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October Events Update

Nigel Baker

Nigel looks back on another season of Friday Socials at the Pavilion, with thanks to the many villagers who helped make the events happen.

As I write, we have just come to the end of another season of Friday Socials at the Pavilion and have toasted the autumn at a wonderful Oktoberfest evening. But, if you're reading this before Saturday 3rd October, then that's the return of the Comedy Night, and there may just be a few tickets left...

Looking back over the Social season, we all owe a very big thank you to the villagers who contributed to our events this year, helping with the bar and the popular food nights. Just since the last newsletter, a massive thank you to Indie, Jo and Bev for all their efforts for Oktoberfest and, prior to that, Oliver and Danielle on the BBQ, while the rest of the team on the bar looked after a big turnout for the Wildlife BBQ. This was one of our most popular events and it was a lovely, atmospheric evening.

Every Social evening happens thanks to the time and efforts of a group of key volunteers lending a hand to make sure we can open fully stocked and ready to offer an opportunity for villagers to come together through the spring, summer and autumn. We are grateful for everyone's contribution. And, of course, it wouldn't happen if people didn't turn up — thanks to all who did come for your support and for making these nights something special.

This season we made a big decision to hold two Socials a month, which overall seems to have gone down well despite a particularly challenging summer. We'll be reviewing our events offering through this winter.

As we've mentioned before, Jo Haywood is leaving the Events Committee after many years and will be much missed — a big thank you to Jo for all her ideas and time. More so than ever, we are looking for more people to join the Committee to help run the Socials and other special events for the benefit of the community. If you enjoy coming along to the Friday Socials, please do have a think about whether you might be able to lend us a bit of your time to help keep things running in 2027.

We'll be back in December with the Christmas Social — look for details in the November issue. In the meantime, thanks again and we look forward to welcoming you back at the Pavilion in the winter.

Moulsford News Deliverer Needed

One of the MN deliverers is moving away after doing sterling service for many years. So we need someone to deliver 13 copies of the newsletter ten times a year.

To help avoid these houses missing out on receiving the newsletter, if you can help please contact me at daryld777@gmail.com.

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Deadline for October edition
Wed, 21st October

From Your Parish Council

Hilary Shaw

New Councillor

The Parish Council is pleased to welcome Cllr Edward Fisher, who was co-opted onto the Council at the September meeting. We look forward to working with Edward on behalf of the village, and welcome him to the team.

Councillor Vacancy

Please do contact the Parish Clerk or any of the current Councillors (email addresses listed on the back page) if you are also interested in joining the Council.

Green Spaces

Maintenance scheduled for September in the playground has now been completed. This included: replacing some worn wood on the multi-gym and giant rope swing; replacing the noughts and crosses on the multi-gym; replacing the playground sign and painting the swings.

Broadband at the Pavilion

The broadband service was abruptly cut when the overhead cable was hit by a large vehicle speeding through the village. The back up line provided adequate internet access for a few days, until the line could be replaced.

Speeding vehicles through the village

This is still a live issue on the Council's agenda. A collision incident at the junction with Underhill has been very concerning.

Car Park and Parking charges

The Council will be considering introducing a small parking charge targeted at non residents, parking at the recreation ground. Users of the Pavilion should be unaffected by the proposals.

Pavilion Roof

We hope to select the Contractor to repair the Council roof at the October meeting.

Planning Applications August September 2026

P26/S3299/PIP Demolition of Barns and erection of 2-4 dwellings Black Barns Willow Court Lane Moultsford
OBJECTION

P26/S3428/HH ground floor kitchen extension and internal alterations at Grange Stables Moultsford

NO STRONG VIEWS

Next Parish Meeting

Thursday 22nd October starting at 7:30 pm

Defibrillator

Check out the link below for a printable poster showing the defibrillators in and around Moultsford, and a short free online course in CPR and defibrillator use.

brity.co.uk/communities/moultsford

General Parish Matters

If you have any parish queries, please continue to direct them to parishclerk@moultsford-pc.org.uk and/or any of the Councillors listed on the back page of Moultsford news.



PROGRAMME



Oxford's UN Older People's Day 2026

Wednesday October 7th Oxford Town Hall
10am to 2pm

10am – 2pm: Digital DROP-IN (St Aldate's Room)

Tech team support from Brookes university volunteers!

10am – 2pm: STALLS to visit (every main room)

Public Talks & Taster Sessions (Freemans Room)
11am – 1.30pm

11am: "Scams Awareness & Prevention"

11.45am: MuMo Dance Taster

12.15pm: "Reducing the Risk"

Raising awareness about domestic abuse which can affect anyone at any age.

1pm: Forever Young Chair Exercise Taster

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Member of Parliament for Didcot & Wantage

Olly Glover



Olly Glover MP reports on his work supporting local councils, environmental projects and communities across Didcot and Wantage, alongside visits to businesses and local organisations.

With the new government now in full swing, I will continue speaking up on issues that matter to constituents across Didcot and Wantage.

I have raised the importance of adequate central government funding for our local councils so that they can provide the essential social services we rely on. I have also spoken about safety concerns relating to new technology advancements such as Meta's Smart Glasses, as well as the regulation of retirement property management companies.

During a Westminster Hall debate on global biodiversity loss, I called for a nationwide broadcast of the People's Emergency Briefing, a film focused on enhancing public awareness of the climate crisis and environmental risks. This summer we saw the real impact of climate change on our area, so I'm really pleased to see many local groups in the constituency organising viewings and working together to raise awareness of this urgent issue.

Across the constituency, I've enjoyed attending the final events of the summer, including BunkFest in Wallingford, Boundary Park's 10th anniversary celebration in Didcot, and a visit to the new Tap Social venue at Milton Park. I also visited businesses such as LTi Metaltech and Crown Packaging, who both create highly skilled jobs for local people while boosting our local economy.

Following my final summer surgery in Cholsey, I met with Andrew from Amwell Springs Brewery, who produces excellent craft beer in the village. I was also pleased to attend the resurfacing and reopening of Hobbyhorse Lane with Cllr Peter Stevens, who has worked hard alongside residents to resurface this important walking and cycling route linking Appleford



and Sutton Courtenay. Over a lunch at the Plum Pudding, Milton Parish Council and I discussed pedestrian access and cycle routes to/from Milton Heights, particularly the bridge at the Milton Interchange, which I will continue to work with the County Council to help make happen.

Working with the Mill Brook Restoration Group, we have continued our campaign to restore Mill Brook, including hosting a site visit with key organisations including Thames Water, the Environment Agency and Oxfordshire County Council. This was a major step towards recognising their respective responsibilities and securing a commitment to work together on addressing the issue. I look forward to seeing the results and will continue to monitor progress.

As always, if there is anything I can help with, please contact my team at olly.glover.mp@parliament.uk or leave a voicemail on 0207 219 7657.

Olly Glover

Member of Parliament for the Didcot and Wantage Constituency



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From the Church

Rebecca Peters - Vicar

A reflection from Rev. Rebecca Peters on autumn, harvest and the importance of cultivating an attitude of thankfulness, even during difficult times.

Dear Friends,

As summer draws to a close, and shorts and t-shirts are put away for another year, the usual rhythm of life returns with children heading back to school, youngsters packing up for university or college, and the TV is full with ads for all the new programmes about to begin. In the church, we look towards all that lies ahead in the next few months – Harvest, Remembrance Sunday, Advent and then, of course, the culmination of it all, Christmas!

But before we get to Christmas, we enter the season of Autumn, a time of thanksgiving. Maybe you want to give thanks to God for a lovely summer holiday, for weddings, for friends and family or for new beginnings.

This month in our church we give thanks for creation with a special Harvest service on Sunday 4th October 9:00 am. Do join us as we say thank you for all that God provides us.

In his letter to the Ephesians St. Paul encourages us all to live our lives in an attitude of thankfulness. It is hard and takes a lot of discipline and requires effort. If you're feeling grouchy for no good reason, try smiling - the physical act of smiling makes you feel more cheerful whether you want to or not.

But living lives of thankfulness doesn't mean that we should just ignore our sufferings or the suffering of others and say they don't matter, because they do matter. There is a time to laugh and a time to cry. So many people say they mustn't grumble and imply that their sufferings are too small to be of value compared to other people's, "there are so many worse off than me"

All of our struggles and sufferings matter to God, however small they are. But St. Paul understood that if we can learn to be positive and thankful during the good times, then that will help to sustain us through the bad times. He was in prison when he wrote to the Ephesians. Being thankful didn't diminish his hardship, but it did help him to endure it.

Each new day brings with it a new beginning and a challenge. So how about a challenge, a challenge to be thankful! To make the effort to see the positive in a situation rather than the downside. To stop us when we start moaning and give thanks instead. And I think that if we can do that, we'll discover that whatever life may bring, it will be the better for having consciously tried to live it in an attitude of thankfulness

God Bless

Rebecca Peters - Vicar

The Huhudi Library

Janet and Naomi Knowles

A return visit to Thuto Lesedi Primary School in Huhudi, South Africa, finds the new library up and running, with pupils making the most of the books donated by the local community.

As we flew out to Huhudi for the second time this year we speculated on whether there would be any progress with the school library - the books that you all kindly donated to Thuto Lesedi Primary School in Huhudi, a township community on the outskirts of Vryburg, South Africa. In March we had carefully timed our visit to be present when the organised lorry from Durban would be arriving with the 2 pallets of books that had been shipped out.

Hiccup no. 1! No sign of any books but then we are talking South Africa! Or as a member of the family often quotes to me 'go with the flow Granny'. So with some hasty replanning we managed to collect the pallets arriving very late at night as we were scheduled to fly home 24 hours later.

Hiccup no.2 So on a very chilly morning at the beginning of August we arrived at the school in near freezing temperatures to discover what if anything had changed. The new roof replaced in the Spring was still intact but

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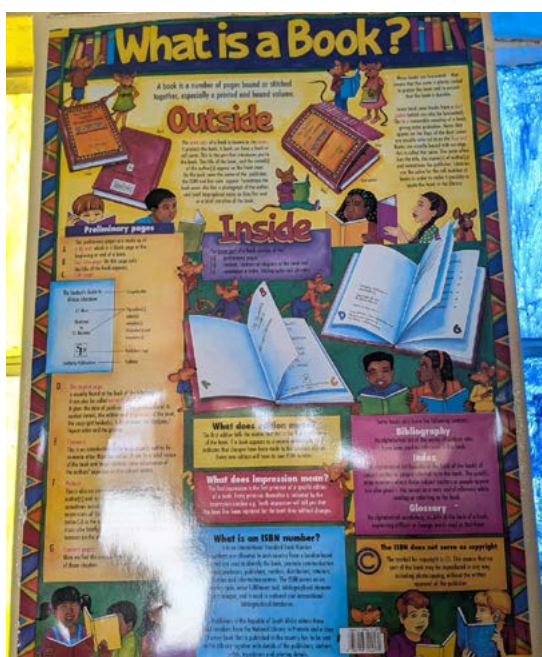


the construction company had failed to re-install any lighting- a minor irritant! On unlocking the door into the library, we were amazed to find additional shelving had been built and the books were attractively displayed with lots of colourful additional information on the benefits of reading, what and how to use books correctly, their potential for further learning and encouraging new or different ideas.

There had been a formal opening ceremony with senior local municipal officers present and representatives from a municipal library that had suddenly emerged from??

Hiccup no.3 Access to the library. We inquired when the pupils accessed this new facility only to be told that they needed to prepare a rota for staff to be present and hadn't had time to prepare one yet. ...

Naomi took matters into her own hands, requested the library key from the Headmaster and made herself available whenever she was present at the school and free from teaching duties. Very quickly the pupils picked up the opportunities, learnt how to use the facilities correctly or were removed until they behaved themselves. It became a source of excitement as pupils



chose books for Naomi to read to them or sort advice on the suitability of books they liked the look of- most pupils once they are about 8-9 will speak 2 or 3 different languages. English is introduced into the curriculum from the age of 7 for most pupils .

So a huge THANK YOU to everyone who donated books and for the wide age range and topics of the books that you generously gave. It is good to have this opportunity to express the real appreciation from the school and the chance to make a small difference in the lives of some of these vulnerable children.

on behalf of Thuto Lesedi School Huhudi, South Africa

Services

1st Sunday

9am Parish Communion

2nd Sunday

9am Parish Communion

3rd Sunday

9am Faith Explored or Morning Prayer, with coffee and pastries from 9am

4th Sunday

9am Parish Communion

A bit of fun!

Find 18 words from Janet's atricle below. You can find the answers to last months word search on page 7

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MY PET DRAGON

Hey kids! Want to learn some new words to confuse your friends?

My pet dragon Aloisios

Likes to act so very vicious;

Thinks slugs and snails are quite delicious

And make his dinner most nutritious.

At fire breathing he's ambitious-

Makes hot flames and smoke prodigious!

But perhaps this is a bit suspicious

Cause he's not real, we're superstitious.

His dinners held on days auspicious-

But menus look a bit suspicious.

Worms and bugs are repetitious!

The promised cake becomes fictitious.

You've now met kindly Aloisios.

Please come and taste his yummy dishes.

But if that's not one of your wishes

He'll play at games much more mischievous

The Bearded Barb

OUR LOVELY VILLAGE



A brave little boat, no longer afloat, has become an object of art.

Now home from the seas to give flowers to bees. Thanks for doing your part.

But we do wonder if there's been a blunder, out of the admiral's sight -

The side now called port, to make a retort, is starboard in day or in night.

An ancient sea captain named Carew

Discovered a new kind of brew.

He drank to excess

And then had to guess

Which was starboard or port? No one knew.

'The Ancient Mariner'



A bit of fun!

How did you do with last month's wordsearch? Answers below



WALLINGFORD	EGYPTOLOGY	SHINGLETON
MOULSFORD	GAZETTEER	CHRISTIE
MALLOWAN	VILLAGE	SPHINX
BRIDGE	MORRELL	THAMES
VICTORIAN	NAPOLEON	HISTORY
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holidays and weekends.

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References are available on request.

What's on in Moultsford & Surrounding Areas

Moultsford Coffee Shop

Alison & Gary Fagg

The next Moultsford Coffee Shop will be on

Wednesday 14th October at the Pavilion from 10.30 – 12.00

A big thank you for so many of you who came to Coffee Shop in September. Thank you to the Old Vicarage for supplying the delicious cakes once again.

Everyone is welcome and please bring along your friends, relations and neighbours for a chat.

If you would like to take a turn behind the counter please put your name/s down on the clipboard.

Help will be on hand and please don't be put off as cake and biscuits are provided.

The Moultsford Coffee Shop is on the second Wednesday of each month. We just ask for a small fee to include all refreshments. Monies raised go back into the village.



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Friday 30th October 4pm to 6pm

St Mary's church

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familyworker@stmaryscholsey.org

light activities, games and light
show with DJ Ollie fun for all ages:
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dressed in bright, glittery clothes!



Streets of Light is back!
26th October - 1st November



Sat 10th October workshops 10am - 12pm or 2pm - 4pm come and make your windows.
light refreshments available.

Fri 30th October Family light party in Church 4pm-6pm includes food!

Get involved with Streets of Light. Put a display in your window and help spread and share a message of light, love and hope throughout Cholsey during the dark evenings.

To book or for more info contact:
familyworker@stmaryscholsey.org

What's on in Moultsford & Surrounding Areas



SPINNING CLUB

Social Craft

Moultsford craft group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month and would like to invite anyone who already does crafting or would like to start crafting to join us.

It is a very sociable and informal meeting and everyone is made to feel welcome.

We meet between 6.30 and 10pm.

For more information, call Linda Scurr on 652916.



Caring for Carers

in our community

Sometimes it helps to talk about carer experiences; other times, just enjoying the company of others without having to explain yourself is comfort enough, knowing that you are not alone.

Members may be caring for a family member or a friend who is unwell, ageing or has a disability.

The group promotes sharing of Ideas, Information and providing support to each other, encouraging self care, and putting you in touch with agencies that can assist you with respite and other carer needs.

Every 2nd Tuesday of the month, 2 - 3.30pm

St Marys Church, Market Place, Wallingford, OX10 0EG



The group also enables you to get a much needed break and a chance to get out of the house.

This group is for unpaid carers and is supported by



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What's on in Moultsford & Surrounding Areas

2 Oct

Hamnet — NT Live

Screening of the National Theatre production at Cholsey Great Hall, 7.30pm. Entry fee applies.

cholseygreathall.co.uk

2 Oct

Little Ducklings

Outdoor parent-and-child group at Path Hill, Goring Heath, with nature play, songs, games and crafts. Suitable for walking toddlers to age 5. £8.50.

pathhilladventures.com

3 Oct

Comedy Night

A night of live comedy at Moultsford Pavilion, with Paddy returning as compère alongside three other comedians. Tickets are on sale now. Contact Tracey: 07866 625521 / traceylee0712@icloud.com

3 Oct

Wallingford Literary Festival

A day of authors, talks, book stalls and literary events around Wallingford, including activities for children. Some events free; booking may be required.

oxia.org.uk

3 Oct

Lego Club

Wallingford Library, 10.30am–12.30pm. Suitable for primary school-aged children with adult accompaniment. Free.

oxfordshire.gov.uk

3–4 Oct

Back to the Forties

A 1940s experience in Wallingford featuring re-enactors, military and

Home Front displays, vintage vehicles, live music and heritage railway rides. Entry fee applies.

backtotheforties.co.uk

4 Oct

Rivering — Book Launch

Book launch with Cherry Coombe and artist Delphi Barney at Morrell Rooms, Streatley, incl author talk, artwork, tea & cake. Free.

cherrycoombe.substack.com

4 Oct

Autumn Sound Bath

An autumn sound bath at The Swan, Streatley, combining sound, meditation and breathwork. Entry fee applies.

theswanatstreatley.co.uk

9 Oct

Little Ducklings

See 2 Oct listing for details.

10 Oct

Goring Artisan Market

Goring Village Hall, 10am–3pm, with local makers and producers. Dogs welcome. Free.

andreaclare.uk

11 Oct

Acorda Duo

Classical guitar and piano from Gary Jordan and Seth Williams at St Mary's Church, Streatley, 4pm. £12 / £10 concessions.

stmarysstreatley.org.uk

14 Oct

An Evening with John Cheshire

Crime author John Cheshire discusses his

novel System Lockout and the world of cybercrime at Goring Library. £10.

fogl-oxon.co.uk

16 Oct

Gypsy Dynamite

Gypsy swing and jazz duo at Woodcote Village Hall. Doors 7pm. £18.

woodcotevillagehall.com

16 Oct

Cholsey Archive Evening

An evening of three short talks on the village's history. Musical support will be provided by folk trio Three Pressed Men.

Doors open 7.00 pm for 7.30 start. Admission just £5 at the door, including light refreshments. cholseyvillage.com

16 Oct

Little Ducklings

See 2 Oct listing for details.

17 Oct

Autumn 100

A 100-mile trail race starting and finishing in Goring and Streatley, taking in the surrounding countryside.

centurionrunning.com

17 Oct

The Wallingford Fryer

Enjoy a fish and chip supper aboard an evening Bunk Line train with the Cholsey & Wallingford Railway. Booking required.

cholsey-wallingford-railway.com

17 Oct

Lego Club

See 3 Oct listing for details.

20 Oct

Children's Book Club

Children's Book Club at Wallingford Library, 3.45–4.30pm. Free.

oxfordshire.gov.uk

23 Oct

Little Ducklings

See 2 Oct listing for details.

24–31 Oct

Midnight Moon Mystery Trail & Pumpkin Patch

A Halloween adventure at High Lodge Farm, Culham, with a 1km woodland trail, pumpkin patch, giant play area and spooky surprises. Tickets from £5.

highlodgefarm.com

25 Oct

Woodcote Food Fair

Woodcote Village Hall, 10.30am–2.30pm, featuring artisan food and drink. Free entry and parking.

woodcotevillagehall.com

26 Oct

Paper Pumpkin Craft & Storytime

A creepy story followed by paper pumpkin making at Wallingford Library, 10–11am. For children aged 3+. Free; drop-in.

oxfordshire.gov.uk

30 Oct

Awake in the Moonlight Storytime & Craft

Discover nighttime animals and make a feathery owl at Wallingford Library, 3–4pm. For children aged 3+. Free; drop-in.

oxfordshire.gov.uk

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What's on in Moultsford & Surrounding Areas

(cont)

31 Oct

Lego Club

See 3 Oct listing for details.

31 Oct

Goring Heath Quiz Night

Quiz night with chilli supper and bar. Teams of 4-6. Doors 6.30pm. £15 per person.

whitchurchgoringheath.org.uk

1 Nov

Woodcote Fireworks Display, Woodcote Primary School, gates 5pm, fireworks 6.30pm. £7.50 adults / £5 children

Firework Displays

Technically in November, but we've included these now so you can plan ahead!

5 Nov

Chieveley Village Fireworks & Bonfire

Fireworks at 7.45pm.

mychieveley.co.uk

7 Nov

Wallingford Bonfire & Fireworks

Kinecroft, from 6pm. Free, with suggested donations.

wallingford1155.org.uk

7 Nov

Oxford Round Table Fireworks

South Park, Oxford. £13 adults / £7 children.

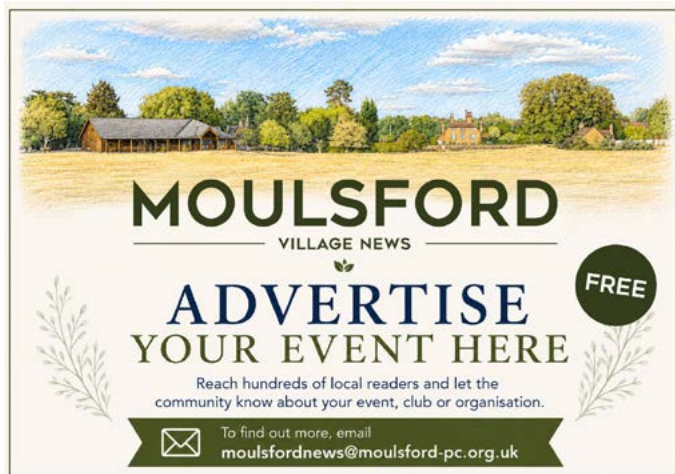
oxfordfireworks.co.uk

14 Nov

Abingdon Funfair & Fireworks

Abingdon Airfield. From £20 adults / £15 children.

abingdonfireworks.co.uk



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Corn Exchange Wallingford October 2026

1 Oct

Exhibition on Screen: James McNeill Whistler (PG)

7.30pm — 90 minutes

2-3 Oct

NT Live: The Misanthrope (15)

7.30pm — 106 minutes

4 Oct

The Mission (12)

7.30pm — 125 minutes

5-7 Oct

Late Fame (15)

7.30pm — 96 minutes

8-9 Oct

Tony (15)

7.30pm — 106 minutes

10 Oct

Animal Farm — Live Show

7.30pm — 140 minutes — One interval

11 Oct

The Witch Who Couldn't Sleep — Family Musical

2.30pm matinee — 60 minutes

11-12 Oct

Bad Apples (15)

7.30pm — 101 minutes

13 Oct

Hadestown: The Musical (Rating TBA)

7.30pm — 142 minutes

14 Oct

Exhibition on Screen: James McNeill Whistler (PG)

7.30pm — 90 minutes

15-17 Oct

Pressure (12A)

7.30pm — 100 minutes

25 Oct

Pressure (12A)

Matinee — 100 minutes

18-26 Oct

Closed for rehearsals for Immaculate — Sinodun Players

23-24 Oct

Open for Box Office and Coffee/Cake

27-31 Oct

Immaculate — Live Show — Sinodun Players

7.30pm — 120 minutes — One interval

More Info: www.cornexchange.org.uk/whatson/

What's on in Moultsford & Surrounding Areas

Henley and District Stamp Club

Have you thought of resurrecting a hobby from your past, like stamp collecting, Postal history or Postcards?



You will find it more than just collecting a little bit of sticky paper. If you look into the history and background of the stamps and postal history, there is a lot to learn.

The Henley Stamp Club is a friendly group and we would be delighted to see new visitors or members. If you are interested in facts concerning stamps or postal history, why not come along and find out about how you can promote your interest?

To learn more about stamps and postal history why not visit us at Bix one Wednesday evening? You can then meet people who find postal history and the story of stamps fascinating too.

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month in Bix Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday 14th October –Evening meeting with Philip Cant giving a display on 'I don't do Thematics and other Nonsense' - some thoughts on Thematic collecting - *(An interesting title as Paula, his wife, is a well-known and popular Thematic dealer)!

Wednesday 25th October– Members evening on - Aspect of your favourite monarch, their stamps, their history, battles or life in general illustrated philatelic items or Postcards etc.

Visitors and new members are very welcome.

Further details can be obtained by phoning Steve on 07767 251670 or on our website: -

www.henleyphilatelic.org.uk

Wallingford Accessible Boat Club

Volunteers wanted as Accessible Boat Club sees record demand

Wallingford Accessible Boat Club (WABC) is looking for new volunteers after record demand for its accessible trips on the River Thames saw every available trip booked weeks before the end of the 2026 season.



The volunteer-run charity, based at The Riverside in Wallingford, enables people with disabilities and limited mobility to enjoy trips on the Thames. It expects to carry more than 620 passengers this year, compared with almost 500 in 2025.

WABC now hopes to expand its team of more than 60 volunteers so it can welcome even more passengers in 2027. Volunteers are needed to help run trips and welcome passengers, as well as with marketing, fundraising, technology and the website.

No boating experience is required, with free training and ongoing support provided.

Chair John Jenkins MBE said: "For many of our passengers, this is their only opportunity during the year to get out on the water and experience the freedom of being on the Thames."

Anyone interested in volunteering can contact Jane Haigh at enquiries@wabc.org.uk or 07960 225805, or visit www.wabc.org.uk.

Advance Notice

Moultsford Prep School Bonfire & Fireworks Night, Thursday 5th November 2026

Moultsford Prep School would like to offer advance notice that their annual Bonfire and Fireworks Night will be held on Thursday 5th November from 5.45pm. Members of the school's staff and parent volunteers will be on hand to keep disruption to a minimum and ensure that traffic can be free flowing. If you have pets at home, you may wish to keep them inside until the fireworks end at approximately 7pm.

The Moultsford Prep School Christmas Fair

Saturday 5th December from 10am until 2pm. All

Residents are welcome to join us in the Sports Hall for some last minute Christmas shopping and to enjoy refreshments and the entertainment on offer from the School's choirs and musical ensembles

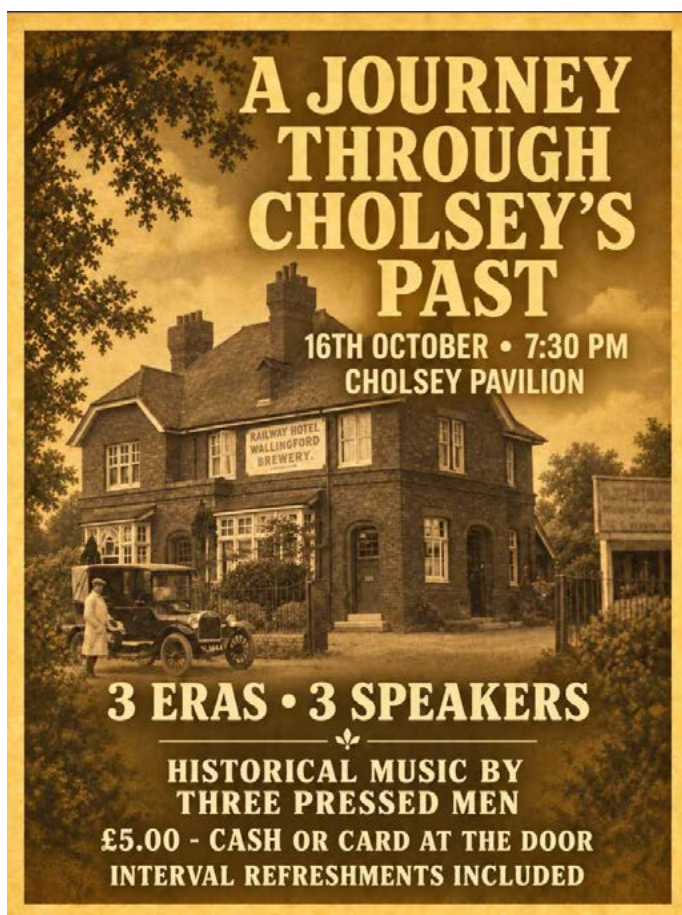
What's On In Moulsoford ...

A Journey Through Cholsey's Past

Ian - The Cholsey Archive

On Friday 16th October at The Cholsey Pavilion, The Cholsey Archive will present an evening of three short talks on the village's history. Musical support will be provided by folk trio Three Pressed Men, singing songs themed (fairly closely) to pubs, rough sports and local criminal behaviour.

Doors open 7.00 pm for 7.30 start. Admission just £5 at the door, including light refreshments. Email archive@cholsey.com to indicate interest and help planning.



Cholsey Repair Café

Cholsey Repair Café will be back on Saturday 21st November 2026 at the Cholsey Pavilion, from 10.00 to 12.45. Volunteers will be there to help with repairs to household items, bikes, gardening equipment and electrical goods (white goods excepted). There is no charge, but donations towards running costs are welcome. You can see more at

www.cholseyrepaircafe.com or email repaircafe@cholsey.com.

Local News

Plans for new Oxfordshire councils under review

Plans to reorganise local government across Oxfordshire are under review following the Government's decision to review its July proposals.

The Government had announced three new unitary councils for Oxfordshire and West Berkshire, including Ridgeway Council, covering most of South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse together with West Berkshire. However, on 7 September it announced that the decisions would be reviewed.

The review is expected to take the next couple of months, and Oxfordshire County Council says the timetable is likely to move back by a year, although this has not yet been confirmed. Preparatory work will continue while the review takes place.

Wallingford's historic sites set for investment

Wallingford Town Council, working with Historic England, is seeking specialist advice on the future management and conservation of the town's historic monuments.

The project covers the Town Walls, Saxon burh defences and Wallingford Castle and Motte. A specialist consultant is being sought to prepare a management plan and detailed specification for future conservation works.

The tender was published in September, with submissions due by 12 noon on Friday 2 October. The work will help address issues including erosion, vegetation and unstable trees while protecting the historic sites.

Goring fire station site gets new future

The former Old Jubilee Fire Station on Red Cross Road, Goring, has been sold to Goring and Woodcote Medical Practice.

The building was opened in May 1937 and served as the village fire station until 1976, before becoming the Parish Council's office. It later fell into disuse after developing serious leaks and has been used mainly for storage in recent years.

The sale will allow the medical practice to expand its healthcare facilities, while provisions in the agreement protect the site for continued healthcare use rather than residential development.

New cycle hub opens at Wittenham Clumps

A new cycle hub with e-bike charging facilities has opened at Wittenham Clumps, giving visitors more options for travelling to the popular beauty spot by bike.

The new facilities form part of Earth Trust's Gateway to Nature project and are designed to make cycling and e-biking to the Clumps easier and more practical. The site sits close to the North Wessex Downs, National Cycle Network 5 and new paths from Didcot. The new hub

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includes three purpose-built shelters: two for standard bicycles and a dedicated shelter with charging facilities



Left to right: Dave Lewis, Operations Director at Earth Trust; Robin Tucker, Earth Trust Trustee; Martin Cuddy, Secretary of CulBUG (Culham Bicycle Users Group); and Cllr Sam Casey-Rerhaye, South Oxfordshire District Councillor for Sandford & the Wittenhams, at the opening of the new cycle hub and e-bike charging facilities at Wittenham Clumps.

for e-bikes. Together they provide space for 12 bicycles, more than doubling the cycle parking previously available at the Visitor Centre.

Each shelter has a living sedum roof, designed to provide habitat for pollinators and other wildlife. The facilities are part of Earth Trust's wider aim of making improvements that benefit both visitors and the natural environment.

The £29,000 project was supported by £14,500 from South Oxfordshire District Council's Capital Grant Scheme and £1,000 from Greenham Trust. Earth Trust hopes the new facilities will encourage more visitors, staff and volunteers to choose active travel.

The cycle hub was officially opened by Cllr Sam Casey-Rerhaye, South Oxfordshire District Councillor for Sandford & the Wittenhams, alongside Earth Trust Operations Director Dave Lewis, Earth Trust Trustee Robin Tucker and Martin Cuddy, Secretary of the Culham Bicycle Users Group.

The cycle facilities are one element of the larger Gateway to Nature project, which includes improved walking and cycling access, new waymarked routes, a visitor café and hub, adventure and nature play, and expanded parking. The project aims to improve access to Wittenham Clumps while balancing public access with nature recovery, heritage conservation and sustainable land management.

New primary school opens in Wallingford

A new St Nicholas CE Primary School has opened at the Highcroft development in Wallingford, marking the next

stage in plans to expand primary education in the town.

The school has moved from its former site to a new purpose-built building and is now expanding its age range from infants to become a full primary school for children aged 3–11.

A new Year 3 cohort has joined the school this September, with Years 4, 5 and 6 due to be added over the following three years. The move is part of a wider change to primary education in Wallingford, with Fir Tree Junior School also becoming an all-through primary school.

Police warn over damage to heritage sites

Police have reported a rise in heritage crime in Wallingford, including damage and trespassing at historic sites.

Thames Valley Police says there has been a slight increase in reports during the past month and has highlighted continued trespassing at the former Carmel College site and other abandoned buildings. Officers say some of the sites contain serious safety hazards, including unstable structures and collapsed flooring.

Police have made several arrests in connection with offences by trespassers and are working with landowners and other agencies to prevent further damage to historic buildings and monuments. Parents and carers are also being asked to be aware of where young people are going and to discuss the risks of entering restricted or unsafe sites.

Goring drops Battle Road Quiet Lane plan

Goring Parish Council has withdrawn its proposal for Battle Road to become a Quiet Lane, following concerns raised by residents.

The parish council had put the road forward for Oxfordshire County Council's Quiet Lane programme, which is intended to restrict most motor traffic on selected rural roads. However, on 17 September the council confirmed that it would no longer continue with the application.

The council says work to encourage walking and cycling in the area will continue, including proposals for cycling infrastructure and a vehicle-restricted route connecting Goring with Wallingford.

A rare visitor drops in on Cholsey

Birdwatchers in Cholsey have had an unusual visitor this month, with a Cattle Egret spotted in a field near the village.

The white heron-like bird was seen in a cattle field opposite the school on 11 September. It is only the fifth recorded sighting of the species in Cholsey, making it a particularly notable local find.

Police Commissioner Update

Matthew Barber

Waste crime knows no boundaries

We have seen the huge impact of large scale waste crime here on our doorstep with the massive illegal dump near Kidlington which has cost the Environment Agency millions of pounds to clear up. More arrests have already been made in this case and the investigation into others continues.

It is not just these huge waste sites that are the problem though. Each year across the country there are over a million incidents of fly-tipping and many of these have serious consequences for victims. Often landowners, large and small, are left with the clean up costs and the problem of disposing of someone else's waste.

In Oxfordshire the problem has only been exacerbated by the changes made to our local tips. The County Council's new policy for our local household waste recycling centres is making it harder for many residents to legitimately get rid of their waste, and that can play into the hand of organised criminals.

Thames Valley Police regularly work with local authorities and with the Environment Agency on joint operations to tackle waste criminals. Sometimes operating as seemingly legitimate businesses - some even have waste carrier licenses - these criminals are not just responsible for fly-tipping, but are often linked to other forms of organised crime.

They operate across borders, and so must the enforcement. Thames Valley Police's Rural Crime Taskforce frequently operates in London and



neighbouring counties to identify and apprehend those responsible for fly-tipping, rural crime and other offending locally across Oxfordshire.

The impact of fly-tipping can be significant. It is not just an inconvenience but can land the victim with a bill for thousands of pounds to safely remove someone else's waste. In the coming months I hope to be able to announce a pilot project across Vale of White Horse and South Oxfordshire that will allow victims to claim support to deal with some of the costs of the clear up.

This will help victims financially as well as helping to protect our local environment. The intention of the scheme is to increase reporting of fly-tipping incidents and increase the chance of catching those responsible.

Local Services



Wallingford Local Producers Market

WPLM is a regular event in many people's calendar.

Based at St Mary-le-More, it's their weekly fix of fresh vegetables, cheese, cakes, bakes, coffee and lots of foody treats.

Inside there's even more, with handmade arts and crafts by local makers; there really is something for everyone. All the food and crafts are made locally and the market has a warm and welcoming community feel.

So if you haven't found it yet, go and visit on a Saturday morning between 10am and 12.30pm.

Starting in March, the market will also be in the Market Place on every first Saturday of the month with extended hours between 10am and 1pm (except 1st week of Sept).



Wallingford Country Market

Open each Friday morning in St. Mary-le-More Church, (situated just behind the Town Hall), 9.30 - 12 noon.

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

Local Services

Wallingford Emergency Food Bank

We are a registered charity providing emergency food packages to people in need in the Wallingford area. Established by Churches Together in 2011, we welcome volunteers of any faith or none, and support anyone facing food insecurity.

Our address is

Wallingford Emergency Foodbank

Ridgeway Community Church

21b/22 St Mary's St

Wallingford

OX10 0EW

Demand has grown from around 400 people in our first year to approximately 6,000 people annually. We rely entirely on volunteers and donations from the public, churches and local organisations.

If you need help, would like to volunteer or can donate, visit wallingfordfoodbank.org.uk or email ridgewayfood@outlook.com.



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	MORNING	MIDDAY
GORING Railway Station Forecourt	08:54	12:10
Goring Library	08:56	12:12
Streatley, Swan Hotel / The Bull	08:57	12:13
Moulsford Beetle & Wedge	09:02	12:18
Moulsford Old Vicarage	09:03	12:19
Wallingford Hospital	R	R
Wallingford LiDL	R	R
WALLINGFORD Market Place	09:15	12:30

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WALLINGFORD, Market Place	11:45	14:30
Wallingford station (LiDL)	Q	Q
Wallingford Hospital	11:47	14:32
Moulsford, Old Vicarage	R	R
Moulsford Beetle & Wedge	11:55	14:40
Streatley, The Coombe	R	R
Streatley Traffic Lights (bus shelter)	12:00	14:45
Swan Hotel	R	R
Goring River Bridge (o/s Pierreponts)	R	R
Glebe Ride (hail and ride zone)	R	R
Cleeve Road (hail and ride zone)	R	R
Milldown Avenue Top	12:05	14:50
Lockstile Way	12:06	14:51
GORING Railway Station Forecourt	12:10	14:55



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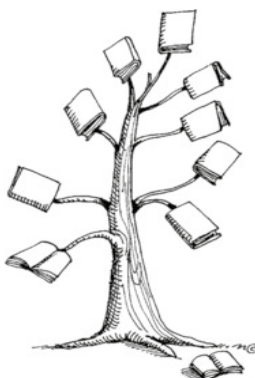
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Cholsey Community Library

Monday to Friday:
2 - 4.30pm

Friday (Evening): 6 - 8pm

Saturday (Morning): 9.30 - 12.30pm



Goring Library

Books, eBooks, audiobooks, newspapers, free Wi-Fi, computers, printing and more. A welcoming community space with regular events and activities.

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Opening hours:

Mon 2-5pm | Tue 9am-12.30pm & 2-7pm
| Wed Closed | Thu & Fri 9am-12.30pm & 2-5pm
| Sat 9.30am-1pm | Sun Closed

Station Road, Goring RG8 9HA

Useful Contacts

Moulsford Parish Council

Website: <http://www.moulsford-pc.org.uk>



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WEEKDAYS	Monday – Friday up to 6.00pm	£16 / hour	£19.50 / hour
WEEKDAY EVENINGS	Monday – Thursday after 6.00pm	£19.50 / hour	£26.00 / hour
WEEKENDS	Friday after 6.00pm through Saturday and Sunday	£21.50 / hour	£29.00 / hour
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