

Weston - on - the - Green
Village News



The repaired Memorial Gates

October - November 2008

THE VILLAGE NEWS

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Welcome to the Autumn issue of the News. It is pleasing to report that after 15 months the churchyard memorial gate has finally been repaired. Many thanks to Julia White who has had the unenviable task of obtaining a faculty from the Church plus the co-ordination of insurance claims, and dealing with English Heritage. Patience is indeed a virtue, but so is staying calm and sane in the face of time consuming negotiations.

Many thanks also to all of the contributors for this issue.

Has anyone been watching 'The Restaurant' on telly, just a small glimpse of Ray's Caff so far but I did spot two village stalwarts in one episode. One was complaining about the lack of flavour and the other just looked serene.

Deadline for the December / January issue is 22nd November

OXFORDSHIRE MOBILE LIBRARY

Do you enjoy a good book? Why not visit our mobile library? It comes to Weston on alternate Tuesday's at 9:25am in the Village Hall car park. There is a good selection of books for both adults and children. Your free membership card can be used at any County library.

Dates: October 7th & 21st
November 4th & 18th

The BIG TIDY up

As part of a national "Keep Britain Tidy" campaign, the Parish Council are organising another Litter Picking morning on Saturday 11th October. If you are able to help please meet at the village hall at 10am. Gloves, bags and litter pickers will be provided.

Two wristwatches have been found in the playground in late August. A note was put in the post office but the watches have not been claimed. Please contact the village news and I will put you in contact with the finder.

The Revd Derek Walker
The Rectory, Alchester Road, Chesterton, Oxon. OX26 1UW
01869 369815 akemanbenefice@yahoo.com

'Have the mind of Christ'

Dear Friends,

While a curate in Rushden Northamptonshire, I buried a coachman. He had told me about the time he drove a horse and trap, taking his master from Rushden to Kettering. On the way, on a wet and windy day, the trap lost a wheel and rolled into a ditch. The coachman walked to Kettering, borrowed another horse and trap, went back to the scene, and then drove his master to Kettering. The staff at the Kettering house took the master back to Rushden at the end of the evening. On the way they passed the coachman trying to repair the wheel in the pouring rain. When the wheel was fixed, the coachman drove it back to Rushden, but was fired next morning for waking the master of the house as the horse and trap drove up to the house.

Hannah Bell, a PCC member in my church in New Ferry, filled in a form, saying that her occupation was a 'Professional servant.' At the age of 12 she was collected and taken by car to work at 'a big house.' Her whole life was one of 'servanthood.'

Frank, my trusty chaplain at the 8.00 at Chesterton prepares the holy table every month for communion, with a good and cheerful grace. He told me at the 8.00 HC today that he had been reading in Exodus before he came to the service about Moses the parting of the waters. His comments, and attitude set me thinking about this month's letter to you.

So what is all that about? We need to dirty our hands for Christ, we need to understand more what it means to be a servant for Christ, and we need to be willing to serve in unseen ways. As the Puritans would say, we need to be content with our station. And the reading this morning at 8.00....'Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant....'

My prayers,

Yours,

Derek

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Weston-on-the-Green

in the Akeman Benefice which includes:

Bletchington, Chesterton, Hampton Gay, Kirtlington,
Middleton Stoney, Wendlebury and Weston-on-the-Green parishes

Team Rector:	The Revd Derek Walker, The Rectory, Chesterton, Oxon, OX26 1UW Tel: 01869 369815	
Clergy Contact:	Derek's day off is Friday. The Churchwardens are also very willing to help or, be a point of contact in church matters.	
Churchwardens:	Julia White, Home Farm House, Church Lane	Tel: 01869 350723
	Robert Aldred, The Green's Cottage, North Lane	Tel: 01869 350326
Associate Priest:	The Revd Jane Hemmings, The Rectory, Kirtlington, OX5 3HA Tel: 01869 350224	

Services at St Mary's Weston on the Green in October and November

Oct 5 th	8.00	Holy Communion (at Bletchington)
Oct 12 th	11.00	Holy Communion
Oct 19 th	11.00	Harvest Thanksgiving
Oct 26 th	10.00	United Benefice Service at Chesterton
Nov 2 nd	8.00	Holy Communion
Nov 9 th	10.45	Service of Remembrance
Nov 16 th	11.00	Family Service
Nov 23 rd	10.00	United Benefice Service at Middleton Stoney
Nov 30 th	16.00	Weston Praise

News from St Mary's

- It was lovely to welcome Jane Hemmings and her family as she has starts to work in our Benefice as an Associate Priest. We hope they will settle happily in the Rectory at Kirtlington and enjoy their new home and life in rural Oxon.
- The Churchyard Gateway. It is really great to see the damaged gateway now fully restored. The gates and overhead canopy were made by the village blacksmith, Mr Dawling, in thanksgiving to the men who returned safely to the village after the Second World War. Special thanks to Mick Holcombe for the skilful excavation of the pathway for the relaying of a new cable to the overhead canopy. The gateway is now lit by a dusk to dawn light fitting which will hopefully help those wishing to use the churchyard pathway at night.
- Harvest Thanksgiving will be on Sun Oct 19th at 11.00am to be followed by lunch in the Village Hall. Do come and join us!
- We will again be supporting The Bicester Food Bank at Harvest and so please bring any of the following items to the service: any tins of meat, pies, soup, fish, fruit, vegetables, rice pudding; also cartons of long-life fruit juice, milk (long-life, UHT, dried), pasta, rice, sugar, biscuits, tea, instant coffee. Thank you.
- Remembrance Service will be on Sunday 9th Nov. Do join us to remember with thanks those who gave their lives for our country in war-time.
- The Christmas Sale will be on Saturday Dec 6th 10.00-12noon in the Village Hall.

The Editors notes from the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd September.

Present were six councillors, and the parish Clerk
An invited speaker plus 4 members of the public.

Chairman Peter Hicks opened the meeting and expressed disappointment that neither the County nor District Councillor was present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were discussed and a question was asked if the approved minutes were the same as those reported in the August / September Village News. Councillor Barnett was of the opinion that the notes in the "News" contained more information than the approved minutes. The councillors then agreed that no minutes will be issued to the "News" without full council approval. This means that effectively the council reports will be two months out of date before printing. *[The "News" received the unapproved minutes for the July meeting by email from the Clerk. The editor tries to include relevant points and often omits several passages, he has never added items to these minutes. As a former Parish Clerk the editor is fully aware of the nefarious workings of the council. His view of minutes is that they are a record of what was discussed and what decisions were taken at the meeting. The Clerk is responsible for this task and compiles the minutes in a form that reflects the discussion without including all of the dialogue. So either something was discussed and minuted or it was not. The editor made a note that he would have to attend all future meetings to keep the reports up to date as much as possible. This has the benefit of printing what occurred, not a sanitised version.]*

The councillors were disappointed at the lack of interest by the affordable housing company.

On the financial front all payments must be approved by full council before payment. Approval cannot be retrospective. This statement was queried by Councillor Roper who stated that this would greatly affect the smooth running of the council. It was suggested that when orders are placed a note should be included that payment would be 60 days after presentation of the invoice. The Clerk to ask Mrs N Gibson the council auditor to adjudicate.

Thanks were given to Councillor Barnett for dealing with planning matters.

Bob Hessian gave a report on behalf of the Weston Front. A judicial review is likely to take place in September. This is being brought by one of the other sites but Weston will be included as an interested party. Councillor Hicks was disappointed that the parish council had not been asked to meet Caroline Flint MP when she visited the area.

There will be litter picking in October, notices will be put around the village.
Councillor Barnett asked if insurance was in place for the annual bonfire, this was agreed.

Councillor Hessian reported that there had been fighting in the playing field and that the Police had been called out. There was a suggestion that the verge from the playing field entrance to the brook be kept in a tidy and walkable state to avoid pedestrians walking on the road.

Councillor Roper reported that dog mess was being placed in the normal waste bins in the playing field, this made emptying them objectionable. There was discussion about dogs and the playing field. Nothing was decided at this meeting.

At this point the public were asked to leave as the councillors wished to discuss a Code of Conduct issue.

Planning September 2008

Applications Received/PC Comments

- 08/01467/F Change of use of units 4 and 5 of former dairy building from B1/B8 to use as a classic car storage, display and sale facility.
Forge Farm, Northampton Road
No objection though concern raised at potential increased traffic flow at this junction and potential for cars being left in open view, not in keeping with area
- 08/01486/F Single storey rear extension
17 Westlands Avenue
No objection though concern raised over size of extension in relation to existing bungalow and site
- 08/01593/F Demolition of redundant farm building and erection of new building for animal feed, accessories and sales area
Manor Farm, Northampton Road
No objection though some concern over size of entrance for large delivery vehicles. Shop must be limited in type of goods for sale
- 08/01640/ADV 3 no. floodlights
The Chequers
Northampton Road
No objections

Cherwell District Council Decisions

- 08/01467/F Change of use of units 4 and 5 of former dairy building from B1/B8 to use as a classic car storage, display and sale facility.
Forge Farm, Northampton Road
Approved
- 08/01486/F Single storey rear extension
17 Westlands Avenue
Refused
- 08/01593/F Demolition of redundant farm building and erection of new building for animal feed, accessories and sales area
Manor Farm, Northampton Road
Approved
- 08/01640/ADV 3 no. floodlights
The Chequers
Northampton Road
Approved

WESTON FRONT - Newsletter

22nd September 2008



For those of you who don't have access to websites and emails, this newsletter is an attempt to bring you up to date as to what's happening on the Weston-Front.

The trouble with keeping websites up to date and writing up copy for village newsletters is that people don't expect you to go on holiday at a time when a number of important issues surface!

And although there are some people who expect a knee-jerk reaction from the Weston Front committee, I'm afraid that we don't work like that. All issues are carefully considered (we meet once a week) and a response is given only if we feel one is required and even then the words we use are those which won't jeopardise our position in any future legal proceedings that may take place.

A few weeks ago Parkridge issued their "Final" Bid Presentation for Weston Otmoor. I've put the word "final" in quotes on purpose because we have seen other versions. And this latest presentation bears little resemblance to the document we were asked to comment on earlier this year as part of the so called "Consultation Process".

The plans in the document show land to the west and north of Weston on the Green included, plus the land to the south of the railway which includes another SSSI meadow of the Wendlebury Meads and Mansmoor Closes complex. "Market Gardens" are now planned for all the land up to the very edge of Weston Fen SSSI and it appears that they go over the Stone Pit Hills part of the SSSI site and include the banks of the Gallos Brook.

Parkridge make much of their proposal to fund part of the EW rail-link between Milton Keynes and Oxford. However, the funding of this has already been arranged and the Milton Keynes consortium involved have no wish for their proposed fast train service to Oxford to be impeded by the "one every six minutes" service being proposed provided to help the Weston Otmoor residents escape their eco-ghetto!

Parkridge's transport proposals are also compromised by the proposal from Chiltern Rail to build a station at Watereaton. The Chairman of Chiltern Rail has intimated that this part of the line would link with the Banbury – London (Marlybone) line within 4 years. Other issues that complicate matters are the proposals to build a recycling plant on the grain-silo site at Watereaton and also an incinerator at Ardley. Both would affect traffic.

At the last Public Meeting we held in July, Tony Henman mentioned that we were looking to be part of the **Judicial Review** process that the BARD campaign group (fighting the eco-town proposed near to Stratford upon Avon) had applied for. On 11th September in the High Court of Justice, Queens Bench Division, the Hon. Justice Collins granted permission for the Judicial Review to proceed.

The details of the decision to be judicially reviewed is that of the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, made on 3rd April 2008, to short list potential eco-town sites without having undertaken adequate consultation - i.e. that the eco-town programme is unlawful and that it would be unlawful to continue with the programme until proper consultation has taken place and Environmental Impact Assessments have been carried out.

It is important to note that the Judge states "I have no doubt that this case is arguable" suggesting that he thinks BARD have a strong case – Weston Front have seen the papers that BARD have submitted and we agree.

Weston Front has a clear interest in these proceedings. However, if we are to become part of the JR proceedings we would need a considerable fighting fund because if the judgement went against us then we would be liable to for the costs of the opposite side (the Government). So we will be applying for a Protective Costs Order from the court so that we would be limited as to how much we would have to pay. We will also apply to be an Interested Party to the BARD judicial review - much of what BARD has stated in their arguments apply equally to the Weston Otmoor proposal. However, there are a number of other issues that are unique to the Weston Otmoor situation and so with Weston Front acting as an interested party this will add weight to the Judicial Review proceedings.

Hopefully we will be able to tell you more on the progress of this at the next public meeting.

The Government have also other issues to worry about. The Local Government Association has expressed concern that the Government's proposed promotion of eco-towns through a new Planning Policy Statement (PPS) is contrary to the basic principle of the plan-led system of development control. They suggest that the proposed eco-town PPS is likely to be unlawful and have threatened to take the matter to Judicial Review.

And the campaign group CASCET fighting an eco-town proposal near Leicester claim that people from ethnic minorities have been handicapped by the lack of material in their own languages and that visually impaired people have been unable to read small scale plans produced in hard-to-read colours. They say this could breach the Government's consultation code as well as anti-discrimination and human rights laws!

The next public meeting at Weston on the Green is on **Wednesday 29th October at 8.00pm in the Weston on the Green Village Hall.**

Please check the Weston Front website at www.westonfront.com for more information. Or send an email to info@westonfront.com

Once again – thank you for your continued support

Bob Hessian- for Weston Front

An open letter to The Village News in Weston On The Green

I have served this village in the role of Parish Councillor for over 8 years. I am proud to have had this honour, and on the whole, I have enjoyed serving the community. I have taken particular pride in the part I was able to play, in furnishing our children and young people with our Village Playground and Playing Field. In the company of some splendid volunteers from the village, we cleared and levelled some areas and erected all the field fencing and gates at a fraction of the cost of the estimates that we had received. This enabled the Village to keep its funds in a reasonable enough state to facilitate the purchase of the Children's Playground. The project was a lot of work in the preparation, but to see children using the playground is more than enough reward for all the time and heartache. This has been the 'fun' side of serving our community.

However I am tendering my resignation from my office of Parish Councillor for the Parish of Weston on The Green, this with effect from 1st October 2008. In leaving the Parish Council I wish to thank the many people, both Parishioners and Councillors, who have supported, befriended, and urged me on despite opposition from within the Parish Council.

Robin Stafford Allen

Bicester and District Ladies Lunch / Supper Group

The idea for the above Group came from the Revd Guy Chapman and his wife Ann. It was an amazing vision that started ten or twelve years ago with just a few ladies in the Deanery. Enjoying a simple bring & share lunch, they would meet to share time together in friendship and fellowship, and to listen to a Christian viewpoint or experience.

In the earlier years, the lunches would be held in one of the ladies' homes, but as the numbers attending the lunches grew, village halls were, and still are, used as venues. It is truly one of God's amazing seeds that has grown!

Obviously arrangements have changed a little over the years. We now have a small group of ladies who plan and prepare the lunches and invite the guest speakers. The group is non profit making. We make no charge for lunches (only for the more substantial supper), but request donations.

After function expenses have been met, any remaining donations are offered to our guest speakers to cover travelling expenses and as a donation to a charity or organisation of their choice.

In 2007, we donated £80 to Christians in Sport, £120 to Bicester Food Bank, and £172 to Flame International.

We now arrange two lunches and one supper during each year, and it is wonderful to see so many ladies from across the Deanery, and the wider family of churches in the area meeting together in friendship and fellowship.

Our Supper this year is planned for Friday 10th October, 7.00pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Bicester. The speaker is Mr. Neil Rowe who will tell us about the wonderful work of the charity "Send A Cow".

Do come and join us. A warm welcome is guaranteed. For more information please contact Julia White 01869 350723 or Anne Black 01869 325620.

Thank You Note

We very much enjoyed the recent issue of the 'News' to us for the use of Village Farm. The issue contained thanks for two recent barbecues and also for our contribution to the Fete.

We must say that really the thanks should go to our lovely loyal and dare we say "long suffering" staff. We all enjoy being part of the life of this village and also want to do all we can to protect it but the Axicon staff never grumble when they can't get to the tea room because erection of tents is in progress or when they are working late that meetings are held here or that generally our village friends and their committees are coming and going. They so enjoy being part of all this too.

The organisations that use our garden leave it in perfect condition and we enjoy the visits as much as they do and feel this is the least we can offer for the friendship and co operation we receive from everyone towards our Company However, finally WE do not put up the tents just give permission for their use and it is hard work, particularly the carrying and dismantling and thanks are due to Tony and Terry who often give up their weekend time to do all the heavy work and also the collection and return of tables etc kindly lent by the Village Hall. They will hate me saying this because their help is freely given, but we couldn't do all the things without them.

Jenny and Peter

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### The Playing Field

The "News" has been asked to report that there has been some vandalism. Fires have been lit, one of the coronation benches has been smashed and there is a large quantity of broken glass. There is a belief that the persons responsible are from Weston. The Police have been informed and hopefully they will catch the vandals in the act next time. If you see anything suspicious please contact the Police on 0845 850 505.

THE D&E  
MACMILLAN  
CANCER SUPPORT

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT COFFEE MORNING  
SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER  
WESTON ON THE GREEN VILLAGE HALL  
10:30AM TO 12 NOON  
CAKE STALL PRODUCE TABLE

Come and enjoy a cup of coffee and a chat while supporting this very worthwhile charity

*Lyn Barnett*

*The Chequers Weston On The Green*  
 Christmas Fayre menu available 1<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> december

01869 351743

*Starters*

*Parsnip soup served with crusty bread*  
*Mango & crayfish cocktail, thousand island dressing*  
*Stilton, chicory & walnut salad with balsamic  
 caramel dressing*

*Crab cakes with lime crème fraiche*  
*Smoked duck breast salad, cider dressing & pine nuts*

*Main's*

*Traditional roast turkey served with all the  
 trimmings*  
*Slow braised lamb shank on a celeriac puree served  
 with a port & cranberry sauce*  
*Oven baked salmon fillet with a pesto crust served  
 with a roasted cherry tomato sauce*  
*Roasted parsnip & squash risotto with sage, finished  
 with walnut oil*

*All served with seasonal vegetables & potatoes*

*Dessert's*

*Gold medal award Christmas pudding with brandy  
 sauce or custard*  
*Chocolate orange cheese cake with a dash of cointreau*  
*Christmas spiced crème brulee*  
*Trio of local Jersey dairy ice-cream*

**£16.95 lunch, £17.95 evening**

*10% service charge for tables of 10 or more*  
*£5.00 per person deposit required at time of booking*

## WESTON ON THE GREEN WI

As is our custom, we had no scheduled meeting in August. However, members greatly enjoyed a day out when we, mostly, managed to dodge showers to visit Eton College and Windsor. Other treats during August were a walk from Hampton Poyle to Kidlington. And another walk around the Wendlebury area working up a good appetite for dinner at the Red Lion.

With the September meeting looming the speaker from the Herb Society dropped out but, resourceful as ever, our secretary came up with an excellent replacement in Jill Fraser, who treated us to an entertaining talk about the trials, tribulations and enjoyment of living in a vicarage with her husband and three children and not being a vicar. An erstwhile nurse, she is now a journalist and has written a book called *More Tea, Less Vicar*.

On October 15th we look forward to a talk at our monthly meeting by Robert Longstaff on *Designing a Small Garden* and on the following evening, October 16<sup>th</sup> we will host a group meeting when we welcome members from five other local WIs. Our speaker will be Alistair Lack, on the *History of Oxford University*. Another walk is planned for October 29<sup>th</sup> when the group will visit the Bletchington area.

Our meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup> will welcome a speaker from Belfair chocolates, so we hope we will be required to taste lots of samples!

As ever, we welcome new members.

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### **Girls Craft Sale**

Bring your cheque book and friends

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2008

**Kirtlington Village Hall**

This is our 4<sup>th</sup> successful year of girls craft sale

*We bring together talented craftspeople*

*who hand make interesting products for all occasions.*

Contact us if you are hand making products and want an opportunity to take a table in order to promote and sell your product to the market place.

Put the date in your diary to gossip and buy presents with a complimentary glass of wine

Sophie / Jackie: 01869 351785 / 351766

## WESTON ON THE GREEN SOCIETY

On Monday, 8 September, Bob Hessian continued his talk about Bicester, continuing where he left off last time, namely the Market Square. The Square used to contain an open sided building known as The Shambles. The London Road, Launton Road and the (town) railway station were all shown on slides. The old town lock up is still to be seen partly hidden behind a wall in London Road. The virtual tour then moved up to Sheep Street and the now demolished Hedges Block. It was noted that there used to be an extraordinary number of public houses in Bicester, although many of these would only have been open on market day. Long since demolished buildings made recognition of areas difficult. From Sheep Street we saw views up Bell lane, North Street and St John's Street. Many people in the audience were able to add their memories of the town, and newcomers learnt of things to look out for when next in Bicester. The evening culminated in coffee and biscuits served with great aplomb by Bill Lawrie and Janette Poole. Thanks to Bob for giving us such an interesting evening.

Our next meeting will be a film show with supper on Monday, 24 November, at 7.30 p.m. The films will be *March of the Penguins* and *Seven Brides for Seven Brothers*. Tickets will be £5 for members and £7-50 for non-members, including supper.

Liz Machin 350974

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Invites you to  
*An evening of Pure Indulgence*  
 Tuesday 4th November 2008  
 From 7.30 PM  
 At Islip Village Hall

£4.50 per ticket (includes a glass of wine and canapés)

Leave the ironing behind and enjoy an opportunity to indulge yourself with some of the many treatments on offer including manicures, facials, massage, reflexology and beauty consultations. There will also be the chance for some retail therapy in the form of beautiful gifts, jewellery and crafts, perhaps for yourselves or Christmas presents. All of this whilst sipping wine and sampling the delicious canapés served to you as you browse. What more could you want?!!

All welcome and please bring some friends. Tickets, more information and treatment pre-booking available from:

Mandy Jones 01869 351771





## Heart Attacks...Would you know what to do?

Our most active and young Labels Manager, Martin Kelley died very suddenly of a heart attack recently. He went home his usual cheerful self and sadly did not come back the next morning. We could not have helped Martin because he was not in the office but in his memory would like to obtain a Defibrillator to be placed centrally in the Village on our premises for all to have access.

Certainly there have to be trained people to operate this, and this would mean volunteers for out of office hours and at the weekends and there should be a supervising medical director to ensure that controls are in place for adequate training.

You can volunteer as much or as little time as you wish but if you would like to consider being part of the team please let me know on 01869 351231, or, [jmh@axicon.com](mailto:jmh@axicon.com) Once we know our capacity of volunteers we will look further in to getting this scheme underway.

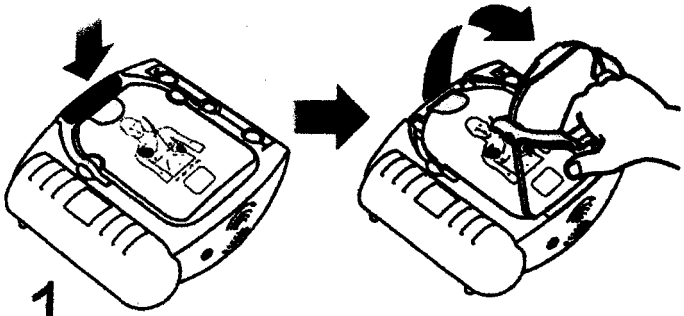
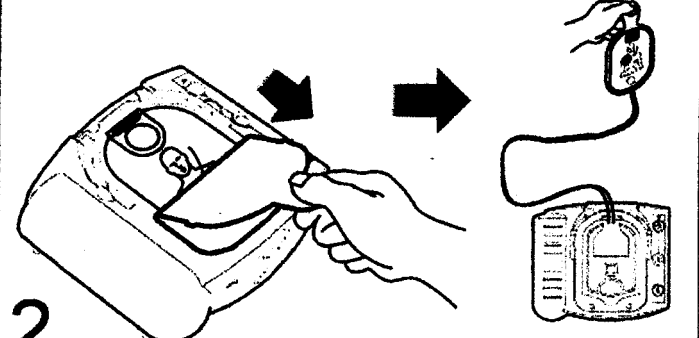
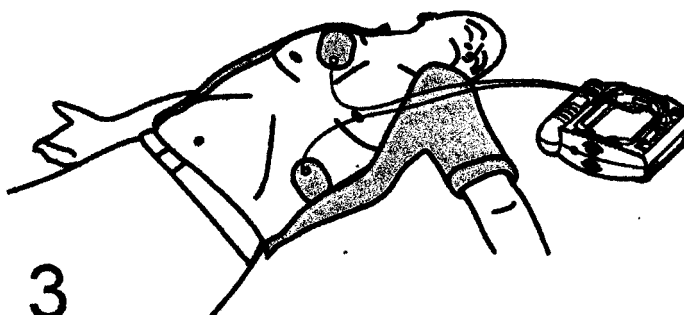
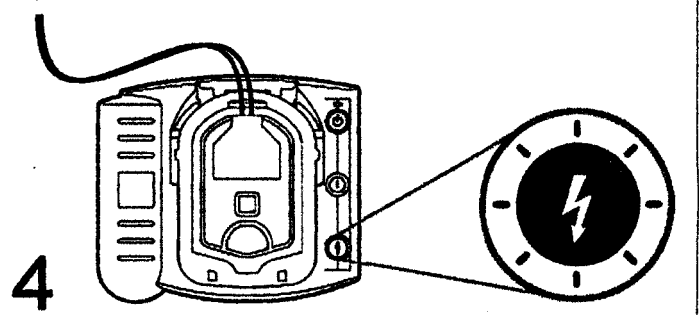
A defibrillator is a machine that can restart the heart by giving an electric shock in some cases of cardiac arrest.

An automatic external defibrillator (AED) is the type that detects the electrical activity in the heart and gives automated instructions to the rescuer as what to do.

Jenny Hicks Axicon Auto ID Limited

If someone collapses and is **UNRESPONSIVE** and **NOT BREATHING PROPERLY** you must first call the emergency services (999). If possible delegate someone else to call the emergency services.

Get your Philips HeartStart HOME Defibrillator and follow these steps:

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|  <p><b>1</b></p> <p>Get the defibrillator, <b>PULL</b> the cartridge handle. The defibrillator will start speaking to you and will give clear step by step voice instructions that keep pace with your actions.</p> |  <p><b>2</b></p> <p>The defibrillator will give voice instructions to peel off the protective cover and remove the patient pads.</p>                                                                                                                                                   |
|  <p><b>3</b></p> <p>The defibrillator will give voice instructions to place the pads on the patient as clearly shown on the pictures printed on the pads.</p>                                                       |  <p><b>4</b></p> <p>The defibrillator will instruct you not to touch the patient and will spend a few seconds analysing the patients heart. If a shock is required the <b>SHOCK</b> button will flash and the voice instructions will tell you to push the flashing orange button.</p> |

## MARLBOROUGH COMMUNITY LEARNING

Our autumn brochure is now available and we are once again running many courses. We run courses at various times and on various days – evenings, afternoons and weekends. These include:

- Watercolour Painting and Life Drawing
- IT including: Beginners, Excel, Back to Work, Digital Cameras, Applemac and PC Maintenance
- Yoga, Badminton, Archery and Golf
- Flamenco Dance
- Shakespeare (read the play go to Stratford)
- Learn to be a Disc Jockey
- Spanish: Beginners, Improvers and Advanced
- Organic Fruit and Vegetable growing
- Stained Glass, Block Printing, Christmas Flowers, Machine Embroidery
- Homeopathy

Many of the courses still have places available. Local learning at a very competitive price.

Our autumn brochure will be in shops, Post Offices and libraries available from August.

If you would like a copy please telephone **01993 813592** or email:  
[comed.4560@marlborough.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:comed.4560@marlborough.oxon.sch.uk)

Information is also available on the Marlborough School website [www.marlborough.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.marlborough.oxon.sch.uk)

We also run a School's Out programme for every school holiday (apart from Bank holidays) financial support is available for this, please contact: Fiona Williams at Marlborough School or your child's Headteacher, Family Support Worker or Health Visitor for more information.

Costs: £15 per day/£70 per week or family ticket (up to 4 children from the same family) £40/£160 per week. Eligible for those in receipt of Working Tax Credit.

### October Half Term and Christmas Holiday School's Out

#### **School of Rock 11+**

27+28 October and 22+23 December

#### **Art, Craft and Cookery 8+**

28+29 October

#### **Sparkle! For Christmas Day**

22 December

#### **Sports Activities and more! 8+**

27-31 October and 22-24 and 29-31 December

#### **Stained Glass 11+**

2 days in October Half Term tbc

#### **Be a DJ! 8+**

29-31 October and 22-24 December

### **STOP PRESS:**

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Administrator - Extended Services

## 250 Club - Recent Results

|          |     |     |                                                      |
|----------|-----|-----|------------------------------------------------------|
| Aug 1st  | £18 | 162 | Thomas Bentley, 14 Westlands Ave                     |
| Aug 2nd  | £12 | 55  | Mr D Hopkins, Knowle Farm Flat, Knowle Lane          |
| Aug 3rd  | £6  | 1   | Janette Poole, 28 Westlands Avenue                   |
| Sept 1st | £18 | 27  | W Tootell, Milestone Cottage, North Lane             |
| Sept 2nd | £12 | 187 | Christina Evans, Old School, North Lane              |
| Sept 3rd | £6  | 129 | Corrine & Neil Cunningham, Rose Cottage, Church Lane |

If anyone is interested in joining the 250 club please contact the VMHC secretary Paul Warren at Cairn Cottage, Church Lane or telephone 350770.

### Oxford Beer Festival outing from Weston on the Green on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October 7pm-10.30pm

The Oxford Beer Festival is being held from Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October to Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October  
Entry on the door: £2 (£1 CAMRA members)  
More details at <http://www.oxfordcamra.org.uk>

Transport to and from Weston on the Green to be arranged for the opening evening of Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>.  
Depart Weston at 7pm and depart Oxford at 10.00pm That gives 2½ hrs to sample as many of the 120 beers and ciders as we wish and still return home at a reasonable time.



### PLEASE BOOK YOUR PLACES NOW

Deadline for arranging transport Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October

PHONE : Paul Warren 350770 EMAIL: [boofles@gmail.com](mailto:boofles@gmail.com)

*Smallprint: availability of transport dependant upon number of people. Costs pro rata.*

# WESTON DIARY

**Thames Valley Police 0845 850 505**

|                                 |                                                       |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| October 3 <sup>rd</sup>         | Quiz and supper, village hall 7.30pm                  |
| October 4 <sup>th</sup>         | Coffee morning village hall, Macmillan Cancer Support |
| October 11 <sup>th</sup>        | Big Tidy up meet at village hall 10am                 |
| October 15 <sup>th</sup>        | WI meeting,                                           |
| October 16 <sup>th</sup>        | Beer Festival outing, meet 7pm at village hall        |
| October 29 <sup>th</sup>        | Weston Front public meeting, 8.00pm village hall      |
| October 29 <sup>th</sup>        | WI walk                                               |
| October 31 <sup>st</sup>        | Fireworks, playing field 7.00pm                       |
| November 10 <sup>th</sup>       | Horticultural society AGM, village hall               |
| November 19 <sup>th</sup>       | WI meeting                                            |
| <b>November 22<sup>nd</sup></b> | <b>Village News Deadline</b>                          |
| November 24 <sup>th</sup>       | Weston Society film show, village hall 7.30pm         |

**Cherwell District Council, Bodicote House: 01295 252535**

## VILLAGE DIRECTORY

|                    |                                                              |              |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Parish Clerk       | Breege Kilfeather                                            | 01865 510388 |
| Vicar              | Derek Walker                                                 | 369815       |
| Post Office        | Peter & Helen                                                | 350230       |
| P.C.C.             | Julia White                                                  | 350723       |
| W.I.               | Michele Tootell                                              | 351152       |
| Horticultural Soc. | Nora Gibson                                                  | 350681       |
| Village Hall Sec   | Paul Warren                                                  | 350770       |
| "    " Bookings    | Joy Lawrie                                                   | 350432       |
| Duck pond          | Norman Boardman                                              | 350533       |
| Weston Society     | Liz Machin                                                   | 350974       |
| Web Site           | Robin Stafford Allen                                         | 350464       |
|                    | <a href="http://www.wotg.org.uk">www.wotg.org.uk</a>         |              |
| Weston Front       | <a href="http://www.westonfront.com">www.westonfront.com</a> |              |
| Chequers           | Sue and Linda                                                | 351743       |

## Council Contact details:

### County Councillor:

Timothy Hallchurch. 01865 358813

### District Councillor:

Simon Holland 01869 351636

**Parish Councillors: [wogpc@axicon.com](mailto:wogpc@axicon.com)**

|                      |          |              |
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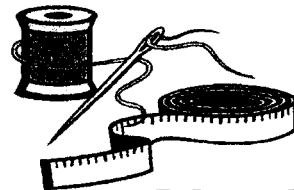
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