

# The Villager

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



**NEWNHAM  
OPEN GARDENS**

SUNDAY 7 JUNE 2015  
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The *Villager* on the *Villager*  
**Printed copies?** The need for  
printed is still being considered.  
So far responses have been almost  
unanimously affirmative from  
Newnham and Mapledurwell & Up  
Nately Parish Assemblies and from  
individuals who have responded. But  
the *Villager* goes to every household  
in the Parishes, so please give your

views, contact any of the Parish  
Councillors, or the editor at  
newnham.clerk@btinternet.com.  
While we're here, any feedback is  
most welcome on what you like to  
see in the *Villager*, what shouldn't be  
included, and of course additional  
contributions, stories, comment,  
pictures are always sought and  
gratefully received. With thanks

*Whitewater School Summer Fair*  
Saturday 27th June 11am -2pm

## Diary dates in June

- 2 Tea Pot Cafe 3-4pm
- 7 Newnham Open Gardens 1.30-5pm
- 9/10 Hop Garden Appeal Inquiry  
continues Hart Civic Offices, Fleet
- 12 Up Nately coffee morning 10-12  
noon at Twine Rose Cottage
- 13 Greywell library coffee morning at  
the Fox & Goose from 10am
- 13 Greywell Safari Supper
- 14 Magna Carta Cascade of Bells &  
LiberTea in the Bury
- 20 M&UN Family Fun Day
- 23 Maple Tea & Cake Gathering, Manor  
Farm Barn, 3.30pm
- 28 Up Nately Village BBQ 12.30pm
- 28 Greywell Pet Service 4.30pm
- 30 Tea Pot Cafe 3-4pm

Concerts in June - 14th, 20th, 27th, 28th  
- see page 5

## Long Sutton Open Gardens Sunday 28th June 2-6pm

Seven gardens open and teas  
available. Entry is £5 (small  
children free). Proceeds to Long  
Sutton Church Roof Restoration.  
Tickets on the day from the gar-  
dens. Parking available.

## Jazz evening Friday 26th June 6-9pm Bumpers Farm garden

The stunning garden of Bumpers  
Farm, Long Sutton, will be open  
on for a jazz evening in aid of St  
Michaels Hospice. Tickets £15,  
phone Stella on 862 055 or  
07766 754993.

## THE BATTLE OF WATERLOO An evening talk 7 for 7.30pm Friday 12th June, Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall

Speaker Lieutenant-General Sir  
Christopher Wallace. Tickets £15  
(incl glass of wine at 7pm) must be  
pre-booked from The Y Knot Inn,  
Monica Wardrop 07702 096810,  
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# Mapledurwell & Up Nately

## Next Up Nately coffee morning

To be held on Friday 12th June 10-12 noon at Twine Rose Cottage.

For info phone Fiona on 07460 777 520.



Please come to the ...

## Up Nately Village BBQ

on Sunday 28th June, 12.30pm at Mead House Heather Row Lane

RSVP by 21st June to [suziehorse@hotmai.com](mailto:suziehorse@hotmai.com)

01256 762858 / 07725 558586

£5/person, children are free

*We look forward to seeing you there!*

## Maple Tea & Cake Gathering

Manor Farm Barn, Tuesday 23rd June 3.30pm, contact Sara Paterson on 479 814.



## Treasure Hunt on 17th May

The friends of St Mary's put on a most enjoyable treasure hunt for the village last month. It was superbly set up and organized by Nick & Sarah Paterson and nine teams took part amidst much hilarity. The prizes were kindly donated by Phil at the Gamekeepers. A great afternoon was had by all.



## OBITUARY

**David Hutton** our local farmer for very many years sadly passed away on the 8th May aged 80.

He grew up in Mapledurwell where his father ran his transport business at Hutton's Yard. The nationalisation of this business during the war ignited a passion for politics in David that never left him. He became a parish councillor at 21 and was elected as a borough councillor at 26 and was still campaigning to have the law changed on compulsory purchase last year.

In the early fifties the family moved to Oakdown Farm in Dummer.

David was top student at Sparsholt College and was offered a place at Cambridge but his mother would not let him go. He came home to farm and introduced much needed modern farming methods to make it viable. He believed in mixed farming and his cattle and sheep won many prizes. His iconic Hampshire Downs, which adorn the fields around us, won the championship at all the local shows and in addition the South of England, Smithfield and Royal shows.

He saw himself as a temporary custodian of the land he farmed and strove to improve it for all. When he removed a lot of the hedges on the farm in Mapledurwell he more than doubled the footpath network to allow people to enjoy the countryside.

He gave some land in the village to build social housing because he did not want Mapledurwell to become just another commuter dormitory. He opened the lambing to all the primary schools in Basingstoke for many years to give the children an experience of a working farm.

Despite appearing to be an irascible character at times he was a deeply loving husband to Elizabeth and proud father to Alan, Edward and Madeline. He had a sense of fun, was a fascinating person to talk to and bore his last years of suffering from Parkinson's disease with courage and fortitude.

**Application refused 15/00943/LDPO** (13th May, reg 18th March) Dell Cottage, Heather Row Lane, Up Nately. Erection of two storey extension to principle elevation and single storey rear extension.

*Note that this was an application for a 'Certificate of Lawfulness for 'permitted development' (ie not requiring planning permission) under the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 as amended 2008, 2013 and April 2015.*

*The case officer concluded that the proposal would not comply with current permitted development legislation.*

## Applications granted

**T/00141/15/TCA** The Old Orchard, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Notice

## VILLAGE HALL



## FAMILY FUN DAY TO BE HELD ON 20TH JUNE

### FUTURE EVENTS

#### Rounders & Afternoon Tea

5th September • 80s Disco 3rd Oct  
• Autumn Fair 28th November • Children's Christmas Party 5th Dec.

#### TO HIRE THE VILLAGE HALL

Contact Caretaker Jayne Norman on 474 432 or check out the website at [www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com](http://www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com)

## BIRD LIFE ON MAPLEDURWELL FARM UNDER THREAT

Mapledurwell Farm is a Conservation Area and in particular is home to a number of ground nesting birds, such as Peewits (also known as Green Plover or Lapwing) and Skylarks – known to be decreasing and indeed threatened in other places but we are still lucky enough to have plenty of them here.



There have recently been a number of instances of people walk-

ing their dogs off the footpaths and indeed off their leads. This disturbs the nests at a critical time. As a result CCTV has been installed and civil action will be taken if people continue to trespass. It would be much appreciated if people would walk their dogs on leads and stick to the clearly marked footpath network.

of intent: T1 Ash tree reduce to a height of 12m with a spread of approx 5m. T2 & T3 Ash trees reduce to 12m and a spread of approx 7m. The Leylandii T4-T9, reduce to gutter height approx 9m and trim the side by about 1m.

**15/00859/ADV** (30th April, reg 12th March) The Hatch, London Road.

Display of one illuminated post sign.

**14/03794/HSE** (9th March, reg 16th Dec) Upper House Farm, Blaegrove Lane, Up Nately. Conversion of ancillary garage to a residential annexe.

## PLANNING APPLICATIONS New applications

**15/01584/HSE** and **15/01585/LBC** (11th May) Mead House, Heather Row Lane, Up Nately. Replacing garage with new double garage and studio/gym.

**T/00138/15/TCA** The Old Post Office, Kembers Lane, Mapledurwell. Notice of intent: T1 Yew crown reduce by 3m on top and sides leaving a finished height 9/10m spread 9/10m. G1 Leylandii – reduce by 3m in height leaving a finished height of 6m.

**Application pending 15/00989/FUL** (23rd March) Land adjacent to Blaegrove House, Blaegrove Lane, Up Nately. Erection of dwelling house, access, landscaping, associated infrastructure.

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### Vacancy for Parish Clerk & Responsible Finance Officer

The above position is now vacant and we are looking for suitable candidates. The post is part time, approximately six hours per week working from home. Working hours are flexible during the week but you must be able to attend an evening meeting every other month. Salary will be £3,120 per annum. Applicants should be computer literate, experienced in the use of spreadsheets, and have organisational and administrative experience.

Training will be provided. For more information and to apply, applicants should email [clerk.mapledurwellupnately@parish.hants.gov.uk](mailto:clerk.mapledurwellupnately@parish.hants.gov.uk) or contact either the Chair of the Council on 01256 354 651 or the Clerk on 01256 780 122. Please apply before Monday 15th June; the successful candidate is to start on 1st August 2015.

**Tennis Courts** The padlock has now been changed on the tennis courts. Please contact Lorna Cuthill on 01256 354 651 for a new key and to pay your subs. New players are welcome.

**Mapledurwell allotments** Available to residents of Mapledurwell & Up Nately. This includes one established plot. Please contact Russell Price on 329 680 for further information.

**Soccer Pitch – dog fouling** If you exercise your dog in this area please use your imagination and consider the youngsters who play here. Best of all – keep them well away from the pitch until they have been, but still keep an eye on them after that. Thank you.

**When lighting bonfires** Please take account of wind direction and be considerate of your neighbours who may be using their gardens or have windows open. Thank you.

**Parish Council AGM** Lorna Cuthill agreed to be elected as chair for a further 12 months, all Councillors will retain their presently allocated areas of responsibility.

*The minutes of both the AGM and Parish Assembly will be posted on the website in due course. Hard copies may be obtained on application to the parish clerk or chairman.*

**Parish Assembly** Thank you to all who attended the Parish Assembly including guest speaker, PC Reid. It was announced that sadly the Clerk Alison Edwards will be leaving due to family commitments. Alison was thanked for her contribution and efficiency.

**Defibrillator** Following questions and discussion at the Assembly regarding the defibrillator, there will be a notice in next month's *Villager* regarding any further training.

**Next Parish Council meeting** Wednesday 15th July, 8pm Village Hall meeting room. All welcome.



## Mapledurwell & Up Nately Call My Bluff Wine Tasting

Once again the Village Hall was at the centre of the social whirl when over 60 villagers and friends joined the Social Committee for an evening of 'wine tasting with a twist'.



Once colourful team names had been selected, The Connoisseurs, a panel of three wine 'buffs', negotiated us through six rounds of wine tasting, taking us on a tour of vineyards from Kent to Australia via France, Chile and Argentina. Much sniffing, slurping and a great deal of laughter ensued as the Connoisseurs struggled with the foreign names.

Halfway through the evening, we enjoyed a simple supper of cheese and pâté during which the raffle was drawn. The proceeds from the raffle (£150) have been donated to the DEC appeal for Nepal. Thank you to you all for your support and in particular to Phil at The Gamekeepers for his generous prize.

The winning table was 'The Slurpers'; its team members knew their Chardonnay from their Viognier and Muscadet from Sauvignon, correctly identifying all of the wines. At the end of the evening everyone headed home having enjoyed a lively and, hopefully, not too intoxicating time. Once again we were able to raise a significant sum towards the upkeep and development of the Village Hall (over £300). THANK YOU

Thought for the day: What do you call a meal without wine - BREAKFAST!

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# Newnham & Nately Scures

## Wildlife diary dates

2nd April 'First Swallow in Newnham'

25th April 'First Cuckoo heard at Newnham Edge (was heard the week before at Whitewater Nursery)

'Last year the Cuckoo was barely heard, this year there has been a lot of activity particularly in the second half of May.'

8th May 'First Swift overhead here at Newnham Hill 10.30. My records indicate this date is about normal – sometimes a bit earlier, often a bit later.'

## Old House at Home

Concerted efforts are ongoing to ensure the Old House at Home remains a pub – and in the meantime is maintained in good order. Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council have initiated the nomination process to register it as an 'Asset of Community Value'.



## NEWNHAM CLUBROOM

is for hire from £12 per hour inclusive. Tables and chairs may be borrowed for use at your own venue for £3 and 50p respectively – hirer collects. Visit [newnhamclubroom.org.uk](http://newnhamclubroom.org.uk) or call Rosemary on 07435 782 122

## Hook Scottish Country Dance Club

Come for fun, fitness and friendship. Held every Thursday from 8.15pm in the Clubroom. Beginners and experienced dancers welcome. For details contact Kate 762 982.



## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### Application granted

15/00286/LDEU (31st March, reg 5th February) Woodside, Tylney Lane Newnham. Certificate of Lawfulness for use of land as residential.

### HOOK APPLICATIONS

**Application granted** 15/00403/FUL (24th April, reg 27th February) High Ridge House, Owens Farm, Newnham Road, Hook. Erection of a new building for 11 stables and tack room for applicants personal use and erection of an agricultural / equestrian hay barn.

## St Swithun's Weekend of Flowers & Music

Our most sincere thanks to all who supported our Floral Weekend.

It was a huge success and generated a profit in excess of £1,400 towards the much needed building works. Our tiny beautifully decorated and scented church was packed to the rafters for the Belle Canto concert on the Saturday evening and despite the unsettled weather we all enjoyed interval drinks and canapés in the churchyard.

Many from the same audience returned on Sunday evening for our Floral Evensong which was another musical delight rounded off with a marvellous rendering of the Floral Dance from Nick Willmer. The cream teas were also a sell out and we have been totally overwhelmed by peoples generosity. To sum it up the whole joyous weekend was overflowing with human love and kind-heartedness.

Please note – there are more photos at [www.facebook.com/bellecantotrio](http://www.facebook.com/bellecantotrio)



## NEWNHAM OPEN GARDENS

Sunday 7th June 1.30 - 5pm



Our open gardens day on Sunday 7th June is fast approaching!

There will be eight gardens to view, including three new ones. Thank you to all those opening.

Jan and Colin Lewin are kindly allowing us to use their wonderful barn again this year. The homemade village cakes are always a big draw on the day and we hope that we can rely on you all to get baking and support us. The cakes can be delivered to either Philippa or Jackie in advance or brought to Manor Farm barn on the day.

We are still hoping for any plants, seedlings and cuttings you are able to donate for the plant stall. Rosemary can provide guidance on 762369.

Our final plea is for any spare time you may have to help the on the day. A spare half an hour during the event would really help. There is always need for support with teas, parking and ticket selling, so please let us know if you are able to give some time.

The event runs from 1:30 to 5pm and the entrance fee remains at £5 (children free). Tickets will be available from the village green and parking will be in the field at the top of Crown Lane. The Church will be open for those who would like to visit. We look forward to seeing you on the day. Keep your fingers crossed for the sun!

Any queries please call us Philippa Heffner 760139 Jackie O'Regan 762407.

## BBQ on Newnham Green

The VCC warmly invite you all to join us at 4pm on Saturday 12th September, for the annual 'BBQ on Newnham Green'! A number of families have already volunteered to run the BBQ, Drinks Tent and organise a tug-of-war! We would love more volunteers to come forward to offer to run their own 'fête style' stall and please contact Carolyn Peck (764 037) if you would like to help.

All the food and beverages will be provided, and to help us with catering numbers please contact Carolyn Peck or Sarah Laird to let us know if you are coming. The suggested donation for main course followed by ice cream, is £10 per adult and £5 per child. Beverages are not included so please bring cash on the night! All profits will go towards desperately needed funds for St Nicholas' Church and to the general maintenance of the Oppé Garden. We ask that everybody brings their own tables, chairs, tents, plates, cutlery and glasses, although request that only the food and beverages provided are consumed at the event!

We do very much hope that as many of you as possible, together with your family and friends, will be able to join us! Many thanks, Charlie

# SOLVE

Save Our  
Loddon Valley  
Environment



Congratulations to Clive Pinder who has been elected to BDBC for the Basing Ward. Clive received almost 60% of the vote with a majority of over 2,100 and joins Cllrs Cubitt and Godesen in supporting the SOLVE cause of preserving the character and integrity of the Loddon Valley from over development.

## Local Plan

Following the elections, work can continue on the Local Plan. Currently taking place is a further round of public consultations on the changes since last October only. This runs until 4pm on 22nd June and if required the Planning Inspector will hold a pre-hearing on 21st July. The Inspector's examination (public hearing sessions) is due in October/November. Formal adoption is expected in early 2016.

The proposal for 450 houses on site SS3.9 known as East of Basingstoke

(previously BAS121) next to Pyotts Hill remains a serious concern.

There are unresolved questions including the River Loddon water quality, flooding, proximity to the Incinerator, sewage works and the Park Pale Heritage site, as well as transport and infrastructure. The recommendation is that these houses are built on the northern part of the site and that this is developed in conjunction with 150 houses on Redlands Farm (SS3.7) in Sherfield-on-Loddon Parish.

Beyond 2029 a further 450 houses could be built on SS3.9 and the ongoing threat of 1,000s of houses extending east across the Loddon Valley towards Newnham remains.

For more information see the SOLVE website <http://www.solveloddon.org/>  
Peter Bloyce, SOLVE

## EVENTS OUT & ABOUT

### Odiham Friday Food Market

Every Friday from 8.30 to 1.30pm in the High Street.

### Runnymede Picnic 7th June

Please join us at Runnymede for 'grand community picnic' for all ages, with a special emphasis on bringing together Odiham, North Warnborough, RAF Odiham and surrounding Villages for a lovely day beside the River Thames. [www.odihammagnacarta.co.uk](http://www.odihammagnacarta.co.uk)

### Cascade of Bells & LiberTea in the Bury 14th June

Events begin at 11.45 with the Greywell Handbell Ringers; the Cascade of Bells begins at 12.15 pm joining bell towers all the way to Egham, Windsor and Wraybury for 3pm. Tickets for the tea are on sale at Fountains Coffee Shop.

### Magna Carta Embroidery

Now on show in Odiham Library or by arrangement with the Odiham Society, email [volunteers@odiham-society.org](mailto:volunteers@odiham-society.org).

The embroidery is the work of 70 local volunteers and illustrates key events in Odiham during the last 800 years. It will remain in Odiham to be enjoyed by many generations to come.

### Basingstoke Choral Society

Concert 14th June at the Anvil steps into a modern, exciting style of choral singing. Mass in Blue is an upbeat jazz setting of the traditional Latin mass composed in 2003; Chichester Psalms by Leonard Bernstein is a thrilling, beautiful work written with an all-male choir in mind.

### Hook Choral Society

Hook Choral Society would like to invite you to join them for an afternoon of traditional English songs including works by Vaughan Williams, Simon and Garfunkel, Stanford and Elgar. Sunday 28th June at the Elizabeth Hall in Hook, 3.45 for 4pm start. Tickets £12 from Yvonne on 882 067.

## EVENTS OUT & ABOUT

### B/stoke Symphony Orchestra

Spanish Concert Saturday 20th June, 7.45pm The Anvil. Chabrier España, Rodrigo Concierto de Aranjuez, De Falla Ritual Fire Dance, Bizet Carmen Suites 1 & 2 (selection), Rimsky Korsakov Capriccio Espagnol, Vincent Lindsey-Clark guitar, Stephen Scotchmer conductor.

To celebrate the Spanish theme, enjoy a wine sampling event beforehand 6.30pm. To book the concert and wine sampling call Box Office 844 244. Concert tickets online at [www.anvilarts.org.uk](http://www.anvilarts.org.uk).

### Music for a Summer Evening

A concert featuring the choir Cantemus (Newbury) in St Mary's Old Basing on Saturday 27th June at 7.30pm. Including 'Aesop's Fables' by Chilcott and 'A Fancy of Folksongs' by McDowell. Choir conducted by Ian Westley with Martin Jones providing accompaniment; solo flautist will be Di Adams. Tickets (including refreshment) £10 from [admin@stmarysoldbasing.org.uk](mailto:admin@stmarysoldbasing.org.uk) or 07541 698 235.



### Odiham Castle 2015

Paul Bannings, award winning Hampshire artist, has painted St John's Castle to commemorate the 800th anniversary of Magna Carta and to help raise funds for All Saints'.

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# Greywell

## LIBRARY COFFEE MORNINGS

Again due to the Village Hall booking which clashes with the June Library...

Chris and Richard at the Fox & Goose will open up and sell us coffee so we don't miss out on our chats. Please support them if you can.

**So the Fox and Goose will be open for coffee from 10am on Saturday 13th June, back to the Village Hall for 11th July.**



The Library van will be outside the Village Hall as usual 10am-10.30.

**THE TEAPOT CAFE** will be open **3-4pm on Tuesdays 2nd and 30th June.** If you need a lift please call Jackie Giles 702 859.



## ST MARY'S GREYWELL

**Greywell Pet service Sunday 28th**



**June 4.30pm followed by tea...** Do come along with or without pets to this informal

hopefully outside service (in church if wet). Dogs and tortoises came last year. A short service is followed by tea, sandwiches and cake and a chance for humans and pets to socialise.

*Email from the blue... (Somerset)*

29th April 2015

*Hi... [to editor] A few years ago I bought at a car boot fair a picture frame that caught my eye, in Hounslow Middlesex.*

*We have now moved to Somerset (12 years ago), on sorting out the loft recently we came across the picture.*

*We wondered if the picture would be of any interest to you & your villagers, or if any of the family are still in the village?*

*It was presented to Mr Jethro Grigg for 40 years as Parish Clerk 1881- 1921.*

*The picture has a name in the corner, 'G. Barlow 10th Jan 1923'.*

*We are willing to send it on ...*

*Regards, Brenda & Ken Griffiths*

Brenda and Ken will be travelling up to Greywell at the invitation of the Parish Council to deliver the picture and hopefully have their picture taken with it.



## VILLAGE HALL

**SAFARI SUPPER Saturday 13th June**



Proceeds this year towards improvements to the Village Hall. You will receive a letter about a week beforehand confirming destinations, guests and timings. Any queries contact Giles Blagden or Joy MacAndrew, joy@themacandrews.com.

**Village Hall hire** isabel.pound@hotmail.com or alibarter@aol.com.

**Marquee hire** (Greywell residents) mike@cmburnside.fsnet.co.uk.

## VILLAGE SPRING CLEAN

We had a very successful spring clean with 40 volunteers helping to tidy the village. All the road signs get a wash and many bags of rubbish collected from hedgerows and verges. The church path and churchyard had its twice yearly tidy.

We have also found parts of the Village that have been 'lost' through lack of maintenance...

Three new improvement projects were started:

1. Widening the Street pavement
2. Clearing the rediscovered pond opposite Dorchester Way
3. Starting the initial clearance of the Biodiversity Project by the old ford at Deptford Bridge.

All the volunteers were rewarded with a BBQ afterwards and everyone could see the impact their hard work has had on the village.

The Autumn village clean-up will be on Saturday September 26th.

## Footpaths Officer

The village has a new Footpaths Officer, Jess Parker, who has volunteered to take on the role as part of her Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme. She will walk the footpaths on a regular basis and report any issues.

## Villager News Gather

Parish Councillor Jane Butler is news collator for Greywell. Please contact Jane if you have any news, stories or pictures you could contribute to the Villager... janembutler5@gmail.com

## Parish Council AGM and Parish Assembly

**Thank you** to all who attended the Parish Assembly. Minutes of the AGM and Assembly will be on the Village website and a report will feature in the next Villager.

## The Pond, Greywell, as it was...

*Given the 'rediscovery' of the pond, this seemed appropriate... (reproduced from the Villager of April 2010)...*

"In a class for village ponds it would most certainly not have won a rosette. In fact it was more an elongated puddle but, situated opposite the village school, it was very popular with the children of the day.

Hiding under elms and ringed with reeds, it withdrew on itself during the summer months, but still providing enough water and mud for the numerous house martins, whose short flight times ensured rapid colonisation of the school eaves. Sometimes a dragon fly would flaunt its ephemeral beauty above its diminished surface, but mostly it quietly awaited its re-birth with the autumnal rains.

And so it was the fields and woods above it discharged their muddy waters and the pond grew until it lapped the edge of the road and poured its surplus down the common and eventually into the canal.

Now was the time for matchbox armadas with cigarette card sails to journey on the wind ruffled surface, 'ducks and drakes' could be played and all those things that children contrive to do with water. The frosts brought a wonderful miniature ice arena where 'sliding' became the main attraction - the standard village boys' footwear of the period, boots with studs, lending themselves perfectly to this activity.

Gentler spring air brought frogs to breed at its edges, much of the resulting spawn adorning the school window cills where the miracle of emerging life could be observed as part of what was then called 'nature lessons'. Perhaps the decline of the pond coincided with the school closure, as if the departure of the children diminished its reason for being; I do not remember, but I feel the village is the poorer without its pond." Eric Sanders'

## VILLAGE HALL REPORTS

### Spring plant sale

Thank you to everyone who contributed towards making this plant sale the most successful yet, raising £674 with £355 from the plant sales alone. Particular thanks to Judy James who give a good deal of her time and energy in cultivating many of plants on sale.

Increased contributions of cakes, jam and local honey to the produce stall also helped boost proceeds this year.



### Village Hall AGM

There was a healthy turnout from the villagers to hear that finances and the hall itself are generally in good order. Giles Blagden was voted back as Chairman and Joy MacAndrew as

Treasurer. The committee comprised nine members for all or part of last year, also including Mike and Ali Barter, Mike Burnside, Libby Sebborn, Isabel Pound, Julie Large, Nancy MacDonald and Debs Scott. Libby has now officially stood down. There is capacity for one or two more should anyone like to come forward. Each member's contribution is invaluable not only in terms of helping keep the hall going but also in providing occasions for the village to socialise and help make Greywell such a welcoming and enjoyable place to live.

The Chairman's report will be on the Village website at [greywell.info](http://greywell.info).

## GREYWELL PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### New Applications

15/00915/LBC (11th May) Cedar Tree House, The Street, Greywell. Removal of modern lean-to extension. Replacing windows and doors. Repairs to roofing structure. Repairs to roof.

15/01097/PRIOR (7th May) Greywell Hill. Proposed non-load-bearing agricultural building designed in accordance with BS5502 22:2003 plus A1:2013 Agricultural Specification, CE Marked to Execution Class 2. .

### Applications Pending

15/00713/NMMA and 15/00709/LBC (23rd March) Manor Farm Buildings The Street. Internal and external alterations to Plot 3. (Ref 10/01670/ major: consent for conversion of existing farm buildings to five dwellings & three new dwellings.)

Conservation Officer's comments:

The proposed changes to the barns [plot 3] include the following.

- *A change from brick to cladding on the elevations, to meet the existing brick plinth and fillet.* The principle is acceptable...

- *A proposal to paint the brick plinth.* No details to explain method or justification have been supplied. Why, what materials and colour/finish. Breathable lime wash, microporous paint?

- *The proposal to move the chimney stack/flue.* No explanation or justification. Impact on fabric? No details of the chimney or stack are featured on plan 102 15/00323/LBC.

- *Proposal to add a new door, where a window is positioned at present, with steps to the utility room.* There is therefore a change of levels, how is this addressed, details, affecting fabric?

Justification for the extra loss of fabric to form a doorway, any timbers harmed etc.

None of the works proposed have been justification or explained. The statement of what is wanted is not enough to assess whether the works are acceptable or whether they would be classed as amendments or require a new application.

## Church Notices

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

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### From the Parish Registers...

#### Holy Baptism

May 3rd at St Mary's Greywell: Matilda May Jeary (granddaughter of Mark and Jane Butler)

May 10th at St Mary's Greywell: Esmail Poppy Forward (granddaughter of Russell and Angela Price)

We welcome them into the family of the church.

#### Holy Matrimony

On May 8th at St Nicholas Newnham: Rhianne McPherson and Ashley Gatehouse

On May 9th at St Mary's Mapledurwell: Victoria Louth and Richard Miles

We congratulate them on the weddings.

#### Funeral Services:

May 19th at B/stoke Crematorium: Anthony Paine of Odiham

May 21st at St Mary's Mapledurwell: David Hutton

We send sincere best wishes to all their families

### Mid-Week Holy Communion

The midweek communion service in June will be on Thursday 18th at 11am at The Dower House, Greywell. We share in a traditional service of Holy Communion, with a chance to discuss the Bible reading and to offer our own prayers – and then we enjoy coffee, cake and conversation before we go home! Please do come along. If you would like a lift, or for more information, please call Revd Jane (765 547).

### Special Church Services

**Evensong at St Swithun's** on June 21st, 6pm, always a popular service, especially on a summer evening!

**Pet Service** on June 28th, 4.30pm St Mary's Greywell. All God's creatures welcome – and humans too!

### Linda's 'priesting'

We are looking forward to July 4th & 5th: our parish curate, Revd Linda Scard, will be made a priest at Winchester Cathedral on July 4th. She will then preside at Communion for the first time the following morning, Sunday July 5th at 9.30am at Mapledurwell. This will be the only service in the United Parish that morning. This is a very significant moment for a priest, it is at the heart of our special ministry. You are very welcome to join us at Mapledurwell.

### Help Hoima

On Mothering Sunday we again gave our Sunday collection to the Deanery appeal for the Mustard Seed Orphanage in Hoima, Uganda. There were services in Greywell, Mapledurwell and Up Nately and in total they raised £460.50. *See notice back page.*

### Diary Dates in June

- 1 **Monday 7.15pm at St Mary's Greywell SingUp rehearsal**
- 4 **Thursday 8pm at Lodge Farm pMap committee meeting**
- 9 **Tuesday 8pm Newnham VCC**
- 10 **Wednesday 7.30 for 8pm Benefice Council at Upton Grey church**
- 11 **Thursday 7 for 7.30pm Archdeacon's visitation to Hartley Wintney for induction of Churchwardens**
- 12 **Friday 7pm at Mapledurwell Village Hall 'Waterloo' talk**
- 13 **Saturday 2.30pm at St Swithun's wedding Bullard / Pearce**
- 21 **Sunday 11am Baptism at Up Nately: Hannes du Bruyn**
- 21 **Sunday 12.30pm Baptism at Greywell: Joseph Kemp**
- 25 **Thursday 8pm PCC meeting**
- 30 **Tuesday 6.30pm at Plume House Up Nately VCC meeting**

# From The Rectory

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Dear Friends

At the end of this month Roland and I will be bursting with parental pride as we watch our daughter Katy being ordained

as a Church of England 'vicar' just like her mum! The service will be in Manchester Cathedral and she will then be working in an inner city parish – very different to the tranquil rural life that we enjoy here! Her church runs a heavily subsidised café so that local people can buy a hot meal at an affordable price, a community shop and a community garden, and judging by their Facebook page they offer lots of opportunities for people to meet together, make friends and support one another – bringing the love of God to people by their actions as well as their worship.

This area of Manchester is called Beswick and when I did some internet searching I found pictures from the 1960s of row upon row of terraced houses, opening straight onto the street, looking exactly like the set of Coronation Street. Today it looks quite different because this whole area was redeveloped when the Commonwealth Games were held in Manchester in 2002. Much of the old housing was demolished and there are now very modern estates and sports facilities, schools and of course a church.

One of the great benefits of the Church

of England is that every city, town and village in our country, every field and island, sits within a church parish and receives the spiritual care of both a bishop and a priest. But as you will have heard me say before, the number of priests is declining as the number of young people coming forward for ordination fails to keep pace with those retiring. And so, as we know only too well from our own experience, the number of parishes that each priest cares for is increasing.

The Church is working hard to encourage 'young vocations' and to increase the number of people, like Katy, training for ordained ministry, but it also needs to turn to lay people to share the day-to-day ministry in the parish. There are certain tasks that are 'priestly' but so much of what I do can be shared by others who feel that God is calling them to serve him in this way. Trained and equipped for the role, they can be pastoral visitors, helping to prepare families for baptism and marriage, working with young families and leading worship in the nursing homes as well as in church.

Please pray for Katy as she is ordained on June 28th. Please pray too for our United Parish as we seek to identify and encourage those who might help take our churches forward so that they are still here to support our children and grandchildren in years to come. And if you feel God is calling you to serve him, in a lay or ordained capacity, please do speak with either Linda or me.

With my love

Revd Jane Leese

*Jane*

## Help Hoima

A huge thank you to everyone who donated so generously in the Mothering Sunday Collections for the Mustard Seed Orphanage in Hoima, Uganda. Over £3,500 was raised in the deanery of which over £1,000 was raised by our benefice. This money provides vital funding for the resettlement programme which integrates selected teenagers back into their communities freeing up space for the youngest and so most vulnerable needing a home at the orphanage. The money raised also funds essential items and a brightening up of the dormitories. So thank you again for your continued support.

## RAF Odiham's Families Day Thursday 23rd July

**For the 6th year running Odiham Deanery Mothers' Union has been asked to provide tea & home made cakes for RAF Odiham's Families Day, catering for 3,000 on the day.**

This is greatly appreciated by the personnel and their families. May we ask you to bake again? We would be grateful for contributions of...

**Home Made...** Biscuits, Cakes, Buns, Tray bakes, Cup Cakes – Favourites... Carrot cake, Chocolate anything, Lemon Drizzle, Coffee cake, Fairy cakes **IMPORTANT! NO NUTS!** (not even decoration) **NO FRESH CREAM!**

If you can't bake, please consider a donation as there is always much to buy and we do not charge for the refreshments. Details of cake collection points next month, so watch this space! Thank you so much.

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## NEW! HOME DISCUSSION GROUPS

Henri Nouwen (pronounced Now-win) (1932-1996), internationally renowned priest and author, respected professor and much loved pastor, wrote over 40 books on the spiritual life.

Our new home discussion groups will study one of them, *The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming* which was inspired by Rembrandt's famous painting. Identifying with each of the three main figures in the painting, the father, and the two brothers, Nouwen crafts a fresh interpretation of a classic story, concluding: 'Though I am both the younger son and the elder son, I am not to remain them, but called to become the Father.'

Come and join us to explore Nouwen's interpretation of the story, what it meant to him and what it may mean to us.

**Our fortnightly meetings will start Wednesday 3rd June 2-3.30pm** at The Dower House, Greywell. Please contact Revd Jane Leese on 01256 765 547, and **8-9.30pm** at Adams Farm, North Warnborough.

The following meetings at Jasmine Dean, Mapledurwell. Please contact Revd Linda Scard on 01256 704 835.



## Church Services

### June 7th

8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nately Scores
9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Mapledurwell
11am	Holy Communion (CW)	Greywell

### June 14th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Up Nately
9.30am	Family Service at	Mapledurwell
11am	Morning Service	Greywell
11.15am	Matins	Newnham

### June 21st

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Greywell
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Mapledurwell
11am	Family Service	Up Nately
6.00pm	Evensong	Nately Scores

### June 28th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Newnham
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Up Nately
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Mapledurwell
4.30pm	Pet Service at	Greywell

*Please note the Newnham Pet service originally set for June 7th has been moved to Sept 6th.*