

# The Villager

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

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We also tracked down photographs of the village and stories of the families here before and at the time of WW1: wartime weddings, hardships, separation, loss and homecoming.



## Greywell WW1 Heritage Research Project



Earlier in the year, a successful application was made to the Heritage Lottery Fund and we have been awarded a generous grant to carry out research and hold WW1 commemoration events here in the village.

Our research centred on the 36

men from  
Greywell who

served in the conflict, with particular focus on the 5 who never returned.

We have discovered some remarkable stories and would like to share them. Over the coming weeks our Facebook Page and Website will feature their stories and other information we have found. Our events in November will be to honour their memory.



## Commemoration Events at Greywell Village Hall

7th and 8th November 2015

(Programme and timings to be notified)

- WW1 Workshops and information
- WW1 Historian and battlefield expert
- The Greywell men who served in WW1
- Photo Exhibition -Greywell at the time of WW1
- Dedication of a new war memorial
- Static displays
- Poppy tribute

Please come and learn more about our  
village WW1 heritage

[www.greywell.info](http://www.greywell.info)

<https://www.facebook.com/Greywellmen>



# Mapledurwell & Up Nately

**The next Up Nately Coffee Morning** will take place on Friday 11th September from 10-12 noon at Elmwood. Contact Sue 763 025.



**Maple Tea & Cake gathering**  
Host Hilary Ellison at Crosswater Cottage, Frog Lane, on Monday 14th September at 3pm. All welcome, but please let Hilary know, please ring on 478 810.



**Next Parish Council meeting**  
Wednesday 9th September in the Village Hall Committee Room from 8pm. Everyone is very welcome to attend.

**Pond clearing Sunday 6th at 5pm..** Note later time.

MAPLEDURWELL  
**REGATTA**  
  
3PM SUNDAY,  
13TH SEPTEMBER  
VILLAGE POND  
OPEN TO CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN  
OF VILLAGERS FROM MAPLEDURWELL  
AND ANDWELL

<b>RACE CATEGORIES:</b> + 5 years and under + Plastic Bottle + 6 inches and under + Fruit and veg + Boys will be boys (watered down to Blue category only) + The Fenelope Edwards fantasy boat	Please return trophies to Lucy Mace (Jasmine Cottage)  Pond clearing: 5pm Sunday, 6th September. All hands welcome!!
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MAPLEDURWELL & UP NATELY  
**HARVEST LUNCH**  
to celebrate harvest home  
will be held on  
**SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER**  
at 12.30PM  
In the gardens of  
**UPPER HOUSE FARM  
UP NATELY**  
TICKETS  
£5 EACH - UNDER 6s GO FREE  
AVAILABLE FROM JO BUTLER:  
01256 765 358 or butler\_j7@sky.com  
there will be a donation bar on the day




**VILLAGE HALL**  
**Family Rounders Saturday 5th September at 3pm**  
  
Come and join us for a fun afternoon of Rounders at the Village Hall Sports Field. Put those bowling, batting & fielding skills to the test. All ages welcome and catered for. Refreshments available - Pimms & Afternoon Tea - Adults £1, Children no charge. For details contact jules@cresswood.net.

**THE VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**Will be held on Monday 14th September at 7.30pm in the Committee Room** Please come and support us. This is your opportunity to let us know what kind of events you would like us to organise!

## YOU're the ONES that WE WANT! 70S & 80S DISCO NIGHT

**Saturday 3rd October  
7.30pm to Midnight**

**Professional DJ, Pay Bar  
Hot 'n' Tasty Burgers & Hot Dogs**

**Tickets £10 in advance (includes a drink)**  
from Penny Groves, Di Lewis, Julie Viney, Tats Webster, Janine Fisher, Paul Chamberlain...

**Info** pennygroves@btinternet.com



**FUTURE EVENTS** 28th November - Autumn Fair  
5th December - Children's Christmas party.

**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)

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**PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  
**New applications**  
15/02980/HSE (19th August) Kingfisher Tunworth Road Mapledurwell, Erection of two storey rear extension  
15/02829/LBC (11 August) Addisons Farm House Tunworth Road Mapledurwell. Repair and replacement of downpipes/guttering and installation of insulation to original part of roof.  
**Applications pending**  
15/02281/FUL (2nd July) Land Adjacent To Blae Grove House, Blae Grove Lane, Up Nately. Erection of a dwelling house, access, landscaping & associated infrastructure.  
15/02274/ROC (1st July) Andwell Brewing Company, Andwell Lane, Andwell. Variation of conditions 1 and 8 of 14/02982/FUL to allow amendments to the approved scheme.  
**Applications granted**  
15/02199/HSE (25th June) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Construction of pitched roof over existing flat roof extensions.  
15/02140/HSE (22nd June) Beaumont House, Heather Lane Up Nately. Erection of two storey front extension and single storey garage extension.

**HARVEST THANKSGIVING**  
There will be boxes in our Five Churches during September and October for donations of tinned and dried food and any non-perishable items for the Camrose Drop-in Centre for the homeless in Glebe Hall in Basingstoke - and donations of vegetables and fruit will be gratefully received for May Place House, the 21 bed hostel for the homeless in Basingstoke. And, with our very variable August weather, if you have a surplus of vegetables in your garden or allotment at this time and would like a good home for them, please contact me on 323 324 and I know that they will be very welcome at the May Place Hostel. Thank you. Patricia Stubbs.

## HYMNS AND PIMMS 29TH SEPTEMBER

It was 'standing room only' at St Stephen's on Bank Holiday Sunday evening as we gathered to celebrate the 300th anniversary of the founding of the two bells in the church tower with both hymns and a glass of Pimms!



The bells rang out before the service and the people responded from all five villages in our parish.

SingUp, our parish choir was in good voice and delighted us with two descants and an anthem, the *Carol of the Bells*, and we all sang *Ding Dong Merrily on High* and a *Bellringers Carol*. Juliet Wauchope read a poem, *Church Bells* by Malcolm Guite, and Sarah Hooper read *Don't Blame the Vicar* by John Betjeman.

Judging by the chatter and laughter afterwards, it had been an happy and enjoyable evening. Many thanks to Michael and Nicky van der Gucht and to Joyce Roberts for providing the refreshments after the service.



## INCREASE IN 'SCAM' CALLS

Dear residents

I have been informed of recent reports of attempted fraud in East Hampshire. In

one particular case a 90-year-old Alton man received a call claiming to be from Hammersmith Police. The victim was told someone had been detained for using his bank card – the victim was advised to call back to check the caller's identity, but again this was a scam as the call was not actually terminated. The victim became annoyed and hung up – no bank details were exchanged during the phone call and no money was taken – others have not been so fortunate.

Another telephone scam involved a call to a Herriard man informing him his bank has a refund for him. Advised if he wished to claim the refund he was to press button 5 on his telephone and if he had received a refund he was to press button 9. I suspect that both may lead into very expensive calls and are NOT from any bank. Our resident did the right thing and just hung up.

In other cases victims have been told that there are fake bank notes in circulation that should be withdrawn for safe

keeping and forensic testing. We believe that in at least one case locally a victim has handed over money, after being told it needed to be forensically examined. A courier arrived at their home address.

A number of different male and female voices may be used as part of the scam; individuals may also try to deceive you by pretending to transfer you to a specific person. The callers often ask for victims to hand over their bank card and details to a courier or to attend a bank to withdraw cash. It is likely that they are using online phone directories, in which they can search age ranges as well as regions, to select their elderly victims. A number of calls proved that the caller had the home address of the victim. An identification or reference number may be also be offered or the victim may be prompted to enter a pin number into their handset. It's important to not do this or offer any information if you are not sure of the identity of the caller.

I can confirm that the Police would NEVER cold call and ask you to produce cash for an officer or a courier.

Hampshire Constabulary offers the following advice:

- Never give out personal information about your bank account to anybody over the phone.
- Never give out your PIN in any form
- If someone calls claiming to be a police officer, ask for their identification number and police force. Advise that you will call them back using the 101 number and hang up. Call back from a different phone if possible or wait at least 10 minutes to ensure they have not left the line open.
- If you have given information which could compromise your bank account security in any way, call your bank to cancel your cards as soon as possible.
- Never hand over money to someone at the door to be sent off elsewhere.
- If someone comes to your door claiming to be a police officer or staff member, always ask for identification and make a note of their identification number. Ask them to wait while you verify their identity. Close the door and call 101. Dial 999 if it is an emergency.

## M3 J6 BLACK DAM SEPTEMBER CLOSURES

Closures will take place in September to allow the installation of the overhead sign gantries.

**Monday 14 September (10pm to 6am)  
M3 Spur (northbound)**

**Tuesday 15 September (10pm to 6am)  
A30 Ringway South (eastbound)**

**Wednesday 16 September (10pm to 6am)  
A339 (north and southbound)**

Signed diversion routes will be in place. It is currently expected that the sign gantry over the A30 London Road will be installed in mid-October.

PDetails of this project are available on the Highways England website: [www.highways.gov.uk/m3blackdam](http://www.highways.gov.uk/m3blackdam)



## POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents,

I am pleased to report that we have had only three reported crimes between July 16th and August 27th. These were an assault allegation in Nately Scures, a making off without paying a hotel bill also in Nately Scures and the theft of a blue plastic cray fish trap from the River Loddon in Andwell between 5pm on August 7th and 5pm on August 8th. If anyone can assist with any information please give me a call direct, as always all information is strictly confidential.

I also have received an alarming report of a fire fuelled BBQ being found in a field of standing corn. Obviously the implications of this are considerable, with the then dry weather and possible wind, fire in the field could have caused a major incident and put all around at risk. I ask residents not to venture onto private farmland for any reason and especially for BBQs or anything else involving fire.

On a similar note, I ask local residents to please report any sightings of men with lurcher dogs seen in the stubble fields. Sadly this time of year will see an increase in illegal hare coursing where dogs will be set to chase and often catch and kill hares in the fields. This act was made illegal in 1839 with the passing of the Game Act and re-informed with the Hunting Act. Please do not challenge these people simply call the Police and allow us to attend and hopefully catch them in the act.

Also I wish to make you aware of a crime increase within the northern Basingstoke rural area in and around Kingsclere, and Wootton Hill. We have seen several shed burglaries and similar thefts during the year, however, of late I have noticed that such crimes are gradually moving south with an increase reported in the Overton, Oakley, Sherbourne St John areas, my deepest concern is that the criminal element will be looking to focus on our area in due course and I again appeal to all residents to please make sure your sheds and outbuildings are secure and alarmed if possible. Please record serial numbers and take photographs of valuable items and please continue to report any suspicious people, vehicles or incidents.

Regarding the Police restructure, I understand that local representatives are, at the time of writing, still in talks with the Police & Crime Commissioner.

Many thanks, and if you need my assistance please contact me as below.

Andrew Reid, Local Beat Officer

Tel 01256 389 050 07768 776 844

[andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk)

# Newnham & Nately Scures



**'Ride & Stride'**  
Saturday September 12th. Walk or cycle to our beautiful old Hampshire churches.

Money raised is shared between your local church and the HIHCT charity. For more information see [www.hihct.org.uk](http://www.hihct.org.uk) or talk to Nancy Bell 762 104.

**Old House at Home** according to latest news is to be sold as part of a group and the outcome of a potential sale is pending. In the meantime the pub has been registered by Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council as an 'Asset of Community Value'.

## HARVEST SUPPER

**Newnham Clubroom on Friday 2nd October 7.30pm**

**Residents of Newnham & Nately Scures, please contact Nicole Snow [nicolesnow@hotmail.com](mailto:nicolesnow@hotmail.com) 07957 076 485 or Joanna Bell [joanna.bell1@gmail.com](mailto:joanna.bell1@gmail.com) – to confirm your place.**

Also please let Nicole know what dish you are bringing. For those who came last year, bringing the same dish may simplify things but please confirm.

**NEW THIS YEAR... RAFFLE HAMPERS**  
Nicole is organising three to four hampers for raffle prizes. Please don't bring a raffle prize this year; instead a £5 donation – which can be given to Nicole prior to or on the night – will enter you into the raffle. Additional raffle tickets can be bought on the night.

*Please bring your own crockery and cutlery; wine will be on sale. Look forward to seeing you there.*



**NEWNHAM CLUBROOM is for hire**

Please visit [newnhamclubroom.org.uk](http://newnhamclubroom.org.uk) for availability, booking and further information. Prices from £12 per hour inclusive. Tables and chairs may be borrowed for use at your own venue for £3 and 50p respectively – hirer collects. For any further info please call Rosemary on 07435 782 122.

**Hook Scottish Country Dance Club**

Come for fun, fitness and friendship.

**Held every Thursday from 7.30pm in the Clubroom – NOTE EARLIER TIME.**

Beginners and experienced dancers welcome. For details contact Kate 762 982.



**ST NICHOLAS' NEWNHAM**

## BBQ ON THE GREEN

The VCC (Village Church Committee) warmly invites you all to join us on Saturday 12th September starting at 4pm

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, so to help with catering, if you haven't yet done so please contact Carolyn to let her 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' 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!

## UNITED PARISH SUMMER FUN DAY

'Noah's Fun Day' 27th August at St Swithun's & Miller's Ark – see *Church Notices* for report and more pictures.

PHOTOS Jane Leese and Linda Scard



## PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### New application

15/02861/HSE (10th August)  
Willowdene, Scures Hill, Nately Scures. Installation of an above ground calor gas tank to the front of the property. 1,200 litre capacity tank.

The footprint of the tank is 2m x 1m

15/02632/HSE Kimian, Newnham Road, Newnham. Erection of two storey side and rear extensions following demolition of existing garage and garden store/WC.

15/02567/HSE and 15/02568/LBC (listed building consent) The Coach House, Newnham House, Ridge Lane, Newnham. Proposed new Garden Store / garage with proposed alteration works to existing flat within

### Application pending

15/01949/FUL Newnham Edge, Tylney Lane, Newnham (3rd July). Erection of double garage and workshop in association with the development approved under 15/00170/FUL (new three bedroom dwelling and change of use of land, agricultural to residential).

## RESEARCHING FAMILY HISTORY...

'As Stan Foster's elder son I was interested to read the article on 'Researching Family History' in the August *Villager* [Greywell pages].

'The three brothers, Howard, Ralph and Edward, indeed established Fosters' Yard. Stan Foster and his older brother Gordon lived at Water End and were cousins of those three.

'Gordon farmed there until a dual carriageway was built through the farm buildings in the 1960s. Thereafter he spent some years as landlord of the Red Lion Inn (now the Y Knot), before retiring to Lyme Regis. He was also a gamekeeper and I can remember many Christmas period shoots enjoying a lovely warming meal half way through the day at the Greywell Fox & Goose (though these Fosters were no relation).

Stan was a keen cricketer. He was a founder member of Hook & Newnham Cricket Club, helping to carve the current King George V ground out of common land. From 1947 to the 1980s he was a pillar of the Club, fulfilling the roles of Groundsman, Captain, Secretary and Treasurer. Sometimes he occupied 2 or 3 of these roles at once, establishing the Club on a sound financial basis, including its resurrection after a fire in the 1970s. He received the Duke of Edinburgh's Torch Award for services to cricket.

'All the Fosters were keen cricketers. At one time in the 1970s, there were seven Fosters in the Hook first team!

'I'm afraid that we are no help to Pam Richards concerning her family history, but it is interesting that our families share the same surname.'

Mike Foster

## Proposed Solar Farm, Wildwood Farm, Old Basing

15/02465/ENSC (14th July 2015) Land at Wildwood Farm, Newnham Lane Old Basing. Request for screening opinion for a proposed solar farm

This application is from 'Lightsource Renewable Energy Ltd' requesting a 'screening option' to assess if an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) will be required to accompany a planning application for a proposed 'solar farm'.

The site is 14.08ha (36 acres) lying to the east of Old Basing and north of the railway line, largely enclosed – says the Basingstoke & Deane Planning Officer's report – by mature woodland belts and hedgerows.

The Case Officer concluded that an EIA will not be required as 'the development proposed is unlikely to have significant environmental impacts on the landscape character and visual amenity of the area'.

According to Lightsource the land will also be grazed by sheep thus keeping it in agricultural use.

The proposal is for 'Solar PV panels mounted on fixed metal frames (max height 2.5metres) – inverters – transformers – on-site switchgear substations – communications building – perimeter security 2m high and CCTV cameras – suitable access for construction.

Lightsource held a public consultation meeting on 18th August in Old Basing Village Hall.



It is apparent that the solar panels have to be delivered via one end of Newnham Lane or the other – see proposed routes map. 'Access during the construction period will be limited to 40ft containers and construction and use (C&U) vehicles.' Access from the east will bring the deliveries from M3 J5 via Old School Road and Newnham Road; the alternative is via Pyotts Hill, Great Binfields Road and the A33 and A339 back around to Black Dam and J6.

Any further information will be posted on the website at parishofnewnham.org.uk .

## PROPOSED SOLAR FARM at WILDWOOD FARM



Access Route



## Rowan Lodge Nursing Home

- We have our super Mike Hammer here on Saturday 12th to woo the audience at 2pm.
- Tuesday 15th September we have the return of Alan Poulton at 2pm.
- Saturday 19th September a fun filled afternoon at 2pm with Ian Kimber.
- On Saturday 26th September at 6pm we are holding an opera evening, a fantastic opportunity for residents to dress up to the nines! Everyone is most welcome to come along to Rowan Lodge and join us in the fun.

**Friday 25th September we are taking part in the Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning (2pm!) so please do come along and support a very worthy cause. I shall see if all the secret bakers here will put their cake making talents to good use again! It will be great to see some of you so join us for a coffee, and lots of cake!**

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September has crept up on us already... Soon have to think of dare I say it... Christmas!! Lots to look forward to this September.

## HOOK PLANNING APPLICATIONS

*Application for 'Baristas Coffee House & Bistro'*  
15/01905/PRIOR (14th August) Casa Flora, Station Road, Hook. Application for assessment of requirement for prior approval for change of use of the existing A1 (Retail) to A3 (Restaurants and Cafes) Open for Comment until 14th September.

*Brownfield Development...*

15/01603/FUL (3rd July) Landata House, Station Road, Hook. Redevelopment of the site to provide 78 residential flats with associated car parking, landscaping and vehicular and pedestrian access.

15/01917/PREAPP (19th August) Greenwell Providence House, 2 Bartley Wood Business Park, Hook. Seventy one flats and commercial floor space at ground floor level comprising 170sqm of doctors' surgery; 337sqm of nursery; 90sqm coffee shop and 236 sqm of retail floor space.

*Solar panels... (17.9 hectares)*

15/01614/FUL Trimmers Farm, Totters Lane, Hartley Wintney (17th August) Temporary construction intended to stand for 25 years of a ground mounted solar array having a generating capacity of 10MWp with ancillary equipment including inverter cabinets, transformers and a sub-station. Open for Comment until 17th Sept.



Whitewater C of E  
Primary School  
The Street, Rotherwick

### JUMBLE SALE

**Saturday 19th September**

Items may be left at the school on  
Friday 18th 3-5pm or  
Saturday 19th 8am-12noon

**Sale starts 2pm**

Entrance £1 Adults, under 16s free  
Refreshments and bouncy castle  
(weather permitting)

All enquiries lottiegirling@hotmail.com

## The Odiham Society



*Speaker evenings, The Cross Barn Odiham, Talks start at 7.45 Non member welcome £3*

**Friday September 11th**

**RAF Odiham's role in WW2**

Speaker Joel Diggle based at RAF Odiham

## N WARNBOROUGH & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

Next meeting Thursday 24th September 2.10 for a 2.30pm start. Speaker Marina Christopher on 'Late Summer Flowers'. Competitions: 1. Three Stems of Fuchsias; 2. An Arrangement in Hues of Yellow, Orange and Bronze; 3. Three Tomatoes. Further information 01252 843848.

# Greywell



## LIBRARY COFFEE MORNINGS

Coffee in the Village Hall 10-11am on Saturday 5th September, 3rd & 31st October. The Library van will be outside the Village Hall 10am - 10.30.

## THE TEAPOT CAFE

will be open 3 - 4pm on Tuesdays 22nd September and 20th October. If you need a lift please call Jackie Giles 702 859.



## ST MARYS GREYWELL



Our heartfelt thanks to Ernest Holden who has retired after over 40 years' devoted service as Verger at St Mary's.

Ernest moved to Anne's Cottage with his family in October 1968! He has lovingly and faithfully prepared and attended all our services and cleared up afterwards. Without his unstinting devotion and example our church and worship would have been greatly diminished.

From us all 'Thank you Ernest'.



'Ride and Stride' Saturday 12th September, walk or cycle to our beautiful old Hampshire churches... Money raised is shared between your local church and the HIHCT charity. See [www.hihct.org.uk](http://www.hihct.org.uk) or talk to Libbie Bromfield 702 978.

Next VCC meeting 6.30pm Tuesday 22nd September at Lady Nell's house.

The Village & Churchyard Tidyup is on Saturday am 26th September.



There is no September Family service as the Harvest weekend is the 3rd and 4th October.

Harvest decorating is on the Saturday 3rd and the Service (11am) followed by Lunch is on Sunday 4th October. Please keep a space in your diary. Collections will be in aid of The Mead children's home in Odiham

## VILLAGE HALL



Advance notice...

**CURRY NIGHT!**  
Saturday 19th September

Village Hall hire [isabel.pound@hotmail.com](mailto:isabel.pound@hotmail.com) or [alibarbarer@aol.com](mailto:alibarbarer@aol.com).

Marquee hire (Greywell residents) [mike@cmburnside.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:mike@cmburnside.fsnet.co.uk).

The Village Hall Committee also hires out a marquee, tables, glasses and a spit roast for Villagers' use.

## BEETLEDRIIVE

By popular demand The Greywell Ringers are hosting another fun evening of Beetledrive mania.

Put the date, the time and the place in your diary now...

Saturday 10th October 7pm in Greywell Village Hall.

Your £7.50 ticket buys you an evening of fun and laughter, with light refreshments and entertainment in the interval.



Get your tickets now by calling or emailing Barbara Kimber. 07867 594 160 [kimberb@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kimberb@hotmail.co.uk) or by contacting any of the handbell team members.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

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## NOAH'S FUN DAY

Thirty children aged from just two weeks up to about 10 years from the United Parish enjoyed a fun-packed day on Thursday 27th.

We gathered at 11 at St Swithun's and started our day at Miller's Ark where the children had great fun feeding the animals, holding and stroking the small furry ones and getting into the pens with the pigs, goats, donkeys and even the great big cart horse. After a ride on Loobie Loo we enjoyed a lovely cooked lunch from the Millers Ark kitchens. Next was a play time in the straw climbing over bales and swinging on the horse shaped swings. We then headed back to the church to hear the story of Noah and his ark and to sing some songs; having set the scene we built an ark and lots of animals, and painted a lovely mural to decorate the gallery. Next we let off steam during Noah's Olympics and a treasure hunt in the church yard. After tea we finished the day with a short prayer sitting on bales around the enormous ark built by Sam.



We are particularly grateful to the team at Miller's Ark whose attention to detail was superb. We were also overwhelmed with the support for our first 'Messy Church' day from all our parishioners who provided the cardboard boxes and tubes for our afternoon of crafts and modelling. Sonya and Patrick from Nately Scures very kindly provided a well-earned tea to conclude our busy day. Sincere thanks also to Newnham Parish Council for its funding contribution. It was a lovely mix of old and young coming together for this community event and fortunately the rain held off so we did not need to escape in our ark!

RESEARCHING FAMILY HISTORY... See Newnham pages for follow-up to Pam Richard's article in last month's Villager.



## From the Parish Registers...

### Holy Baptism

August 2nd at St Mary's Greywell  
Imogen McDougall-Bell of North  
Warnborough

August 15th at St Mary's Greywell  
Rocco McAndrew

We welcome them into the family of  
the church.

### Holy Matrimony

August 1st at St Mary's Greywell:  
Tom Hoyne and Rebecca Degiorgio

August 8th at St Mary's Greywell:  
blessing of the marriage of Andrew  
and Onuma Fleming

We congratulate both couples on  
their wedding.

### Funeral services

August 3rd at Basingstoke  
Crematorium: Ted Bartlett of Water  
End. We send our love and  
sympathy to his family.

## Church Dates in September

- 6 Sunday 2.30pm Baptism at St  
Stephen's of Verity Preece
- 9 Weds 7.30pm Deanery Synod at  
Sherfield with Archdeacon Paul Moore
- 12 Sat 4pm Newnham BBQ on the Green
- 14 Mon 7.15pm SingUP rehearsal St Swithun's
- 16 Tuesday 8pm Newnham VCC
- 16 Weds 8pm PCC at Mapledurwell VH
- 20 Sunday 2.30pm Maple & Up Nately  
Harvest Lunch
- 22 Tuesday 6.30pm Greywell VCC
- 28 Monday 6.30pm Nately Scares VCC
- 29 Tuesday 6.30pm Up Nately VCC

**Hold the date for our next event  
on Monday 21st December at  
Greywell Village Hall and the  
Living Nativity at Miller's Ark in  
early December to be confirmed**

## HARVEST FESTIVALS

September and early October are  
our Harvest months in the United  
Parish. These family friendly ser-  
vices have popular hymns and an  
emphasis on thanking God for his  
goodness and our farmers for their  
commitment and hard work.

Mapledurwell September 20th 9.30am  
Nately Scares September 20th at 6pm  
Up Nately September 27th at 9.30am  
Greywell October 4th at 11am  
Newnham October 4th at 4.30pm.

Please bring along produce as your  
thanksgiving offering and this will  
be given to the Camrose Centre in  
Basingstoke, feeding the homeless  
and vulnerable in the town and to  
The Mead children's home. There  
will also be collecting boxes in each  
of the churches to receive your  
gifts throughout September.

## HARVEST LUNCHEES & SUPPER

Mapledurwell and Up Nately  
Harvest Lunch Sept 20th at 12.30  
Newnham Harvest Supper on  
Friday October 2nd from 7.30pm

Greywell Harvest Lunch on  
October 4th.

## Mid-Week Holy Communion

Thursday September 17th 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 conver-  
sation before we go home! Please  
do come along. If you would like a  
lift, or for more information, please  
call Revd Jane (765 547).

## House Groups

We begin our new season of House  
Groups on Wednesday September  
2nd, with one group meeting at  
2pm in Greywell and the other at  
8pm in Mapledurwell. We shall be  
looking at The Sermon on the  
Mount and seeing how that can  
influence and help us in the way  
we live today. We'd love to wel-  
come some new faces from across  
the five villages to our groups.  
Please speak to either Revd. Jane  
or Revd Linda for more details.

# From The Rectory

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Dear Friends

Thank you so much for all your lovely comments and appreciation of last month's letter. My reflections on our holiday in the Scilly

Isles seem to have stirred up quite a lot of memories of your own holidays there over the years. It is certainly a very beautiful part of our country.

By the time you read this we will have had another week away, this time in Suffolk. Our younger daughter lives in Bury St Edmunds, so for part of the time we shall be staying with Lizzy and Paul and their menagerie (Hugo the cat and Hank the dog!) and also visiting some other friends who live nearby. But we are also going to base ourselves in Woodbridge for a few days to see a different part of that county. I have long wanted to walk along the beach at Aldeburgh that inspired Benjamin Britten to write so much of his music and we have also booked for a concert at Snape Maltings. And, although I am an Essex girl by birth, I have never visited Constable Country on the Essex/Suffolk border – so that is on our agenda too.

I am fascinated by etymology – the origins of our words – and I have been musing on the word 'holiday'. Today holidays are all about recreation and relaxation, and usually about seeking to do things that give us personal pleasure. But the word obviously derives from 'holy-day': a time when the festivals of the church determined when people should and should not be at work, a time for duty perhaps, a time for focussing on the holy, on God. But our modern idea of a good holiday fits much more closely with the American use of the word vacation, and similarly the French, les vacances. This is usually about freedom from duty, time for vacating or emptying one's life of all the usual routine, making room for leisure and enjoyment.

At first glance the use of these two different words might seem to be

contradictory – one only concerned with personal satisfaction, the other with looking to God. And yet it is only when we step away from all the things that tend to preoccupy our daily lives, whether that is work outside or within the home, family commitments, hobbies and the like, that we find the space and the time to get to know God around us and within us. And so both words come together as we need to take a vacation, away from it all, in order to have a truly God centred holy-day!

Which is not to say that God is not in all the little details and all the busy activity of our daily lives – of course he is. Every day is a holy day and every place is a holy place: we're just sometimes too busy to see God at work all around us or to feel his presence. I've been lucky with my time away this summer but even if you are staying at home, still carrying on with your usual routine, I would encourage you to find a few moments every day to stop and remember that God is with you and that he loves you. And that will be your own mini holy-day – everyday!

With my love

Revd Jane Leese

*Jane*

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If you are interested in any of the books, please let Joanna know which and how much you would like to offer. Joanna can advise on payment and arrange to deliver.

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## Diary dates September

- 5 Greywell Coffee and Mobile Library
- 5 M&UN Rounders & Afternoon Tea
- 6 Mapledurwell Pond clearing 10am
- 9 M&UN Parish Council meeting 8pm
- 11 Up Nately Coffee morning 10 to 12
- 11 Odiham Society speaker 7.45pm RAF Odiham's role in WW2, Cross Barn
- 12 Historic Churches Ride & Stride
- 12 BBQ on Newnham Green 4pm
- 13 Mapledurwell Regatta 3pm Pond
- 14 Maple tea & cake gathering 3pm Crosswater Cottage
- 14 M&UN Village Hall AGM 7.30pm
- 19 Whitewater School Jumble Sale 2pm VH
- 19 Greywell Curry Night
- 20 M&UN Harvest Lunch 12.30pm
- 22 Tea Pot Cafe
- 24 N Warnborough Garden Club, Village Hall
- 24 Mother's Union AGM
- 25 Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee 'Morning' at Rowan Lodge 2pm
- 30 Greywell coffee and mobile library

## October

- 2 Newnham & Nately Scures Harvest Supper 7.30pm Clubroom
- 3 Greywell coffee and mobile library
- 3 70s & 80s Disco Night M&UN VH
- 4 Greywell Harvest Lunch
- 10 Greywell Ringers' Beetledrive 7pm VH
- 20 Tea Pot Cafe
- 31 Greywell coffee and mobile library

## Church Services

### September 6th

8am	Holy Com (BCP)	N Scures
9.30am	Holy Com (BCP)	Mapled
11am	Holy Com (CW)	Greywell
4.30pm	Pet Service	Newnham

### September 13th

8.30am	Holy Com (BCP)	Up Nately
9.30am	Holy Com (CW)	Maple
11am	Morning Service	Greywell
11.15am	Matins	Newnham

### September 20th

8.30am	Holy Com (BCP)	Greywell
9.30am	Harvest Festival	Maple
11am	Morning Prayer (sung)	Up Nately
6pm	Harvest Festival	N Scures

### September 27th

8.30am	Holy Com (BCP)	Newnham
9.30am	Harvest Festival	Up Nately
9.30am	Morning Prayer (sung)	Maple
11am	NO SERVICE	Greywell

*Note changes to the usual order of services due to Harvest Festivals.*

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## WHITWATER MOVIES

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**Please contact Rob Caird at [r.caird@btinternet.com](mailto:r.caird@btinternet.com) or David Millard at [dmillard48@gmail.com](mailto:dmillard48@gmail.com)**

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