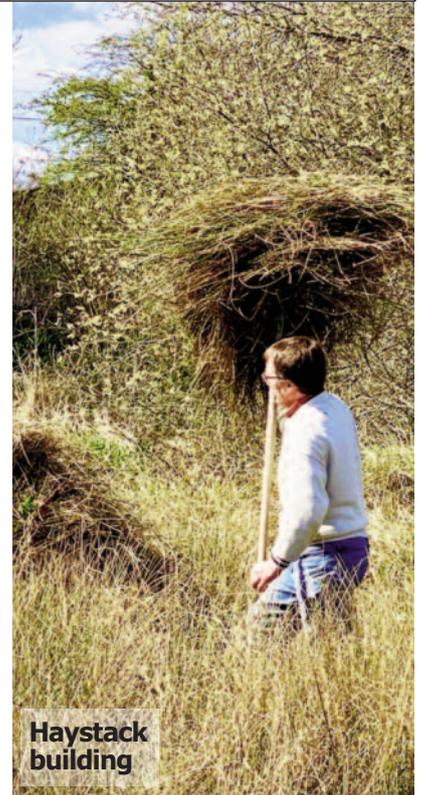
Diana Needham, Basingstoke Conservation Volunteers. www.basingstokecv.org.uk

HOOK FUN RUN – CALLING ALL MARSHALS!

You don't have to be a runner to take part in Hook's annual running extravaganza! We could not hold the event without the generous support of about 120 people!

We need lots of enthusiastic marshals around the courses to ensure the runners are prepared, safe and follow the right route. It also takes a large team to set up and clear away on site and many behind the scenes helpers with baggage storage, site information, etc.

Interested? We would love to hear from you....
To volunteer, please email team@hookfunrun.com
And if you haven't entered yet, what are you waiting for?!



Haystack building

BDBC LOCAL PLAN UPDATE HOUSING NUMBERS

BDBC Full Council Meeting of 24th March rejected the Government's 'Standard Methodology' for calculating housing numbers in favour of the 'Chelmer Model'.

'Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council has agreed a motion by which it rejected the figure of 17,820 units in the Local Plan Update which had been calculated using the "Standard Method".'

'The Standard Method uses data which is 13 years out of date whereas up-to-date data from the 2021 Census is becoming available. This amounts to "exceptional circumstances"* which would justify use of an alternative to the Standard Method. It is essential to identify a more robust and credible lower figure than currently proposed.

'This can only be done without delay by using the Chelmer Housing Projection Model incorporating up-to-date 2021 Census figures without pausing the progress of the Local Plan Update...'

* NPPF paragraph 61

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DRESSED FOR WAR Lunch, and talk by historian, author and broadcaster Julie Summers

<https://www.juliesummers.co.uk/>



'My work focuses on people faced with extraordinary circumstances. The Second World War has proved a rich seam and I have written about evacuees, women on the Home Front, fashion in wartime, requisitioned country houses and, most recently, the remarkable editor of VOGUE, Audrey Withers.'

**Thursday 12th May
12 noon, Manor
Farm, Newnham**
£30 per person
(includes lunch)

LAST FEW TICKETS
AVAILABLE

Contact **Joanna Bell**
07757 406 410 or
dressedforwar
talk@gmail.com

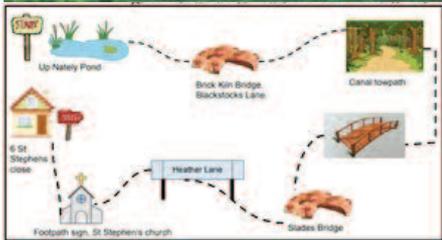
All proceeds to the
Friends of St Nicholas and
St Michael's Hospice

Mapledurwell & Up Nately

NEWS FROM UP NATELY

We warmly welcome Sarah and Alasdair and their black spaniel Ruby who have moved into The Rectory.

Children in the village enjoyed another Easter Trail in beautiful weather, thank you Charlotte for your imaginative trail!



One of our neighbours mentioned that her son's little cat frequently disappears for several days, it seems other people in the village thought they were kind and were feeding her! Please do not feed a wandering cat, it is unfair on their owners and might cause the animal to disappear for good; this also happened to our ginger boy a few years ago, we have not seen him since.

TALES FROM THE CHALKSTREAM

Despite the changeable weather and temperatures the local birdlife seems to be busy regardless.

Just in the last week, I have seen a brood of four tiny Mallard ducklings swimming in the wake of their parents in the Frog Lane chalkstream and we have now had two separate broods of three Moorhen chicks. The latter are growing rapidly both in size and confidence! But I haven't seen much of an earlier brood of three or four ducklings, last seen in March.

A Great Tit family is nesting bravely in the middle of the allotments making a return visit from last year, and hopefully the Wren family from last year will do likewise. I also saw a pair of Goldcrests, the UK's smallest bird, chasing each other around the trees near the allotments this weekend - I haven't seen any in our garden for two or three years now, so that would be something if they nested nearby.

Of further interest was my first ever sighting of a Water Rail in March. This is a first for both me and for the Chalkstream as far as I know. While I sighted one, on two separate occasions a week or so apart, I haven't seen it since, but remain hopeful.



Similar in size to a moorhen but more grey and brown, with striped flanks, its beak is bright red and longer - ideally suited for probing in silt and marshland reedbeds.

Less gregarious than our resident Moorhens, they appear to prefer taller vegetation which is something we are trying to address with new planting in parts of the stream. Fingers crossed for a more permanent return one day!

(Slightly) further afield, the area being set aside for the Frog Lane apiary (beehives) is in course of preparation and should be up and running within the next few weeks. If you see him, feel free to introduce yourselves to Mike (Maskell) as he gets ready to introduce his bees.

Other than that, the chalkstream itself isn't looking too bad. We managed to clear out a lot of the invasive Monkey Flower (*Mimulus Guttatus*) from the central island before bird breeding season began which is something we were unable to do last year, so far so good.

Colin Robertson
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BDBC HOUSING NUMBERS

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'The Council resolves to request that Cabinet explores this Chelmer model, informed by legal advice, to ensure that the Emerging Local Plan meets the legal tests of compliance and soundness when these tests are applied independently at the Examination in Public in 2024 and subsequently by the Secretary of State.'

The motion was carried unanimously.

* NPPF (National Planning Policy Framework) para 61 says: '61. To determine the minimum number of homes needed, strategic policies should be informed by a local housing need assessment, conducted using the standard method in national planning guidance - unless exceptional circumstances justify an alternative approach which also reflects current and future demographic trends and market signals.'

The 'Standard Methodology (introduced in 2018) - in addition to its demographic calculation - includes an 'affordability ratio' which can amount to a c33% uplift in housing numbers - supposedly to moderate high house prices. The model presumes unrealistically that an over supply will lead to developers reducing prices; in reality developers decline to build so compounding problems with the five-year land supply.

DIARY DATE - PARISH ASSEMBLY

Wednesday 18 May 7.30pm in the Village Hall A 'crisps and wine' evening.

Please make a date to join the Parish Assembly. This is THE opportunity for the Villages to get together and (after three years away) to hear others and share your views on what is happening in the Parish.

Please let us know of any topic you would like to raise: clerk.mapledurwell@parish.hants.gov.uk 07515 777060 or contact any member of the Parish Council.

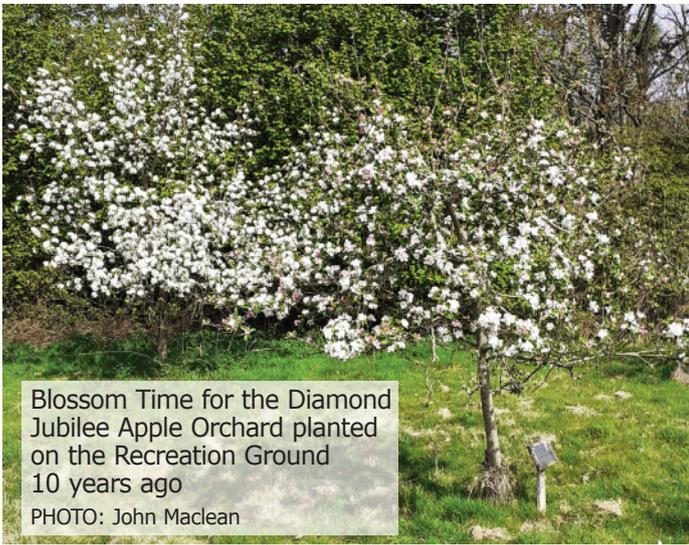


TENNIS The tennis courts have been cleaned, have new net posts, and are ready and waiting to be used. Please all players give the courts a brush over to help keep them clean - new brush provided.

The courts are available for all residents of the parish, new players encouraged, please email hugo.cubitt@gmail.com

BASINGSTOKE CANAL - THE LAST FIVE MILES

Links below for two YouTube videos of the Basingstoke Canal from the town to Up Nately, about half an hour each. Worth a watch. <https://youtu.be/6nylHsM8yuA> Part 1 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D_y--dXJF40 Part 2



Blossom Time for the Diamond Jubilee Apple Orchard planted on the Recreation Ground 10 years ago
PHOTO: John Maclean

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

22/01088/PIP (Validated 12 April) Land to North of Parrotts, Greywell Road, Mapledurwell. Permission in principle for the erection of one dwelling.

APP/H1705/W/21/3289616 (Appeal – start date 31 March 2022) 20/01723/FUL Brockwell (Paddock and Stable) Andwell Lane. Eight dwellings with new service road and improved access from the highway.

22/00676/FUL (Pending 03 Mar) High Field View, Frog Lane. Erection of a bungalow replacing concrete garage located at the north of the land.

22/00635/ADV (Pending 25 Feb) The Hatch. Display of one externally illuminated totem sign; one illuminated painted individual letter building sign; two non-illuminated double sided post signs; one non-illuminated single sided post sign, and one illuminated single sided post sign.

22/00630/FUL & 22/00678/LBC (Pending 25 Feb) The Hatch. Minor internal and external alterations, redecoration and repairs to building; new signage; erection of two pergolas including fixed seating and external fire; erection of external bar servery; partial resurfacing of car park and installation of new gates; replace existing bridge; repaving, new bollard lights and arbors; demolition of existing garden sheds / structures and erection of new shed; new island patios with festoon lighting to garden; new fencing and associated works.

22/00212/TDC (Validated 17 Feb) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road. Technical Details Consent (TDC) for conversion of an agricultural building to one dwelling as per 20/00009/PIP. New vehicular access from Tunworth Road [south].

21/01739/LBC (Pending 14 July) Arlings, Tunworth Road. Replace windows and exterior doors with new like-for-like.

21/01777/RET (Pending 24 May 2021) Gamekeepers. Hardstanding plus seven downlighters (retrospective).

21/00827/FUL (Pending 20 April 2021) Land opposite Hillside, Heather Lane. Change of use to secure dog walking area and off road parking; gate and 1.8m fence; replace shed.

21/00427/FUL (Pending 22 Feb 2021) Land to north of Nunnery House, Tunworth Road. One x four-bedroomed dwelling, garage, access etc.

21/00107/PIP (Refused 19 April) The Farm, Tunworth Road. Permission in Principle for maximum nine dwellings.

TREE APPLICATIONS

T/00125/22/TRQ2 (Received 13 March) TPO request for three Yew trees on Tunworth Road (South).

POLICE UPDATE FROM PCSO ANDY JONES

Report of 19th April

Police have recently raised the matter of metal theft and that a suspect had been identified... The suspect had been stopped by another constabulary and reported for driving offences. Police requested the suspect to attend the Police station to answer questions.

Unfortunately he failed to arrive and it appears he is no longer in the country. This matter will await his return.

A resident of Nutley has reported a burglary believed to have occurred in the early hours of the 20th March. A quad bike and a lurcher dog have been stolen. Two more burglaries have occurred also in the early hours of the morning in the areas of Chilton Candover and Winslade. Again quad bikes have been targeted.

Please take the opportunity to harden security Your local Officer is always willing to offer crime prevention advice.

On the 26th March, Police attended Berrydown Road in Axford after an incident involving a horse and a car. There is no fault to either party in relation to this incident, significant damage was caused to the vehicle and the horse had to be euthanized due to its injuries.

6th April, further damage has been caused to the phone box on Bidden Road in Upton Grey.

Unfortunately we have had two more cars damaged by person(s) unknown on the 17th of April, one parked in Cliddesden and the other in Farleigh Wallop. Alas it comes as no surprise that it was a hot day and a weekend when it happened. Both cars had windows smashed and one had valuables removed from within.

We are all feeling the pinch in relation to energy and other fuel hike bills. Historically when the price of oil has increased the theft of the product also increases. Theft of used cooking oil is also on the increase nationwide and many of the rural pubs and restaurants have been targeted. Police have some lines of enquiry and work is going on in the background.

Two Basingstoke men who had a 'persistent disregard for the law' have been handed a prison sentence after fly-tipping household waste across Basingstoke. Lee Wainwright, of Schubert Road, was sentenced to 10 months at Winchester Crown Court on 5 April for six counts of fly-tipping between November 2019 and March 2020. James Christopher, of Pear Tree Way, was sentenced to nine months in prison at the same court for 10 counts of fly-tipping across the borough between February 2019 and July 2020, The court heard how the pair dumped waste from L&J Clearances and L&J vans.

On another note your local Beat Officer has signed up to abseil down the spinnaker tower in Portsmouth in aid of Sebastian's Actions Trust. This has been booked for June this year so fingers crossed and Covid allowing it should be a challenging day.

Andrew Jones is fundraising for Sebastian's Action Trust (justgiving.com)

CONSULTATION ON THE CREATION OF A NATURE RESERVE AT CRABTREE AND BLACKDAM PONDS.

www.basingstoke.gov.uk/crabtree-black-dam-ponds-lnr-consult

Public Consultation on the 'declaration as Nature Reserve' for BDBC's site at Crabtree and Black Dam Ponds – from Monday 4 April to Monday 16 May 2022.

This is in support of BDBC's Ecological Emergency declaration, and in line with the list of sites (agreed 2015) for possible Local Nature Reserve status.

The consultation questionnaire is available online at the link above – there will also be a postal consultation to addresses within a kilometre of the site.

Newnham, Nately Scures & Water End



THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

Commemorating 70 years of Elizabeth II's reign

A celebration will be held on Newnham Green
on Thursday 2nd June 2022

Joining national events co-ordinated for beacon lighting

CORONATION CHICKEN SUPPER ON THE GREEN

The marquee will be up, there will be tables & chairs from the Clubroom – or bring your own picnic blanket!

Coronation Chicken will be prepared by & served at the Pub
£15 per person to include a pint of beer or 125ml glass of house wine, serving from 5.30pm

Please order well in advance to enable catering for numbers

Call the Old House at Home
01256 761 896

The Jubilee Committee is working hard to get all in place for the 2nd June Celebration.

EVERYONE WELCOME and ideas to improve the day are very welcome too.

Arrangements continue a moveable feast but current plans are as follows...

3PM START ON THE GREEN

- Children's activities
- Pimms, tea and cake tent
- Everyone encouraged to wear Royal fancy dress

There will be two bands, a silent disco, bouncy castle, and other attractions, suggestions welcome...

5PM KIDS' TEA

followed by

CORONATION CHICKEN SUPPER ON THE GREEN

9-9.30PM BEACON BONFIRE on the Green.

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

22/00981/FUL (Validated 31 March) Land at Blackstocks Lane. Erection of one new dwelling, associated landscape & parking.

22/00754/HSE (Pending 10 Mar) Snipes Wood House, Scures Hill. Erection of first floor extension to existing garage to create home office with shower room and sauna.

22/00132/FUL (Pending 19 Jan) Land off Ridge Lane. Farm workers' dwelling for temporary period. Creation of earth bunds (2.5m max width by 1.5m max height). Permeable surfaced farm access tracks.

21/03830/FUL (Pending 19 January) Land Adjacent to Tithe Barn, Ridge Lane. Erection of one dwellinghouse with access driveway and new access on to Ridge Lane. (Replacement for approved application 20/01798/FUL.)

21/02185/HSE (Granted 31 Mar) Tollgate House, Water End. Part demolition of house & garage. Replace with three storey side extension, detached garage with first floor accommodation, new entrance gates, altered access, new windows.

21/02135/RES (Pending 25 June 2021) Land Adjacent Oakfield Farmhouse,

Scures Hill. Appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, ref reserved matters condition 1 of 16/00097/OUT.

16/03282/RET (pending 15th Sep 2016) Manor Farm, Blackstocks Lane. Change of use from agricultural to mixed agricultural to include diversification of farm open days etc 100 days a year, associated parking.

TREE APPLICATION

T/00051/22/TPO (Approved 25 April) The Coppice, Newnham Road. Repollard Ash tree in front garden to previous cuts.

NEWNHAM COMMUNITY'S



Congratulations to the 100 Club winners for March:

- David Hodson (Highbank) £100
- Bingham (Newnham Farm) £50
- Melanie Christopher (N/ham Hse) £25

for April:

- Peter Lumley (Lyde Mill House) £100
- Nigel Bell (Newnham Hill) £50
- Wilsons (Webbs Farm) £25.

PARISH ASSEMBLY FOR NEWNHAM, NATELY SCURES AND WATER END

Wednesday 11th May 7pm Clubroom

Please join us for the Parish Assembly. This is THE opportunity to get together and share views on what is happening in the Parish.

Please let us know of any topic you would like to raise – we will keep it brief! clerk.newnham@parish.hants.gov.uk 07515 777060 or contact any member of the Parish Council.



Monday - Pie Night
Pie, mash (or chips) with mixed vegetables served with a pint or 125ml house wine £15

Wednesday - Steak Night
Char grilled Sirloin Steak, chips, salad & a peppercorn sauce £15

Available through May 2022
Booking advisable
01256 761896

OLD HOUSE AT HOME
— Southern Green —
VILLAGE PUB · FOOD · GARDEN

TO STOP HOUSEHOLDS PAYING FOR DIY WASTE TO REDUCE FLY-TIPPING?

DEFRA CONSULTATION TO 4 JULY
<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/consultation-on-diy-waste-and-call-for-evidence/>



Letter from Hants PCC Donna Jones:

'The Government is consulting on plans to change rules that currently allow some Local Authorities to charge for DIY waste from households.

'This is a new move to tackle fly-tipping which is a crime, blights communities, poses a risk to public health and the environment, and costs up to £392 million a year.

'I support this change in government position. The cost of fly-tipping clear-ups to private landowners and councils is a huge amount of money and the issue is increasing every year.

'By removing the barriers to lawful free disposals at council waste centres, the criminality will be reduced. This is a sound move.'

Yours sincerely, Donna Jones,
Police & Crime Commissioner for Hampshire & Isle of Wight

BASINGSTOKE COMMUNITY CHATS – PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

Maria Miller MP has established 'Basingstoke Community Chats' to bring together local residents in the Basingstoke Constituency, to hear from experts, support positive discussions on things that matter locally, and to understand how we can all play our part in helping support change. Anyone can sign up, come along to listen, and share their thoughts on positive change for the future of our community

ABOUT THIS EVENT Thursday 26 May 2022 at 7pm

DELIVERING A STRONG PRIMARY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM FOR BASINGSTOKE

Hear from the Clinical Commissioning Group, Hampshire Hospital Foundation Trust, Southern Health and others. There will be a Q & A session after hearing from panellists. **Register via Eventbrite:**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/delivering-a-strong-primary-healthcare-system-for-basingstoke-tickets-324299206657>

The event will take place 7pm, Proteus Creation Space Council Rd, B/stoke

THE BLUE LAMP TRUST

The 'Bobby Scheme' run by the Blue Lamp Trust provides free home security visits, long-life smoke alarms and advice to vulnerable residents in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, particularly the elderly and victims of burglary and domestic abuse.



A full crime prevention and fire safety survey is carried out by one of their specialist trained, police-vetted, fitters. They will provide both general and specific crime and fire prevention advice to improve resident home safety. When appropriate their fitters will fit items such as locks, spy-holes, door chains and smoke alarms, etc. This service is completely free.

The Bobby Scheme can also supply and fit police approved key safes for a small donation.

The Bobby Scheme is free to those who are vulnerable due to age (over 65), circumstance, disabled, or a victim of household crime.

Anyone can make a referral including individuals, friends, family, doctors, social workers, etc via the Blue Lamp Trust website –

<https://bluelamptrust.org.uk/bobby-scheme-landingpage/> - or by ringing 0300 777 0157.

The Blue Lamp Trust (of which Hants Chief Constable Olivia Pinkney is a Trustee) is a non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting and enhancing community safety throughout Hampshire and the Isle of Wight

**HAMPSHIRE
ALERT**

**MOBILE PHONE LAW
CHANGE COMES INTO
EFFECT**

'The consequences of using a mobile phone while at the wheel can be catastrophic.'

This is the message from Hampshire Constabulary and Thames Valley Police's joint operations Roads Policing Unit as new law changes came into effect 25th March.

'The change sees the law expanded and mean you can receive an immediate fine of £200 and penalty points on your licence for the following offences while driving:

- Illuminating the screen
- Checking the time on your phone
- Checking notifications
- Unlocking the device
- Making, receiving, or rejecting a telephone or internet based call
- Sending, receiving or uploading a photo or video
- Utilising camera, video, or sound recording
- Drafting any text
- Accessing any stored data such as documents, books, audio files, photos, videos, films, playlists, notes or messages
- Accessing an app
- Accessing the internet

'There are just two exemptions to the law, allowing for a call to be made in an emergency where it is not practical to stop, and for contactless payment for a service provided at the time – for example, road tolls or drive-throughs – but the vehicle must be stationary.'

Church Notices

'Journeying together, we worship God and serve the community'

www.united-parish.org.uk
<https://www.moretolife.church>



FROM THE MINISTRY TEAM

One of the deeper questions I keep asking myself at the moment is – What causes

division? One of the central causes, I would argue, is thinking that difference means less.

Perhaps that's why one of the central teachings of Jesus was 'love your neighbour as yourself' (Matthew 22.39). Every person that is not you, is different from you. They are unique but here's the jam – you are unique. Do you look in the mirror and marvel at the uniqueness of your personality, your gifting and the fact God thinks you're fearfully and wonderfully made? Not in vanity but in appreciation that there is no one like you – God made you for a reason – the world needs you. Everyone is called into creation uniquely, yes, all with limitations, but all fearfully and wonderfully made.

Sometimes when we encounter another we take refuge in the harbour of their similarities. We think 'pew, this bit is like me'. This is helpful for stability and comfort, but very often in society (and in church) we end up creating settlements within these harbours of similarity, from which we neither venture nor allow others in. Soon, the fact we are all incredibly different becomes a myth, and what we end up loving in the neighbour is the 'us' we see in them. This doesn't mean we don't need to recognise common ground, perhaps we need to ask 'what is the best and most true

common ground that needs to be recognised?' What is true unity?

I believe that the truest unity can be found in God. All God is and does; love, grace, peace, justice, mercy... (the list is inexhaustible) is the truest common ground that we find with one another and all God isn't; namely evil, that which causes hurt, selfishness, fear and prejudice is not common ground. We may think – those that do evil have unity with one another, but this is a false unity, in the end, evil results in division and death. Lighten up dude! I end up saying to myself - but yes! The light God shines reveals that which is not united under love and grace – revealing places we need to love our neighbour!

So what am I going to do about it? We can start by understanding that difference is more. God is always more, his mercies are new every morning, we discover more about him the more he is revealed in the world. So then, the more difference we encounter, the more is revealed about God. The more diversity we have in our societies, the more we know the amazingness of each other and our society is richer, only when we come

REVISED CLERGY RESPONSIBILITIES

Following the recent very welcome announcement that the benefice has permission to fill the long-vacant post of 'House-for-Duty' Vicar for Long Sutton and South Warnborough, clergy responsibilities are being revised as follows:

Name/Role	Church/area	Benefice-wide ministry
Rev Simon Butler Rector (FT)	Upton Grey, Tunworth, Newnham, Nately Scures	Team Leadership & Vision
Rev Chris Dudgeon Associate Rector (0.75)	Odiham	Alpha courses
Rev Matt Bianchi Mission Priest (FT)	Greywell, Mapledurwell, Up Nately, New housing	Mission & Evangelism
Rev Amber Beresford Curate (FT)	Herriard, Odiham	Housegroups and Discipleship
Rev Linda Scard Associate Minister (0.2)	Weston Patrick	Vocations & Training
[Vacant] Associate Minister (0.5)	Long Sutton, South Warnborough	

to know unity-in-diversity. So who is missing? Does each and every unique person have access to all places in our churches, in our villages, in our hearts?

Loving our neighbour is alive and well here in our communities with the amazing work of so many that seek a common ground of love and grace. For example, those who are welcoming and supporting Ukrainian people, those who seek equality for voices unheard, those who support one another in the time of need; there are so many that take risks in stepping out to encounter difference. I'm thankful that everyone (including you) is uniquely created to make and be the difference in the world!

If you'd like to chat or discuss anything on your heart about this or any issue, never hesitate to ask me for a pint or a coffee one time - amber@moretolife.church.

Reverend Amber Beresford



North Hants Downs Mothers' Union

For me, one of the pleasures of belonging to Mothers' Union is the opportunity to meet other members around our diocese who are passionate about supporting others.

Our Worldwide President, Sheran Harper, says that: 'It is as simple as using your gift to do what you can; providing a listening ear; welcoming a stranger and reaching out to a refugee family; in whatever way the Spirit leads you, it all adds up.'

In May our branch will meet on Tuesday May 17th, and the following day some of us will take part in the Quiet Morning at Wolvesey.

To find out more about Mothers' Union or our branch, please contact Sue Murphy on sue@the-murphys.me.uk or 01252 845011.

CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY

Sunday 1 May	9am, St Mary's Mapledurwell, CW Holy Communion 11am, St Mary's Greywell, Morning Service
Sunday 8 May	9am, St Nicholas' Newnham BCP Holy Communion (said) 9am, St Stephen's Up Nately BCP Holy Communion (said)
Sunday 15 May	9am, St Mary's Greywell, CW Holy Communion 11am, St Mary's Mapledurwell, Rogation Walk 5pm, St Swithun's Nately Scures, Evensong
Sunday 22 May	11am, St Stephen's Up Nately, Morning Service 4.30pm, St Nicholas' Newnham, Tea-time Service
Thursday 26 May (Ascension Day)	7.30pm, All Saints' Odiham, Holy Communion
Sunday 29th May	No services in the United Parish 9.30am, All Saints' Odiham, CW Holy Communion 11am, All Saints' Odiham, Informal Service



Helen Chatfield
 Youth Pastor
 More to Life network of Churches
 North Hampshire Downs Benefice

KIDZONE



Hi everyone!

HAPPY INTERNATIONAL FAMILIES DAY!

Those of you who read Kidzone regularly will know one of my favourite movies at the moment is *Encanto* from Disney.

(Grandparents, if you haven't watched it with the Grandchildren – what's taken you so long?!) Almost the very first thing you hear in the movie is the song – 'The Family Madrigal' song. In it, we are introduced to the main characters of the film, a big family filled with people with all different gifts and powers. Scan the QR code to listen to the song now!

Now, we might not have a family quite like the Madrigals, but we're all surrounded by special people who are good at all sorts of different things. Who's in your family? Not just your parents and brothers and sisters, but aunts, uncles, cousins... maybe even close family friends feel like family to you.

Sometimes it's really easy to take our family for granted. Assume that Mum will always cook our favourite meal, that Dad will come and play football with us at the park, that our brother or sister will share their toys with us... but

maybe this International Families Day we should spend a moment appreciating them...

What is the thing that means the most to you about your family? What do you really love about each of the people in your family.

Let's make a special family chain to help us remember how amazing our family is!

1. Take a piece of paper, and fold concertina-style (as if you are making a paper fan). Keep going until you have folded the whole sheet of paper.
2. Draw a person on the front fold. Make sure the arms and feet reach each folded edge, as this will be how the figures connect.
3. Cut around most of your person, and through all the layers of paper, but remember not to cut out the whole shape! Make sure to avoid cutting where the arms and feet reach the edge of the folds - this keeps them linked.
4. Unfold your paper to reveal a connected people paper chain. Tape or staple chains together to make them as long as you like.

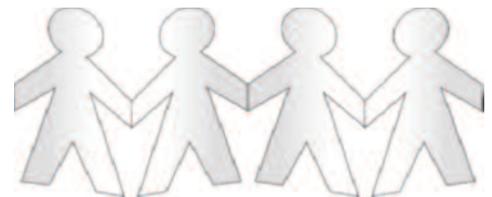


5. Make sure there's a person for everyone in your family, and write their name on. Now think about what you love about that person in your family. Do they give special hugs, make you laugh, let you have pizzas on a Friday... Whatever it is, draw or write it on the paper chain.

Then show your family – they'll really appreciate it.

God Bless and see you next time!

Helen C



WHAT'S ON FOR FAMILIES...

Saturday 18th June 'WHO LET THE DADS OUT' Venue TBC 10-12 noon (including bacon butties!)

Mon 8th - Fri 12th Aug MORE TO LIFE HOLIDAY CLUB Church Meadow, Upton Grey

Wednesday 31st August MESSY SUMMER Venue & Timings TBC

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The Prince's Trust Team Programme is a FREE 12-WEEK COURSE to provide all the experience need to find work and enter employment. The next course starts on the 9th May and they run from Basingstoke, Redbridge & Sandown Fire Stations.

If you are or know anyone that might be interested, please contact the Prince's Trust direct by either e-mail Princes-Trust@HantsFire.gov.uk or Text 'Team' to 07918 887897.

WOMEN'S SECTION
ROYAL BRITISH
LEGION OLD BASING



12 May – Committee Meeting 7.30pm
26 May – General Meeting 7.30pm
Competition a vase no taller than 6". Each month the Women's Section invites new members (you do not have to have been, or a family member have been in the forces).
Sue Wilson, Publicity 01256 328196

THE IVY CLUB OLD BASING

Jigsaw exchange programme – this went down very well and we now have a wonderful selection of jigsaws. How it works, you bring a jigsaw along to The Ivy Club and exchange it for another for just £1, all monies are donated, last month we supported St Michael's Hospice. Exchange dates for May are 4th and 18th, just pop in to the Royal British Legion Hall, Old Basing anytime 2-4pm.

Please note The Ivy Club is closed on the 11th May as we have a coach outing to Wells market day.

Forthcoming events a visit from Dogs Trust of Newbury 1st June and outing to Weymouth 19th July.

The Ivy Club meets every Wed at the Royal British Legion Hall, Old Basing from 2-4pm – £2 which includes tea, cake /biscuits and a raffle, just bring a mug. All welcome.

Sue Wilson Chairman 01256 328196

NORTH WARNBOROUGH AND
DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

Next Meeting & Annual Plant Sale, North Warnborough Village Hall, Thursday 26 May. Plant sale 1.30pm, then 2.30pm speaker Marina Christopher on 'Fancy Carrots for the Herbaceous Border'. Visitors are very welcome
<https://www.nwdgc.org.uk>

HOOK BOWLING CLUB

Hampshire's Hidden Gem

Open Day Saturday 28th May

ROLL UP - ROLL UP - ROLL UP

This is a cry that ALL Lawn Bowlers across the world know and share!



This summer the Commonwealth

Games are in Birmingham. Our country will play host to Lawn & Para Lawn Bowls at Leamington Spa, bowlers will compete from all corners of the Commonwealth. We will see on TV the skill of bowling demonstrated to the highest level in all its forms between 29th July and the 6th August.

Meanwhile the friendly members of HOOK BOWLING CLUB will be encouraging their community to visit the club and try the sport of lawn bowling on Saturday 28 May. The Club Open Day is from 10am onwards.

All ages and abilities are welcome and we have excellent disabled facilities. Lawn Bowls is a fascinating game, lots of fun, sociable and can be competitive; help will be on hand to guide you on the day.

Just come along with friends, family or on your own, bring some flat shoes, everything else will be provided, including refreshments.

A NEW LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN FOR HAMPSHIRE

Hampshire County Council is consulting on its Draft Local Transport Plan (LTP4) to 26 June

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/localtransportplan>
(There is also a print version of the response form.)

The consultation documents are presented in concise and full versions. The two Rural Transport Policies can be found at page 31 of the short document and pages 99 to 103 of the longer one:

Policy RT1 – Maintaining accessibility in rural areas, and providing realistic alternatives to reduce dependency on the private car

Policy RT2 – Sustainable access to the countryside.

Campaigners for the 20mph proposal for village centres and residential areas – are requesting anyone in favour of the proposal to express their support via a response to the LTP4 consultation:

'If as the Plan suggests we are to encourage the appeal of walking and cycling, then 20mph zones in rural villages and residential areas will contribute to a safer environment to achieve this – this point can be made in a response to the consultation.' A HCC Select Committee Working Group is presently considering the 20mph proposal.

LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS THURSDAY 5 MAY

Statement of persons nominated
for election as Councillor for

Basing & Upton Grey Ward

HOPGOOD Holly Samantha	2 Elderberry Bank Basingstoke	Labour
LILLEKER Richard Mark	Basingstoke & Deane	Liberal Democrat
MOYNIHAN Ann-Marie	Basingstoke & Deane	Hampshire Independent
TUCK Kate	99 The Street Old Basing	Conservative

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