

Moulsford Events

Nigel Baker

So we're into September; autumn is with us and it's farewell to the summer. I hope everyone had a lovely one, despite the challenges of the hot (too hot!) weather. We've enjoyed a splendid and successful season of Friday Socials and a very big thank you to everyone on the Events Committee and all the Bar helpers, all without whose time and efforts things simply will not happen. And of course, thanks to everyone who came along and enjoyed an evening - it can't run without you either, so thanks for your support! Cheers!

Going forward, our last Friday social is on September 9th. We are finishing with the ever popular Wildlife BBQ, including some lovely venison burgers, sausages, steaks and also rabbit to make it even more special. We'd like to make it a communal feast, so if people would like to donate something for the table; salad, dips, pasta etc. that would be much appreciated, thanks.

Further into the Autumn, I'm sure you will all be delighted to know we will be running a series of Winter Socials, including the popular Fish'n'Chip run to the Goring Diner. These start on the Friday 21st October, then Friday 25th November and then it's Christmas!

Talking of which, we have our Christmas Gala night to look forward to on Friday 16th December: as you read this Jo Haywood and her team are already feverishly planning a night of extravagance to kick off the festive season. So, while we say good bye to summer, never fear - the Events Committee is here with so much to look forward to!

Village Meeting, 7pm 23rd September

You are invited to a Neighbourhood Planning Statement meeting at the Pavilion, starting 7pm on Friday 23rd September.

Find out more about what we are doing to help:

- Identify and preserve the best of Moulsford over the coming years
- Highlight areas for improvement such as schooling and public transport

Be there and make sure we hear your views!

Parish Council Report

May 2023 marks the end of the current Moulsoford Parish Council and there will be an election for a new council. We do hope villagers will consider standing and to encourage that thought each of the current councillors will be writing a short piece for Moulsoford News about being a councillor - what we've learnt, what's been good and, no doubt, the odd frustration. But we're starting off with the departing parish clerk's view. See overleaf.

I should also add that our clerk, Geoff Twibell leaves us at the end of August after 10 years in the post. The clerk is the council's only member of staff and as well as being an administrator and accountant, is also ultimately responsible to South Oxfordshire District Council for ensuring the parish council conducts itself fairly, correctly and legally in all matters.

What is a parish councillor? A parish clerk's view...

Advocate. Planner. Counsellor. Adviser. Consultant. Negotiator. Mediator. Diplomat. There are many ways you'll hear parish councillors described. And in truth the job probably requires some of these skills at one time or another.

But above all a parish councillor is someone in the community that people will look to for help, guidance and support. A representative and spokesman for the community who can influence decisions on planning matters, crime prevention, open spaces, public services and more, all to the benefit of those they serve.

In the build-up to local council elections next year, in subsequent issues of Moulsoford News you'll be hearing directly from our five parish councillors on how they find the job, what persuaded them to become a councillor and what they get out of it.

In general those serving their communities report enjoying seeing things change for the better as a consequence of their decision-making. Some report a real sense of achievement from a job well done. Others report a sense of pride and satisfaction. But without exception they all feel that they are making a difference.

Annual Parish Meeting 2022

This year's annual parish meeting (APM) – the first in three years thanks to Covid – was a departure from the norm, ushering in a new video-based format and a much broader range of topics than ever before.

It saw for the first time the inclusion of local businesses Well Barn Estate and Greenlands Farm, the former occupying roughly one half of the entire Moulsoford parish. We also heard from Oxford University Hospitals, St. John The Baptist Church and Goring Gap Walks, not to mention the parish council, our village committees, the coffee shop and other initiatives.

For more details and to view the various reports in full, please visit the village Web site: <http://www.moulsoford-pc.org.uk/community/moulsoford-on-thames-15214/reports-to-annual-parish-meeting-2022/>

Be sure to read the APM Minutes first as these give a flavour of each report before diving in to read the whole thing.



Neighbourhood Planning Statement Update

As reported in last month's Moulsoford News, we are lucky enough to have been selected to participate in a government pilot scheme, aimed at simplifying the process of planning for small villages. The scheme gives parish councils, residents and local businesses more of a voice in overarching planning matters - for example housing developments, infrastructure, transport and investment as well as ecology and the environment.

Over the last few weeks, we have managed to get a team together to work on areas of potential interest and outline what we might cover in the statement. However, we would also value input from yourselves in the village; therefore we are planning two initiatives:

1. A survey which will go to all households and businesses, giving you a chance to tell us what matters to you. This will be in both paper format and online - just select whichever suits you best.
2. A village meeting, in which we plan to outline our thoughts so far and would love to get your input. This is planned for 23rd Sept at 7pm in the Pavilion. We hope as many of you as possible will make it so that we can make sure our statement truly represents the views of the village.

Please put the village meeting in your diaries now :) A reminder will be posted on Moulsoford Village Facebook page closer to the time, together with a QR code for the questionnaire.

We are always looking for volunteers to get involved too, so if you are interested in helping us, even if its only for a couple of hours, please get in contact with Sue Powell spowell@moulsoford-pc.org.uk

Quality of water in the Thames in the Benson, Wallingford, Crowmarsh area

South Oxfordshire District Council is working with Thames 21 to assess the quality of the water in the Thames in this area. Thames 21 will be collecting samples from Wallingford as well as at sampling points both up-and down-stream between May and September 2022. The samples together with surveys of river users undertaken in busy periods over the summer and other data will be used to get a better understanding if there are issues with the quality of water in this area.

The data collected will be used to inform an application to Defra for Bathing Water Status which will be submitted in the autumn. Having bathing water status on the Thames here won't solve all pollution problems – but it should force improvements in local sewage treatment so it is treated to a standard suitable for public health.

The ultimate aim of the project is to:

- Make sure that users of this stretch of the River Thames including swimmers, kayakers, canoeists, rowers and anglers can make informed decisions about their use of the river
- Improve the health of the river for ecosystems by deepening our understanding of the causes of river pollution in Wallingford

Bathing water status would help in pressuring river stakeholders (including Thames Water, the Environment Agency and Ofwat) to work harder to improve the quality of the river here – for people and wildlife.

SODC have announced the Everyone Active Grant Scheme 2022-2023

This is to support local initiatives to improve the health and well being of South Oxfordshire residents and is open to applicants for projects which help communities become more active or sustain activity.

Find out more by visiting the SODC website: [Everyone Active Grant Scheme 2022 - 2023 - South Oxfordshire District Council \(southoxon.gov.uk\)](https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/everyone-active-grant-scheme-2022-2023)

YouMove aims to get families active across Oxfordshire

YouMove is a new initiative providing low-cost or free activities for children and families in receipt of benefits-related free school meals in Oxfordshire. Activities available include cricket, swimming and badminton. Find out more about the programme and how to register at: southoxon.gov.uk/youmove.

Planning Applications and Decisions

Moulsford News and Planning deadlines invariably mean that the planning information below is out of date by the time of reading. For a current view of planning, please visit the online planning portal here:

<http://www.moulsford-pc.org.uk/community/moulsford-on-thames-15214/planning-applications/>

P22/S2872/DIS Land East of A329 and North of Cranford Lodge, Moulsford	Discharge of conditions 3 (Phasing Plan), 6 (Construction Traffic Management), 8 (Provision of sports pitch parking and turning areas), 9 (Provision of farm shop parking and turning areas) & 12 (Foul Drainage) on application P18/S3748/FUL. (New farm shop, cafe and sports field).	No public consultation. For information only.
P22/S2397/HH Braziers Byre, 1 Offlands Court, Moulsford, OX10 9EX	Single storey rear extension and garage conversion.	MPC: No strong views SODC: Considering
P22/S2001/HH Downlands, 13 Glebe Close, Moulsford, OX10 9JA	Proposed ground floor side extension. Proposed detached double garage with studio over. Proposed replacement boundary wall and gates.	MPC: Object SODC: Considering

Church Chatter

Janet Knowles

At the time of writing hopefully we are all still able to enjoy the warm summer weather and maybe the opportunity to relax a little with school holidays still a little while to run.... For those of our young people who have received recently their exam results we trust that they will have reflected all that hard work during the previous school year, and they are able to move on to greater things, be it sixth form colleges, apprenticeships, university or gap year adventures. The world begins to open up and today offers a myriad of opportunities ripe for exploration assuming budgets and savings allow. Nearer to home volunteering experiences also are now slowly returning to normal post Covid so why not give it a go? The simplest of acts of kindness or offers of support might make the world seem a brighter, better place for those who struggle to cope with the challenges of today's complex world, and they should not be underrated.

As I sit typing this message, we have received a downbeat message from a friend in hospital, news of another older friend struggling with memory loss and the thoughts of returning home in 2 days' time from a peaceful break in France and the list of jobs waiting to be sorted doesn't thrill me! However, I am reminded that Jesus wandered from place-to-place listening to the woes of many that he met. He wasn't sure where or how the next group of people that he met would react to his simple message of love and compassion. Even when exhausted people tracked him down and he always made time to listen and respond. He wasn't afraid to offer the occasional robust response when challenged with hypercritical comment on his actions by the religious leaders of the time that questioned their interpretation of Jewish law. So today is our current world so vastly different with the constant reminders of escalating costs, political uncertainty, the ongoing wars and the global tensions that arise largely as a result of the inequality of resources within communities?


On a more positive note, we will be marking Creation Sunday/Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 25th September. And despite all the frustrations of lack or limited supplies of water we still have much to be grateful for. The courgette supply was overwhelming mostly ending up as marrows lining up to be stuffed, made into chutney, or given away and the UK cherries have seen a vastly extended season to the delight of growers and consumers alike. We are still truly fortunate to all live in a peaceful and friendly village where people still care about one another and our environment. So, if you are free why not come and join in the thanksgiving?

And finally, the progress for the search for our new Vicar continues to gain momentum as all the Benefice preparations regarding Profiles, job descriptions etc. have been completed and received very positive comment from the diocesan and archdeaconry. The post has been advertised in the relevant national journals and we have received hints that it is attracting interest. So now we wait and pray that the interviews later this month will have a positive outcome.

Enjoy the coming month.

Janet Knowles, Churchwarden

St. John the Baptist, Moultsford, September

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1 16:00 'L' Team 18:00 Gardening Group 19:00 House Group (contact 07765 440014)	2 11:00 Communion Old Vicarage	3	4 9:30 CW Contemporary Rev'd Alan Gates
5 11:00 Keep Fit*	6	7 10:00 PKG Church 14:30 House Group (contact 651401)	8 19:00 House Group (contact 07765 440014)	9 11:00 Morning Praise Old Vicarage Laity	10	11 9:30 Faith Explored Water Rev'd Roland Price
12 11:00 Keep Fit*	13	14 10:30 PKG Church 14:30 House Group (contact 651401) Shortlisting of Vacancy Candidates	15 19:00 House Group (contact 07765 440014)	16 11:00 Morning Praise Old Vicarage	17	18 9:30 CW Contemporary / Baptism Rev'd Alan Gates 17:00 Service and Tea for Archdeacon Judy French Dorchester Abbey
19 11:00 Keep Fit*	20	21 10:30 PKG Church 14:30 House Group (contact 651401)	22 19:00 House Group (contact 07765 440014)	23 19:00 House Group (contact 07765 440014)	24	25 9:30 Creation Sunday Morning Praise Laity
26 11:00 Keep Fit*	27	28 10:30 PKG Church 14:30 House Group (contact 651401) Vacancy interviews	29 19:00 House Group (contact 07765 440014)	30 19:00 House Group (contact 07765 440014)		

A short morning service is available each day in conjunction with our Partnership Parish of St. Phillip the Apostle, Huhudi, SA by Zoom, WhatsApp and e-mail. Contact Janet Knowles 651401 for further details.

* CH = Cranford House School

* For Keep Fit at Cholsey Meadows, contact 599433

What's on in Moultsford and Surrounding Areas

Monthly Coffee Shop

Gail Slinger



The next **Village Coffee Shop** is on

Wed 14th September 2022 in the **Pavilion** from **10:30am** to **12 noon**.



September is the month for Donations to Macmillan. I hope everyone agrees that all the Coffee Shop Donations of £1.50 for Coffee & Cake in September will be given to MacMillan, a very worthwhile cause for everyone in one way shape or form.

Putting the kettle on in **September** will be **Pat Morse** and **Audrey**, with support from myself and Alison.

Please come and join us in September, bring a friend, neighbour or family member, we want to see you all.

I was unable to attend the August Coffee Shop but Gary and Trevor did another sterling job. Well done Moultsford Men we love to see you serving great coffee, tea, cake and chatting to everyone. You are both very much appreciated.

We still have plenty of space on our calendar list for 'Putting the Kettle on' please don't be shy, put your name down one and all, it's really easy.

See you all very soon.

Future Dates

14th September - Pat & Audrey with support

12th October - Gail

9th November -

14th December - Gail



Concerts@Cholsey

Sylvia Barnes and Sandy Stanage at the Cholsey Pavilion

Anyone who came to our first concert in October 2019 will remember **Sandy Stanage**, who generously filled a support spot and entranced our audience with his guitar playing and good humour. It was a foregone conclusion that he would be invited back—but we have managed to do even better than that, because Sandy will be performing alongside the legendary **Sylvia Barnes** at the **Cholsey Pavilion** on **Saturday 10th September**.

Sandy and Sylvia were both members of ground-breaking Scottish band Kentigern before pursuing different musical paths. Sylvia and her late husband Jim played in The Battlefield Band and were hugely popular in their own right until Jim's untimely death in 2004. In 2006, Sylvia was voted Scottish Singer of the Year.

Concerts@Cholsey is delighted to present this accomplished musical alliance and urge you to book as early as you can. Support will be provided in the form of the scintillating fiddle and melodeon playing of **Shivelight**. Tickets are just £10 if booked in advance, or £12 at the door. We have level access, free parking, a reasonably priced real-ale (and real cider) bar and a welcoming atmosphere. Doors open at 7.00 for 7.45 start. Contact 01491 652295 or concerts@cholsey.com for personal service or visit Eventbrite for tickets. We look forward to the pleasure of your company.

Spinning Club - Social Craft

Third Thursday in the month
6.00 - 10.00pm, at the Pavilion
£2 per session.

Come and join a group of local craft people for an evening of relaxation.

For more information, call
Linda Scurr on 652916.



MEADOWS MORNING MARKET

We're back!

Last Saturday of the month

9am - 1pm

**Cafe.Bread.Brownies.Pies.Meat.Jewellery
Clothing.Glass Crochet.Cards.Bags.Candles
Skincare.Pottery.
And much more.....**

The Great Hall, Cholsey Meadows, OX10 9GW

Wallingford Country Market



Held every Friday in
St. Mary-le-More Church
between 9.30 - 12.00.

Selling delicious homemade baked goods and preserves, home grown plants, fruit and vegetables and many crafts.

We are always looking for new producers. If you enjoy baking, gardening or making craft items do come and join us – it is not necessary to turn up every week.

Please phone Alison: 01491-681596 or Sandra: 01491-836527 for further information, or visit the market one Friday morning.

From 16th March 2022 until further notice									
133 Goring - Wallingford via Streatley & Moulsoford									
Days of Operation	Tuesdays		Wednesdays		Thursdays		Fridays		
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GORING, Railway Stn Forecourt	10:25		09:00	11:08	10:25		09:18	11:40	
Goring Surgery/Library	10:26		09:01	11:09	10:26		09:19	11:41	
Swan Hotel/Streatley Traffic Lights	10:28		09:03	11:11	10:28		09:21	11:43	
Streatley Primary School	X		X	X	X		X	X	
Moulsoford Beetle & Wedge turn	10:31		09:07	11:15	10:31		09:24	11:46	
Moulsoford, Old Vicarage	10:32		R	R	10:32		09:25	R	
Wallingford Hospital	R		09:12	11:20	R		R	11:50	
Wallingford LIDL									
WALLINGFORD Market Place	10:45		09:20	11:30	10:45		09:39	11:58	
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Wallingford LIDL							P	P	
Wallingford Hospital		12:01	10:41	13:06		12:01	P	P	
The Meadows		12:04	10:44	13:09		12:04	11:19	14:09	
Moulsoford, Old Vicarage		R	R	R		R	R	R	
Moulsoford Beetle & Wedge turn		12:07	10:46	13:11		12:07	11:22	14:12	
Streatley Primary School		R	R	R		R	R	R	
Streatley, The Coombe		R	R	R		R	R	R	
Streatley Traffic Lights/Swan Hotel		12:10	10:49	R		12:10	11:25	14:15	
GORING, Railway Stn Forecourt		12:20	11:00	R		12:20	11:35	14:25	
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DFL Dorchester Flyer: to or from Dorchester village **WTON** To Watlington via Home Park, RAF Benson & Ewelme
P Picks up here on request only by prior arrangement with the driver on the outward journey
R Sets down only at these points on request to the driver by passengers already on board at previous timing point
X Due to parking problems this service will not run via this point

Sorry, no services on other days or on Public Holidays

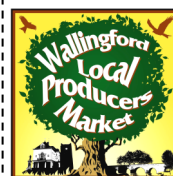
All times subject to change at short notice. Please check our website before you travel. Times shown on Traveline or other websites may not be up to date.

CONCESSIONARY PASS HOLDERS
Free travel on all these services

Cholsey Community Library

Monday to Friday 2pm to 4.30pm
Friday Evening 6pm to 8pm
Saturday Morning 9.30pm-12.30pm

Wallingford Local Producers Market



Held every Saturday from 10am to 12 noon in the car park and buildings of Centre 70, community centre at the junction of Goldsmiths Lane and the Kinocroft, OX10 0DT.

WLPM hosts the best of locally-produced food and crafts that are grown, harvested and made within 30 miles of Wallingford. We champion local farmers and vegetable growers, cheese-makers, bakers, and makers of honey and preserves. Every market has a range of craft stalls including textiles, jewellery, ceramics, art and photography, all hand-made by local people.

Usually our food stalls can be found outside with the craft stalls tucked away inside.

What's on in Moultsford and Surrounding Areas *continued*

Sylvia Barnes and Sandy Stanage



**at the Cholsey Pavilion,
Saturday 10th September.**

Doors 7.00 for 7.45. Advance tickets £10
(£12 at the door) from 01491 652295,
concerts@cholsey.com or Eventbrite.

Real ale and cider bar; free parking; level access.

**Maybe
we can
help!**



**Don't
bin it,
fix it!**

Saturday 17th September

**11 am to 1.45 pm at Cholsey
Pavilion.**

Bring along your broken item and a team
of volunteers will try to help you mend it

Which volunteer skills are available* this month?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> bicycles | <input type="checkbox"/> clothing and textiles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> electricals | <input type="checkbox"/> specialist gluing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> laptops/computers | <input type="checkbox"/> tool & knife sharpening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> furniture | <input type="checkbox"/> PAT testing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ultrasonic cleaning | <input type="checkbox"/> mechanical problems |

* Subject to availability of volunteer specialists or equipment on the day.

www.cholseyrepaircafe.com

Henley and District Stamp Club



How quickly the summer is disappearing and
time to think about our autumn / winter hobbies.

If you are interested in anything postal e.g.
Stamps, Postcards or the history of the Post and
all its various aspects why not visit us at Bix one
Wednesday evening. You will see the enjoyment and interesting
hobby you can have collecting with like-minded people.

Wed, Sep 14th The 1st meeting of the new season –
Latest Acquisitions when members bring up to
8 pages of their newest items.

Wed, Sep 28th A display about the Belgian Congo by
guest Gerald Mariner.

Meetings are held the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at
Bix Village Hall at 7.30pm Visitors and new members are
welcome.

Further details can be obtained by phoning 01491 681739 or on
our website www.henleyphilatelic.org.uk

THE COFFEE SHOP



WEDS 14th SEPTEMBER

10.30AM-12NOON

If you fancy a couple of hours of chatting, relaxing and drinking
coffee or tea, do join us, £1.50 donation.

Please do come along, everyone from the village is welcome.
For more information call Gail Slinger on 01491 651931 or
email gailslinger2601@gmail.com.

Cholsey Repair Cafe

In case you've not noticed, Cholsey Repair Café operates on
the third Saturday of odd-numbered months at the Cholsey
Pavilion. We open at 11.00, finishing at 13.45, and early
customers are able to enjoy light refreshments courtesy of the
Cholsey Community Café, in the foyer next door.

Our service extends to surrounding villages, although we would
be more than happy to see similar schemes coming into
existence and will be happy to share our experiences with
anyone wanting to set up their own repair café.

Sharpening of knives and tools has long been popular but we
tackle a wide range of electrical and mechanical problems,
broken toys, vacuum cleaners, food mixers and household
paraphernalia. Particular recent successes have included an
exercise treadmill and a microwave oven that required special
internal fuses.

We aim to reduce waste, believing that a lot of things aren't as
broken as they look. Maybe we'll see you next time, on
Saturday 17th September: details can
also be found at www.cholseyrepaircafe.com.

Introducing.... South Stoke Primary School

If your family is thinking about primary school applications this autumn, do take a look at South Stoke Primary School. With small class sizes and a close knit, supportive community where every child is recognised and valued, this special village school could be exactly what you're looking for. If you'd like to know more, see: <https://www.southstokeschool.org>

Thank you!

If you are looking for a school for your child, where they can achieve their full potential, where they are treated as an individual and their talents are developed and nurtured – then look no further.

South Stoke is proud to be small as it enables the school to provide the best combination of care and challenge. Because the class sizes are small and pupil to staff ratios high the school is more able to respond to each child's needs and provide a learning environment designed to help every child reach their full potential.



"It was a delight to meet your pupils. They like their school and teachers, [and] feel safe and happy in the family-like atmosphere, and have an adult they can turn to if they are ever worried or upset... Pupils make rapid progress from their starting points in writing... Work in pupils' mathematics books shows clearly that they develop strong fluency, particularly in calculation." OFSTED 2017

"South Stoke school has a family atmosphere, where fantastic teachers provide personalised learning opportunities for all pupils within mixed age classes. The provision of an imaginative curriculum is ably supported by well-trained assistants and dedicated staff." Barbara Taylor, Head of Governors & Secretary of the Small Schools Association

Choosing the right school for your child is clearly important. Please do come to one of our open days or call to arrange an individual tour to get a feel for the school, talk to children and teachers and to discuss your child's individual needs and how we can support them in their learning journey.

If you would like to speak to existing parents at the school, then do let us know – we are not short of glowing testimonials!

For further information, please contact:

Head Teacher Amanda Rogers
head.2507@south-stoke.oxon.sch.uk

or the School Office
office.2507@south-stoke.oxon.sch.uk
01491 872948



What's on in Moulsoford and Surrounding Areas continued

What's On at the Wallingford Corn Exchange in Wallingford, Cinema/Theatre:

September Calendar

Eric Ravilious - Drawn to War	- 1st Sep (7.30 to 9pm)
Bunk Fest	- 2nd, 3rd Sep (7 to 10pm)
It Snows in Benidorm	- 4th, 5th Sep (7.30 to 9.45pm)
Tomorrow Morning	- 6th Sep (7.30 to 9.15pm)
It Snows in Benidorm	- 7th Sep (7.30 to 9.45pm)
NT Live - Much Ado About Nothing	- 8th Sep (7 to 10.15pm)
Fisherman's Friends - One and All	- 9th Sep (7.30 to 9.45pm)
Simon and Garfunkel Through the Years	- 10th Sep (7.45 to 10.45pm)
Fisherman's Friends - One and All	- 11th, 12th Sep (7.30 to 9.45pm)
Glyndebourne - La bohème	- 13th Sep (7 to 9.45pm)
Fisherman's Friends - One and All	- 15th - 17th Sep (7.30 to 9.45pm)
Sinodun Players - Twelfth Night	- 28th Sep - 1st Oct (7.30 to 10.30pm)

Info: <https://www.cornexchange.org.uk>

[Moulsoford Parish Council Meeting](#)

Thursday 15th Sep 2022

7.30pm in the Pavilion
Everyone welcome!

[Moulsoford Events Committee Meeting](#)

Wednesday 7th Sep 2022

7.30pm in the Pavilion
Everyone welcome!

[Pavilion Management Committee Meeting](#)

Tuesday 4th Oct 2022

7.30pm in the Pavilion
Everyone welcome!



Elli the Gardener

Hello! Today I will be doing another Puzzle Edition. I hope you enjoy the puzzles!



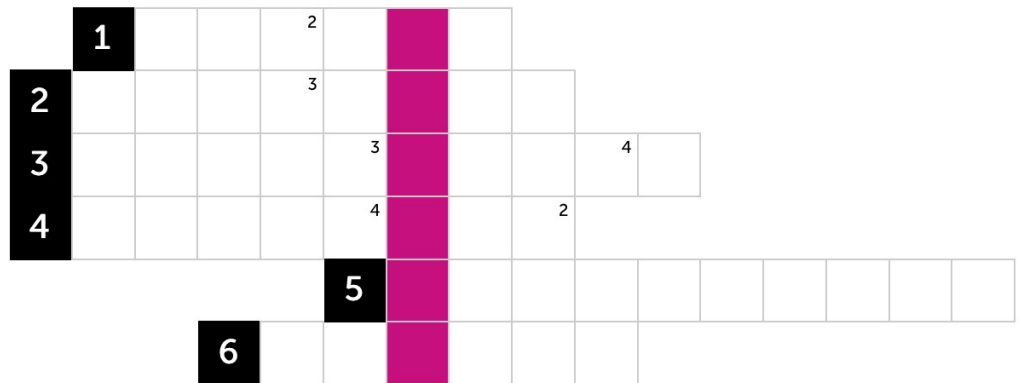
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WORD SEARCH

Pumpkin	Courgette
Tomato	Carrot
Pepper	Lettuce
Cucumber	Onion
Beetroot	Beans

ACROSTIC

1. Blue edible flowers
2. Green leafed herb
3. Often used in tea
4. Purple flowers, aromatic
5. Strong smelling +tasting, helps breathing
6. Good against bruises



SCRAMBLED WORDS

ADLNCELAU	RAANCI	TIMN	GREAOB
LEENAVRD	RYMAROSEE	SAEG	YTHME

Local News

Wallingford Castle Meadows officially recognised as one of country's best parks thanks to coveted Green Flag Award

This summer Earth Trust is celebrating the continued recognition of its ability to connect communities with the natural world after receiving a Green Flag Award for Wallingford Castle Meadows. This year marks the 15th consecutive Green Flag award. It is also the 9th year in a row that Wallingford Castle Meadows is receiving Green Heritage Site accreditation with support from Historic England, for the management of its conspicuous historic features, which includes the remains of one of the greatest medieval castles in England.



Earth Trust manages Wallingford Castle Meadows in partnership with South Oxfordshire District Council. The prestigious Green Flag award, managed by Keep Britain Tidy, is widely acknowledged as the international quality mark for parks and green spaces. Recognition as part of the scheme requires high standards of management to be upheld; making the lineage of the award status a valuable acknowledgement of Earth Trust's mindful and measured approach to land management.

Earth Trust cares for the historic Wallingford Castle Meadows alongside a growing number of local community green spaces including Thrupp Lake and Abbey Fishponds. The charity is perhaps best known for managing the iconic Wittenham Clumps – 500 hectares of woodland, farmland, wildflower meadows and wetlands a few miles outside of Wallingford.

The special places that Earth Trust cares for receive 200,000 plus visits each year. Understandably, the numbers of visits reached unseen proportions during the pandemic, when free to access green spaces became not just a source of leisure, but a lifeline.

Earth Trust Senior Ranger Tim Read maintains these rich meadows as diverse green spaces for people to enjoy, with the help of a group of dedicated volunteers. Tim had this to say about the award: "After two years that have seen parks and green spaces play a vital role for people as a place to relax, exercise and connect with their community, it's a real thrill to receive official recognition for the hard work and dedication of the team that make Castle Meadows a great space for everyone to enjoy."

Earth Trust CEO Jayne Manley also commented on what this year's award means for the charity: "We are thrilled that in our 40th year, Castle Meadows has again received recognition for the work we do to ensure the local community can access and enjoy this magical green space full of nature and heritage. In 2022, with the launch of our new strategy we are more dedicated than ever to the connection between our past and future.

Our vision is a society where accessible, engaging green spaces like this one, enable nature and people to thrive in balance. We are passionate about the power of green spaces and our bold new strategic direction has local communities at its heart. So if you are a visitor to Wallingford Castle Meadows and care about the work we are doing to manage spaces like this – not just at a practical level but also in terms of cutting edge research, advocacy and community engagement, please join our circle of people wanting to see and be a part of change! Thank you to the Green Flag Award Scheme, and South Oxfordshire District Council for your continued support."

Commenting on the news that Wallingford Castle Meadows has once again met the Green Flag Award standard, Keep Britain Tidy's Accreditation Manager Paul Todd said: "I would like to congratulate everyone at Earth Trust involved in making Wallingford Castle Meadow worthy of a Green Flag Award.

Castle Meadows is a vital green space for the community in Oxfordshire. This award is testament to all the hard work of staff and volunteers at the organisation, who do so much to ensure that it maintains the high standards demanded by the Green Flag Award."

A full list of Green Flag Award-winning parks and green spaces is [available here](#). And you can find out about the Earth Trust's new 5 year strategy [on their website](#).



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About Earth Trust

Earth Trust's purpose is to inspire people to address climate, biodiversity and wellbeing with the power of natural green spaces. Our vision is a society where accessible, engaging green spaces enable nature and people to thrive in balance. Earth Trust has been working towards this for 40 years, but it has never been more critical than now. Our mission is to champion access and engagement with green spaces for everyone so that together we take action for people and planet.

Together with our supporters, Earth Trust is guardian of some extremely special and inspiring places full of nature and heritage. We own and manage the largest freely accessible natural green space landscape in Oxfordshire – the iconic Wittenham Clumps: 500 hectares of woodland, farmland, wildflower meadows and wetlands. We also care for a growing number of smaller community reserves – special places for both people and nature to thrive in balance. These places receive 200,000 plus visits per year.

We use these amazing places to engage and inspire people and to demonstrate nature-based solutions to climate, biodiversity and public health crises, that we hope others will take and use elsewhere.

About the Green Flag Award

The Green Flag Award Scheme (<http://greenflagaward.org/>) is run by the environmental charity Keep Britain Tidy, under licence from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, in partnership with Keep Scotland Beautiful, Keep Wales Tidy and Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful.

Keep Britain Tidy is a leading environmental charity. It sets the standard for the management of parks and beaches, inspires people to be litter-free, to waste less and live more sustainably. It runs campaigns and programmes including the Great British Spring Clean, Eco-Schools, Love Parks, Eco-Schools, the Green Flag Award for parks and green spaces and the Blue Flag/ Seaside Awards for beaches. To find out more about Keep Britain Tidy, its campaigns and programmes visit www.keepbritaintidy.org.



Any green space that is freely accessible to the public is eligible to enter for a Green Flag Award. Awards are given on an annual basis and winners must apply each year to renew their Green Flag Award status. A Green Flag Community Award recognises quality sites managed by voluntary and community groups. Green Heritage Site Accreditation is judged on the treatment of the site's historic features and the standard of conservation.



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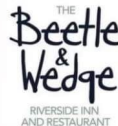
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9th September	18:30 Moultsford Social (Wildlife BBQ)	Moultsford Pavilion
14th September	10:30 Village Coffee Shop	Moultsford Pavilion
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