



Hanneley News

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Our new benches....

Julie Grose, pictured left, is the very talented lady who designed and made them. Stewart Scott, below, pronounces them 'ready to be sat upon'. He and his fellow Councillors are to be congratulated. Details and pic on page 10.



**The Little Rainbows
need you!** See page 10



The Hanney - mini - Fest happens on Sat 8th September. It will finish in time for all you music lovers to get on down to 'The Inflatables' gig at the R.B.Legion.

Back for its sixth successive year, the Michaelmas Fayre and Feast happens on Sat 22nd Sept...see page 5

The Hanney Parochial Charity

welcomes applications for grants from young people embarking on, or already taking further education courses or apprenticeships. The grant must be used to help towards the costs of books or equipment needed to assist with your studies.

To apply, you must be under the age of 25 on 1st Oct 2018, and live in East Hanney, West Hanney or Lyford.

Please contact John Gunn via email: jdgunn@btinternet.com for application details.

The Hanney Parochial Charity is registered with the Charity Commission, number 205792

Editorial

I was very honoured at the end of July to be invited to the St James School Leavers service at St James Church. I was there to present to each leaver a book token, donated by the News Fund as I mentioned last month. The youngsters are a great bunch, and all had the highest praise for their teacher Hannah Dade. Well done Hannah...you obviously did a good job! Justifiably proud parents were there too; probably now feeling a little nervous as the start of secondary school approaches. One emailed to thank the News Fund, adding that 'we have a wonderful community.' Indeed we do. September's always a busy month in Hanney and with the return of Hanney Fest and the annual orgy of fun that is Michaelmas Fayre, this one is no exception. Be sure you attend both!

The Michaelmas Fayre folk need assistance with organising what is the big community event of the year in the Hanneys...check their piece on page 5 and please give Hilary a call if you can help in any way.

Calling all Luvvies...yes, Hanney Drama Group are at it again...another panto is promised for next Feb...if you fancy having a go, see page 15.

Film Night's back with a bit of a weird sounding offering, but the wife has

already seen it and heartily recommends it. See page 5 for details.

Our 'Little Rainbows' is a super group but needs more support - see page 10. The organisers of the recent 'Save Wantage Hospital' protest march have sent an update with suggestions of what to do to keep up the pressure...page 4. The saga of the pedestrian crossing on the A338 has got rather silly...see page 11...and there have been a few problems with the skip that East Hanney Parish Council regularly supply.



This month it was filled within a very short time of arriving, but folk just kept piling stuff on top. One user told me that large cardboard boxes had been put in. Doh! Cardboard is collected for free with the green wheelie bin - yes, wheelie! - so there's no need to take up precious room in the skip! Read more on page 6, and thanks to Laura Lolly Bligdon for the snap.

We've info about 'Noise' and a sad wall story on page 12. Letters await your undivided attention on page 13.

Finally, I am very sorry to report that we have recently lost four valued members of our community - Alma Triffitt, Dudley Iles, Lionel Cousins and Tracy Barrett.

Dudley's obituary, written by his widow Penny, appears on page 19, and I hope to publish the other obituaries soon.

Autumn approaches next month, and as A.A. Milne once said...

'The end of the Summer is not the end of the world. Here's to October...'

the inflatables
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Sat September 8th from 8pm
Tickets £5 - available now from the bar.



Notices...what's happening this month.

Monday, 3rd, 7.30 pm, Hanney Gardening Club - all welcome, (guests £2) Ray Broughton talks on "Genetic Engineering in plants", includes AGM. Village Hall.

Fri 7th - Hanney Film Night - see page 5.

Sat 8th, Wantage & Grove Lions - cash bingo at Grove village hall . Doors open 6.45 pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Raffle.

Sat 8th - Ride and Stride, see August issue, page 15

Sat 8th - Mini HanneyFest at the Black Horse East Hanney.

Sat 8th - Hanney R.B.L. Live music with the fab, groovy 'Inflatables' - see page 2.

Thurs 13th Hanney WI - 'Denman past and present' Virginia Lawrence, Denman Ambassador. 7.30 pm, village hall.

Sat 15th - Hanney Flood Group meet - details from Clive Manvell

clive@manvell216.plus.com 01235 868216

Sat 22nd - Michaelmas Fayre - see page 5.

Sat 22nd - R.B. Legion, live music with the Saga Louts.

Tues 25th 8pm. History Group 'Farming and Philanthropy: The early years of the Lockinge Estate'. A talk by Christine Wardingley. Village Hall

Thurs 27th - Hanney Senior Citizens, Joint meeting with Steventon Darby and Joan Club, with entertainment. 2.30 pm, village hall.

And further ahead....

Friday Oct 5th. 7.30pm. St Mary's Church Fawley Nr Wantage OX12 9 NJ, a talk 'Scott's Voyage to Antarctica' - £12.30 including glass of wine & canapés. Tickets from Roz 07798 695236 or on the door.

Saturday Oct 6th 12.30pm - 4.30pm. Venue as above. Flower festival, cream teas & cakes. Short talk about the history of the church.

Sun 14th Oct, 11am - Hanney 5 Mile Road Race. Open to all. Details nearer the time, but start training now if you wanna win. Course record is 24 mins...ooh err!

20th - 27th Oct: Wantage Literary Festival. Visit the website - www.wantageliteraryfestival.co.uk - details next month.

Sat 10th Nov: We're all invited to a Victorian and Edwardian Music Hall in Hanney. Keep the date free...full details next month.

Sun 11th Nov. Remembrance Sunday and commemoration of 100 years of the 'Armistice'. Bell ringers needed. See Feb issue, page 5, and this issue, page 15.

Contact details for our political chums.

Ed Vaizey MP - *You can contact me on any matter at the House of Commons, SW1A 0AA, 020 7219 6350 or dicksonce@parliament.uk.*

Ed's website is www.vaizey.com

Matt Barber, Vale of White Horse. District Councillor for the Hanneys.

Email: councillor@matthewbarber.co.uk.

www.matthewbarber.co.uk

'Save Wantage Hospital'

You may recall that included in the July edition of Hanney News was a flier advertising a protest march - we don't get many of them round these 'ere parts - regarding the Wantage Hospital. Well it all went off ok with no lynchings I understand, and I've now received this from the organisers...

"Nearly 1,000 people attended the Save Wantage Hospital Rally in the Market Place. A very peaceful march hiding a depth of feeling. Many of these people were born in the hospital and even more have been treated there in the past. They want to be able to use it again.

It was a very successful event and we now need to take our message to those who run our NHS.

The Hospital is currently owned by Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust (part of NHS Oxfordshire) and they report to HOSC (Health, Overview & Scrutiny Committee) and OCCG (Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning

Group). We need to tell all of these bodies how we feel.

So that we can get our message across forcefully, we need as many people as possible to write to the Chairmen of these two bodies, and attend the following meetings:

HOSC meeting on 20 Sept 2018 at 10am at County Hall, (Cllr Fatemian, County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND

arash.fatemian@oxfordshire.gov.uk

OCCG Annual Public Meeting on 27th Sept at 6pm in Jubilee House, (Dr Collison, Chairman, OCCG, Jubilee House, Oxford, OX4 2LH

kiren.collison@oxfordshireccg.nhs.uk

Tell them what you think should happen to the Hospital

The more people who contact Cllr Fatemian and Dr Collison, the more they have to listen. Tell them that a two year 'temporary' closure is too long and what you think they should do."

The Hanneys Flood Group Ends Drought!

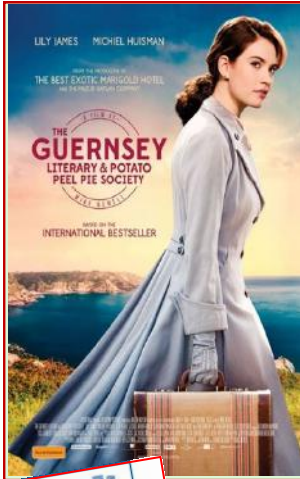
It was eleven years to the day since the Hanneys had their first disastrous flood this century, (20 July 2007), and the Hanneys Flood Group (HFG) were celebrating the tenth anniversary of their formation on East Hanney Green. Without warning, the heavens opened, ending weeks and weeks without rain! Divine influence or a reminder of why this group of volunteers is so important to both villages?

Talking of things drying up, the traditional sources of funding are, as 'strapped for cash' local and district



councils no longer have as much money available to make grants to worthwhile organisations such as the HFG. The group needs approximately £1000 a year to fund insurance, replace serviceable items and to maintain equipment. All donations, schemes for fund raising, sponsorship or other bright ideas will be most welcome.

Clive Manvell



The first Film Night of this season!
HANNEY FILM NIGHT in the **OWEN WRIGHT CINEMA, H.W.M.Hall,**
Friday Sept.7th

“The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society” PG.

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Michaelmas Fayre & Michaelmas Feast **SATURDAY 22 SEPTEMBER**

The 6th Michaelmas Fayre and Feast are coming soon.

We urgently need lots of new helpers – there are many ways to get involved in whatever way you feel best suits your skills and talents. There are things to be done in the run up as well as on the day – please get in touch and volunteer –

email us on info@hanneymichaelmasfayre.co.uk

One easy way to help is have a clear out – white elephants (NOT jumble please), books & DVD's, children's toys and good quality clean clothes (especially children's) help to raise funds.

Final run up for the competitions with revised categories and new opportunities – NOW is your moment to get your entries ready and impress the Judges!

The MICHAELMAS FEAST is a great 'village' night – The Undercovers

(sorry about last month's "error" - joys of dying computer swallowing emails) are playing, plus a fantastic 3 course supper – all for JUST £16 – tickets from The Black Horse, Monica (07917 163999) or Hilary (07831 690524) or above email.

As ever all the profits are distributed to village organisations – over 50 grants have been made to date (full list can be found on the grants page of our website) as can details of how to apply.

www.hanneymichaelmasfayre.co.uk .

Quiz time! Which one of the following 'lost' items is currently not at the Community Shop, waiting for owners to come and collect? Is it ...various bunches of keys, 3 pairs of glasses, a pair of sunglasses, a child's size 10 'croc' shoe, a Samsung phone with a cracked screen, an ear-ring, a thermos flask in a pink and grey insulated bag, a child's octopus patterned sun-hat, a hearing aid or a wooden leg?

If you lose something, it's always worth checking at the shop in case it's been handed in.

East Hanney Parish Council

At its August meeting, East Hanney Parish Council decided to change the schedule of its monthly meetings. The new day will be the second Wednesday of the month rather than the first.

Parish Council meetings are open to the public and are held on the second Wednesday of each month at 8pm. The agenda will be available to view on the notice board outside the Community Shop and on the Council's website a week in advance.

If being a Parish Councillor is something you have thought you might like to try, then it will be of interest to you to know that the next elections are in May 2019, when the Parish Council will be expanding to 8 members. If you are interested in the village and its community, and would like to be instrumental in helping to shape its future, please consider standing. If you would like to know more, please contact the Clerk by email or telephone.

In August, the skip by the village hall was

refused collection as it was seriously overloaded. The skips are provided and paid for by the Council on behalf of the residents of East Hanney to help those residents who cannot afford to pay for large items to be disposed of.

Recently it was decided to reduce the number of skips as they were being used by non-residents and by people who had the means to transport bulk or trade waste to the tip by their own transport. This service costs the village residents about £2000 per year, paid for via council tax precept. Rather than increase the precept further or stop providing other services, it was decided to reduce the number of skips per year. It's a real shame that the service is being abused, but hopefully this helps to explain the purpose.

The state of August's skip has meant that the Parish Council has had to pay an extra £210 of tax-payer's money to have the excess rubbish removed before it could legally be taken by the driver. This is money that a small council like yours finds hard to afford.

The Parish Council meetings for the remainder of the year are on the second Wednesday of the month, rather than the first (still from 8pm), as follows: 12th September, 10th October, 14th November, 12th December, 2018, and 9th January, 13th February, 13th March and 10th April, 2019.

East Hanney Parish Council

Chairman: Jim Triffitt 868314 (Allotments)

Vice Chairman: Stewart Scott 868503 (Neighbourhood Plan and Technical Issues)

Paul Aram 868858 (Playground and Playing field)

David Kirk 07740029059 (Neighbourhood Action Group)

Judy Long 868425 (Footpaths)

Stephen McKechnie 868823 (Village Environment)

Clerk: Guy Langton 867403 gl-ehpc@outlook.com

Website: <http://www.easthaneyparishcouncil.org.uk>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/436816943170450/>

West Hanney Parish Council

Members of the Parish Council were saddened to learn of the passing of both Lionel Cousins and Dudley Iles, and send our sincerest sympathy to Angela, Penny and their families.

Lionel was a councillor on West Hanney Parish Council for 39 years, from 1972 until 2011, with some of that time as Chairman. He also served as a trustee of the Hanney Parochial Charities for many years, including several as Chairman. He was involved in so many things in the village, the Scout movement, helping with the supply chain to the village shop, and even working as Barman in the Village Hall. That dedication in serving the village he loved is unlikely ever to be repeated.

Dudley was very involved in the Community Woodland even before Nigel Eady's executors agreed to gift it to the Parish Council for the village. With others he was responsible for building and erecting most of the nest boxes throughout the area and also designed, built and erected the wonderful informative signs at the two main entrances to the woodland.

We have had several complaints of noise from residents of Church Street over the

past weeks. This is not a situation that the PC can get involved in, but any such disturbances can be reported to the Vale of White Horse Environmental Health Department who will take action if appropriate.

The application to build 35 houses off School Road has now been withdrawn but of course the building of 15 new properties already passed will still go ahead. There is still some debate as to the proposed footpath to the school and whether it should be on the north side of School Road or the south side in which case children will have to cross the road to reach the existing footpath. The plan appears to show the footpath running alongside the road and your parish council have advised the planners that this should not be allowed. The footpath should be constructed within the development itself and the bank and fence should be retained as it is.

Autumn is fast approaching so it will soon be time to dig the vegetable plot ready for the spring planting. Haven't got a Veggie Plot? Why not take on an allotment? We have some available. No charge for the first year. Contact our clerk Barbara Martin for details.

**Next Meeting - Tuesday 25th September 7.30pm
St. James Bell Tower - All Welcome**

Councillors

Chris Surman (Chairman) - 868749

Edward Wilkinson - 867316

Kay Sayers - 868146

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I know you can't really see them, but underneath all those daintily perched posteriors - sadly Kim Kardashian's wasn't one of them - are the splendid new benches that have replaced the old ones which had been there since 1928. They were made by Alan Miles' (well known member of our community) great-grandfather, and are to be re-sited elsewhere in the village

once they have been restored to their former glory. This may take a while. Meantime, do enjoy the new benches... they are very comfortable. Big ups to all involved, not least the designer/blacksmith herself, Julie Grose. Check out Julie's website here - juliegrosemetaldesign.co.uk. On it you will see some of the lovely pieces of art she produces. She is available for commissions.



Some residents from OSJCT Sterling's Care Home and Hanney's very own 'Little Rainbows' recently got together to have a little party, and very jolly it was too, the older folk clearly enjoying contact with the lively youngsters.

The Little Rainbow's organisers Sarah and Stephanie tell me that they desperately need more children to keep it going... would certainly be a great shame if it had to cease through lack of support, so if you're in charge of a small person aged 0 to school age, on a Monday morning between 9.30 and 11.30am, pop along to the village hall. Expectant Mums also welcome. Sarah's contact details are on page 27 if you want to know more.



Figures recently published by Thames Valley Police show that the speed camera on the A338 in East Hanney caught 1,514 speeding motorists in the year ending June 2018.

In fact, the East Hanney camera, along with some others, appears twice on their list - no idea why? - with another figure of 228 also being given. It matters not which one is correct, or if they should be added together, the fact remains that this is yet more evidence - if any was required - that a pedestrian crossing is urgently needed.



Not only is the A338 a busy main road slicing through our village... well done the planners who allowed all the new developments on the east side of the road with no provision for a safe crossing!....the figures prove that many vehicles are exceeding the speed limit. Well I never...who'd have thought it? If you're a fan of irony, then read on.... It's not just the Police who have recognised the problems with speeding on this stretch of road: Oxford County Council (OCC) have too, after conducting a recent traffic survey. They have now

informed East Hanney Parish Council (EHPC) in an email that **'the speeds are too high for a zebra (crossing)'**! You couldn't make this up could you? Put simply, 'you can't have a zebra crossing cos the traffic goes too fast.'

Apparently we will need an 'all singing all dancing' crossing, traffic lights, buttons etc. What's wrong with that you may ask?

Two things - minor point first...some folk will object, claiming it's a further urbanisation of our rural environment.

Major point...it'll

cost much more money. And remember, that's the stuff OCC don't have much of we're told. (A basic zebra by the way, costs approx £20k.)

So what now? Once EHPC have received some 'sketches' and proposals from OCC, they intend to consult the locals and gather views on the whole project. And finally....all this talk of zebras got me wondering how much it costs to buy a real zebra. A quick Google search and hey presto - around \$6,000 will get you one in the USA, didn't find any available here.

What to do with textiles not good enough for the charity shops?

Here's a couple of ideas - from Jane Bowler...*'We have an 'Air Ambulance' textile donation point here at Dews Meadow Farm Shop in East Hanney.'*

Clare Sparrow informs that the new H&M in Didcot takes textiles and gives a £5 discount voucher per bag. Thanks Clare and Jane.

Here's the donation point at Dews Meadow....a sign on it advises you not to donate yourself! And whilst you're there, you could always pop in and buy a pack of sausages and a scotch egg!



A while back I mentioned the nuisance of bonfires in our community. Noise can be also be a problem, especially on these hot summer nights when simply closing the windows to shut out the racket isn't really an option.

It's the Vale of White Horse District Council's responsibility to investigate complaints about noise - ring the Environmental Health Out of Hours team on 01235 422420 or contact them online if you wish to complain. Full details are on the Vale's website.... www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/services-and-advice/environment-and-neighbourhood-issues/report-problem-noise-and-nuisance Word is that any noise after 11pm is considered unreasonable.

If the Vale uphold your complaint they serve an abatement notice, which, if breached, can result in a £5,000 fine. How effective this all actually is I do not know, but if enough people complain then maybe something will be done...it's worth a try. To finish with some good news...back in the 1980's, an American heavy metal band 'Manowar' claimed the title of "loudest band in the world". The muscle-bound 'boys' are still together apparently, and are playing a European tour next year.

I have checked the itinerary and can confirm that they have no plans for a gig at the Hanney War Memorial Hall or the Legion, or anywhere else in the UK.

You'll need to pop over to Germany or Norway to witness them flex their abs and strum a few tunes!



This long and magnificent old stone wall has been part of the East Hanney landscape for over 200 years I'm assured, but the Vale Planners have granted permission for an 8.5metre section to be demolished to allow access into the rear garden of the property of which it is a part. Several locals are very upset indeed, one going so far as to put up a banner which was summarily removed by person(s) unknown the next day. During the consultation



period many folk, including the Parish Council, voiced their opposition - you can read them all on the Vale website ...here's the reference number: P18/V0700/HH. However, unless the owners change their minds, we will soon lose this historic part of old Hanney.

LETTERS

Dear Editor

Readers of Hanney News might be a trifle mystified after the item in July's edition about 'William Woodward, eldest son of Thomas Woodward, Citizen and Carpenter of London', who was buried, aged 16, in the churchyard at the rear of St James in April 1725. The grandiose tomb to this young man, unmistakable in its ostentation, stands on a new plinth, fully refurbished after the Parochial Church Council was obliged to take this action in May of this year.

The reason? The tomb is a listed structure, which means that we were obliged by the Government to act before it degenerated further. The total cost of this work was nearly £16,000 incl. VAT. Although we have received a grant from Oxford Historic Churches Trust for which we are very grateful and a gift totalling £2,000, for which we are equally grateful, towards the work, the parish has had to find the remainder of the money from its own funds. Fortunately we are expecting to receive a substantial VAT rebate.

Nevertheless, this has come at an unfortunate time, as we are trying hard to build up our funds in advance of a major re-organisation project we are shortly to start that is expected to cost us upwards of £150,000.. None of this money will come from central funds in the Church of England. So if anyone feels they can spare the odd £1,000 to help towards the repair of the Woodward tomb we should be extremely grateful.

Even joining the Hanney Lottery (if you do not belong already) would help, as the proceeds of this go entirely towards keeping St James Church standing and in good fettle.

As for the mystery of who this young man was, and his tenuous (if any) links with the Hanneys, hopefully the efforts of Hanney History Group and the archaeology carried out on the site will reveal more in the fullness of time.

Stuart Cakebread, Churchwarden, St James the Great, Hanney.

Dear Editor,

What a great job has been done all round in replacing the old seats.

Great thanks to the Parish Council, and Julie Grose – and indeed anyone else involved. Julie has given a modern twist to the original design – and the colour is perfect. Love the leaf shape!

We have passed them many times now and each time they have been a welcome sight.

Along with Charlotte Kendall's refurbished phone box library, they make a great welcome into our village.

Miri Brundrett, Philippa Kendall, Annabel Westendarp



THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Dear Friends,

I read an article during the recent very hot weather that talked about how difficult it is for homeless people to get enough to drink in a heat wave. So many public toilets require at least a 20p payment. Shops are reluctant to give out cups of water and water fountains and public taps are a thing of the past. It is often the case that homeless people are moved on from shady parks and so suffer in the direct sunlight.

Reading the article coincided with a training evening that we were having at the Church where we learnt about Safeguarding young people and vulnerable adults in our churches. During the meeting a homeless gentleman interrupted us and asked for prayer. At first we wondered if it was a practical demonstration set up by Pat our trainer! However it wasn't and Sally and I took the gentleman into a side room where we quickly discovered that it was not prayer he required but permission to sleep in the churchyard, a lift to a job interview in the morning and batteries for his radio.

Sally had a sleepless night feeling concerned for the man and worrying that we should have done more to help. As she lay awake, praying, she felt very strongly that God said to her 'feed him'. In the morning I was dispatched with a big plate of breakfast which he enjoyed sitting in the Remembrance garden in the sunshine and later when I gave him a lift to his job interview his back pack bulged with the large, nutritious picnic lunch Sally had provided.

The next night Sally found it hard to sleep again, 'Did God mean feed him physically or spiritually?' she worried.

In fact the man had a well-thumbed bible and quoted a lot of scripture during our conversation. My point in telling you this is that I believe as Christians God calls us to do both Christian practical care, and to be ready to talk to other's in all walks of life about our faith.

Jesus says in John 7 v 37 'If anyone is thirsty let them come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within them.' So lets all be open to receiving from Jesus so that we can flow with living water to others. God has promised to guide and strengthen us for the task. Isaiah 58 v 11 'The Lord will guide you always, he will satisfy your needs in a sun scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.' A beautiful promise and challenge for us all.

God bless,

John

Revd John Durant -Vicar – Vale Benefice

Eucharist SERVICES in SEPTEMBER - Sundays at 9.30am

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Dear Friends

I have been asked to take part in a questionnaire on Army Chaplaincy and the influence of World War One Padres on chaplains today. Many WW1 chaplains were awarded Victoria Crosses during the Great War and one of them, Rev.

Theodore Bailey Hardy, was held up as a model of getting alongside the soldiers.

He would appear in the trenches and say, "It's only me!" He was aged 55, a widower from a parish in the Lake District and his daughter was serving as a military nurse. Sadly he died shortly before the end of the war, trying to rescue wounded from no man's land as he sought to share the love of Jesus by practical, pastoral care.

We want to mark the Centenary of the

Armistice this year and give thanks to God for the Victory and declaration of peace with a Peal of Bells, a service - we are still considering how to commemorate the occasion, acknowledge its effect and influence on our country and community and celebrate with thanksgiving, sharing refreshments after.

*As 11th November falls on a Sunday we will of course be having our usual **Remembrance Services at 10.45am and the Centenary Thanksgiving will be at 6pm.***

I do hope you will join us.

John Durant

HANNEY DRAMA GROUP is holding an open audition/reading/social afternoon on Sunday 30th September at the Village Hall at 14.30. If you are interested in joining us for our next pantomime "Aladdin and the Wishing Tree" to be performed next February, please come along. We are a very friendly group and welcome newcomers (over 6 years - anyone under 16 must always be accompanied by a parent, older sibling, grandparent etc.) who are interested in all aspects of drama – acting, singing, dancing, producing,

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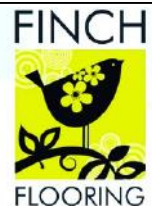
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Obituary

Dudley Iles

1st February 1934 - 30th July 2018

Dudley was born in Guisley, Yorkshire on 1.2.34 - always very convenient! Although he spent most of his life in Hanney, he remained a true Yorkshireman.

He became interested in birds at a very young age and kept his bird diaries from the age of 13 until his last year. He studied Biology at Leeds University, and in 1960 he became Head of Biology at King Alfred's School, Wantage, and taught many of Hanney's villagers and their children. Apart from two years in Geneva, teaching at the International School, he remained at King A's all his teaching life. Many will remember his field trips to Norway, France, Spain, Greece and Iceland amongst others. During the school holidays he led Natural History trips for a more mature clientele- notably for 'Town and Gown', in Oxford, and 'Questers', an American firm. He also did a lot of lecturing, always on aspects of Natural History- the Hanney Gardening Club, History Group and the W.I. all benefitted from his enthusiastic and knowledgeable discourses.

In 1986 he took early retirement, so enabling him to concentrate on work in the village as well as travelling. This culminated in two years in Zanzibar with VSO in 1993, where he trained young Zanzibaris to be environmental officers- not a common concept in Africa. He was known to all as 'Baba Ndege'- Grandfather Bird. Many long holidays, to Africa, India, South America among others meant lots of new birds to add to his lists. He and Penny organised ornitho-

logical tours to Texas which were a great success, then in 2004 he started giving lectures on cruises which again took him to amazing places round the world. He was part of the BTO's Bird Atlas project, counting birds regularly, as he also did at Chimney Meadows, a BBOWT reserve.

His welcome at St James' School gave him great pleasure- he helped establish the after- school Environmental Club, and acted as an unpaid odd-job man! He was instrumental in establishing the Community Woodland through his friendship with Nigel Eady, the pair of them would spend hours putting up nesting boxes and checking on the progress of the saplings (now mature trees). He kept records of the numbers of blue tits which fledged every year, and knew where to find the orchids and other rare wild flowers.

He and Paul Sayers wrote the Millennium Walk round Hanney, still on sale in the Village Shop, which tells of the wildlife which can be seen as you follow the trail.

Throughout his life he enjoyed painting the birds and other wildlife seen on his travels, especially in Africa. Many in the village possess one of his pictures, either as a present or won at a raffle!

Dudley was above all a man with many talents and gifts who had the ability to share them freely with whomsoever he came into contact. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Penny Iles



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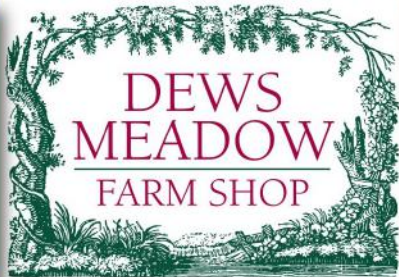
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THURSDAY EVENING SINGING WITH SJS, Hanney's small consort male-voice group, 8-10pm in East Hanney. 4-part settings from medieval to Now! And a pint in the Black Horse afterwards. Call Mike Jones on 751656 or David Gahan 868933 for details.

WANTAGE CHORAL SOCIETY rehearses every Tuesday at C of E School, Newbury St. (next to Comrades Club) at 7.30pm. New voices always welcome. Contact Judy Gibbons 868516, www.wantagechoralsociety.co.uk, email wantagechoralsociety@yahoo.co.uk.

WANTAGE GARDENERS ASSOCIATION : 9am - 12noon every Saturday Feb-Sept. See website for details of all they offer. www.wantagegardeners.org.uk

WANTAGE MALE VOICE CHOIR rehearses at HWMH on Tuesdays, 7.30-9.30pm. The Choir is looking for more men who enjoy a good sing to join their existing number of 30 or so. Call Geoff (868440) or Nick (768249), www.wantagemalevoicechoir.org.uk.

WHITE HORSE CROQUET CLUB within the grounds of Wantage Cricket Club. We offer up to 3 FREE sessions to potential new members and all equipment is available on site. Playing sessions are each Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 am and Thursday from 2 pm. The playing season is from April to September. For more information visit our website at whcc.webplus.net.

WILTS & BERKS CANAL TRUST/EAST VALE BRANCH First Wednesday in the month, Social Meeting at the Hanney British Legion 8pm. Details contact Brian Stovold on 763072 wbct.org.uk

Regular Events

BINGO every Sunday, R.B. Legion Hall 8pm. Cash prizes. All over 18 welcome

HANNEY CHAPEL Sunday Services; 10:30am and 5:30pm, all welcome. Lunch & Listen 1st Thurs of month at 10:30am. Men's Breakfast 1st Sat of month at 8:30am. In term-time; "Jumpstart" for 6 to 10 year olds at 6pm Thursdays; Friday Club for 10-13 year olds 6:30pm & Friday Club Plus for 13-15 year olds at 7:45pm. Contact Mark Fisher on 867105 / mailmarkfisher@gmail.com.

HANNEY LITTLE RAINBOWS, Activity and fun for 0 - 3 yr olds meet every Monday, 9.30 - 11.30am. At the Village Hall Contact Sarah Hill - 07514 106782 - for details.

HANNEY PRE-SCHOOL meets term time, in the Elliott Building in the grounds of St James School. For 3+ year olds: Monday - Friday 9am – 2pm, For 2+ year olds: Mon - Fri 9am - 2pm. Contact Hanney Pre-School on 07759181330 or see www.hanneypreschool.co.uk

OLDE HANNEY ROOM COFFEE SHOP, Tuesdays, 10.00-11.30am. Everyone welcome for tea or coffee - chat and a raffle.

OXFORDSHIRE FITNESS CLASSES Mondays 6.15 - 7.15pm Legs, Bums & Tums at the British Legion; Thursdays 6.15 - 7.15pm. Pick and mix exercise at the British Legion. Call Lisa on 07885 635367

PILATES CLASS Wednesdays 6 -7pm and Fridays 9.15 - 10.15am (term time only) at the Royal British Legion, East Hanney. Novices and Improvers welcome. To book your place or for more details please contact Pippa Carey (STOTT Pilates teacher) on 07941 260427 or pippa@thrive-nutrition.co.uk

YOUR PACE NOT MINE - Meets Wednesday's and Friday's, 9.15am in Hanney Recreation Ground. A 45 minute running class for all abilities, no set distance, no set pace, your own workout. New joiners always welcome. Text or ring Carey Hope 07789 502010

Hanney Lottery

August Winners

£100 - Tim and Margaret
Lancaster

£50 - Peter and Melissa
Mace

£25 - Christine Grandison
*Not got a number yet or
want to have additional
numbers? Just call
Hilary on 868590.*

Hanney War Memorial Hall



To book the Hall, the
Committee Room, or the
Olde Hanney Room,
contact
Graham Garner on
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