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What's in this month's magazine

This is a double issue magazine. As last year, this edition has more stories, poems and activities for children or young at heart adults, to complete over the long summer holidays. Pages 16-19 have the main activities.

Tachfest gets a full colour page write-up on page 23, this year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever, so set the afternoon of Saturday 15th July aside to come and join in the fun. Of course, there will be a raffle with lots of lovely prizes. To see who the lucky winners were at the Church Fete see page 41.

Elsewhere there's another fabulous drawing by Steve Harvey, this month of a Magpie, see page 31. Jim Scrivens gives us his Desert Island Discs and has even created a playlist on Spotify so you can listen to his picks, see page 35. His partner, our vicar Elaine, has written a thoughtful piece on Friendship, see page 4.

Following this theme we have launched a 'Befriending' scheme. The idea is that pensioners who need a little bit of extra help will anonymously post their requests in the magazine. Those who think they may be able to help, for free, then get in contact with the magazine and we put the two parties together, see page 9. Please help.

Enjoy the summer, the magazine will be back in September.

CYCLE OF PRAYER—Praying for our Community

We are praying in July for:

Kingsley Road
Laertes Grove
Lancaster Way
Launce Grove
Lisle Gardens

We are praying in August for:

Mallory Road
Millway Drive
Miranda Drive
Oakley Wood Road

If there is something or someone you would like us to pray for please let Elaine our Vicar or a member of the congregation know.

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One of the joys for me since moving to Bishop's Tachbrook has been the many friends that I've made. Friends, who when I eventually retire will remain a vital part of my life. In my journey through life I am so grateful to those friends who have enriched my life and helped me know how important our relationships are.

I am also aware that sometimes our journey through life can feel quite lonely. Even when we are part of a church, you might wonder if you have any true friends who will care for you when things are not so great. Our 3 Cs Community Coffee Morning is one way of helping people get together and make friends. When we hold a social at church, whether a Beetle Drive, a quiz or film night, it's our way of gathering together to encourage friendship making and enable friendships to flourish. Such friendships can be an anchor that holds us fast through the most stormy seasons of life. They encourage us in our faith, celebrate with us in our joys and stand with us in our sorrows. Such friendship is priceless. John Donne famously penned the lines: 'No man is an island entire of itself; everyman is of the continent a part of the main', meaning we are created for community, for belonging, for mutual caring, for friendship both with God and with one another and C.S Lewis writes: 'Friendship is the crown of life and school of virtue'. Friendship multiplies joy and divides sorrow.

Friendships don't just happen they need an investment; an investment of time,

energy, self giving, generosity, kindness and hospitality. We have to give as well as receive.

I remember coming across a quote, saying something like, You can make more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people than you can in two years by getting other people interested in you'.

We are often told that loneliness is endemic in our society today. More people live alone than at any other time in our recorded social history. Research has discovered that whilst people have a very large number of 'friends' on social media, there is an increasing sense of loneliness. Whilst there is nothing wrong with social media, it cannot take the place of real face to face friendships.

At the moment Jim and I are in California and while we are here we will meet up with friends, some of whom we have not seen for a year and whom we've met through going to church while out here, having coffee afterwards and chatting with folks. We keep in touch via social media and email but it's lovely catching up over coffee and cake or lunch.

Mother Theresa said, 'I can do things you cannot, you can do things I cannot: together we can do great things'.

Friends, let's resolve to build strong friendships – with one another and with God. Let's use the opportunities of summer to enjoy some great social occasions: come and have coffee and

cake on a Wednesday morning in the St Chad's Centre, have a BBQ and invite friends, join the ladies at the club on a Tuesday, join St Chad's Mother's Union or the WI, go on walks, picnics etc. to share life, enjoy Tachfest. In sharing this time together we ensure that we are not alone on our journey but are encouraged by those who journey with us.

Every Blessing in Christ,

Elaine

PS. If you can think of other ways we can get together please let me know. I have some ideas but I'm sure you have more.

Thank you -The Churchyard

A big Thank You to the families who have responded to the request in last month's magazine. We would be grateful if any remaining ornaments are removed from graves as soon as possible.

Valerie Adelaide Fisher

Passed away 17th May aged 91
Among many other things she did in her life, she was editor of this magazine, a member of the Parish Council and Secretary of the B.T. Horticultural Society.
Our thanks for her contribution to village life and sympathy to her family

THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY

Baptism

Abigail Rebecca Savage

We welcome her into the Christian Family.

Marriage

Thomas Billington & Jemma Young

We offer our congratulations and best wishes for the future.

Funerals

Fiona Wilson

Cyril Elwell

We pray for their souls and offer our sympathy to their families and friends.

Thank You—The Fete

St Chad's PCC would like to sincerely thank *all* who gave their time to make our Fete a success. Our special thanks go to the following for their support in raising funds for the upkeep and maintenance of our village church:-
Bishop's Tachbrook School (especially Year 2 and their teachers)
Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council
Bishop's Tachbrook Sports and Social Club
Bishop's Tachbrook Brownies
The Village Events Group
Rob Loveday Electrical Services
Squab Hall
Castle Small Puppet Theatre
and all who donated prizes for our Raffle.

For a list of all Raffle prize winners please go to page 41.

Bishop's Tachbrook Sports and Social Club

Summer Entertainment

July

1st July – Sam Powell Blues Band

Upbeat Rhythm and Blues and its best; if you're looking for a night of stonking blues, this is not a band to be missed.

8th July – Skittles Night

Skittles nights are great fun for all the family.

15th July – Tachfest

Tachfest is a music based festival during the day. With bands confirmed and the Warwick Dog Training Club, a display of cars and bikes it promises to be a fun event with a festival feel.

15th July – Revolver

Revolver are a five piece band offering classic rock and pop covers from the 60's to present day. Covers include songs from The Arctic Monkeys, U2, Rolling Stones, Snow Patrol and many more.

22nd July – Race Night

Want a fun family night out? Come and join us for our night at the races.

29th July – Jay Kays

Jay Kays are a classic rock and pop cover band playing hits from the 60's and 70's.

August

5th August – Charity Quiz

The Judge will be testing your general knowledge for August's Charity Quiz. All proceeds contribute to Parkinson's UK Leamington Spa Branch. This Charity aims for better care, treatments and quality of life for their patient's. Quiz nights are great fun and remember a prize for every team.

12th August – Back to Back

Back to Back is a local band playing hits from the 50's, 60's & 70's.

19th August – 80's Disco

We'll be taking you back to the 80's for a fun filled Disco evening.

26th August – Members Wedding

Two of our members are getting married and the club is hosting their wedding reception. The club is open as usual.

September

2nd September – Quiz

Test your knowledge against The Judge! Quiz nights are great fun and remember a prize for every team.

9th September – Rob Alton

Rob Alton will be here, singing a mixture of rock & pop hits through the night.

16th September – Bob Marley Tribute

Join us for some timely Reggae classics, including No Woman No Cry, Is This Love and Jamming.

23rd September – Simple Sarah

Simple Sarah will be entertaining us with a mixture of rock & pop hits through the night.

30th September – BTSSC 50th Anniversary

Come and celebrate Bishops Tachbrook's Sports & Socials Club 50th Anniversary. A night not to be missed starting off with a Children's Disco at 6.30pm, Firework Display, Mark Drew Cabaret and finishing with Andy Terry on the Disco! Food will be available to purchase during the evening.

Bishop's Tachbrook Calendar

What's on in July

Wednesday 5th all day,
History Group, Outing to
Madresfield Court 01926
885938

Thursday 6th 19.45
WI, Games Evening, B T School
01926 426797

Saturday 8th 10.00-12.00, St
Chad's Churchyard gardening,
01926 330050

Saturday 15th 13.00-18.00

Tachfest on The Meadow,
07926 584202

Thursday 20th 19.30, Parish
Council Meeting at St Chad's
Centre

Wednesday 26th 10.00-12.00,
St Chad's Churchyard
gardening, 01926 330050

Saturday 29th 11.00-13.00,
One Stop Pop Up shop St
Chad's Centre

onetwooneme@gmail.com

What's on in August

Thursday 3rd 19.45
Thoughtfully wrapped, B T
School
01926 426797

Tuesday 8th 19.30
History Group, The Truth
behind *Les Miserable*, St
Chad's Centre, 01926 885938

Saturday 12th 10.00-12.00, St
Chad's Churchyard gardening,
01926 330050

Thursday 17th 19.30, Parish
Council Meeting at St Chad's
Centre

Wednesday 23rd 10.00-12.00,
St Chad's Churchyard
gardening, 01926 330050

What's on in September

Thursday 7th 19.45, WI,
Toytown to Buckingham
Palace, B T School
01926 426797

Saturday 9th 10.00-12.00, St
Chad's Churchyard gardening,
01926 330050

Saturday 9th 19.00, St Chad's
committee, Quiz Night, 01926
651643

Tuesday 12th 19.30
History Group, 500 years of
Reformation, St Chad's Centre,
01926 885938

Thursday 21st 19.30, Parish
Council Meeting at St Chad's
Centre

Wednesday 27th 10.00-12.00,
St Chad's Churchyard
gardening, 01926 330050

Weekly events

Mondays 18.30-20.00 Youth Club at B.T School
Email: btyouthclub@gmail.com

Mondays Children 19.25-20.15 Adults 20.30—21.30 Get
Cooking at St Chad's Centre
07956955951 getcooking@hotmail.co.uk

Tuesdays 14.00-16.00 Over 50s at the Sports and Social Club,
01926 313020

Tuesdays 18.00-19.00 Pilates at St Chad's Centre
01926 259293

Tuesdays 20.00 Bingo at the Sports and Social Club,
01926 421621

Wednesdays 09.15-10.15 Pilates at St Chad's Centre
01926 25929

Wednesdays 10.30-12.00 Community Cafe at St Chad's Centre
01926 259293

Wednesdays 17.00-18.00 Rainbows at the Sports and Social
Club, 0779 6033471 e-mail: Carolineloveday@sky.com

Wednesdays 18.00-19.45 Brownies at the Sports and Social
Club, 0779 6033471 e-mail: Carolineloveday@sky.com

Wednesdays 19.00 -20.00, Tai Chi at St Chad's Centre
01926 338866

Thursdays 09.30-11.00 Tachbrook Tinies playgroup for
0-5s at St Chad's Centre, Tachbrook Tinies on Facebook

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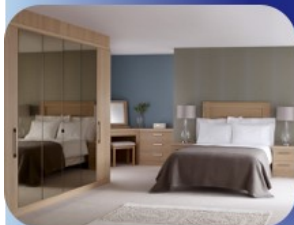
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Helpers please 1—our magazine

As the population of the Parish grows, we are looking for people to help out with this magazine. Specifically we need:

1. A features writer

We regularly discuss features we would like to read in the magazine. For instance, it was recently suggested we had a feature on our postmen and women. We would like someone who could follow up these ideas and write the articles. So if you have an inquiring mind and a way with words we'd like to hear from you,

2. Members of the ideas group

Every month the ideas group meets to discuss the month before magazine and plan for following months. If you feel you can add to the impact of the magazine please join us

3. Magazine Deliverers

We are looking for volunteers to distribute the magazine in the new developments within the parish. You choose how many houses to deliver to, we deliver the magazines to your door.

We need distributors on Spa Meadow, Oakley Grove, Bluebell Fields, Oakfields, Ash Meadow, Abbots Meadow and Poets Meadow.

If you can help with any of these positions please get in touch with me at:

btparishmagazine@hotmail.com

Helpers please 2—befriending scheme

We know our population is ageing as well. We have pensioners who need some help. Perhaps you could provide it.

This month we have the following requests:

Pensioner 1 needs help to do their ironing.

Pensioner 2 needs help to keep their flowerbeds clear in their front garden.

If you can help with either of these please get in touch with me at:

btparishmagazine@hotmail.com

and I will give you contact details.

Alternatively if you want a helping hand or know someone who does get in contact using the same e-mail.



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As mentioned in the last magazine, over the last six months the parish council has really turned its attention to the future, thinking about what our parish will look like in five, ten or even 20 years' time. A lot of the work we have undertaken this month has been focused in this direction. Resident Chris Harrison has agreed to work with the Parish Council in managing our Meadow Makeover plan. We have appointed a design consultant who will be liaising with Chris to ensure that all needs are included in the plan. Chris will be contacting community groups, schools and the sports and social club to understand requirements but please be patient it's in the very early stages. Before a decision is made there will be opportunities for all to see the proposals. Cllrs. Matthew Greene, Carol Gabbitas and Ray Bullen met with Warwick District Council officers including the Chief Executive, Chris Elliott, to discuss the country park. Mr. Elliott stressed in the meeting that he fully supports the country park. Councillors are concerned that the park is reducing in size as the developer locates space for SUD ponds and allotments, they are also concerned about the safety issues of placing SUD ponds in country parks. Mr. Elliott has liaised with the developer and arranged for the allotments to be relocated but unfortunately was unable to assist with the SUD pond. He is, however, seeking assurances about the safety issues raised by the Parish Council from the developer. £500 is being donated to the Church for the management of the churchyard. This should assist with keeping the churchyard

neat and tidy.

The working parties are still active and doing a wonderful job. We believe the Warwick Gates roundabouts are on the list. If you want to help please contact Cllr. Paul Whitwood.

We have asked our contractors to cut the grass more frequently to keep the parish looking smart. The new mower seems to be providing a 'much better cut' than the old one which is good news. The play area will be inspected shortly.

Residents will no doubt be aware that two of our dog waste bins are rotting. We have decided not to replace them as there are other bins close by. Please note that dog waste does not have to be placed in dog waste bins, but can be placed in any bins. This was a policy adopted by the District Council several years ago.

Accounts have been approved and details are available on the website. Section 137 funding for community groups will be advertised in the next edition.

We are in the process of confirming a meeting with Bloor Developments regarding the flooding issues on Holt Avenue. Update will be given in the next edition or at the next Parish Council meeting.

We are pleased to report that Chris Harrison and Nicola Burke have been appointed as the Parish Council representatives for the St. Chad's Centre Trust. Cllr. Carol Gabbitas is our third representative; we remain grateful to all our Trustees, past and present, for the work they do advancing the interests of the whole community through the

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operation of the Centre.

Following discussions with the Police and the District Council we have decided to purchase a camera in the hope that fly-tipping and dog fouling will reduce in this parish. We have the full support of the Police and the District Council. The District Council has assured us that they will follow up on offenders where we have evidence.

We have received a complaint from a resident regarding parking on footways and near the brow of the hill on Mallory Road. Please note that whilst we do not support inconsiderate parking this is not within the remit of the Parish Council. We ask residents to please bear in mind that our footways need to be kept clear for wheelchairs, pushchairs and mobility scooters. If they are not then it is a matter for the Police. Please dial 101 and report offenders. Parking near the brow of the hill could be brought to the attention of the Police or County Highways.

Our County Cllr. Les Caborn is finding out whether Wychwood Close will be resurfaced this year. He is also following up on the repairs to the potholes. We are hoping that the manhole cover on Oakley Wood Road has been repaired but, if not, please be assured that this is being pursued by Les. There seems to be some confusion as to whether it is a County Council responsibility or Severn Trent.

Finally, Cllrs. Cathy Herbert, Carol Gabbittas and Graham Leeke have been working very hard on producing a

‘Welcome Pack’ for our new residents and we are pleased to report that it is nearly finished. If you have moved into the parish recently please do contact the clerk who will arrange for a pack to be delivered to you.

The next meeting is on Thursday, 20th July at 7.30pm. All residents are welcome to attend. Any questions please contact our Parish Clerk

Mrs Corinne Hill

Gaydon Fields Farm

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Poetry Please

The ant and the Elephant by Spike Milligan

Said a tiny Ant

To the Elephant

"Mind how you tread in this clearing!"

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Of an Elephant, hard of hearing

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Veggie Voice

July

Sow Cabbage (Chinese/spring), kohlrabi, pak-choi, pea, radish, salads, turnip.

Grow Keep container plants and those with swelling pods/fruit evenly watered.

Shorten side-shoots of red/white currents, gooseberries, and wall-trained apples and pears to control vigour and encourage ripening.

August

Sow Cabbage (Chinese/spring), pakchoi, turnip, winter salads green manures for soil protection, such as crimson clover, mustard, phacelia

Grow Exclude light from celery stems by surrounding with newspaper and pulling up soil ('blanching')
Pot up rooted strawberry plants ('runners')

Take cuttings of herbs, e.g. rosemary, bay, hyssop

News from The Shed

Hi, I would like to start by thanking everyone who has come to the Shed this year for Supplies or just a chat and to remind all that the Shed is not just for people who own allotments it is for the community, so if you have a large garden, a greenhouse, a raised bed or anything in between then please come along. The Shed sells compost, canes, various feeds, lawn seed, growbags and other horticultural needs.

I have been selling bird seed, fat balls and other wild bird needs and due to people's requests I am now starting to sell pet foods through a new venture called Tachbrook Pet Supplies. I can provide almost anything to look after your pet from dogs, cats, birds, fish, rabbits etc. I can get most dog and cat foods along with small animal foods for rabbits, hamsters etc. Fish food by the pot, bag or kilo. Straw for your rabbit, sawdust for your hamster and dog chews from pigs ears, hooves etc. Bowls for food and water, toys to keep your pet happy or if you're thinking of taking up fish keeping then tanks or bowls. Most items are available to order and can be delivered to your door on a Friday if orders are received by Wednesday of the week. I have in stock cat and dog treats, sawdust for your hamsters, fish food for your koi and pond fish. A price list for general items will be available at the Shed or e-mail tachbrookpetsupplies@gmail.com to either enquire about what your interested in or for a price list. You can always visit the Shed on a Sunday to discuss your requirements.

The Shed is open on a Sunday morning between 10-12 I am also looking at opening on the Saturday afternoon of Tachfest for people to find out more about the Shed or Tachbrook Pet Supplies. As the year is moving on fast the Shed will close for the summer holidays from 23rd July until 3rd September this closure does not affect any pet requirements as these will be fulfilled throughout the summer months. Have a good summer and hopefully see you all in September.

Thanks Paul

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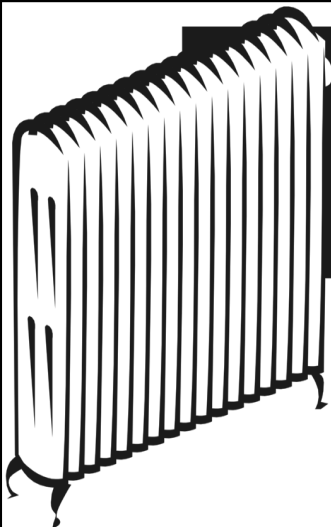
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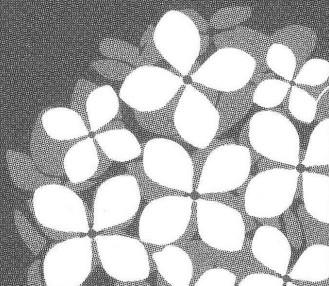
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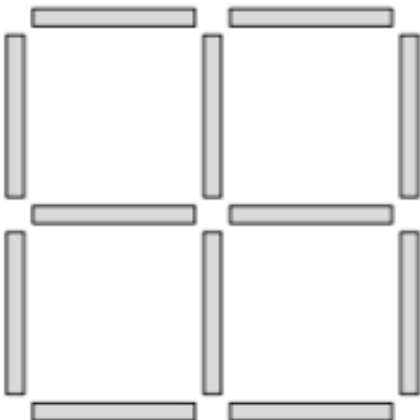


The kids zone

Sudoku

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6		4						
			5				3	7
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Match stick puzzle—remove 2 matches to make 2 boxes



Jokes!!

Q: What do you get when you pour hot water down a rabbit hole?

A: Hot cross bunnies.

Q: Why did the banana go to the doctor?

A: Because it wasn't peeling well.

Q: What do elves learn at school?

A: The elf-abet.

Q: Where does the queen keep her armies?

A: Up her sleeves.

Q: What do you call a train that sneezes?

A: Achoo-choo train.

Q: What do you call a donkey with three legs?

A: A wonkey.

Q: Why is 6 afraid of 7?

A: Because 7 ate(8) 9.

Q: What do you call a fairy that doesn't like to shower?

A: Stinkerbell.

Q: What do monsters eat?

A: Fish and ships.

Winnie The Pooh Word Search

Y	P	M	U	L	K	H	H	E	P	O	O	E	R
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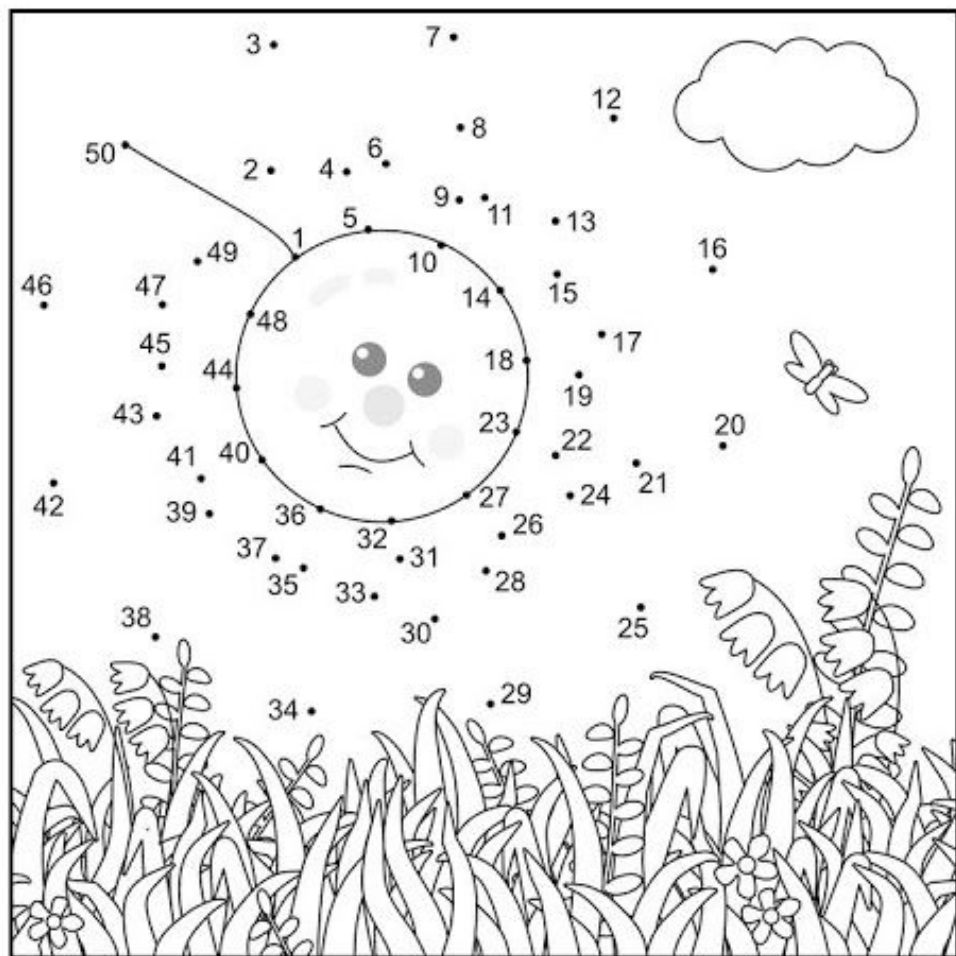
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July Haiku

Sand scatters the beach
Waves crash on the sandy shore
Blue water shimmers

By Kaitlyn Guenther





A sunny day at the beach by Liv Bruce

It was a sunny day so Mum and Dad decided that we should go to the beach. Mum, Dad, baby Jack and Me. So we packed and got ready to go to the beach. Once we arrived at the beach, me and baby Jack went straight to play in the sand. We made sand castles with pebbles and seaweed on them. We even put flags on them and made doors. After we had finished making sand castles, Mum said we should go paddling in the sea with Dad. So Me, Dad and baby Jack went down to where the waves were coming in and out. Baby Jack didn't like the water so he started to cry, Dad picked him up. After we had finished in the sea, we went to go get some ice-creams that Mum had got; I had one with a flake and chocolate sauce on. It was lunch time now, so we all sat down on a blanket and had some yummy sandwiches that Mum made earlier. Cheese and Ham was my favourite, it was so yummy and tasty. Baby Jack saw a seagull and started pointing his finger and laughing at it because it pooped on a man's bald head. The sky started to get dark so Mum and Dad told us it was time to go home. We got into the car and started to go home. What a good day at the beach.

Poetry Please

The sea by John Kitchen

Gulls in the air—
The sea, the sea!
I saw it first!
The sea.

Shell at my ear—
The sea, the sea!
I heard it first!
The sea.

Sand in my shoe—
The sea, the sea!
I felt it first!
The sea.

Spade in my hand—
The sea, the sea!
I splashed it first!
The sea.

Cold on my toe —
The sea, the sea!
I paddled it first!
The sea.

Sea song by James Kirkup

Sea-shell, sea shell,
Murmuring sand,
Murmuring sand.

Sea-shell, sea shell,
Far-away land,
Far-away land.

Sea-shell, sea shell,
Sing in my hand,
Sing in my hand.

Sea-shell, sea shell,
I'll understand,
You'll understand



TACHFEST

15th JULY 2017

1-6pm

On The Meadow

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So folks, the planning is in full swing.....get ready to grab your suncream, sunhats and your smiles!

We have 5 bands confirmed for the main stage – The Spakaleles (a local ukulele band) will kick the music off with an hour's set from 1.30pm, followed by The Rest (funk soul), Rob Alton (solo – various), The Big Band Theory (rock & blues) and finishing off with The Unwanted (rock & punk/alternative).

In between bands we have a dog show, Zumba exhibition and a classic cars and vintage bikes show. Other attractions include a Birds of Prey display, archery, a traction engine and fancy dress competition (under 5's and over 5's – your favourite book character).

Stalls will include face-painting, entertainment, toy stall, jewellery, arts & crafts as well as a few charities (St. John's Ambulance, Woodland Trust,

League of Friends, Cystic Fibrosis) and refreshments (WI)....as well as our ever popular burgers and hot dogs.

We'll be out selling raffle tickets around the Parish over the next couple of weeks. Please do buy a few from us as the money is put back into our community – any profit goes towards our fabulous fireworks in November.

Raffle prizes include a meal for 2 at 4 Penny Shop in Warwick, £50 cash, takeaway for 2 from Paw Paw, meal for 2 at The Leopard, meat voucher from Highams Butcher, free nail treatment, ½ price MOT at Heathcote Autos, oil & filter change and aircon regas at Bradley Motors, 5 mile ride in a super car, wine donated by Tachbrook Stores and The White Hart, £15 garden voucher and a bottle of champagne. What's not to love about these prizes? Put the date in your diary and we'll see you at The Meadow on the 15th July!

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CAFE

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10.30–12.00

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UBUS is 3 Years Old

The UBUS community transport service has been running for 3 years now. Previously known as Community Links, UBUS came into effect in June 2014 and since then an amazing 30,000 journeys have been made across the district by over 800 registered users.

UBUS is a ring and ride community transport service operating within Stratford District.

UBUS is available to anyone in the district who struggles to access public transport due to mobility issues, health problems or who lives in an area with no, or infrequent, public transport.

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Residents interested in registering with the service should ring 01789 264491.

For further information contact Marie Darwen at Stratford District Council on 01789 260 108.



Our June meeting was on one of those very hot evenings but members turned out in force to enjoy our speaker Mr Stephen Bruce whose talk was entitled "Stories from the Auction Room". Based in Kineton Stephen talked about his work in the sale room. We were advised, if emptying a house to check everywhere and everything. Old sofas can often have money or other valuables hidden in them. Old bank notes, depending on quality and what they are can be worth a lot of money. One elderly gentleman had been hiding money under the stair carpet. Someone else had filled food tins with rolled bank notes which were only discovered as they were being thrown into a skip. Stephen also advised us to be careful when employing someone for house clearance. Hidden costs can make this very expensive. He then went on to talk about some of the items he had brought along with him. Did you know central heating can affect china, coloured box cameras are worth more than black ones, stainless steel Rolex more than gold ones and a "play worn" Dinky toy could be worth £30. Stephen had brought a Sunbeam Alpine Dinky toy in good condition valued at £60 but with its box could have been nearer £200. Unfortunately none of the items we had taken along turned out to be the find of the century but it was nice to be told a little about our special things. He finished his talk by telling us about his most unusual request by an elderly client. She had phoned asking him to come and see her item which was now in the way after downsizing. He was advised of the size

and to bring a van, in case it could be sold. It couldn't..... It was grandfather stuffed and mounted in a glass case.

We then moved on to our regular business. A big thank you to all who supported the cake, plant and book stall. It turned out to be a very successful event. We are hoping to be at Tachfest with a refreshment stall again. If you would like to come and give us a hand during the afternoon please give me a ring. We try to organise shifts of an hour. Our wine club next meets in August. Makes us sound really professional doesn't it. More taste and natter me thinks.

County is celebrating its centenary next year with a range of events already planned. We are trying to think of something for us to do to celebrate this too. Things for us to enjoy now include a visit to David Austin Roses, Ludlow food festival, poetry mornings and a course on Internet safety amongst many other things.

Our forthcoming events are the Pimms and croquet evening, the trip to Chavenage House, and a possible skittles night in the autumn. Next month, July, we are having a games evening, never a quiet event, in August Alan Keech's talk is 'Thoughtfully Wrapped' which I'm hoping will give me ideas for Christmas presents. In September the talk is entitled 'Toytown to Buckingham Palace' given by John Stirling. I have no idea what it's about so you will have to come and join me to find

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Anne Allen

out.

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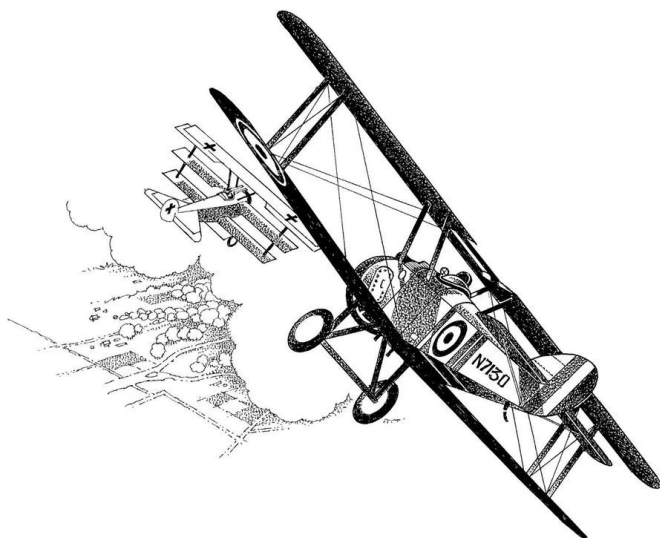
Anyone who attended our June meeting expecting to hear about lions, elephants and trapeze artists was quickly disillusioned by Jacqui Kirk's presentation. Jacqui traced the development of the new exciting experience of being airborne, from the first powered flight in a Kitty Hawk in 1903, the Wright Brothers in 1908, to the

involvement of the Royal Flying Corps (army) and Royal Naval Air Service (navy) in WW1. The two latter services worked quite separately from each other until they were merged in

1918 to become the Royal Air Force. Jacqui showed us pictures of fragile mono and biplanes in various stages of development - and their crashed remains. Flying was an exciting, pioneering opportunity, attracting young adventurous men who, with very little experience or training, took to the skies and experimented with aerodynamics to control and develop techniques to attack or defend against enemy aircraft – controlling a spin or looping the loop. We heard a recording of the dead-pan voice

of Louis Arbon Strange describing how an accident resulted in flipping over his plane and his daring attempts to get back on course. (Strange was awarded a string of honour too for outstanding service in WWII). These young pilots have been described as 'adrenaline junkies'. There was bravery too – famously a Victoria

Cross awarded to Albert Ball VC – who transferred to the RFC when he was 20 and triumphed in 43 successful missions before crashing to his death. Sadly 50% of recruits were killed in training



exercises.

After the war what could these young enthusiasts do? Some worked on developments in the aircraft industry or as test pilots, others exploited ways in which flying could open a new era of research, exploration and enhance skills, such as aerial photography. Others were devoted to introduce flying to the general public – which brings us to Sir Alan Cobham and the title of our talk. Sir Alan was famous as a long-distance

aviator; he was the first person to fly from London to Cape town and back in 1926 and Australia and back in the same year (being awarded a knighthood by George V). It was his flying tours all across the UK to promote aviation to the public which became known affectionately as “**Sir Alan Cobham’s Flying Circus**”. These National Aviation Days consisted of skilled pilots flying a range of single-seaters to airliners at venues ranging from regular airfields to just fields. Attractions included exciting aerobatics, formation flying, lessons in flying, a short flight costing 4/- (four shillings), and pistol shooting at balloons. The public loved them and attended in their thousands; bus companies provided transport and flying

replaced motors in the public imagination and ambition. Locally shows were held at a polo ground on Radford Road; a football field on Tachbrook Road, in Southam and the ‘Courier’ advertised the ‘Circus’ each year from 1930-1935. In 1933 it was held at our village’s very own airfield – Julius Bonniksen’s Aerodrome in Harbury Lane. The Circuses ended before WWII; Bonniksen’s Aerodrome was requisitioned and became an assembly and testing facility of Whitley bombers, employing 80 people. Our book ‘Bishop’s Tachbrook - Past & Present’ (available at Tachbrook Stores @ £12) includes an interesting article on Bonniksen’s Aerodrome.



Future Meetings:

Wednesday, 5th July - A day trip to Malvern and Madresfield Court – inspiration for Evelyn Waugh’s ‘Brideshead Revisited’

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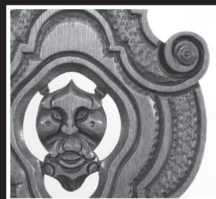
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After so many years watching wildlife and its recurring patterns its always interesting when an exception to the rule pops up. On a warm sunny day Bees were buzzing from flower to flower all except one that was on a very different mission. As the others drank nectar and collected pollen this Bumble Bee headed for leaves not flowers. It flew to the underside of a leaf, there it found clusters of aphids and, just like the ants, it was after the sticky sweetness that the Greenfly produce in large quantities. That's the stuff that lands on your car if you park under a Lime tree. Very clever Bee, although if they all did that nothing would get pollinated so its a good job this is the exception to the rule. Its probably common but I've never seen it before.

Then I noticed a thrifty Magpie. I'd put some wet bread out onto the garage roof. As usual a squadron of Sparrows and a cluster of Starlings were watching and waiting. In a moment they were down and onto it. The Magpie, noticing the action flew in and joined the throng, much to the annoyance of the other birds. Now, the Magpie was feeding its young and now had to compete with many other beaks. So, what could it do to maximize its chances? The Crow family is




MAGPIE HIDING
BREAD


known for their intelligence, a plan was "hatched". It put as much bread into its beak as quickly as possible then dashed down the garden and landed on the lawn. It buried the bread in the grass then flew back for more. The Magpie took a second load of bread to next-door's lawn and hid it in that grass. It flew back to the garage just in time to grab some more bread, which it flew off with having secured three loads of bread in a few seconds. It had done well, planning ahead and spur of the moment.

Just to say the Polecat I drove past that had been knocked down on the Banbury road was confirmed by Pete Beauchamp who also saw it. I've never seen a live one, or a dead one until then come to think of it.

Peregrines are nesting in the clock tower off the Parade again. Think it must be the third year. I've not seen them but I've heard their unmistakable bird of prey calls from up the tower. Surprised Leamington has so many Pigeons left. Maybe Peregrines don't hunt on their own doorstep.



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If your daughter likes playing games, making things, being part of a group and above all having fun! Rainbows or Brownies could be for her.



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If your daughter is interested or you would like more information please contact Caroline;

Email: caroline.loveaday@sky.com
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 Tel: 07972 824540
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Rainbows and Brownies

Catherine Rowe, Bishops Tachbrook's Rainbow and Brownie Guide Leader Golden Owl, has been fortunate in being selected to take part in this August's GOLD (Guiding Overseas Linked with Development) project in Oman.



She will be travelling to several areas of Oman over 18 days to train a wide variety of audiences to develop the confidence of women, encouraging them to become leaders in their communities and to make changes to the methods of education used with women.

This month Catherine has been working with the Rainbows and Brownies on their Oman Badge. The girls have smelled various spices, learnt about the lives of women in Oman and played various fun games. They have also designed Omani clothing, designed a Ramadan Lantern and played a 5,000 year old game, Seega. Bishops Tachbrook Rainbows and Brownies have had lots of fun learning all about Golden Owl's trip and the country Oman. We wish her all the best and know her travels will add value to the Girl Guides of Oman.

Both our Rainbow & Brownie Guiding Groups are currently at full capacity. If you have a daughter aged 3 and upwards who would like to become a Rainbow or a Brownie, please contact Caroline Loveday on carolineloveday@sky.com or register your daughters interest on the official Girlguiding Join Us website. Caroline, Caron, Sally, Steph, Caroline W and Catherine

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Desert Island Discs—Selected by Jim Scrivens

It's really difficult to choose just eight pieces of music from all that you've heard in your life particularly if, like me, you are mainly an album aficionado. I apologise in advance for the omission of any Beatles, jazz or traditional folk music (all of which are well represented in my collection).

Elgar Cello Concerto (Jacqueline du Pré) [1965]

I heard this played live by Jacqueline du Pré (from the front row) in Swansea in 1967 and it made a lasting impression on me. It is, by some margin my favourite classical piece.

Make My Garden Grow (from Candide by Leonard Bernstein) [1974]

This show had a chequered history being written by Leonard Bernstein (with various collaborators) over the period 1956-1989. This is the closing piece of the show and is really life affirming. Listen to the chorus on the best sound system you can.

Sympathy For The Devil (Rolling Stones) [1968]

Rock music is supposed to be edgy and this certainly fits the bill. From my favourite Stones album (Beggars Banquet) and the opposite from the Summer of Love period it encompasses.

Albatross (Fleetwood Mac) [1975]

This is our song, which was confirmed by it being played (chosen at random by the operating theatre staff) at the moment of our son Luke's birth.

River (Joni Mitchell) [1971]

I am a huge Joni fan (although my wife cannot stand her) and could have chosen any number of tracks. This is from my favourite album of all (Blue).

Famous Blue Raincoat (Leonard Cohen) [1971]

We have all Leonard Cohen's albums (and his novels and poetry collections) and have seen him live a number of times. This is my favourite although I am still not sure what it means.

Last Thing On My Mind (Tom Paxton) [1964]

A great songwriter and performer Tom has probably sung this song at every performance since he wrote it. He is still performing and it still stands up today.

Being Alive (from Company by Steven Sondheim) [1970]

I am a big musical theatre fan and Sondheim is a master of the genre. It is difficult to single out a single piece but this heart felt song stands up well outside of the context of the show.

I am aware that all of my choices are from a relatively short period from (to many) the distant past but it seems to me that music is particularly important in your formative years (well that is my excuse!) The choice of a luxury item is, by contrast, very easy. I would like a guitar, with a never-ending supply of strings (who knows I may even improve).

These tracks are all available on Spotify in a playlist called JHScrivens (desert island discs).

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7-14 National Transplant week
7 World chocolate day
7 Global forgiveness day
11 World population day
16-21 Festival of British Archaeology
19 World Daiquiri Day

August interests

6 National sisters day
12 international youth day
13 International left handers day
14-20 National allotments week
16 National Rum day
21-27 World water week
28-29 Notting Hill Carnival
28 Chinese valentines day
30 International day of the disappeared
31 National Zoo Awareness day

July Haiku

Sand scatters the beach
Waves crash on the sandy shore
Blue water shimmers

By Kaitlyn Guenther

Poetry Please

Sick by Shel Silversteinn

"I cannot go to school today,"
Said little Peggy Ann McKay.
"I have the measles and the mumps,
A gash, a rash and purple bumps.
My mouth is wet, my throat is dry,
I'm going blind in my right eye.
My tonsils are as big as rocks,
I've counted sixteen chicken pox
And there's one more--that's seventeen,
And don't you think my face looks green?
My leg is cut--my eyes are blue--
It might be instamatic flu.
I cough and sneeze and gasp and choke,
I'm sure that my left leg is broke--
My hip hurts when I move my chin,
My belly button's caving in,
My back is wrenched, my ankle's
sprained,
My 'pendix pains each time it rains.
My nose is cold, my toes are numb.
I have a sliver in my thumb.
My neck is stiff, my voice is weak,
I hardly whisper when I speak.
My tongue is filling up my mouth,
I think my hair is falling out.
My elbow's bent, my spine ain't straight,
My temperature is one-o-eight.
My brain is shrunk, I cannot hear,
There is a hole inside my ear.
I have a hangnail, and my heart is--what?
What's that? What's that you say?
You say today is. . .Saturday?
G'bye, I'm going out to play!"



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Memories of Grinshill. By Alan Lewis

I was reading some time ago in the Parish Magazine about the building of the new Church Hall. It said that the new building was trimmed in Grinshill sandstone, which made me very interested as my Great Grandfather worked in the quarry there in the late 1800's and early 1900's.

He had a stone cottage towards the top of the sandstone ridge on Grinshill Hill and it overlooked the villages of Grinshill and Clive in central Shropshire. It was here that he brought up his ten children , all of whom lived to ripe old ages. His eldest child was my maternal Grandmother born in 1888. My Great Grandfather William (Bill) Davies was also known by his nickname of 'Derrick' Davies (or Davies the Derrick). This was not because his name was Derek but because he operated the derricks in the local quarry that lifted the pieces of stone for most of his working life of forty years.

The rock there has been quarried on and off since Roman times right up to the present day. Grinshill stone is a Triassic desert sandstone , that is it is between 252 million years old and 201 million years old, a time when Dinosaurs first appeared towards the end of the period. Grinshill stone is described in The Architectural Guide as the pre-eminent building stone of Shropshire. It has been used in many buildings including Shrewsbury Railway Station and Welsh Bridge over the river Severn in Shrewsbury. Grinshill sandstone was also used to make the lintels and door surrounds of Number 10 Downing Street and also during the building of Chequers.

When he retired Great Granddad Bill went to live in a large brick house "The Manse" in Hadnall a few miles from his former cottage. I remember him having a walking stick made from a Zulu war club called a 'knobkerrie', a souvenir of his time in the Army. He was very fit as even in his eighties he cycled his heavy black bike the seven miles from Hadnall into Shrewsbury to collect his pension and have a pint.

Geoff is honoured with a lifetime achievement award

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18) Nails or Massage	Revival Hair and Beauty	1529	Marlow
19) Bottle of Whisky	Tony Hall	0605	Heaton
20) Family ticket	Compton Verney	2315	King

Kath and Jenny's mini raffle

Blanket won by ticket number 489

Hanging basket won by ticket number 441

Both prizes were claimed on the day

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ADVANCE NOTICE QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 9th September 7.00pm
in St. Chad's Centre.
Further details to follow.

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A very big THANK YOU to all those who supported Christian Aid this year: to those who collected around the village, to those who helped with and attended the Coffee Morning and especially to all those who gave so generously in the envelopes. The village collection raised **£725.15** and the Coffee Morning raised **£166.50**, making a total of **£891.65**.

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