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# From the Editor

I'm sorry this issue is later than usual. Blame summer. (I've no other excuse!) Not that we can be too cross with it—it gave us a wonderful few weeks of proper hot sunshine in August. It was lovely to see everyone around the village relaxing in shorts, hear the drone of lawnmowers, smell the BBQs and still be in t-shirts long into the evening.

Laceys and Kensham farms have been busy in the fields and everything's turning golden now. September's a bittersweet month when we don't quite know what to do with ourselves between the last August bank holiday and the proper onset of autumn.

It is the start of the new school term, though, and with it the feeling that I should be starting something new. If you feel the same, there's plenty going on in our village to choose from. Take a look at the What's On pages and take your pick of jive lessons, guided walks, Zumba, French, Spanish, crafts, circuits, art classes... and the list goes on. You've no excuse to be at a loose end this September!

Katy Dunn, editor [katyjdunn@btinternet.com](mailto:katyjdunn@btinternet.com) / 883883

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## 🦋 Lane End Parish Council report by Hayley Glasgow

### Up-coming Meetings

The meetings will start at 7.30pm in the Sycamore Room of the Lane End Village Hall on the following dates:

Monday 5 September

Monday 3 October

Monday 7 November

Monday 5 December

All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

### Vacancy for a parish councillor

There is currently one vacancy on the Parish Council.

This is an unpaid position which involves working for the local community as one of a team of 11 Councillors.

The Parish Council meets on the evening of the first Monday of each month except bank holidays or unless otherwise stated.

Any resident over the age of 18 who is able to make a regular commitment is eligible to join the council.

If you would like to be considered for co-option to the Parish Council please send written confirmation of your interest by email to [clerk@laneendparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@laneendparishcouncil.org.uk).

Your expression of interest should contain a few lines about yourself, your interests and what you feel you can contribute to the parish council's work within the community.

If you need any more information you can contact the Clerk on 01494 437111.

### **Can you help deliver the Clarion?**

We need volunteers to help deliver the Clarion. If you can spare a little time, 4 times per year to deliver the Clarion please contact the Parish Clerk.

### **Allotments**

There are three allotments sites in the Parish, Chalky Fields, Bunkers and Sandyfields. If you would like more information about allotments please contact the Parish Clerk.

### **Street lights**

To report a faulty street light please note the column number, the road where the street light is situated and the nearest property and report to the Clerk - Hayley Glasgow 437111 / [clerk@laneendparishcouncil.org.uk](mailto:clerk@laneendparishcouncil.org.uk)

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## **Planning Applications**

The Planning Applications relevant to the Lane End Parish Council are updated on the Parish Council's website [www.laneendparishcouncil.org.uk](http://www.laneendparishcouncil.org.uk) every Monday from the official list of verified applications supplied by WDC.

Whilst the Parish Council does not have the power to determine applications its local knowledge is sought on each and every application.



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## **Parish council meetings**

**Minutes edited and abridged by  
Katy Dunn**

### **Footpath 25**

This is the alleyway from the high street by the top pond to the play-ground and Edmonds Parade. The parish council secured an agreement from Persimmon Homes in the planning stages of the Clayton Road development that it would widen and improve footpath 25. This has not occurred and the PC is working with the Clayton Road Residents Association and Persimmon Homes to get the work done. In the meantime, the PC has had the overgrown hedges cut back.

### **Link footpath between Edmonds Parade and The Row**

The PC has secured reassurance from Wycombe District Council that this is planned to go ahead once the Care Home is built.

### **Lane End playing fields**

The PC has looked in detail at different surfaces for the proposed new MUGA at the playing fields. The contractors have quoted for both multi-use and 3G surfaces and floodlights. Plans have also been made to refurbish the pavilion.

### **Speed tubes for The Row**

The PC has asked BCC for a quote

to put speed tubes on The Row to assess how fast cars travel up and down it.

### **Damage to the pavement near the care home currently under construction.**

Severe damage to the pavement and grass verge outside the new care home on The Row has been reported to Transport for Buckinghamshire.

### **Poor grass cutting on Wheeler End and Handleton Commons**

This has been reported to West Wycombe Estate and Wycombe District Council (these commons do not belong to Lane End Parish Council.)

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# The lowdown



## Footpath report

**Report by Teresa Hehir**

As I write this, it seems that summer has finally arrived. It is warm, with balmy evenings, and occasional showers - of course this is perfect conditions for weeds to grow. The rains earlier in the year and the current conditions mean that with the best will in the world, me and my team of willing helpers struggle to keep up with all the cutting back.

I have a great team who give generously of their time to keep all the footpaths in the parish cut back so they are passable for all walkers. If you could help with keeping the paths clear please get in touch.

We also had a great showing of bluebells in all our woods and the orchids at Moorend Common were brilliant.

If, when you are out walking our paths you notice a broken gate/stile, or damaged/missing signage please let me know on 881170 or [hehirt@hotmail.com](mailto:hehirt@hotmail.com).

I also lead some of the Simply Walks walks that go from the Playing Fields car park at 10am Mondays and Thursdays. It doesn't cost anything, no booking necessary, just turn up and join a group of local people for a walk around the area and a good chat and gossip.

## Lane End Players

**Report by Georgie Brooks**



'Tom's Midnight Garden', adapted by well-known playwright David Wood from Philippa Pearce's classic award-winning novel, will be performed on

Fridays and Saturdays 7/8 and 14/15 October at 7.30pm. Tickets are available at the Box Office at the Village Hall on Saturdays from 9.30-12 noon, and can also be bought online at [www.laneendplayers.com](http://www.laneendplayers.com), by emailing

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and by phoning 880662. The prices are £8 Adults and £6 Concessions for the first Friday only, the rest of the performances being £10 Adults and £8 Concessions.

This much-loved story, suitable for all ages, of two lonely children meeting in a secret garden from the past, will be presented with all LEP's usual flair and expertise!

Our January panto 2017 will be 'Ali Baba' and this year the Box Office will open earlier than previously on 5 November.

## Lane End Conservation Group

**Report by Jane Osborn**

The Committee was much heartened by the interest shown at the Lane End fete. More than 10 new contacts, the most we have had at the fete in recent years as Lane End welcomes the influx of new residents. We will be holding a Special General Meeting/AGM in September to discuss the future of the Group to which all existing members and those who have recently expressed interest will be invited.

Like to find out more or come to the meeting? Call Margaret Adnitt on 882609 / [margaret.adnitt@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.adnitt@gmail.com) or Jane Osborn on 881641 / [janemosborn3@gmail.com](mailto:janemosborn3@gmail.com)

The main tasks currently being undertaken by Lane End Conservation Group volunteers continue to be helping to keep the many miles of public footpaths within the Parish 'walkable', maintaining the Harris Garden and litter picking - sadly all too necessary. Currently these volunteers meet on the first Saturday of each month at 10am in the Lane End surgery car park and normally work for a couple of hours. If you would like to assist / find out more do please contact Margaret Adnitt or Jane Osborn.

## Lane End OPAG

### Report by Jane Osborn

Over the years, we have had many interesting talks and we have some excellent ones coming up – from Lesser Known Grand Houses of South Bucks to Southern African Wildlife.

Our 'grey' generation no longer just sits in front of the fire with a travelling rug round our feet – we get out and about and that is what OPAG offers.

Had an interesting life, experience or career? Come and share it with us.

Come along to Lane End OPAG on the first Thursday of each month at 2pm in Lane End Youth & Community Centre, Edmonds Road for a talk or quiz, plus the opportunity to meet other interesting people and a warming cup of tea.

To find out more about the Lane End OPAG - contact Jane Osborn.

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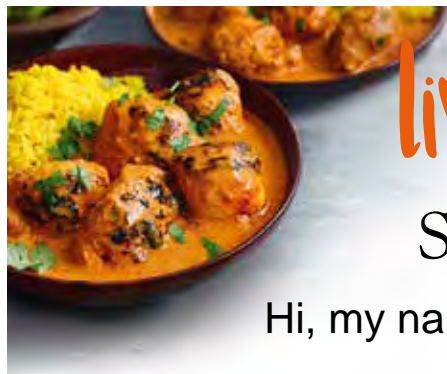
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## Lane End WI

### Report by Ann Carter

LADIES - If you are new to the village and would like a chance to meet people, please come along to one of our meetings where you will be made most welcome. We meet in the Sycamore Room of the Village Hall at 8pm on the last Monday of the month (unless it is a Bank Holiday in which case it will be the previous Monday).

The Queen's Tea Party that we held in April proved a great success & we welcomed over 80 people from the village who tucked into a delicious tea. The Hall was looking magnificent with flags, banners & floral decorations all provided by our member June Stallwood.

We have had two local speakers recently (who many of us know) – Paul Mains on 'Ladies' Rowing' and Lord Parmoor on 'My time in the Law' both of which proved very entertaining and informative evenings. We enjoyed another successful Quiz Evening and one of our teams came second, losing by only half a mark! Maybe that was just as well as our visiting teams might not have gone away so happy and ready to take up the challenge again next year.

Two of our members went on the

outing, organised by the Bucks Federation, to the Hindu Temple at Neasden. If you ever get the chance do go. It is an amazing building situated in the London suburbs, where you are made most welcome. It is very awe inspiring but a very peaceful place to be. In September several members are going on the trip to 'Legal London'.

In September we have Neil Reese speaking on 'The Czech Community in Bucks' and in October Peter Hague is giving us a look into the 'Inside world of a film/TV extra'.

For further information please contact Ann Carter 881987 or Ann Spalton 483314

## Local artist recognised by National Arts Society

Graham Lewis Heron of Hatters Cottage, Lane End has been elected an Associate Member of the Society of Graphic Fine Art (SGFA). He joins more than 130 professional illustrators, painters, and print makers recognized for their high level of ability in drawing.

'The Society has a long and distinguished history,' says Jackie Devereux, President of the SGFA.

'It is the only national arts society whose sole aim is to promote drawing and we are delighted to welcome

Graham as one of our latest members.'

The Society was established in 1919 to promote good drawing and draughtsmanship. The Society organizes local and regional events throughout the year culminating in an annual open exhibition at the Menier Gallery in London in October.

Graham specialises in watercolour and graphite pencil and his style in watercolour varies from wet and loose to detailed. His pencil work is very detailed

and based on realism. His subjects vary from wildlife and landscapes to portraits of well known and interesting people and subjects. He is also a member of the West Wycombe Art Cub.

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# Royal British Legion

**Report by Andrew MacTavish**



A sell out! The Queen's Birthday Lunch at the Village Hall was a roaring success. The tone was set by the Chairman who

read out a letter he had received from the Queen:

'Please convey my warm thanks to the Members of the Lane End Branch of the Royal British Legion for their loyal greetings sent on the occasion of a luncheon which is being held today in Lane End to celebrate my ninetieth birthday. As your patron, I much appreciate your kind words and, in return, send my best wishes to all those who are present for a memorable and enjoyable afternoon.'

A huge burst of applause, and the company sat down under a forest of bunting to a superb meal followed by a Royal Quiz, the prize being a small corgi in a Union Jack holdall (A toy corgi - No animals were harmed in the preparation of this souvenir). Then the singing. The Last Night of the Proms revellers will have to look to their laurels. We finished with not one, but three verses of 'God save the Queen'. A memorable occasion indeed.

This was followed some weeks later by 'Rachel's Lunch', a slightly smaller, lower-key, but very sociable and successful event. Then it was time for the Summer Barbecue in the Chairman's beautiful garden in the remoter part of Moor Common.

The next event is our annual Officer Talk entitled 'A Vulcan in the Cold War' on Friday 7 October. Wing Commander Chris Chacksfield will speak on his career in the RAF with special reference to the nuclear deterrent when he commanded a Vulcan bomber. The venue is to be confirmed.



Poppy Day is on the horizon. Our village always responds magnificently to the Appeal and to the Sunday parade at the Village Hall Memorial Porch. If you are able to help us on the house-to-house poppy collection for a couple of hours or want to know more about the Legion, do ring 881948.



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over £800 towards our New Pavilion Fund.

Whilst our main fundraising focus is based around developing and building a new pavilion,

via our New Pavilion Fund, there are many smaller projects that we need to fund and complete throughout the season. In June, we took delivery of some brand new covers for our pitch. The emphasis here is on brand new, as we're a thrifty bunch and usually invest in 'nearly new' equipment for the Club.

However, with the help of an ECB grant, and sponsorship from The Grouse and Ale, Jolyon Marshall Ltd, The Prince Albert, Red Kite Community Housing, Spadeoak and Wave Healthcare, along with bequests from Pat Patmoor and Cliff Pocock, we've got some brand new covers for the ground, and they've already had a very positive impact upon our pitch.

Firstly, their elevation above the grass means that it can still breathe, whereas before the covers that lay on the ground led to the grass sweating and remaining damp. Secondly, a guttering system means that any moisture that does fall can be directed with long hoses away from the square, which is much better than before, when it would run off the cover sheets to the area of ground immediately next to the pitch.

I know I'm about to jinx it, however at the time of writing we've been enjoying a spell of consistent warm, dry weather and both Saturday and Sunday sides are enjoying regular matches each weekend.

The Saturday side are engaged in a three-way battle towards the bottom of Mid Bucks League Division 1, and have received a recent boost with some new players joining our ranks. We're in a decent position to kick on and secure our place in the league next season. Our Sunday side has competed well, and although often on the wrong side of the result, we take more satisfaction in seeing new faces playing for Frieth Cricket Club and joining us for a beer afterwards!

We're a week away from the Frieth Cup, and the final arrangements are being made to the triangular festival of cricket. The Grouse and Ale (Lane End), Prince Albert (Frieth) and Frieth CC are all entering a team, and along with their supporters will be enjoying some social cricket, beautifully cooked food (courtesy of the Grouse and Ale) and refreshing drinks (thanks to the Prince Albert). Last year, the event was very successful, and we were able to raise



A dry pitch means a more even bounce and less loss of speed of the delivery when it bounces, therefore bowlers can predict more successfully what their deliveries will do, and the batsmen can bat with more confidence in how the ball will behave.

By the time you read this our season will be drawing to a close and attention returns to our off-season fundraising efforts. Our very popular Race Night will be taking place in Frieth Village Hall on Saturday 8 October, and our End of Season Dinner will be at St Katharine's in Parmoor on 18 November. If you'd like to register for more information please let us know at [friethcrick-](mailto:friethcricket@btinternet.com)

[et@btinternet.com](mailto:et@btinternet.com).

A Club such as ours is always looking for volunteers, and we are looking to introduce some new ideas to the Committee from the wider community. If you'd like to be involved in our Club, either at Committee level or as an 'ideas person', email us at [friethcricket@btinternet.com](mailto:friethcricket@btinternet.com), or you can contact me, Ben Smiley at 07879 855353.

We look forward to welcoming you to our events in October and November, and on behalf of everyone at Frieth Cricket Club, I thank you for the support that you have shown us to date. **Report by Ben Smiley**

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# Lane End Youth and Community Centre

Report by Emma Savory

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## Thursday Lunch Club 12-1.30pm

Every Thursday we welcome you into the Centre for a two-course cooked dinner with tea or coffee for £5.50. We currently have a small group of volunteers to take turns each week to provide approximately 20 people a delicious hot meal. We are always looking for people who can help, cook or serve at this club, maybe you have two hours a month

you can spare to help out, if so please get in touch.

## Computer Club – Every Thursday 11.30am – 2pm

This club is run by Chairman who is on hand to help with any computer/tablet/iPad problems you may have. It is a 'drop in' session with no formal structure. If you need help with setting up/retrieving emails, internet security, downloading and editing photos or any IT query, Bella will be on hand to point you in the right direction! This is a FREE facility but we do appreciate a donation if you can afford it when you visit, pop in with your laptop or use one of ours, everyone is welcome!

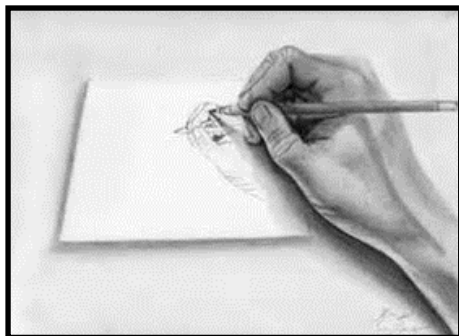


## Coffee Shop – Mondays 10.30am – 12noon

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1950/60's themed disco organised by Rachael Cook and DJ Bruce. Tickets £7 pp, bring your own drink and nibbles. Raffle, dancing and plenty of laughs for all ages.



### **Just Drawing Art classes – ran by Adult Education**

Just Drawing classes start at the Centre on Wednesday 21 September until 19 October 10am – 12noon, Cost £57 Booking number

J3AR33AAO please call 01296 382403 to book your place.

Please add 'Lane End Youth & Community Centre' on **Facebook**, ask to join the group and find out about all our latest events. Also check out our new website at [leycc.co.uk](http://leycc.co.uk)

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# Lane End Scouts

**Report by Ian Harris**



This is the time when our leaders go off on holiday and recharge their creative batteries.

This summer one is getting married so massive congratulations to Cara and her husband to be Jason. Others are off to Dartmoor for compass and map exercises to pass on. I cannot praise these splendid folk enough for the work they carry out, unpaid, completely voluntary and to the highest of standards.

This year we camped in some ferocious weather, the Beaver Scouts had their first overnight experience in a sleepover at our HQ. The Scouts spent a night sleeping in Cardboard shelters raising awareness for the plight of the homeless and the Cub Scout section celebrated their Centenary with a celebration camp. Our sincere thanks to Reg Meakes for allowing us to use his lovely parcel of land in Spurgrove.

Aside from the warmth of the campfire, which traditionally is lit the moment we arrive on camp and extinguished only when we leave, some of our camp activities include the safe use of knives. This includes how to hold them, pass them safely



to another person and how to reduce the potential of accidents when whittling/working with them. Starting from an early age allows progressive handling knowledge and creates respect for the tool itself.

Our sections are full to bursting and with an ever growing waiting list so where do we go from here?

We are opening a new section for the older Scout members, so that young people can continue their Scouting journey beyond 14 ½ in the same group that many will have been in since the age of six. The new Explorer Scout Section will run on a Monday evening from 7:00 – 9:00pm and is open to all, male and female, regardless of whether they were a Lane End Scout or are a new direct entrant aged 14 ½ -18 years of age.

With the support, direction and guidance of Unit leaders, Explorer

Scouts are encouraged to lead themselves, design their own programme and work towards the top awards that Scouting offers. With exciting prospects like being a part of camps and expeditions both home and abroad; adventurous activities such as mountaineering, parascending and off shore sailing; Explorers offers fun and adventure for all. Explorers also have the opportunity to be a part of a Young Leaders Scheme which develops their leadership skills and sense of responsibility, by helping to run meetings for younger sections. It also looks brilliant on CVs and University applications.

I reach 25 years of service as a Scout Leader this summer and am as committed as ever to our Group's development.

*You could help too. We welcome support in many ways. You might be a plumber, electrician or carpenter who could help us with some maintenance, you might even be a generous millionaire! If you'd like to get involved in any way please call me.*

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# Nature notes

## The Countryside Code

Does anyone know what it is any more?

Article by Katy Dunn

When I was a child we were all taught the Countryside Code. It was drummed into us alongside the Green Cross Code and 'Don't talk to strange men.'

I'm not sure anyone knows what the Countryside Code is any more. I experienced evidence myself whilst walking through Finings Wood recently. Lacey's gorgeous Guernseys were thrilled to have the run of the woods, but it was a very stressed farm worker who had to find them all and return them safely home.

It's time which should have been spent on the myriad other jobs that need doing on a typical farm day. And imagine if the cows had wandered onto the main road, causing congestion at the very least and an accident at worst. And all because someone walking through the woods opened a gate, went through it, and didn't close it again afterwards.

So, because it's been some time, ahem, since I learnt it myself, I wondered if the Countryside Code as a concept is even still in existence. It is! A quick internet search brings up a Government document which outlines the basic common sense which seems to desert some people once they leave a built-up environment.





Email: [katyjdunn@btinternet.com](mailto:katyjdunn@btinternet.com) and **share** here any local photos, wildlife stories or interesting nature encounters...

Here are the basics:-

### **Consider the local community and other people working in or enjoying the outdoors**

Don't block gateways or driveways with your car. Slow down for horses, walkers, farm workers and animals. Co-operate with people who work in the countryside and follow their instructions. Cyclists give way to walkers and horse-riders.



### **Leave gates as you find them**

The farmer often closes gates to keep animals in, but might have left them open so they can reach food or water.

### **Follow paths**

Unless you're on 'open access' land such as commons. You never know when you might be trampling a field of food.

### **Don't climb walls, hedges or fences**

It can damage them and increase the risk of escapees. Use gates, stiles or gaps in field boundaries.

### **Leave no trace of your visit**

We all have a responsibility to protect the countryside now and for future generations. Don't cause harm to animals, birds, plants or trees.

### **Take your litter home**

It can cause harm to wildlife and is a criminal offence.

### **Keep dogs under control**

Keep your dog on a lead, or at least in sight so that you're aware of what it is doing.

Always keep dogs on leads around farm animals and horses.

If cattle or horses chase you and your dog, let your dog run.

Clean up after your dog.

### **Plan ahead**

Dress appropriately. Know where you're going or take a map.



**In June, a small group of Lane-enders journeyed to France to represent the village for the annual 'Fête de la musique' on the sunny I'ile d'Oléron.**

Eager to keep ties strong with Lane End's twinned town, a small but lively team of three volunteers journeyed to St Pierre to represent the village abroad and enjoy some sun and a glass or two of vin rouge from the renowned Bordeaux region.

The occasion sees the island's largest 'city' play host to a two day musical extravaganza, not only showcasing some of the very best local musical talent but also exhibiting a variety of international flavours derived from groups representing the other towns across Europe that share a twinning association with St. Pierre.

Shortly after the mayor opened the festival, representatives from the twinnings (also including Spain, Germany, Poland and Portugal) were given the opportunity to bring a taste of their country and traditions to the local community via their very own cabin / pop-up shop / pub. Best-sellers such as Rebellion Ale, Cheddar cheese, chutneys, tea and iconic British souvenirs kept the Lane End

team busy serving, and provided an excellent opportunity to brave some interesting conversations in a mixture of languages whilst enjoying the sounds filling the air from the continuous musical acts performing on stage across the main square.

In addition to the exceptional hospitality and generosity received from the residents of the St Pierre, the Lane End team left the island with a firm appreciation of why twinning is so important and how much it can offer those who are willing to get involved and keep the relationships strong . New ties and friendships were made, photos and memories were shared and a number of doors have been opened to new ventures across Europe in upcoming years.

Diary dates: LETA AGM. Friday 30 September 7.30pm in the Sycamore Room Lane End Village Hall. Come and find out more about twinning and how you can get involved while enjoying a glass of wine or two.

Twinning's café morning. Serving tea, coffee and cakes on the first Saturday in the month from 10am. Another great opportunity to find out more about twinning.

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## Litter

**by Margaret Adnitt**

Since our Clean for the Queen litter pick in the spring I have noticed a small improvement in the amount of rubbish thrown onto our roads and footpaths. Well done – but there is still a very long way to go. The two areas most at fault are the Games Field and the children's Play Area off Cater Road – the latter being particularly bad. There are litter bins in both areas so do use them and please instruct your children to do likewise.

I still have a few available litter pickers; if anybody would like one please contact me on 882609 or email [margaret.adnitt@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.adnitt@gmail.com).

## Local walks

**by Margaret Adnitt**

There are many new residents in Lane End who might enjoy walking and exploring our many local footpaths. If anybody would like some initial guidance I would be very happy to take you on walks to discover our beautiful local area, anything up to five miles. Do get in touch if interested. Call 882609 or email [margaret.adnitt@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.adnitt@gmail.com).

## Hambleton Valley Gardening Club

**Report by Janet Collins**

Our June visit to Hardy's nursery in Whitchurch was a treat. The nursery was a hive of activity with the plants brimming with health and vigour before their trip to this year's Chelsea Flower Show where they received a Silver medal.

Our next visit was to a private garden, Rofford Manor near Little Haseley. The garden was immaculate and fairly formal, all blues and purples with flashes of white and yellow. The cleverly designed garden suddenly opened out to a vista that looked seamlessly over the surrounding meadows providing a different and more relaxed feel to the gardens.

We followed this visit with one to Cottesbrook House in Northamptonshire. This large garden has a relaxed feel with more unstructured herbaceous borders of mauves and pinks with a large array of roses interwoven through.

We will be visiting Lordswood gardens, Marlow Common in September and then our talks will start in October. We have some fantastic high profile speakers coming up to look forward to.

Please call 01491 638691 or see What's On for more information.

# Ask the Nutritionist

with Rebecca Whittaker 



Autumn's bounty includes some amazing foods to nourish and support our health. Apples and blackberries are the perfect combination for Autumn. They're part of the same family too, the rosacea or 'rose' family - how's that for a winning combo! They also pack a punch in terms of nutrients. Apples are a source of immunity boosting vitamin C and blackberries are high in antioxidants which fight free radicals. Excess free radicals in the body lead to many of today's health issues. Be careful to use any sweetener sparingly though or you may negate some of the amazing benefits of these two delicious fruits.

Winter squash comes in all shapes and sizes and is high in carotenoids, vitamin C and manganese, all health boosting anti-oxidants. Squash has been shown to have anti-inflammatory properties and may support blood sugar balance. Sliced and roasted with some parmesan or blitzed with sauteed onions and bone or vegetable broth, winter squash is the perfect accompaniment to our Autumn meals. Pumpkin (and other squash seeds) make the perfect protein rich snack and are high in immune boosting zinc.

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# What's On?

To include your event or group meeting (free) email: [katyjdunn@btinternet.com](mailto:katyjdunn@btinternet.com)  
Please also be sure to inform me of any changes

## Mondays

### Regulars

**Simply Walk**—10am Meet Lane End Playing Field's car park. Walk and chat for 1-2 hours

**LEOPAG (50+)**—10.30-12.30am coffee pop-in LEYCC, Edmonds Road, Lane End. Tel: 883878

**Gentle Exercise for over 60s**—2-3pm LEYCC

**Baby Welfare Clinic**—2-4pm, SureStart Centre, Lane End Primary School

**The Tree**—lunch and soft drink offer all week £5.99 per person, 12-5pm

**Rainbows and Brownies**—4.30-7.30 Frieth Village Hall. Email [friethbrownies@hotmail.com](mailto:friethbrownies@hotmail.com)

**Lane End Parish Council Meeting**—First Monday of the month, 7.30 in Lane End Village Hall, all welcome

**Lane End Evening WI**—Last Monday of the month at 8pm in Lane End Village Hall

**Pilates with Lauren**—5.50 and 7pm LEYCC £50 for 6 week course. Tel 07709 430634

**Bridge Club**—7.30pm Lane End Village Hall

**Lane End Action Group**—6.30pm Grouse and Ale. [jilrunge99@gmail.com](mailto:jilrunge99@gmail.com)

**Lane End Runners**—meet 6pm Lane End Playing Fields car park. Contact Chrissie Quinn, [misschristina@talktalk.net](mailto:misschristina@talktalk.net)

**Footballers Yoga**—8.15-9.25pm LEYCC. Contact Alexandra Alves Tel 07786 332695



# Tuesdays

## Regulars

**Sunrise Yoga**—8.15-9.25am LEYCC. Contact Alexandra Alves Tel 07786 332695

**Parent & Toddler Group**—9.30-11 Lane End Primary School. Tel Sure Start 447110

**The Tree**—lunch and soft drink offer £5.99 per person, 12-5pm

**West Wycombe WI**—Third Tuesday in the month (except August) 2pm in West Wycombe Village Hall. New members and visitors welcome. Tel Janice 881049

**Hambleden Valley Gardening Club**—7.30pm, First Tuesday of the month, Skirmett Village Hall. Tel 01491 638690

**Bingo** — 7.30pm Sycamore Room Lane End Village Hall

**Senior youth club**— LEYCC, 6.30-8.30, call Mark Lockwood 07787 402636

**Circuits**—Frieth village hall, 7pm

## Tuesday Events

13 September—Hambleden Valley garden visit to Lordwood, Marlow. Tel 01491 638691

4 October—Hambleden Valley garden talk at Skirmett village hall about plant lore and legend.

1 November—Hambleden Valley garden talk at Skirmett village hall about trees.

# Wednesdays

## Regulars

**Music & Rhymes**—9.30-10.15 Lane End Primary School. Tel Sure Start 447110

**Drawing and watercolour art class for beginners and improvers**—10am-12noon. Starts 20 April LEYCC. Enrol on 01296 382403 or [adultlearningbcc.ac.uk](mailto:adultlearningbcc.ac.uk)

**Adult Art Class**—10am-12noon at LEYCC from 21 Sept to 19 Oct. £57 pp. Tel 01296 382403

**The Tree**—lunch and soft drink offer £5.99 per person, 12-5pm

**Bridge Club**—1.30pm Lane End Village Hall

**French for children**—3.45-4.15 with Denise 881919 / [toddlertalk.webs.com](http://toddlertalk.webs.com)

**School of Traditional Medieval Fencing**—7.30pm Lane End Village Hall

**Junior youth club**—LEYCC, 6-8pm. call Mark Lockwood 07787 402636

**Beginners Jive classes**, Frieth Village Hall. Doors open 7.30pm, class 8pm. Fun & friendly class, no partner required. £5 the-rockingrebels@gmail.com or 07947 106607

## Wednesday events

21 September—Adult Art Class 10am-12noon at LEYCC from 21 Sept to 19 Oct. £57 pp. Tel 01296 382403

19 October—Hambleden Valley garden visit to Alice de Rothschild's Eythrope garden. Tel 01491 638691

# Thursdays

## Regulars

**Simply Walk**—10am Lane End Playing Field's car park. Walk and chat for 1-2 hours

**Coffee Stop**—Village Hall 10-12noon. Coffee and chat. All welcome, run by Methodist Church

**Lane End Support Group**—second Thursday of the month, 9.30-11.30am, Sure Start Children's Centre at Lane End Primary

**Computers@The Centre**—11.30-2pm LEYCC

**The Drop-In (Social lunch)** - 12-2pm LEYCC

**Four Ends Flower Club**—Fourth Thursday of the month 2pm in Lane End Village Hall. Visitors £5. Flower arranging demonstration, raffle, tea and cake. Contact 482724

**LEOPAG**—First Thursday of the month 2-4pm LEYCC

**Spanish for children**—4-4.30pm, Denise 881919 / [toddlertalk.webs.com](http://toddlertalk.webs.com)

**Lane End Players**—8pm Village Hall Tel 483359

**West Wycombe Guides**—7.15pm Piddington Village Hall

**The Tree, Cadmore End**—Indian special curry night. Two courses are £15.95 and three courses for £18.95 per person. Both menus include a complimentary beer. Tel 881183 to book

**Twinning Association**—first Thursday of the month at the Grouse & Ale 8pm

# Fridays

## Regulars

**French for babies and toddlers**—9.30-10.15 (Mondays too) Denise 881919 / [toddlertalk.webs.com](http://toddlertalk.webs.com)

**Circuits**—9.30-10.30am LEYCC

**Craft group**—first and third Friday of the month in Lane End Village Hall. Tel 01993 837078 for details

**The Tree**—lunch and soft drink offer £5.99 per person, 12-5pm

## Events

30 September—Macmillan coffee morning at LEYCC 10am. Tel 883878

7 October—Royal British Legion officer talk. Tel 881948.

7 and 14 October—Lane End Players performance of Tom's midnight garden 7.30pm. Buy tickets online at [laneendplayers.com](http://laneendplayers.com), email [boxoffice@laneendplayers.com](mailto:boxoffice@laneendplayers.com), phone 880662 or go to the box office in the village hall on Saturday mornings.

## ← THURSDAY Events

# Saturdays

## Regulars

**Coffee Shop**—Enjoy coffee and cake on the first and third Saturdays of the month, 10am-12noon, Lane End Village Hall.

The Twinning Association runs the first Saturday in the month, Holy Trinity the third.

**Whistles & Bells dog behaviour school**—9-12noon LEYCC, Tel Jenny 07703 020344

**Lane End Football Club**—11am-12noon, Lane End Playing Fields. All welcome, [anitahanson11@yahoo.com](mailto:anitahanson11@yahoo.com)

**11+ tutoring**—with Alison Taylor 10am-12noon. Email [alisontaylor@pass11+.co.uk](mailto:alisontaylor@pass11+.co.uk)

## Friday Events

8 October—Frieth cricket club race night, Frieth Village Hall Email [friethcricket@btinternet.com](mailto:friethcricket@btinternet.com)

8 and 15 October—Lane End Players performance of Tom's midnight garden 7.30pm. Buy tickets online at [laneendplayers.com](http://laneendplayers.com), email [boxoffice@laneendplayers.com](mailto:boxoffice@laneendplayers.com), phone 880662 or go to the box office in the village hall on Saturday mornings.

# Sundays

## Regulars

**Parish Communion**—9.30 Holy Trinity Church Lane End (crêche first Sunday of the month)

**Elim service**—10.30 am at Elim Christian Centre, Edmonds Road, Lane End

**Sung Eucharist/Family Service**—11am St Mary's Church Cadmore End

**Morning Service (Methodist)**—11.15am Holy Trinity Church Lane End

**Sunday lunch**—Grand International Buffet and traditional carvery at The Tree, Cadmore End. £12.95 Book on 881183

**Evensong**—6pm at Holy Trinity Church Lane End

**Lane End Players**—7.30pm Village Hall Tel 483359

## Saturday Events

9 October 2016—Bradenham Bolt 10k run and fun dog show (see p43)

16 October—Frieth Hilly 5k and 10k running race (see p43)

# New Wycombe district local plan

The draft new Wycombe district local plan was distributed this summer. The plan affects Lane End and consultations were held in July.

The plan identifies where new homes and infrastructure will be built to meet the government's housing targets.

71% of the land in our area is part of the Chilterns area of outstanding natural beauty (AONB) and 48% is designated green belt. Around half of the new homes will be built on brownfield sites but some land is

being taken out of green belt to allow enough homes to be built. Even doing this, Wycombe has a shortfall on its target.

Following is the information that WDC has distributed about how Lane End is affected. Lane End Parish Council has sent a comprehensive reply to their proposals.

All the latest information is available on WDC's website [wycombe.gov.uk](http://wycombe.gov.uk) or google Wycombe new local plan. The consultation period closed at the end of August.



## Land next to Shanly development on Finings Road (RUR1)

The site could accommodate around 23-32 new homes.

The development is required to:

- preserve the setting of the Lane End conservation area;
- preserve the setting of the listed building (White Gable Cottage);
- reflect the special character, layout and form of adjoining residential areas;
- provide access from Finings Road at the north of the site;
- maintain access to water tower;
- provide 15 metre buffer for the Ancient Woodland;
- create a robust landscape edge on the southern edge of the site, providing connectivity to the ancient woodland and existing hedgerows.



## Land off Simmons Way (RUR5)

- This site is part of the former Springbank House, an old employment site.
- The site has been extensively marketed for employment use but there has been no market interest.
- The main part of the former Springbank House is already being developed for new homes.
- The site is allocated for new homes.

## Land between Chalky Field and Marlow Road (RUR2)

The site is proposed for housing and could accommodate around 20-28 new homes.

Development of the site is required to:

- provide layout and building heights to reflect existing topography;
- maintain views of Cutlers House;
- provide access from Chalky Field;

not extend beyond Cutlers House, Marlow Road;

- maintain screening from Marlow Road into Lane End;
- create a new landscape structure from the southern boundary;
- retain and enhance the existing pond.



## Land adjoining Sidney House (RUR4)

- The site is constrained by poor access and by noise from the motorway.
- The site is not proposed for development in the local plan due to its constraints but is proposed to be taken out of the Green Belt.



## Land off Ellis Way (RUR3)

The site is proposed for new homes.

The precise number of homes will depend on the ecological assessment of the site.

## Gypsies and Traveller provision

The Plan sets out two different options for how to meet the needs for travellers.

One site in the area, High Barns (Cadmore End) has been identified as one of a number of options that we are consulting on to meet these needs.

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# A little soapbox about litter

Report by Lane End resident 'SC' 🐈

I can't stop you from dropping litter...

At least, if you're the person who hurls fast food containers out of your car window as though it were a convenient disposal chute. Or if you think that nobody saw you walk off as your dog did its business on the footpath (and that there's no risk that a vigilante will sneak into your front garden and return what you mistakenly left behind through your letterbox). Or if you are the person who carelessly hangs their dog's mess in little plastic bags on the local trees, remaining there in perpetuity for villagers to admire like some sort of grisly organic bauble...

...Well you probably don't read the Clarion, so I won't waste my limited page allowance addressing you.

Instead, this is a call to arms addressed to the Great People of Lane End, to gently nudge, persuade and convince you that we can make our village great again without doing

anything at all.

Actually, no, we do all have to do something. But by 'something' I don't mean give up your Saturdays to a community drive. I simply mean, when you step out of your front door or take a stroll to the shop, don't ignore the flattened cigarette packet that has appeared on the verge. Don't walk by the chunk of polystyrene that is just waiting to be driven over and exploded into a thousand tiny white and weightless ball bearings. Don't silently cursing those thoughtless non-readers of the Clarion, the speeding commuters, the manufacturers of the non-biodegradable packaging, the junk food and consumables that find their way into the hedges and ponds of our village.

Instead of that, well, just pick it up. Simple. Obviously I won't advocate using bare hands to remove doggy-do. And anything covered in suspicious brown matter should probably be given a wide birth (or require a makeshift glove using a double layer



of 5p carrier bags for those brave soldiers among you).

It's hard to get into the mind-set of picking up other people's rubbish. I am not a parent but have in the past experienced the silent battle of wills with house mates in which we each individually ignore the dirty kitchen floor, or the shortage of household toilet

roll. I've been that person who considers it a personal triumph when the other caves in, having had enough of the filth (or lack of loo roll), and brings out the hoover or makes the journey to the corner shop to buy the smallest, cheapest pack of toilet roll available, knowing it will last just a day or two until the standoff must commence again.

I routinely do all this, and I also wish that, despite the funding cuts, pot-holes, traffic jams and other little nuisances that the council have to contend with, that they would prioritise

removing every last little piece of litter and hunt down the fly tippers haunting my little village.

But let's face it, they won't. And there is no silent

## This is a call to arms addressed to the Great People of Lane End

stand-off going on because there is nobody else who actually cares enough to reach down and remove that ugly scrap of rubbish except you. I mean, you read this far, didn't you?

My message is simple: People of Lane End, let's all pick up other peoples' litter. Consider it life-affirming.



# Milk Men

with Will Lacey 



## Bragging rights on the farm

It's coming to the end of summer and harvest of our varying different crops is in progress. The first crop we cut was our grass silage, which is cut and stored for our cows to eat over the winter months.

The grass yields were up this year due mainly to a wet spring/early summer. On our farm we cope well in wet times due to our soils being predominately chalk and sand, meaning the water drains well. In a dry year this means we suffer from drought early, grass growth and quality are both reduced as the plants struggle to cope.

It's been the opposite this summer though as the rain came down thick and fast at times. With plenty of rain and some sunshine we have had so much grass we have had to change our plans to make room for it all. This is a headache, but a good headache to have!

With the main grass crop in we moved on to hay making, and again

we have plenty of this, it is all in and being stored in our barns at the moment, with an aim to sell some later in the year.

The cattle are all out grazing at the moment and it's nice to go round the fields to check them and see them in a lush field of grass all contented. We are really pleased with how the calves have grown this spring, and



put this down to the good grazing conditions.

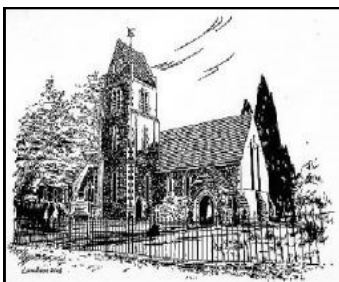
Last issue, I told you about us qualifying for the semi finals of the UK biggest dairy farm competition. It is a massive achievement to make the semi-finals which we were thrilled to do, but we didn't quite make it to the final to contest for the cup. Maybe next year.....

We enter a wide range of competitions as a farm. I think it's good to have a bit of competition with other farms, and hopefully it drives us all to try and do that one or two per cent better than before. It means we can have the bragging rights over whoever we beat! Currently we have the oldest milking cow in Bucks, which we have won for the last two years, this is a good one to win, as a cow will only milk for a long time if she is happy and looked after well,

so hopefully it's a sign we are getting it right.

We also won the best small farm in South Bucks this summer. Again it's another competition we like to do well at, with a bigger reward at the end. The winner of best Small, Medium and Large farms all compete for the title of best overall farm, last year we came second overall, beaten only by the Connells at Frieth, (which gave them the bragging rights last year).

This year we want to try and do one better. Lane End and local villages are well represented at South Bucks farming competitions, with ourselves, Connells at Frieth and Edgleys at Cadmore End farming most of the agricultural land in the parish. We're proud to say that we often pick up many of the prizes in the South Bucks region.



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# Lane End life before running water

Report by Andrew McTavish 

‘Jack and Jill went up the hill  
To get a pail of water...’

An old nursery rhyme. But these times were no so long ago in Lane End. Pure piped water from the water company arrived in the village in the 1930s and it was some years before every house was connected up. There are many older residents who have memories of life before they could turn a tap on at any time of day or night and have a glass of clean water.

Where did their water come from? From the roof, from the rain that fell on their

houses. Their gutters and down pipes would take the rain to an underground tank near the property.

These were usually circular, brick built and about twelve feet deep and six feet wide. Most people had a hand pump in the kitchen or scullery and drew water as they needed it. One or two pumped the water once a week into a tank in the attic which fed a single tap in the kitchen. A few used a bucket. They were far more careful with water than we are today. After all, in a hot summer, their tank could dry out. Then they would have

to find water elsewhere.

The ponds in the village were hardly fit for domestic use. The one in the centre, Mill Pond, and the lower one, Foundry Pond, were as murky today as they were then. A third pond, Botany Pond, was situated on the opposite side of the road from Foundry Pond, where the little bridge crosses the spring and ditch at the bottom of the car park. This pond

was large and noxious as it accumulated effluent from the cess pits of the houses higher up on the road.

‘My father fell in that  
well... he was never the  
same again.’

In the 1940’s it was filled in but not before one young girl fell through the ice while sliding and found herself waist deep in filthy sludge.

So if your tank ran dry, you had to go to a public well. There were five in the area. Black Well, next to Foundry Pond, is well known and was restored by local volunteers in 1986. Close to it was one by Botany Pond, and a third was below Bottom House, once the last house on the right on the Marlow Road. This building was then a public house and the

well was uncomfortably close to the outside toilet.

The fourth was adjacent to Clinkard Place on the Frieth Road, and the last was on Dean Farm land, just through the kissing gate at Bolter End. Clearly Black Well was the important one to most people.

Some people had their own wells, with buckets on windlasses. One of the last to be dug (and which still remains) is at Kew Cottage by Finings Wood. Its roof has been restored but it has lost its windlass. Brick built, 4ft across, the water glints 15ft below the secure grating that has been fixed across the shaft. There may be others remaining on private land but this is one of the last. The rest have been filled in, as have most of the rainwater tanks.

In those days householders did not have water bills arriving twice a year; water was free, if its quality was sometimes dubious. Those who live in older properties usually know where the underground tanks were, or still are. Many have memories. When a cottage on Ditchfield was having its tank filled in, an old man watching said: 'My father fell in that,' and added thoughtfully: 'He was never the same again.' It's hardly surprising, as it must have been almost impossible to get out.

The gentleman from the Potting Shed remembers his weekly Friday chore of pumping 60 gallons of water

from the underground tank to the cistern in their roof, a task that took upwards of 40 minutes.

The Ship Inn at Cadmore End was supposed to have a white fish nicknamed 'Moby Dick' living in the Stygian gloom of its water. One larger house is said to have converted the empty tank into a wine cellar with a spiral staircase made by Meakes. And one older lady still remembers her childhood when a drought dried out the houses in The Row, and she watched elderly Miss Atkins staggering under a yoke and two pails of water from Black Well back to her home.



In case this ever happens to you, her tip is to put crossed sticks on top of the water to stop it sloshing too much! It's just a shame Jack and Jill weren't around to lend a hand.

# Schools



Here we are at the start of another school year with very exciting news to report.

## **New class**

Due to a 36% increase in pupil numbers over the past three years we found ourselves in the happy position of needing an additional class. Like many of the small village schools in the area, we have had mixed year groups in all of our classes in the past, but from September this year, we now have single year groups in Years 1, 2 and 6. We anticipate that from September 2017 we will require a further additional class meaning a dedicated class for all year groups.

We are about to get started on the work to refurbish our school library and transform it into a Learning Café fit for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

The summer term was filled with exciting events and trips. The children once again joined forces with other local schools and Garsington Opera for a performance. They also created an incredible and humorous performance of on the Robin Hood Story at the end of term. We were also incredibly proud when a team of four children travelled to the National Heritage Car Museum to represent Lane End Primary School in the final of Maths in Motion.

Finally, I would like to thank our amazing volunteers who run our breakfast club and regularly read with the children. They offer incredible support and along with our fantastic team of teachers, teaching assistants and supporting staff make Lane End Primary School a great place to be.

We are currently looking for volunteers to help us in our library a couple of afternoons a week.



*If you are thinking about nursery or primary schools and would like to come along to visit our lovely nursery and school then please email us at [office@laneendprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@laneendprimary.co.uk)*

Debbie Williams, Headteacher



## Cadmore End

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In autumn 2015, the school received its 'Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools' and the judgment was 'good'. The report described the head teacher as having a 'clear vision' and 'high aspirations for everyone'. It focused on the school's 'distinctive Christian values, that are woven through the practice and policy' and that create its 'inclusive and caring learning environment'.

Up until the Easter term, some Sir William Borlase 6th form students

worked two mornings a week with pupils on an art-based RE project to further spiritual

awareness. This academic year saw the introduction of a Magical Maths club, Deep-sea spelling, music clubs and Forest School continued as part of the outdoor learning curriculum.

The introduction of termly learning conversations (TLC's) with parents has received some positive feedback. Parents indicated that they feel the staff are approachable and understand the individual needs of pupils and listens to parents. They described the school as friendly, with lots of different opportunities for outdoor learning and trips all within





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the context of small classes, in a great setting.

The spring term was marked by some sad news, Neil Raven our chair of Governors until May 2015 passed away over the Christmas period. In school however there was the usual mix of pancake races on Shrove Tuesday, Easter egg hunts and an egg painting completion all organised by the school's FACES parent fund raising group. Playtime was reviewed this term, Class 4 pupils led the way by being trained as 'play leaders', so that the children's suggested changes could be implemented. In our school library, the new junior librarian system funded

by FACES was launched.

A highlight of the summer term was 'Aspirations Day' with visitors from different professions coming in to talk to the children.

Then on Sports Day, responding to comments and ideas from parents, there was a change of format from last year. There was still the mix of fun races, traditional events and running races. Friends and family supported teams of children from each class wearing their House colour's of blue, green and yellow. The morning ended with a family picnic on the Cadmore End cricket ground, where tradition dictates such events always take place.



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To round off the summer term, there was another occasion with a hint of sadness as the school wished Rev. Robert Jennings a happy retirement, with most classes producing pictures and cards. For 26 years Robert has been a regular visitor in school, talking to classes, taking whole school assemblies and supporting the school as a governor. Finally, the end of term drew to a close with the customary mix of end of year productions in KS1 and KS2, and with a leavers' service in church to say farewell and to wish them every success.

Tanya Sims (Governor)



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# On the land

with Bryan Edgley 



## post-Brexit farming policy

Three weeks after publication of the last issue of The Clarion, the 'Brexit' Referendum took place with a decision for Britain to leave the EU. This means that our farming policy in the future will be formulated and controlled by British politicians in Westminster.

The head of the National Trust is reported in the national press as saying that she wants to return the countryside to how it was 'in our parents' and grandparents' generations' under a new post-Brexit British farming policy. She says that the land should be managed in a nature-friendly way to benefit farmland birds, wild flowers, bees and butterflies.

Furthermore she feels that 'water meadows and meandering rivers will help prevent the flooding of our towns.' She doesn't mention the extensive flooding in the Somerset Levels which we reported in the Spring 2014 issue of Clarion. At that

time the floodwater could not drain out to the sea quickly enough because the River Parrett had not been correctly dredged or maintained in recent years - until emergency work had to be carried out to alleviate the flooding. I believe the reason why the Environment Agency had failed to dredge it correctly was the result of its misguided policy of treating the habitat and wellbeing of water voles in the river bank as being more important than protecting houses from flooding.

So farming policy has to be finely balanced to grow food for human consumption, as well as protecting the landscape and wildlife. The NFU has set out seven key aspects of the way in which we hope that our British politicians will regulate UK farming. These are:-

-Build the nation's food security by improving the competitiveness, profitability and productivity of UK agriculture (*Government to treat food*

*production as important )*

-Give British farmers the best possible access to markets inside and outside the EU (*for sale of farm produce*)

-Ensure that agri-food imports (*such as bacon, pork, lamb, beef and poultry meat*) meet the same high standards adhered to by British farmers

-Introduce a domestic agricultural policy that will not put British farmers at a competitive disadvantage (*as compared to food produced overseas*)

-Ensure British farmers and growers have sufficient supplies of labour, (*many seasonal workers in the vegetable growing sector come from Eastern Europe*)

-Strengthen farming's environmental role, allowing all farmers to care for the countryside, wildlife and mitigate climate change (*as a by-product of farming*)

-Implement science and evidence-based policies to create a better regulatory environment for British farmers (*no unnecessary regulations*)

At Kensham Farms our harvest started this year on 30 July, with a crop of oil seed rape on the Grove Farm field next to Booker Aerodrome, followed by harvesting winter oats at Pyatts Farm, shown in the photo. Our combine harvester is a John Deere S680i Hillmaster. One of the photos shows how the cutter head, which is 9m wide, can follow the slope of the land and yet the cab and the thrashing mechanism of the combine remains level.

The mechanism to achieve this tilt is by the link arms for the driving wheels pushing down one wheel and raising up the other - in just the same way that a dog can run along the contour line of a hill without falling over, by lowering one leg relative to the other.



The combine harvester has an 11 litre diesel engine, consuming 70 to 80 litres per hour, it develops 565 hp. It cuts the standing crop, then thrashes and cleans the grain at a rate of 45 to 50 tonnes per hour, just occasionally reaching one tonne per minute - in a full day we can harvest around 100 acres. It is fitted with GPS steering and has all the latest computer technology - so that after harvesting each field it will transmit a map of the field, showing yield and moisture content of the grain, by radio link to the farm office.



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## Cystitis in cats and dogs

Cystitis in cats is very common. The signs are increased frequency of urination, straining to urinate with the production of only small amounts of urine and blood in the urine. It's difficult to determine the cause, but could be bladder stones, bacterial infection or more rarely, tumours and congenital deformities. Cats can also get cystitis as a result of stress and behavioural problems. For example, the stress of a new cat in the household or weather conditions causing a reluctance to go outside or a house move can all predispose to a bout of cystitis.

Treatments involve increasing water intake, decreasing stress and medical treatments such as anti-inflammatory drugs and pain relief for the inflamed bladder lining. Food supplements that help with the bladder wall health and that can reduce stress in cats are useful. Prescription diets can also prevent recurrence of bladder and kidney stones.

To rule out bladder and kidney stones, radiographs and ultrasound under general anaesthetic are required.

A potentially fatal result of cystitis in male cats is the formation of a stone or plug in the urethra (the tube through which urine passes out of the bladder). If the urethra becomes blocked and the cat is unable to urinate, urine builds up in the bladder and can cause acute kidney failure and can be fatal. Emergency catheterisation of the bladder is required.

The signs of cystitis in dogs are similar to cats but the underlying cause is very different. In dogs cystitis is usually due to a bacterial infection, often secondary to bladder stones or crystals in the urine, tumours, polyps or occasionally congenital problems affecting the anatomy of the bladder.

## Pet of the Month

Frank is a four year old Pug who suffered from nephroliths (kidney stones) and uroliths (bladder stones). Frank presented with signs of cystitis. He was anaesthetised and a contrast study was performed coupled with radiographs and an ultrasound of his kidneys and bladder. This revealed multiple stones obstructing the flow of urine through the tube from his kidney to his bladder. This had caused his kidney to



swell in size. He also had a large stone in his bladder. The wall of his bladder was thickened as a result of irritation to the lining by this stone. Frank required complicated surgery by our European Specialist Michael Hamilton. Michael surgically removed the stones allowing urine to flow freely again from Frank's kidney to his bladder.

The surgery was not without risk but Frank has made a full recovery and is back at home with his other Pug friends: Doris, Milo and Gladys. He now needs to eat a special diet to prevent further formation of bladder and kidney stones.



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# Gardening

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## Enjoy the last of the summer sun

The time for relaxing and enjoying your garden has not finished yet! After a scorching August perhaps there is still some warm weather to come during the days, and as cooler evenings approach, fire up that chiminea and spark up the fire pit to take the edge off.

### Seasonal Top Tips:

Perhaps we have had some rain by now, but something to watch out for during a long period of hot dry weather with little rainfall is powdery mildew. Because many plants are under stress due to lack of water, they become susceptible to pest and disease attack. The signs are obvious, new leaves may become slightly shrivelled but there is a layer of white dust usually on the underside of the leaves that brushes off to touch. I find watering such plants at the base with copious amounts will give plants a new lease of life to fight off mildew.

If you have areas of meadow for wild

flowers it is likely they are becoming unsightly by now. They should not be left to die down naturally if you want to encourage more wild flowers. In fact they really should have been cut down around July, tight to the ground as possible and all the cut grass raked off. The idea is to starve the grass as much as possible which will prevent it from choking wild flowers and eventually wiping them out. So if the grass dies down naturally it rots and makes its own nutrients feeding the soil, that's why we remove it.

### Favourites:

I saw this plant growing in someone's front garden, I wasn't familiar with it but I had to find out what it was...it was stunning! Fortunately, the owner was home and took pleasure in not only enlightening me but giving me a cutting. Thank you! Its common name is Angel's fishing rod, which straight away gets you thinking this is something special. Otherwise known as Dierama, it's actually a perennial corm, like those of Crocosmia or

montbretia. It's grass-like in appearance with beautiful flowers of purple pink or white, around 60-90cm high, and is frost hardy, but beware the corms will rot off in winter in water-logged soil.



I am an evergreen shrub which can grow up to 3m if allowed to. My flowers are insignificant and rarely seen, as in most cases I am trimmed regularly, especially into topiary. I am also used historically in herb gardens to frame borders, although I am not a herb. If I am trimmed too early or too late in the season the cold air will damage the cut leaves and make them brown and unsightly. Many of us have been affected by blight of late, which is extremely difficult to get rid of and kills many plants. The latest measures are to cut back hard to promote new growth to try to extinguish the blight.

*Answer: Box (Buxus)*

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