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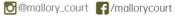
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# What's in this month's magazine

Plenty of interest in this month's edition with a mixture of new projects, snippets of the past and thought provoking ideas on dealing with our present.

For the new, there's the welcome news that the money for Tachbrook Tommy has been raised and so will soon be in place. Elsewhere in Elaine's piece on pages 6 and 7, there's a plea for further generosity to help raise money to support St Chad's.

Matt Greene's piece covering Parish Council news is full of ideas on how to improve the parish. Pages 10, 11 and 13 are packed with information on what's going on around us. An exciting announcement is the setting up of a film club, see page 8.

The cover photo, thanks to Steve Keene, is of the Tour of Britain, there's a piece covering it on page 15. On page 23, there's a really interesting insight on how basic maths are now taught. I wish it had been as interesting in my school days!

As we move into Autumn the flu season beckons. On page 33 there's information on who is eligible for flu jabs and the times they can be administered. On the same page there's information on a sealed bid auction for a work of art donated by a WI member. Check it out!

I've recently been given a collection of old Parish Magazines stretching back into the 1970s. I'll be reproducing articles from these in future issues. The first, on page 9, is from August 1980 and covers the setting up of the Conservation Area. It's interesting how many of the ideas still ring bells today.

### HAPPY READING

### **NOVEMBER MAGAZINE DEADLINE**

The deadline for magazine items is Wednesday 17th October. Please send items to BTparishmagazine@hotmail.com

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# Sports & Social Club

#### **OCTOBER**

# 6<sup>th</sup> October - Quiz Night

Gather your smartest friends and head over to test your knowledge against The Judge! Lots of fun and great prizes to be won.

### 13<sup>th</sup> October – Rob Alton

Rob Alton returns to entertain you with a mixture of rock and pop hits.

# 20<sup>th</sup> October – Family Prize Bingo

Bring the family over for a fun night of Bingo where there are plenty of prizes to be won.

### 27<sup>th</sup> October - Insomnia

Classic rock & pop cover band Insomnia are here this Halloween. Ghouls, Vampires & Witches are all welcome!

### **NOVEMBER**

# 3<sup>rd</sup> November - Quiz Night

Quiz nights are great fun and remember a prize for every team.

# 17<sup>th</sup> November – The Mustard Band

The Mustard Band will be playing a varied set of rock classics from the 60's, 70's and 80's.

### 24<sup>th</sup> November – Ant Hill Mob

The Ant Hill Mob are a five piece local band who have entertained us previously as Rock Band The Caves.

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# Bishop's Tachbrook Calendar

### What's on in October

Thursday 4th 19.45, WI, Annual Meeting, BT School, 01926 336822

Wednesday 10th History Group Visit to Leicester, 01926 885938

Thursday 11th, 19.45, Film Club, St Chad's Centre

Saturday 13th 10.00-12.00, Churchyard Gardening, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

Saturday 13th 9.30-13.00, Parish Council Working Party,

thewhitwood4@btinternet.com

Thursday 18th Parish Council Meeting St Chad's Centre,

parishclerk@bishopstachbrook.com

Saturday 20th 10.00-11.45, St Chad's MU Autumn Coffee Morning, 01926 427922

Wednesday 24th 10.00-12.00, Churchyard Gardening, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

Wednesday 24th 13.00-15.00, Dementia-

The Truth not Myths, St Chad's Centre,

Wednesday 24th 10.00-18.00 Rainbows and Brownies, Prize Bingo, Sports and Social Club, Carolineloveday@sky.com

#### What's on in November

Thursday 1st 19.45, **WI, Hula Hooping** BT School, 01926 336822

Friday 2nd Bonfire Night, The Meadow Cathy.herbert@btinternet.com

Saturday 10th 10.00-12.00, Churchyard Gardening, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

*Tuesday 13th* History Group, The Battle of Edgehill, St Chad's Centre 01926 885938

Saturday 17th 9.30-13.00, Parish Council Working Party,

thewhitwood4@btinternet.com

Thursday 22nd Parish Council Meeting St Chad's Centre,

parishclerk@bishopstachbrook.com

Wednesday 28th 10.00-12.00, Churchyard Gardening, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

### Weekly events

Mondays 18.30-20.00 Youth Club at B.T School

Email: btyouthclub@gmail.com

Mondays Children 19.15-20.15 Adults 20.30—21.30

Get Cooking at St Chad's Centre

07956955951, getcooking@hotmail.co.uk

Tuesdays 09.30-12.15 Little Tinkers Soft Play at St

Chad's Centre, 079117385747 or Facebook

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

Tuesdays 19.15-20.15 **Pilates for cyclists** at St Chad's Centre, *01926 259293*, *07769222524* 

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

Wednesdays 09.15-10.15 **Pilates** at St Chad's Centre 01926 259293. 07769222524

Wednesdays 10.30-12.00 Community Cafe at St Chad's Centre, 01926 651643

Wednesdays 17.00-18.00 **Rainbows** at the Sports and Social Club, *0779 6033471* e-mail:

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Wednesdays 18.00-19.45 **Brownies** at the Sports and Social Club, *0779 6033471* e-mail:

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Wednesdays 19.00 -20.00, - beginners, 20.00-21.00 intermediate **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* 

Fridays 09.30-16.00 Little Tinkers Soft Play at St Chad's Centre 079117385747 or Facebook Sundays 20.00 Bingo at the Sports and Social Club, 01926 421621

Have you ever had the wrong perspective or seen something in a completely different light to reality? In her book, Just Such a Time, Lindsay Bruce tells the story of her journey towards finally buying glasses. After years and years of complaining about her diminishing eyesight she finally took the plunge and decided to get her eyes examined and order her much-needed glasses and to cut a long story short, she headed for the green sign of Specsavers but instead ended up in the local chemist wondering where all the glasses were!

The truth is we all have a different perspective and each of us looks at life with a different set of eyes. That's why we have the saying about someone having "rose-tinted glasses". The way we view life is determined by our perspective, the eyes we view life through - a bit like if you wear rosetinted glasses, everything looks rosy. Perhaps how you view family is influenced by your upbringing, whether positive or negative. Maybe your views on how to raise your children are different to your spouse's views. It might be that you have a very different outlook on the important things in life compared to your parents or your brother or sister. And perhaps your view on what *generosity* is differs from the people you work with.

In the Bible in Mark 12:41-44 we read the story that has come to be known as 'The Widow's Offering'. In this story we are told Jesus is sitting in the Temple opposite the offering containers watching

the crowds of people bring their offerings (they had large containers back then rather than a plate). We are also told that "many rich people threw in large amounts".

Then the story takes an interesting twist: "But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few pence". It's interesting because this widow, with her **two** coins, actually had **three** choices:

- 1. She could have kept both coins for herself and most of us, if we were that poor, would have at least considered this option.
- 2. She could have kept one coin and put the other one in the offering and let's face it, if that's how this story had continued we probably wouldn't have thought she was in the wrong to do this. Maybe this is the choice that we would have made.

Finally she had the option to put both coins in the offering — which is the option she took.

Everyone in that crowd saw the same offering containers in the Temple, but this poor widow, unlike many others around her, saw this opportunity through **generous eyes**. She saw an opportunity not to be ignored. This widow – through "generosity-tinted glasses" – saw an opportunity to be extravagantly generous.

Even though she put in far less money than many around her, the amount became irrelevant because of the sacrifice she made. Jesus concludes the story by saying, "They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on".

So Jesus isn't teaching us that we have to give everything but rather that we can choose to view our life, our world, our relationships, our church and our giving, through 'generous eyes' or through 'stingy eyes'. We can choose to live life with 'stingy eyes' but we may find that this leads us to a place in life where we didn't really want to be — a bit like wanting to go to Specsavers but ending up in the chemist!

This past month the people of Bishop's Tachbrook have been exceedingly generous, raising money for our Tachbrook Tommy and also for Macmillan Cancer Support. As we approach harvest I'd know like you to turn your attention to St Chad's Church. Each year we have to raise £33,000 to pay for our ministry costs. (I don't earn that much but we have to contribute towards the upkeep of the vicarage and the mission of the church) This is before we pay our bills like heating and lighting.

Last year the regular givers and those attending Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals raised almost £30,000 and for this I am very grateful. However, because of deaths and families moving away we are struggling to make ends meet. If you want to see the ministry of the church continuing in Bishop's Tachbrook, in the same way it is at the moment would you please consider supporting us in whatever way you can? Most of our money is raised by the same 40 or so very generous people, we need to share this more evenly.

How we view life is a choice. Will we choose to view life, the world the needs of other people and the needs of St Chad's through stingy eyes? Or will we make a decision to view life through generous eyes? The decision is ours. If you would like more information on how you can help St Chad's please contact Elaine or any church member.

Flaine

#### WHAT'S ON IN ST CHAD'S

**October 7<sup>th</sup> St Chad's Harvest Festival 10am followed by Harvest Lunch in the St Chad's Centre.** 

**November 10**<sup>th</sup> Christmas Craft Fayre – St Chad's Centre, 10 -12. Tables £10. Contact Flaine for details.

**November 11**<sup>th</sup> 10:15 Service of Remembrance followed by 2 minutes silence at War Memorial.

Are you knitting Angels? If so can you let me have them by the 9<sup>th</sup> December so that I can arrange "hanging" them around the village.

Also, don't forget our Nativity Festival – any interesting Nativities gratefully received!

TACHBROOK TOMMY – the Order is placed! Watch this space or at least the bank in the Churchyard!

### CYCLE OF PRAYER

### **Praying for our Community**

We are praying in October for those living in Reignier Place Royal Boulevard Rye Fields Savages Close

Seven Acre Close

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.

### DEMENTIA—THE TRUTH NOT MYTHS

Are you interested in support for those living with Dementia and their families in our community? If so, please do come to an open meeting in the St Chad's Centre on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 1-3pm to hear the truth and not the myths about Dementia and how we might develop support locally for this illness.

The talk will be led by a local charity The Pam Britton Trust for Dementia and there will be time for your questions.

Tea, coffee and cake will be available.

### ST CHAD'S CHURCH FILM CLUB



Do you enjoy watching movies? More importantly do you enjoy discussing movies?

St Chad's is beginning a film club on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month where we will watch a film and then have a short question and answer/ discussion after it has finished. There will be no charge but refreshments will be available to purchase.

We begin on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October, starting at 7:15pm with The Shack. We look forward to seeing you.

If there is a film you'd like to watch and discuss please let Elaine Scrivens know.

### **BYGONES - TAKEN FROM THE PARISH MAGAZINE OF AUGUST 1980**

### **Bishop's Tachbrook Conservation Area**

During the last 12 months events, of which most people in the village were unaware, have taken place which could greatly influence the future life and character of Bishop's Tachbrook.

Through the efforts of the Parish Council and individual residents concerned about the effect of ill-planned housing development and the destruction of many fine and irreplaceable old buildings over the years, Warwickshire County Council have designated the oldest and central part of the village a conservation area.

This does not mean that work on trees or alterations and improvements to houses are entirely prohibited but ensures they are carried out with care and consideration for their effect on the appearance of the village as a whole. In addition to the establishment of the Conservation Area, preservation orders have also been for a total of 25 trees of outstanding attraction in various parts of the village, including the Old Parsonage, where many others were destroyed by developers last year before preservation orders could be applied for.

A further and little known asset to Bishop's Tachbrook is that under the Warwickshire County Structure Plan it is now classified as a rural settlement where only the building of single, or small groups of houses to meet local needs, are allowed.

Although occurring almost unnoticed these developments represent an important step forward for the people of Bishop's Tachbrook providing a means of preserving and improving the heritage and environment of our village, not only for themselves but for their children and future generations.



The difference between September and November is stark. I usually associate this with a period of being a bit unhappy, which makes no sense – yes I love sitting outside for BBQs and in beer gardens; but I also love being cosy inside with hearty winter food and a warming glass of red wine. I should be happy either way; but I'm not because I find the transition from one to the other (basically October) unsettling – I don't like change. I'm not alone, most people don't like change and we often resist it especially if the more positive aspects of the change are not immediate.

Most of the issues brought before the Parish Council are about some form of change - how things are done, what land is and will be used for, how residents want to change their houses etc. These topics can be difficult to assess and form a view on because if we're happy now (and most people usually are) the fact that someone might change things and affect our level of happiness can distress us. However, change is happening all the time, technology moves on, the population grows and with it comes the need to provide housing and amenities to meet the demand (this is as inevitable as the seasons). As a community we've tended to resist change in the past but it still seems to happen (others impose it on us); as such it may be time to begin to embrace and shape the change so that, as far as our Parish is concerned, we have a community area which is shaped locally and fit for both present and future residents.

To this end we're organising a couple of Parish get-togethers in November to meet up with residents and talk about the changes that will and could take place within the Parish (the Meadow masterplan, new play equipment, the country park etc.). This will also be an opportunity to welcome new residents and for local groups to meet members of our community and chat about what they do. If you are a local group and would like a space at these events please contact the Clerk who will provide you with further information. One event has been confirmed for 17 November from 2-4.30pm at the St Chad's Centre, the other (hopefully in the Warwick Gates side of the Parish) will be confirmed shortly.

Thanks to all councillors we now have a footpath from Oakley Meadows to the motorway. This was a condition councillors requested on the Oakley Meadows planning application. Talks are continuing with the District Council to try and get a path to Oakley Wood.

The Chairman and Cllr. Sean Deely had another successful on-line meeting in September. These meeting are advertised and run on Facebook so if you have any concerns please do join and we will try and assist.

More Welcome Packs are being printed. If you need a pack and haven't received one please email the clerk or contact Cllr. Cathy Herbert.

Cllr. Lisa Balzaretti is in the process of

arranging for our noticeboards to be repaired and refurbished. She is also looking at positions for noticeboards on the new developments. If you have any ideas please contact her.

The outdoor gym equipment on Warwick Gates should be installed shortly thanks to Cllr. Carol Gabbitas who will be monitoring this.

The play equipment committee, led by Jenny Bevan, is making good progress in their plans for the new play equipment on the meadow (as you will remember the Parish Council has received funding from a developer specifically for this project). We hope that they will be in a position to showcase their progress at the Parish events in November. The Parish Council remains very grateful to Jenny and the whole committee for their time spent on this project.

Cllr. Graham Leeke has brought to Bloor Developments attention that some of the gates on the footpaths they have installed do not cater for wheelchair users or pushchairs — thanks to residents who raised this concern with us. We hope that this can be remedied. We are also liaising regarding litter bins on the footpaths and the transfer of the allotments to the Parish Council.

The footpath across the Meadow to Oakley Meadows is nearly finished, we are going to ask our contractor to finish the path in the same way Oakley Meadows has been finished. We are now

looking at landscaping the bank and Cllr. Ray Bullen will be seeking advice from a professional. Thanks to Cllrs. Leeke and Bullen for arranging and managing the above work.

County Cllr. Les Caborn is still liaising with County Highways to try and find a suitable place for a drop kerb on Farm Walk. Please note that these kerbs are used so please don't obstruct them when parking your vehicle. All of the existing drop kerbs have been checked to ensure that road markings are clear to make residents aware not to block them when parking. If they are blocked then this is a matter for the Police so please call 101 and report them.

We know that residents are very concerned about some of the open spaces in our Parish. The Parish Council and District Councillor Andrew Day are trying to make the District Council realise that St. Chad's Green should be fenced like the village green. We are told that there is a funding issue but we will continue to push for preventive measures on this green to prevent unauthorised occupation.

Thanks to residents and the Sports and Social Club for assistance recently in trying to stop vehicles from parking on the Meadow. We are pleased to say that the gate has now been fixed and we are reviewing security measures. Retractable bollards will be fitted very shortly on the

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village green. A contractor has been instructed and we are awaiting a date for installation. Councillors are continuing to talk to the Sports and Social Club around how we can work together on the access road and associated lighting project. We will keep you updated.

Heathcote Park residents have asked for a bus shelter on Harbury Lane. County Cllr. Caborn is going to see if he has any funding available to assist with this request. He is also going to bring to County Highways attention that a layby is needed on this road. A number of complaints have been received about speeding cars on Harbury Lane. Cllr. Carter will be talking to the Police for permission for a location where Community Speedwatch volunteers can monitor the speed. This will be dependent on more volunteers coming forward. Please consider volunteering and contact Cllr. Carter to will talk you through the training process.

The Police are continuing to tell us that anti-social behaviour issues should be reported by residents and not via the Parish Council. Residents should let us know but please also report them by calling 101 and getting a reference number. The more reports the more likely we are to receive support.

Finally (in more than one sense!), the replacement bins for the Meadow are on order. Delivery expected in November. Cllr. Paul Whitwood has very kindly agreed for the working party to install them – our thanks again goes to the volunteers who work so hard to keep our community in good shape.





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The montage on the cover page shows a good crowd at the Harbury Lane/
Tachbrook Road traffic lights turning out to greet this year's Tour of Britain. The crowd, including a couple of primary schools, enthusiastically greeted the 200 cyclists which included Geraint Thomas and Chris Froome who between them have won 5 Tour de France. They ride for team Sky and are pictured in the peloton—see if you can spot them!!

Before the cyclists themselves swooped by, a phalanx of highly skilled police motorcyclists came by to clear the way and control the traffic, followed by the supporting 'caravan' of team cars carrying spare bikes etc.

This was a 110mile stage that started in Nuneaton and after Bishops Tachbrook headed for a loop around the south of the county. Although classed as a flat stage this included climbs of Illmington, Edge Hill and Burton Dassett which can tend to be a lung busters for your average rider. The race finished in a 40mph sprint along Newbold Terrace with the veteran German Andre Greipal winning the race.

The next day they were in the Lake District the whole circus moving 200 miles north overnight!



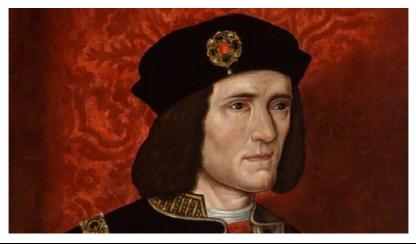


This was the challenge we considered at the excellent presentation in August, given by our own Peter Lister. Like Peter, most of us were taught that Richard was a hunchback; he usurped the throne; he killed his nephews, the Princes in the Tower and he died in battle on Bosworth Field. This is the picture drawn too by Shakespeare in 'Richard III', colourfully illustrated by Peter in a clip from the film of Sir Lawrence Olivier in that role. To set the scene for his talk, Peter gave us a quick review of the very turbulent 15<sup>th</sup> century. Henry V was succeeded by his 8 months old son **Henry VI**, (founder of Eton College. King's College Cambridge and All Souls, Oxford). Ineffective as a ruler he was unable to control the competing noble houses of Lancaster and York, resulting in the 30 years Wars of the Roses. The Duke of York was father of **Edward and Richard** and in 1461 Edward defeated Henry VI's forces and was proclaimed King Edward IV. Richard served his brother loyally during the next 22 years when kingship seesawed between Henry VI and Edward IV as supporters switched sides according to which way the wind was blowing. Richard proved his prowess in battle, his ability as an administrator and was reputed to be a pious and religious man. By contrast Edward's other brother George was a turncoat and was executed as a traitor. Henry IV died in the Tower of 'melancholy' when his son and heir was killed in battle. The

scenario changed rapidly when Edward IV died in 1483, leaving two sons, Edward aged 12 and Richard 9, Edward succeeded him as King Edward V and Richard was appointed Protector of the nation. For security the two princes were housed in the Royal Apartments in the Tower and within weeks their uncle, Earl Rivers, was executed, as were other staunch supporters of the boy king. It was then claimed by a cleric that Edward V was an illegitimate son of Edward IV and therefore **Richard** was the lawful king. The citizens and nobility in London petitioned Richard to assume the throne to bring stability to the nation and his coronation took place immediately in July 1483. And the young princes? They were seen for the last time playing in the garden of the Tower, then disappeared. Rumours abounded that they were smothered while asleep at the behest of Richard. The location of their remains has not been proven.

Richard proved to be very capable during his short 3-year reign. The Council of the North was extended which greatly improved conditions for northern England; there were significant law-and-order reforms and laws and statutes were translated from French into English. He established the Court of Requests to give poor people the opportunity to present their grievances; bail conditions were improved and qualifications for jurors were laid down.

Fraudulent collection of clergy dues was prohibited and he reformed the process of buying and selling land. Cloth sales were regulated, fraudulent measures of wine and oil were prohibited, and he withdrew restrictions on the printing and sale of books. Most reforms seemed to be for the benefit of ordinary folk. However, Richard was defeated in battle by **Henry VII** - the first of a new **Tudor Dynasty**. Richard was ignominiously buried without coffin or ceremony. With the recent discovery of Richard's body, the subsequent stories of his deformity are now proven to be inaccurate, which Peter portrayed with excerpts of a documentary film on this aspect of the story. Spin and fake news is not new! His splendid talk ended on a light note with an excerpt from an 'Horrible Histories' BBC Prom in 2011. Saint of Sinner? The evidence suggests Richard was a mixture – like most of us.



NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November (note time)

2.30pm in St Chad's Community Centre

Stephen Barker will talk about 'The Battle of Edgehill 1642)



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### TEN OCTOBER FACTS

- In the 18th century "October" was a common name for a strong ale brewed in this
  month.
- Anglo-Saxons called this month "Winterfylleth" ("fullness of winter"). JRR Tolkien's hobbits turned this into "Winterfilth".
- 3. More US Presidents have been born in October than in any other month.
- 4. Research has shown that babies born in the northern hemisphere in October tend to live slightly longer than those born in other months.
- A study in 2015 also reported that October and November babies tend to grow up most athletic.
- 6. It has been suggested this is due to mothers being exposed to summer sun in the last months of their pregnancies...
- 7. ...but research has also claimed that October babies are more likely to develop asthma and tend to have mothers of low education.
- 8. October is International Walk To School Month.
- 9. It is also Black History Month, Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Home Security Month.
- 10. "There is no season when such pleasant and sunny spots may be lighted on, and produce so pleasant an effect on the feelings, as now in October." (Nathaniel Hawthorne).











# Bishop's Tachbrook Junior Youth Club

Monday 6.30-8pm in the School Hall
During Term Time Only
£1.50 per session and yearly
membership of £2 payable
in September.

For more information contact Club leader: Natalie Hunneman btyouthclub@gmail.com or come along on a Monday.

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# **Poetry please**

# A Drinking Song

by William Butler Yeats

Wine comes in at the mouth

And love comes in at the eye;

That's all we shall know for truth

Before we grow old and die.

I lift the glass to my mouth,

I look at you, and I sigh.



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# The kids' zone

# Sudoku—easy

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	2		9		7		3	
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				9	5	6		

# Growing by Mary Anne Hoberman

The grown-ups say I'm growing tall And that my clothes are growing small.

Can clothes grow small?

I always think

That things grow big

Or else they shrink.

But did they shrink

Or did I grow

Or did we both change?

I don't know.

# Vegetable jokes

Q: What did the lettuce say to the celery?

A: Quit stalking me!

Q: What school subject is the fruitiest?

A: History because it is full of

Knock knock! Who's there? Lettuce! Lettuce who? Lettuce in and you'll find out!

Q: What's small and red and has a rough voice?

A: A hoarse radish!

Q: What's a vampires favourite fruit?

A: A neck-tarine!

Q: Why did the banana go to the doctor?

A: Because it wasn't peeling well.

Q: What key do you use to open a banana?

A: A monkey.

September, just before dawn. Up early and stepping through the old back door and out into the yard. It's that inbetween time when the dark of the night is being nudged by a pale turquoise light seeping up from the eastern horizon.

A Robin begins to sing its syrupy song, breaking the silence to my left. In front of me a Bat performs amazing aerobatics, flying fast circles above the outhouse roof. It dives down into the yard inches from me, all the time scanning for moths.

The nightshift was on overtime and the day shift just starting work. A slither of a moon hung in the sky and in those few magic moments it's easy to see that all life is precious and nothing is unimportant.

Well, that's my Thought for the Day then.

In the middle of the night it was far from peaceful. Towards the end of August the Foxes were in a state of unrest. It's the time when the Dog Fox has had enough of the Cubs and decides to drive them away. He would patrol the fields and near to the cottage almost singing with a long note. If a cub was found a shouting match would start with forceful barking from the Dog Fox and anxious screaming from the cub. After a couple of weeks of this things quietened down. The cubs must have moved away to find their own patch. That must be hard after being shown where the food is and how to catch it; where the safe places are. Then you are ousted and have to find your own

way whilst trying not to bump into other territorial foxes!

Back outside the Rosehips glistened with dew in the early light and the first Crane flies, 'Daddy-long-legs' were on the move. As it warmed up a red Dragon Fly darted over the pond, that now looks as though it's been there for years. A Raven called, proclaiming his territory again. You can hear them easily a field away. It's had a good year. Krysta was lucky to see the whole family of six Ravens flying over, perching in nearby trees before calling and moving on.

As the day came to an end and the light began to fade I could hear Geese flying towards the cottage. I love that sound. about thirty Canada Geese flew tree top height over the garden in a loose 'V' formation. The sound of their wings clearly heard amongst the honking.

As darkness pushed back across the fields two Tawny Owls began their greeting conversation, "Kiek", "Kwoo" amongst other chat. They sounded excited to find each other again, as their version of the day began.

So much goes on every day and every night. Some of it we notice, much of it we don't.





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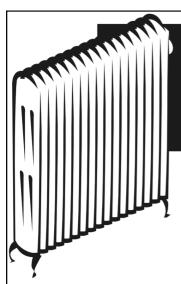
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WI Anne Allen

If you had come to our September meeting thinking this will be a quiet evening, I'm sorry but you would have been mistaken. Our speaker Angela Cloke had come to introduce us to the art or should I say skill of sign language. She explained how some years ago she had wanted to do something for herself. On looking through her local paper she found a course on sign language and has passed level two but just missed out on level three. We were all given sheets to help us to recognise different signs. One of the major problems was sorting out our right from our left hands. I kept forgetting that someone would be looking at me not me looking at my own hands. Angela went on to explain about local dialects and slang. Confusing but so interesting plus she is an excellent speaker.

Our own forthcoming events include a skittles evening with our link institute Binley Woods, a meeting of the wine group, this is a fun evening with a quick discussion on the various wines we are trying then a lot of chatting, and the group meeting when the speaker is Pam Miller with her monologues.

We were reminded about the privilege tickets available for Peter Pan in Birmingham and as October is our Annual Meeting nominations were needed for the committee. Last month I mentioned the county show. Four of us entered various classes and Wendy Terry came second in hers with her recycled chair. Well done Wendy. I know some of our members thought Napton was too far

away to enter anything but in the recent WI Life one lady had travelled 300 miles to take part in the Huxley Cup flower arranging competition at the Royal Three Counties Show at Malvern. This is a national WI competition and 16 federations were represented so shows some dedication First second and third went to Cheshire, Berkshire and Glamorgan federations respectively.

Elaine, the Vicar, showed us poppies made from the bottom 2-3inches of clear plastic water/pop bottles cut to form a flower shape . They get painted with acrylic paint on the underside, first with a black centre and then red so when you look at them they are a shiny flower . Very clever. Could you make some for November? If you would like more information speak to Elaine or myself.

Christmas is coming not only are we in the planning stage for the Christmas party, if you want to come along please let a WI member know, but I'm still collecting postage stamps and unwanted bras. Both go to charity and many thanks to all who send me little parcels of stamps and larger parcels of bras.

November is going to be an energetic meeting, our speaker is John Parnell who is going to teach us how to hula hoop! It's supposed to be very good for you plus you can show the grandkids how cool you are. Come along and give it, and us, a go.

At our Christmas party we will be opening sealed bids on a mounted painting donated by one our members. It's of a beach scene with children riding donkeys . If you are interested in placing a bid please contact me.





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#### Croft Medical Centre and Lisle Court Branch Surgery

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Drop in anytime from 9.00am to 11.30am

# **NOTICE BOARD**

#### MESSAGE FROM PICKLE

Hi everyone.

If you are wondering why I've been quiet lately I'm afraid I had a bit of a turn. Well a major one really. I had a sort of stroke but I'm getting better now So any unwanted poo left around the village is NOT mine. I've been on light duties so filled our garden instead. Why can't you all go at home instead of in the streets and stop us getting a bad name.

Please spare a thought for me and all my four legged friends when you are planning your bonfire parties. I shall be starting to take my calming pills shortly in preparation for the great event. I can't help being terrified of fireworks.

Lots of love and licks Pickle xxxx

# COMMUNITY CAFÉ HELP!! HELP!!

Due to illness, we are very short of helpers at the Community Café at the moment. If anyone would like to step in to help, either on a short or long term basis, please speak to Joan Alderman (Tel: 651643). Thank you.

#### THE LEOPARD

Many thanks to The Leopard for ensuring the winner of the Fete prize -2 course meal for 2 received the prize after their voucher was lost. A lovely meal was enjoyed.

#### MU AUTUMN COFFEE MORNING

A note to our fabulous supporters –

The Mothers' Union Autumn Coffee Morning will be on **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October in St Chad's Centre from 10 am – 11.45 am** when lots of home-baked goodies and luxury puds will be on sale, along with delicious coffee, good company and, of course, a Raffle!

Proceeds go to MU projects such as holidays for families in this area, Parenting Skills courses, Relationships and Sex education, small gifts for some prisoners' children at Christmas, literacy and numeracy classes for overseas members and support in times of emergencies. We'd love to welcome you.

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Jenny Lister – Branch Leader 01926 427922

#### A BIG MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING THANK YOU

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