



# Village Voice

The Newsletter of Stanton Harcourt & Sutton

October 2019

## October

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| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Parish Council                                 |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> | Litter Pick                                    |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> | Village Market & Cafe                          |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> | Sutton Singers – Singalong at the Village Hall |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> | FOSHS Halloween Party                          |

## November

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| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Guy Fawkes Blows up Parliament        |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>  | LWHS Talk – The Oxford of Morse       |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> | Charity Dance Marathon                |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | Armistice Day                         |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Watermill Theatre at the Village Hall |

## Village Market and Cafe

12 – 2 at the Village Hall on:  
12<sup>th</sup> October

Come on down to see a range of produce and crafts, enjoy a bite to eat at the café and catch up with your favourite villagers!



## Litter Pick & Village Maintenance

12<sup>th</sup> October 10am-12

Usually meet at the Village Hall, if plans change or tools required we'll let you know on the village Facebook page *and we'll see what we can get done before its time for tea at the market!*

**Please join us if you can** (*else come to the next one!*)

*Children are welcome but MUST be supervised by an Adult at all times*



## FOSHS Halloween Party 31<sup>st</sup> October

Halloween Disco is on  
Halloween Night from 4:30 - 6:30 with Trick and Treating after. There will be a pumpkin competition and the usual spooky crafts, food, drink and bar. Entry is free with crafts at pocket money prices. Fancy dress optional.



## Advent Windows

If you would like to join in with our annual Advent Windows please ring Carole on 01865 880416 to choose your date and give her your details. We need 24 families.

## Charity Dance Marathon!

Dust off your dancing shoes and dig out your leg-warmers for our Dance Marathon in the village hall on

**Sunday 10th November 4-7 p.m!**

Wear what you like, dance as long as you like, all for Teenage Cancer Trust and Cancer Research. Both adults and children are welcome (please ensure primary aged children are accompanied by an adult) and boogie along to a disco whilst raising money!

Entry is £5 per person, pay on the door.

There will be a bar, tuck shop and refreshments served throughout.

*Please come along and have fun! All welcome!*

*For further information contact Jenny Chivers 07810 521026 or Jane Fleet  
janefleet74@gmail.com*

## Sutton Singers

Singalong with the Musicals

**Saturday 19th October -6.30pm for 7pm sing**

At Stanton Harcourt Village Hall

Bring a picnic - Nibbles on tables

Bar by FOSHS

Adult Tickets £5 / 11 plus £3

Primary school Accompanied Children Free

All proceeds to FOSHS

Singing by Sutton Singers, Stanton Harcourt School and the audience!

**Sweet Charity**

**The Jungle Book**

**Oliver**

**Mama Mia! The**

**Mary**

**Poppins!**

**Lion King**

**THE SOUND OF MUSIC**

**....and much more!**

*For further information contact*

*Jan Tomlinson on 01865 881709*

*Or email janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com*

## Celebration of Life for Max Hilleard

We would like to acknowledge all those people who came to the Village Hall in Stanton Harcourt on 28<sup>th</sup> September for a Celebration of Life for our son Max, who died totally unexpectedly on 15 August. We found it the most moving event of our lives, not just because of the numbers of people who came but particularly because of the many things that were said about Max to us and the love that was expressed for him. It was an almost unbearably beautiful and tragic experience for us. We have been overwhelmed by the kindness of the Stanton and Sutton communities and we want you to know that we treasure every word of condolence and where there are no words, every hug.

We would also like to give a huge acknowledgement to the small army of helpers who worked so hard to make the event work so well. You know who you are and so do we, and we'll be contacting you individually in the next few days.

Finally, we'd like to express special thanks to Mike Parker and Steve Tuck for orchestrating events on the day with such sensitivity and aplomb. You were wonderful.

Gil Hilleard and Kate Mercer

## St Michael's Church 200 Club September draw

1<sup>st</sup> 149 G Gray

3<sup>rd</sup> 144 P Henton

2<sup>nd</sup> 155 M Spier

4<sup>th</sup> 170 G Mitchell

## Applying to Secondary School

Parent or carers of children born between 1 September 2008 and 31 August 2009 (inclusive) need to apply for a secondary school place for their children. From Thursday 5 September 2019 you can apply online for a secondary school place from this page. If you cannot apply online you can request a paper application form from schools or the School Admissions Team.

The deadline for receipt of secondary school applications is Thursday 31 October 2019.

The website for applications is:

[oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/secondary-school](http://oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/secondary-school)

**Drama Group** Details of auditions expected to be announced towards the end of October! Keep your eyes on the drama group's Facebook page or the Villagers Other Voice Facebook Group or email [steve@stantonharcourtdrama.com](mailto:steve@stantonharcourtdrama.com) to register your interest.

## Oil Central Heating?

Want to pay less for central heating oil or LPG (bulk or bottles)? Why not join Community First Oxon's Fuel Scheme and benefit from the power bulk buying? For further details visit

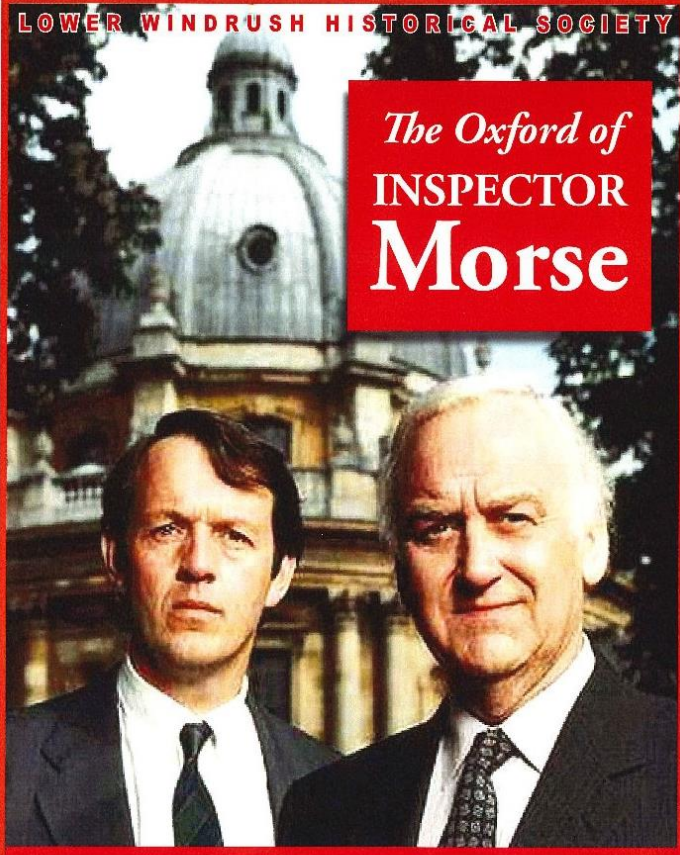
<http://www.communityfirstoxon.org/community-first-oil-lpg/oil/>

Or e-mail the local co-ordinator for Stanton Harcourt & Sutton ([pwjbartrip@gmail.com](mailto:pwjbartrip@gmail.com))

## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL 2019

This year's appeal will run from 26<sup>th</sup> October to 8<sup>th</sup> November. Spurred on by last year, the 2018 appeal raised £2000 from our village I am pleased to run the Stanton Harcourt and Sutton collection. Thank you all for making a donation. However, I am looking for extra help in house to house collection. **If you would like to join our small team by offering a few hours, if only collecting from your neighbours, I will provide all you need as well as support.** You do not have to be a member to help. Contact me on 883317 or [ajdyer61@hotmail.com](mailto:ajdyer61@hotmail.com).

*Alan Dyer Poppy Area Organiser EHE34 Stanton Harcourt and Sutton.*



LOWER WINDRUSH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*The Oxford of*  
**INSPECTOR  
Morse**

**A TALK BY ALASTAIR LACK**  
**Tues 5 Nov 2019 • 8pm • Standlake Village Hall**  
**On the door £3.50 • Members FREE**

## Home-made Christmas Cakes

No time to bake? Not confident to get it right? Expecting all the family round over Christmas? Look out for the order forms, for delicious home-made Christmas cakes, towards the end of October.

**The Remembrance Service** this year will be held on Sunday 10th November. Any enquiries about membership of the village branch of the Royal British Legion will be welcomed by the Secretary, Lucy Elphinstone 01865 881 664.



## Parish Council News

### Next Parish Council Meetings

7<sup>th</sup> October & 4<sup>th</sup> November, 7:30pm

### Litter Picking

Hayford Homes has provided the village with £200 worth of litter picking equipment. This was gratefully received by Steve Tuck and the litter pickers.

### OCC latest plans to address Congestion

Oxfordshire County Council and Oxford City Council have announced plans to tackle congestion on all major routes into Oxford and improve public transport connections into and across some parts of the city. The two councils specify that they want to make real improvement to journey times for commuters and quality of life for residents, including improved air quality, by reducing the number of cars travelling into and around the city. The key points of the Connecting Oxford proposal are:

- Restricting car traffic by introducing additional 'bus gates'
- New high frequency fast bus routes connecting neighbouring towns and the Park & Rides to Oxford's eastern arc
- New and improved cycle and walking routes
- A charge for workplace parking provided by larger employers which would help fund the proposed transport improvements. Discounts for the new bus services would be available for staff of employers paying the workplace parking levy

There appears to be no suggestion of reinstating bus services to isolated villages within this proposal. There is more information on the Connecting Oxford proposals available at [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/connectingoxford](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/connectingoxford) along with a short survey on the proposals. The deadline for submissions is 20th October 2019.

### Be prepared for winter weather

Are you prepared for severe weather conditions? Make sure you are ready for any snow, blizzards, fog, ice, frost, freezing, rain or hail. They can all cause disruptions to our daily lives. Although we cannot change the weather, we can be prepared for winter related emergencies inside the home or while you are out and about. Oxford County Council has a number of useful documents on their web site

This is also a good time for the Parish Council to ask for volunteers who would be willing to spread salt on high risk areas around the village. You don't have to be very strong to undertake this task. The aim is to have sufficient volunteers so that each one only need to look after a small area. If you are willing to volunteer please let our Parish Clerk ([trudigasser@rocketmail.com](mailto:trudigasser@rocketmail.com)) know.

### [www.pc.stantonharcourt.online](http://www.pc.stantonharcourt.online)

### Parish Council Information

All official communications should be addressed to the Parish Clerk: Trudi Gasser, 5 Woodlands, Standlake, Oxon, OX29 7RA.  
[trudigasser@rocketmail.com](mailto:trudigasser@rocketmail.com)

## From Oxfordshire to the Orne: Normandy 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary exhibition comes to the Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum

The exhibition will run from the 7th August – 3rd November 2019 and will end with a special collecting day on the 2nd November.

SOFO's 'We'll Meet Again'

Collections Day will encourage members of the public to bring objects to the museum and tell their stories of Oxfordshire from the Second World War to the 1970's. Any objects donated or loaned on the day will be used to form our Second World War and Reminiscence displays.

The Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum is open from Tuesday-Friday 10am-5pm, Saturday 11am-5pm and Sunday 2pm-5pm. The county's only military history museum is located in the grounds of the Oxfordshire Museum, Park Street, Woodstock.



## SAVE THE DATE

**SATURDAY 23rd NOVEMBER 2019**

### A Mini Summer Night's Dream by William Shakespeare adapted by Danielle Pearson

The Watermill Theatre present another evening of fun and entertainment at Stanton Harcourt Village Hall. This

professional touring company from Newbury unlock Shakespeare's enchanting play in a fast paced production with live music. It's Midsummer's night and things begin to come alive in the costume store backstage at the theatre. Sprites, fairies and young lovers collide in a comedy of magic and mischief. Over the course of one night, hearts are broken, vows are made and dreams are chased. Who will the young lovers' hearts be promised to when the dawn sun rises?

*Tickets £12, school aged £6 available from Lucy Heath on 07711 704475*

*or [lucy.heath1@gmail.com](mailto:lucy.heath1@gmail.com) or at the Village Shop from mid October.*



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This Month's Bird is Polly and she is a green parrot (obviously), or Green Parakeet officially. She's rather famous for serving with the pirates, including Dread Pirate Roberts, who in the latter years was a lady, Captain Julia! Who, tired of rich business men and took to the high seas for adventure. Green Parrots have learned some of the wild ways of their pirate friends and as a consequence are not an endangered species at all!



## Witney Music Society

The next series of Witney Music Society concerts starts in October. Details of all the concerts are on the Witney Music Society website and in its new brochure, copies of which may be obtained via the website or from the Visitor Information Centre and other locations throughout Witney.

The opening concert of the new season will be given by the Primrose Quartet who'll be performing works for piano quartet by Frank Bridge, Schumann, Saint-Saëns and Fauré. The concert is at 7.30pm on Friday 11 October.

Tickets (£12, £1 for under 19s) will be available at the door from 7pm or in advance online or in person from Greenway Antiques or Rapture in Witney. For more information please telephone 01993 702296 or visit the Witney Music Society

website [www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk](http://www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk)

## **SUTTON SINGERS**

### **Would you like to have a go at singing?**

No auditions or previous experience. Just an enthusiasm to have a go!!

Fabulous local singing teacher – **Lizzie Soden** leads our group.

Come along and join our friendly fun group if you fancy a go at singing songs from musicals and other popular songs - for more details please contact: Jan Tomlinson on

**01865 881709** or email

[janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com](mailto:janandpaultomlinson@gmail.com)

We meet on Tuesdays in the Sutton Methodist Chapel, New Road at 7pm, Sutton.

# Charity Race Night

**Saturday 12th October, 2019**  
**Eynsham Village Hall**  
Back Lane, Eynsham OX29 4QW  
First Race 7.30pm. Doors open at 7.00pm  
7 Video Races with Tote Betting,  
Licensed Bar

**Ticket Price £10** [includes 2 course meal - veggie option available]  
Book your table in advance - Tickets available from DIY Evenlode,  
Roy Wilkinson 07970 227364, Phil Spencer 01865 881025,  
Alan Longford 01865 464179

**ALL PROCEEDS TO LOCAL & ROTARY CHARITIES**

## Feeling Creative?

Come and join us in the Methodist Chapel on the first Saturday of the month and enjoy a variety of crafts. Make friends and try jewellery making, painting, card making, sewing etc.

10.30 – 2.00. Small donation to cover costs. Bring and share lunch.

*Mandy Cowell and Brenda Waring Creation Craft*

**Deadline for next issue is 20th of the Month**  
**[village-voice@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:village-voice@hotmail.co.uk)**

**AS ALWAYS – Thank you to this month's contributors, reviewers, & deliverers**

## Sutton Methodist Chapel

Contact: Rita Stockill ☎ 01865 880200

### September

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| Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> 10am | Coffee Morning                          |
| Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> 10am    | Informal Gathering                      |
| Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> 10am   | Mrs Margaret Broadberry                 |
| Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> 10am   | Rev'd Charles Harris inc Holy Communion |
| Sunday 27 <sup>nd</sup> 10am   | Service at Long Hanborough              |

**Coffee Morning – First Wednesday of each Month**  
**10.00–11.30 am. All welcome**

## St Michael's Church

The Lower Windrush Benefice is in the process of appointing a new Rector. During the period of vacancy, if you have any queries regarding a funeral, marriage or baptism at St Michael's, please contact Alison Shaw initially; 01865 300 615 [ali46pshaw@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ali46pshaw@yahoo.co.uk)

For all other queries please contact:

Gill Salway [salwaypg@btinternet.com](mailto:salwaypg@btinternet.com)

Jane Watts [jane.saddleback@talktalk.net](mailto:jane.saddleback@talktalk.net)

[www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org](http://www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org)

### October

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| 6 <sup>th</sup> 9:30   | Parish Communion (by extension) and Sunday School | Stanton Harcourt |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> 10:30 | Benefice Communion                                | <b>Standlake</b> |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> 9:30  | All Age Service                                   | Stanton Harcourt |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> 8:00  | Holy Communion (BCP)                              | Stanton Harcourt |

### November

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| Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> 19:00 | All Souls Day                      | Stanton Harcourt |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> 9:30           | Parish Communion and Sunday School | Stanton Harcourt |

## The Catholic Church of St Peter

**Abbey Street, Eynsham. The Catholic Church**  
**for Sutton & Stanton Harcourt**

**Fr Mark Lagorio**

☎ 01865 881613

✉ [stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com)

**Website:** [www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk](http://www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk)

### Weekend Services

Sunday Mass 10.00am with a Children's Liturgy

Saturday Mass 5pm

Bible Study after Mass on Wednesdays

Adoration after Mass on Fridays

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