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What's in this month's magazine

Happy New Year / Decade and welcome to Issue 1 of this year's magazines.

It's a slim volume this month thankfully not because of a lack of content but a reduction in adverts.

Perhaps my favourite piece comes from the Parish Magazine of January 1960, a full 60 years ago! It's a piece that could be summed up by the phrase, *'make do and mend'*. Covering such unheard of ideas in this day and age as handbag repair and button hole restoration. See page 17.

There's a thoughtful piece from a dog lover on how to avoid the nuisance dogs can cause. As a dog owner it gave me pause for thought. It's certainly a topical issue if the number of posts on social media is anything to go by. Have a look on pages 10 & 11. As usual, I found the nature page a delight to read. Steve's words always put me in an optimistic frame of mind even when the weather's been vile recently. See pages 22 & 23.

For those of you with children at Heathcote Primary School, there's a piece by Mrs Humphriss – Executive Head Teacher which paints a very interesting picture of lively education. It's not a picture that I recognise from my primary school days! See pages 12 & 13.

Revd. Elaine's piece on the next two pages gives an interesting insight into some of the tradition and background surrounding upcoming events.

HAPPY READING

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Walking in Grace By Revd. Elaine Scrivens

I realise it's a little strange to be writing about Christmas for you to read in February! However a joint December/January magazine means that I haven't had a chance to write to you since the end of November. So a happy New Year and thank you to everyone who worked hard to make St Chad's look clean and beautiful, to our organist Nicky for her amazing playing, to Sophia for her singing, and to all those who attended and participated in our various Christmas services.

Of course many of these things go on throughout the year and thanks must also go to the many who work behind the scenes to keep everything running smoothly, and those who are generous with their time, money and other resources. I am also grateful to Rod Smith, our church warden for his tireless work.

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Our final Christmas service; the Presentation of Christ In the temple for Candlemas, will be celebrated at St Chad's on the 2nd February. This festival can be seen as the meeting of the old and the new Israel, between Simeon, Anna and Jesus. In the past, candles for use in the Church during the coming year were blessed and today we still give small candles to those who join with us, to emphasise the shining light being taken out to those still in darkness.

Candlemas is itself rooted in Jewish history: the old Temple had been rebuilt and the worship restored but because God had been dishonoured. the Glory of the Lord had still not returned. One man who prayed there every day for this to happen, before he died, was Simeon and on this particular day he was there in the Temple with Anna, 84yrs old, and another faithful worshipper. They had never given up praying or hoping and both saw their prayers answered when they saw Mary and Joseph bringing Jesus into the Temple. Simeon's prayer of thanksgiving was recorded for all time, destined to become the much cherished Nunc Dimittis which is said or sung at Evening Prayer and often at funerals.

Jesus was born into the Jewish tradition in which certain rituals had to be observed, the first being the purification of the mother after childbirth in which our service for the Churching of women is rooted. We don't do this anymore but I'm sure there are many who read this magazine who can remember either being churched or their Mum being churched. As well as the purification of the Mother, according to Jewish law every first born male was sacred to God and in a sense only lent and he had to be bought back again with the payment of a small sum of money together with a lamb or a pair of turtle doves. This is why Mary and Joseph were there and it was only when they had done all this that they could be at ease in their social and religious world.

Here we have a handful of people of all backgrounds drawn together in worship and fellowship, faithful, prayerful and obedience; Mary and Joseph, young people needing the ministry of Simeon and Anna, along with their wisdom and experience that only age brings. Simeon and Anna needing them and all of them needing Jesus, united in belief, ministry and love, and all part of God's great plan. His kingdom really was at hand. So there you have it, some of the tradition and background to this very beautiful service and also the background to the William Morris window, found in the North Aisle of St Chad's Church, depicting this event. Why not come along on the 2nd February at 10am and see if you can spot William Morris, who placed himself into his wonderful window. You will be very welcome.

After Candlemas we, as a church, turn away from the nativity stories and turn towards the Cross. This year Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, will be on the 26th February and there will be the usual service of Holy Communion at 12:00pm, after the Community Café, and another at 7pm for those at work during the day. These services will involve the imposition of ashes whereby, if you choose, you may come forward to receive the sign of the cross in the ashes created from the burning of last year's palm crosses.

I realise that Christmas will not have been happy for everyone although I do hope it has been a good one for most of you and that we can all confidently step into the New Year knowing that we have the light, God's great gift of His Son to guide us and that even in our darkest moments He will be walking with us and that we are never alone. May you all walk in His light and know His Grace throughout this year.

With every blessing

Elaine

What's on in St Chad's

Sunday 2nd February 10am – **Candlemas**.

Thursday 13 February 7:30pm **St Chad's Centre Film Night** – this month we will watch Fisherman's Friends - A fast-living, cynical London music executive (Danny Mays) heads to a remote Cornish village on a stag weekend where he's pranked by his boss (Noel Clarke) into trying to sign a group of shanty singing fishermen (led by James Purefoy). He becomes the ultimate fish out of water as he struggles to gain the respect or enthusiasm of the unlikely boy band and their families (including Tuppence Middleton) who value friendship and community over fame and fortune. As he's drawn deeper into the traditional way of life he's forced to re-evaluate his own integrity and ultimately question what success really mean. Come along and join us. No charge, bring your own popcorn!

Saturday 15th February 1:30 – 3pm Craft at St Chad's – all welcome

Wednesday 26th February 12pm **Holy Communion with the imposition of ashes** 7pm – **Holy Communion with the imposition of ashes**.

Sunday March 1st 10am **Civic Service** where we celebrate everyone in our community. – preacher Archdeacon Sue Fields. Everyone welcome.

CYCLE OF PRAYER

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Parish Council News By Matt Greene

When the Christmas lights come down, the darkness of winter is very apparent and the realities of the season set in. As I write this, winter seems endless, but spring will come – every day midday will be a little brighter and every evening a little lighter, soon the daffodils will return, followed by spring blossoms and summer leaves!

The Parish Council held its first meeting of the year in early January; this is the meeting at which we would typically set the Parish precept (the Parish Council's proportion of the Council Tax) for the year. However, due to uncertainty with the way the figures for the allocation to the Parish by Warwick District Council have been calculated, this decision has been put off at least until the next meeting on 13 February – in the meantime we will continue to engage with WDC on this matter - as they would appear to be significantly underestimating the number of houses within our Parish.

Allotment rents have been reviewed and will be increased with effect from 1st January 2021. The new rent is £20 for a full plot and £10 for half a plot. The Parish Council expresses its thanks to the allotment manager who very effectively manages this site for us.

We are still having discussions with

Sport England regarding their objection to our planning application for play equipment on the Meadow. We are hoping that this can be resolved shortly and children can have new equipment before the summer; however, it should be noted that Sport England are being rather intransigent on this matter (in this writer's view more out of the desire to prove a point, the extent of their power and their relevance - rather than the taking of any real principled position)

The work that we requested, on the Holt Avenue allotments, has taken place but unfortunately we are still waiting for the developer's solicitor to contact our solicitor to arrange for the transfer of the land. Once this has taken place we will be contacting the residents who have requested plots.

Three community groups requested funding from the community scheme we operate; Brownies, Rainbows and the Walking Netball. The Parish Council is pleased to report that they are able to support all three groups.

We have a number of outstanding items with County Highways relating to drop kerbs, a crossing on Warwick Gates, speed monitoring equipment on Harbury Lane, the Banbury Road/ Mallory Road junction, etc. We are pursuing all of these issues via our County Councillor and will keep you

updated.

Following requests from Heathcote Park residents for a new bus shelter on Harbury Lane, the Parish Council has applied to Warwick Rural West Community Forum for a grant for funding towards this.

Thank you to all the residents who responded to the Country Park Public Consultation - there were around 1,000 responses. These responses have been considered by the District Council and many councillors have attended to a meeting to hear your thoughts on this park – the proposals seem very exciting and demonstrate what a great asset this park could be to our community. Presentations for residents will be arranged by the District Council in the next couple of months.

Following anti-social incidents on Warwick Gates and speeding issues within the parish we asked the Police and Crime Commissioner for a meeting to address these concerns. He has responded favourably and the meeting will take place on Monday 3 February from 7pm at Heathcote Primary School. Please do come along with your concerns and should you wish to guarantee your opportunity to ask a question please contact the Clerk or the Parish Facebook Group.

The storage building on the Meadow is up and should be finished shortly; our thanks to Cllr. Ray Bullen for ensuring delivery of this project. Thanks to the residents who helped to erect the Christmas tree and plant the four trees on the Meadow. We are considering planting a permanent 'Christmas tree' on the village green – whilst it would be smaller in earlier years Councillors believe that this would be an environmentally friendly thing to do.

The noticeboard on the Meadow has now been refurbished and there should soon be a new board on Warwick Gates. We are looking at erecting noticeboards on all of the new developments. We are hopeful that the long awaited work on the paving on Church Lees will take place in February.

By the time you read this article, work should have taken place to reduce the height of the trees on Oakley Wood Road. We apologise to the allotment holders who have suffered broken fences as a result of branches falling from these trees.

Next meeting is on Thursday, 13 February at the St. Chad's Centre – all residents are welcome (but please do come to the meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner on Monday 3 February at Heathcote Primary School).

New Year - Bigger Fear!

By Fiona Brown

Dog Owners - Please help me break the 'them and us' culture in three very easy steps.

Firstly, I want to come at this from a positive angle towards dog owners and express that I am a HUGE dog lover. I've owned Boxers, Dobermans and a Rottweiler so understand how negative canine comments can hurt. I haven't got over my last Boxer's passing 'Dave' and find it too painful to have another. To compensate for this, I sponsor dogs at the Dogs Trust, Guide Dogs and Oakfield Oldies (Please look it up and do what you can). I even take my children to visit older dogs that can't be rehomed, to take toys and treats. I love dogs, you get the picture!

I desperately want my children to share my love of dogs and personally believe it teaches children compassion. Unfortunately, my eldest is terrified of dogs and despite my best efforts, alas it looks like my youngest could go the same way. The reasons become clear as you read on.

My eldest's fear came at a young age; having three dogs in the village (separate incidents) run up at high speeds and jump up and another dog on a lead showed its teeth and tried to bite us on our walk to school. Sadly, the same happened in the park with my youngest just last week. Despite being called back by the delightful owner, the dog ran at us on two occasions to take our football. I explained to the owner why my youngest was so fearful of dogs and my desperation to break the fear cycle in both children. The owner was apologetic and gave my youngest great advice on behaviour around dogs and what to do when a dog runs at you. Eventually we had my youngest stroking her dogs and asking questions about the beautiful animals.

But this got me thinking

- Why are both of my children, who were educated by two dog lovers (mum and dad) terrified of dogs?
- Why do the dog owners and none dog owners mix like oil and water in many cases?
- Why should my children be educated on their behaviour when a dog runs at them or jumps up?
- How many more pairs of expensive kids' shoes will I have to clean poo from with fear they may touch it? (E. Coli and Coccidia can be spread in dog faeces. Over 100 cases of blindness in children are seen every year due to toxocariasis and it's ruining lives)

Then today, I was knocked for six and

had a completely alien feeling, I was scared by a dog. I walked behind a dog and owner, the dog stopped and ran at me three times, barking, growling and trying to jump up. Despite the owner's reassurance and attempts to pull the dog back, I'd witnessed this dog bite the owner's friend's dog a month prior and knew it was unpredictable. Sadly, my eldest also witnessed the bite, again reinforcing fear of dogs. I was clearly VERY uncomfortable and nervous but felt the owner was forcing me to accept this behaviour and get close to the dog, why?

Over the years I've really struggled to understand people who don't like dogs or don't see them as part of the family but if I felt scared today, what chance do my children have?

The Three Easy Steps

 Sociable dogs like to say hello and may run or jump up. Please never assume the recipient is comfortable with this attention or likes their muddy paws on their clothes, simply move your dog away.

Humans: Please don't approach dogs without asking the owner first, the dog may have had a bad experience with humans and react out of fear (it works both ways)

2. Dogs and children love playing games in the park with friends and both have the right to do it, without interruption or fear. If your dog is likely to run at people to take a ball or say hello, please put it on the lead and don't take the risk. Many children and adults find it VERY intimidating.

 Please pick up dog mess and deposit it in a bin. Please don't hang bags of poo from trees, bushes, road signs etc. because you can't find a bin. Please ensure you can locate your dog's mess when it's dark and don't let your dog run ahead, do its business and pretend you didn't see. It's obvious folks and still comes with a fine when spotted.

I know it's a minority not majority but it's creating an unhealthy divide, fear and mess in our lovely parish.

As a devoted dog lover, I ask, please don't make my feelings negative towards what I believe is the most beautiful animal on the planet.

Thank you





News from Heathcote Primary School

Happy New Year from Heathcote Primary School. The children have returned from their festive break full of smiles and news about their holidays. Each class have set goals for the New Year which are Achievable, Benefit others or ourselves and involve a Change for the better. There is a great display in our entrance sharing their goals which they have written on giant balloons. Some of

the goals are quite simple; giving someone a smile, improving letter formation when handwriting or just reading every day.

We had a slimy but exciting start to the term when the children took part in Mad Science workshops. They learnt the chemistry of making slime and also how difficult it is to make. It requires resilience to keep mixing the components in order to get the right consistency. However, the children did not give up. There



was a real buzz in the school as they realised how much fun Science can be. In Year One there was intense concentration showing their determination to follow the instructions so they did not get it wrong whilst in Year Three great delight as they succeeded in making slime. Science is an important subject and we are committed as a school to creating future scientists and engineers who can develop and improve our planet. Making it a fun subject is the start of engaging the pupils.



As part of our curriculum development we are threading Shakespeare through our plans. The staff had a stormy start to their year when they participated in a workshop with The Royal Shakespeare Company and explored The Tempest (one of Shakespeare's last plays.) They learnt many of the rehearsal room techniques for bringing the play alive and these techniques can be used throughout teaching to engage children in Shakespeare's language. Our English language is peppered

with phrases and vocabulary created by Shakespeare. He invented 1700 new words such as; bandit, critic and lacklustre. Shakespeare's plays are designed to be explored through drama rather than reading them and if you had walked past our school hall you would have seen shipwrecked sailors, spirits, Dukes and monsters leaping everywhere. The techniques learnt can also be used across the curriculum and I have already seen Year Four acting out scenarios and characters and having great fun.

So what is coming up at Heathcote? Well our new build should be starting any

day now, we are looking forward to a Chinese Workshop to celebrate Chinese New Year. We are learning our new language of the month – Mandarin. Dàjiā hǎo which means Hello Everyone. Reception are exploring Traditional Tales and a beanstalk has grown overnight in their classrooms plus the 3 bears are visiting and eating all the porridge. We continue to build on writing skills and have a new Exciting Writing display where the children love to stop and see their work. There

is also an interactive maths table and we have welcomed Onside Coaching to develop our PE skills even further. We are also about to get a willow dome in the forest school area so the children can start to harvest their own den building materials and have somewhere shady to sit. Please come and visit us. We love to share our lovely school with people or take a look at our website where you can see a range of photos showcasing our brilliant curriculum.

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Looking back Excerpts from past magazines

Tips from January 1960 - notice any changes over 60 years?!

Handbag repairs

The leather handle of a handbag often wears out whilst the bag itself is quite sound. Coloured strip leather is difficult to obtain so buy a narrow plastic or leather waist belt, thread it twice through the metal strap-holder, and get a shoe smith to clamp it for you (he will only charge you a few pence), or perhaps a friend who does leather work will have a tool to do this. Result: new life for your hard worked old bag.

Marks and Scratches

For those who have 'Utility' furniture which so easily marks and scratches, try painting it over lightly with 'Rentokil' woodworm killer and polish as usual. I recently spilled a newly-made cup of tea on my sideboard and it made a huge white patch. I immediately painted it with 'Rentokil' and then polished; the stain is now barely noticeable. Incidentally, the woodworm killer will also protect the wood in other ways.

Safety First

It is not advisable to paint household step-ladders as this hides any cracks or flaws that may be present in the wood. It is much better to use clear varnish as a preservative. In this way any defect can be easily seen.

Buttons

If a torn-off button leaves a hole, don't cobble it up. Sew the new button to a small piece of material matching the garment as nearly as possible. Push the button through from the back and fell the tiny patch into place on the wrong side.

Sew buttons to the ends of the draw strings in a small child's pyjamas. He is much less likely to pull them



through. Shoe buttons stitched to laces serve the same purpose. Time and trouble will be saved if small buttons on children's clothes are sewn on with elastic thread.





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History Group Domesday -A Tale of the Two Tachbrook Villages - 1086

The first meeting of the **Bishop's Tachbrook History Group** this year takes place on Tuesday, 11th February, at 2.30 pm at the St. Chad's Centre. Following a short Annual General Meeting, at which last year will be reviewed and an outline of the coming year's programme given, **Peter Lister** will give a short presentation on:

Domesday - A Tale of the Two Tachbrook Villages - 1086

The Domesday survey of 1086 gives a remarkable insight into life in our villages some twenty years after England was conquered by King William. The Normans imposed a new feudal system onto Anglo-Saxon society and this certainly had its impact on life here. Peter will reveal the information in Domesday about Bishop's Tachbrook and Tachbrook Mallory and give a description of what life was actually like for those who lived here more than nine hundred years ago.

Visitors and members alike are welcome to attend the meeting - to end with refreshments.

FANCY DOING SOMETHING NEW? WHY NOT JOIN THE LIVELY BISHOP'S TACHBROOK HISTORY GROUP? LECTURES ARE ALWAYS LIVELY & ENTERTAINING YOU DON'T NEED TO BE A HISTORY BUFF!

The group meet on the second Tuesday of the month @St. Chad's Centre We meet @ 14.30 from October to May & from 19.30 until October Membership subscription is £14.00 a year (Visitors £4.00) Our next meeting is on the 10th of March

Women's Institute By Anne Allen

You've missed it again, our fun filled Christmas party. There was excellent food and fabulous entertainment. Not only were poems and monologues read, we were party to a play rehearsal, a visit to a Turkish baths and a visit by two fairies who were feeling very unloved at 40.

During the first week of December we were really busy, 6 of us enjoyed lunch with Paul Martin. There were another 200 ladies there too but we don't worry about them. He was as nice as he appears on Flog It. Tuesday it was our knitting group, the following day a crowd of us went to the Group Carols at Warwick Gates and then our party. No one can say life is dull when you are in the WI.

The New Year started with a meal at the Leopard. 22 of us enjoyed a "noisy" evening . Apologies to other diners. A big thanks to the staff for coping with us. This was followed by the annual coffee morning in aid of the Air Ambulance. A change of venue this year and a big thank you to everyone who helped, attended or donated very generous raffle prizes. Special thanks to Higham's Butchers, Heathcote Holistic, and the Spiritual Retreat. A total of £275 was raised. As they say AMAZING.

Lots of interesting trips, talks and events are to happen this year. Not

only is lunch with Revd Richard Coles on the agenda, we're visiting Burghley House, attending a Changing of the Oueen's Life Guards with behind the scenes access and being entertained by Kitten Von Mew at a V E Day celebration. We can learn about using an iPad or Instagram, photography, paper patchwork, embroidery (where you can make either a Carrick-macross heart sachet or a Mountmellick heart pincushion) or try water colour painting. There are also demonstrations on Italian cookery and mosaic making. This is all before we think of our own events.

Our knitting group helped produce many of the 650 angels this year. We meet monthly and knit and natter. This together with walking netball is open to anyone. If you would like to join us give me a ring. We also have a wine group, book club and craft group and we're open to further suggestions.

You all know I coordinate the collections of used postage stamps and bras for different charities. I'm now asking for your old spectacles. Again for a charity, who via WI, will collect and recycle them. I need these before the end of March please.

If you like the sound of anything I've written about please come along to a meeting or give me a ring and find out more we would love to meet you. Please don't think you are too young or even too old, can't bake or sing Jerusalem (we very rarely sing it now) I'm sure you have some skill hidden somewhere . Let us find it. Anne Allen 424135



Nature Page By Steve Harvey

The light begins to fade as the moon rises in the south east. Venus shines brightly above the silhouette of fir trees in the south west. From the south I hear them, coming, calling and chatting all the way. Their black shapes begin to appear. A flock of over 200 birds; Rooks mixed with smaller Jackdaws. All day they've been feeding on the fields, now it's time to travel

back to the roost. As they pass over, flying high above the trees, many of them in pairs, suddenly their mood changes. In a moment the whole flock swerves and flies back the way it came. Then, like a shoal of fish, they dive, dropping at least a hundred feet, then swoop past the trees. All calling loudly, they rose back up high again and continued to the roost as if nothing had happened. Did one or two birds start that display or is it the whole flock so in tune it was a spontaneous display?

Everyone off to bed then, including us. It was about 2am when I was woken by a Fox. It called four short, sharp barks. Probably the Dog calling for the Vixen. Hope it's the same pair as last year. It was brilliant to watch them and their seven Cubs up close. Hope we get lucky again.

Morning came much too fast, still dark and the Robins were singing. As it slowly became light the Rooks flew



back over the cottage again heading for their fields. This time our 40 plus Jackdaws came in low and fast, landing in the old Walnut tree. In a moment they're off again. It's the same every morning. They do fast circuits of the cottages and trees calling loudly. They land back in the Walnut tree then repeat it all several times. They must be glad it's a new day or just sorting themselves out.

Meanwhile on the grass under the Cedar tree two Squirrels were getting acquainted. Usually the adults tolerate each other or resort to bullying. This must have been a female followed by a male. Each time he caught her up she would move on, but only slowly. She was obviously playing the 'long game'. Squirrels can give birth as early as January if things are right. The babies are called 'Kits'. I'll keep an eye out for them.

We've got an uncountable amount of Blue Tits and Great Tits coming to feed. Uncountable because each time I count to about ten of each they all move, so who knows how many there are. One of the Great Tits was different though. It stayed close to the cottage, didn't fly strongly and at night it perched on a wreath hanging on the back door that was attached by the porch light. It wasn't well. I was able to feed it by hand and it would drink from a dish I held up. After a few days it disappeared. Very glad I met it for a short while. Many people seem to dislike January saying how it drags. I don't see it like that. Once we pass the shortest saying dark December and move into January we get a couple of minutes more light each day. Primroses are out and Snowdrops are nodding their heads. We now have Robins, Great Tits, Mistle Thrush, Wood Pigeon, Stock Dove all singing and - one ahead of schedule-Blackbird! sounding gorgeous on the neon Sainsbury's sign after dark. "Other supermarkets are available!"

We are pointing the right way for Spring. Just don't hold your breath.

Poetry please Hope is a thing with feathers ^{By Emily Dickinson}

Hope is the thing with feathers That perches in the soul, And sings the tune without the words, And never stops at all,

And sweetest in the gale is heard; And sore must be the storm That could abash the little bird That kept so many warm.

I've heard it in the chillest land, And on the strangest sea; Yet, never, in extremity, It asked a crumb of me. Lizzy Pickles Catering

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Walking Netball

'Bouncing' is what the Bishop's Tachbrook walking netball team is all about. We all bounce, even Olive our trainer. At least we now bounce indoors. Yes, Walking Netball is going well. Olive is an excellent coach even if we are a bit of a comedown from her usual squads.

Now we have money,, kindly promised by the Parish Council, we are talking of kit—colour matters! A pump has been purchased so hopefully we have even more bounce in the future.

Most weeks there are about 12 of us but we'd love more. A friendly match is even being contemplated.

If you'd like more information please ring Kate on 01926 831459. We meet on Monday from 9.30 to 10.30 at Warwickshire College. A great boon because the coffee is good.

Notice Board

Handel: Acis & Galatea

15th February 2020, 7:30pm St Mary's Church, Warwick

The Sixteen present the most popular dramatic work of Handel's lifetime: a tale of love, tragedy and liberation performed with the same forces - just five singers and nine instrumentalists - as premiered the work in 1718. Further information and tickets (£7.50 - £30) can be found on their website: www.thesixteen.com.

Knitting Angels

A big thank you to all who knitted and distributed angels. We had nearly 650 to place around the village, for finding on the way to school on the last day of term.

A friend said to me that if you knitted just 2 a week that would be 100 by Christmas. Some of us have already started. If you would like to knit a few that would be great.

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Bishop's Tachbrook Sports & Social Club Entertainments

February

1st February – The Traps

The Traps are a local covers band playing music from the 80s, 90s and 2000s, together with some good old School Rock n Roll thrown in to the mix.

8th February – Skittles Night

A game of skill for the whole Family using our very own skittle alley, prizes for the winning team / person. 8pm start.

15th February – CT Riders

The Band has a set list packed with an eclectic range of classic rock and roll covers from the 60's and 70's and a few surprises from other eras for good measure.

22nd February – Rob Alton

Rob is a powerful, versatile, talented vocalist who can adapt to any style of music. He has been influenced by many singers from all different genres but has a real passion for good old rock!

29th February – Quiz Night

Pit your wits against the Judge and his mind boggling Quiz designed to outsmart even the best quiz specialists prizes for every team

Bingo Every Tuesday Evening Eyes down at 8.00pm Cash Prizes over 18's only

March

7Th March – Bottle Bingo

If you missed out on our Christmas Bottle bingo or you fancied another go pop along to this event for more super prizes. Eyes down at 8pm.

8th March – Spring Craft Fair (Sunday)

We are holding a Spring Craft Fair starting at 2pm A variety of stalls from local crafters selling lots of amazing things come round for a browse.

<u>14Th March – Members Night The Wild</u> <u>Rovers</u>

Come and celebrate St Patrick's day when we will be Hosting Irish band The Wild Rovers playing a mixture of songs old and new.

Discounted Drinks and Food is Available 21st March – Twisted Minds

Local Learnington band Twisted Minds will be here again playing the best of rock from the 60's through to present day, a fantastic night not to be missed.

28th March – Charity Race Night

Our barmaid Lucy is running The London Marathon in aid of the Macmillan Charity after the fantastic care she received from them, and to add to that we are holding a charity race night so come on down to support this great event and have a super fun evening as well.

Function Room Free To Hire (T's & C's apply) Bishops Tachbrook Sports & Social Club Function room is available for Parties, Christening's Weddings and Funerals; we offer a personal service and buffets if required.

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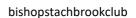


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What's on in Bisl

All activities at St Chad's Cei

Monday	Activity	Contact	
9.30 - 12:00	Little Tinkers Soft Play – Drop in	Stacey Bowen - 07917 385747 or via Facebook	
09.30 - 10.30	Walking Netball (at Mid Warks Col- lege)	Kate Wellsted - 0771 3113464	
14.00-15.30	Embroidery Class. £5.00 per session. Beginners to experienced embroiderers welcome.	Zara Day - 07717 371668 za- ra@rosemaryrose.co.uk	
17.00-17.45	Martial Arts Class. Children/ Beginners up to 11 years.	Andy Shaw – andy@linkcube.co.uk	
17:45 - 19:00	Martial Arts Class. Over 12 years and adults.		
19:15 - 20:15	Children's cooking class age 8+	Anne Marie Lambert - 07956 955951 getcook- ing@hotmail.co.uk	
20:30 - 21:30	Adults 18+ cooking class		
Tuesday			
14.00 - 16.00	Over 50's (at Sports and Social Club)	01926 313020	
Wednesday			
09:15 - 10:15	Pilates – drop in	Helen Tudge - 07769 222524	
10:30 - 12:00	Community Café Drop in café for the whole community	Joan Alderman 01926 651643	
19:00 - 20:00	Tai Chi – beginners class	Peter Fletcher 07487 685679	
20:00 - 21:00	Tai Chi – intermediate class		
21:00 - 22:00	Tai Chi - advanced class		
17.00 to 18.00	Rainbows (at Sports & Social Club)	carolineloveday@sky.com	
18.00 to 19.45	Brownies (at Sports & Social Club)	carolineloveday@sky.com	

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Thursday

09:30 - 11:00	Tachbrook Tinies - drop in	Tachbrook Tinies on Facebook
11.30 – 12.30	Atomic Dance for Toddlers Ages 2+	Ellie Rowe - 07392 348155
16:00 – 17:00	Mind Over Matter Yoga - children's yoga classes.	Nikki Francis - 07837 370148 nikki@takeitfrommummy.com
18.20 - 19.10	Fitness Pilates	Bev Hall on 07774 004225 or w60bev@gmail.com
19.30-21.30	Salsa Cubana in Rueda de Casino Beginners: 7.30pm Intermediate: 8.30pm	Emy Stoiescu on 07796 214877 or www.providanse.co.uk
19:30 – to end of film	Second Thursday of the month. Free film night all welcome	Elaine Scrivens
Friday		
09.30 - 12.00	Little Tinkers Soft Play	Stacey Bowen - 07917 385747 or via Facebook
Saturday		
First Saturday of the month - 09.30 - 11.30	Little Tinkers Soft Play	Stacey Bowen - 07917 385747 or via Facebook
Third Saturday of the month - 13:30 – 15:30	Craft afternoon – free drop in craft session for children. -	Elaine Scrivens

What's on in Bishop's Tachbrook

February's one-offs

Monday 3rd 19.00, Parish Council community meeting with Police & Crime Commissioner (all welcome) Heathcote School

Thursday 6th 19.45, **WI, My journey as a Blacksmith**, BT School, 01926 424135

Saturday 8th 10.00 –12.00, **Churchyard** gardening, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

Tuesday 11th 14.30, **History Group, AGM,** St Chad's Centre, *01926 885938*

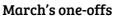
Thursday 13th 19.30 **Parish Council Meeting,** St Chad's Centre parishclerk@bishopstachbrook.com

Monday 17th 11.15 to 11.40, **Mobile Library** Church Lees

Saturday 22nd 09.30 to 12.30, Parish Working Party,

keith@bishopstachbrook.com

Wednesday 27th 10.00 –12.00, **Churchyard** gardening, St Chad's Church, *01926 330050*



Thursday 6th 19.30, **WI, British Mammals,** BT School, 01926 426797

Saturday 14th 10.00 –12.00, **Churchyard gardening,** St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

Tuesday 17th 14.30, **History Group, Margaret Rushton Jephson Gardens Team** St Chad's Centre, *01926 885938*

Thursday 12th 19.30 **Parish Council Meeting** (Chairman of WDC will attend), St Chad's Centre parishclerk@bishopstachbrook.com

Saturday 21st 09.30 to 12.30, Parish Working Party, keith@bishopstachbrook.com

Wednesday 25th 10.00 –12.00, Churchyard gardening, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050











The Daisy

By T. F. Seward

n the early Springtime, when the violets grow, When the birds sing sweetly, and the soft winds blow, Comes the little daisy, blooming fresh and fair, Springing bright and joyous in the morning air.

Sunny little blossom, on your slender stalk, How much you would teach us if you could but talk! Ever looking upward, all the livelong day, Bright your faces turn to catch each sunbeam's ray.