



Hanneley News

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*“Cheers
m’dears!*

*Do join in all the
jolly events happening
in Hanneley to
celebrate my Jubby.*

*My loyal subject Jim the
Editor has them detailed in
the latest updated
middle pages pull-out”*

PLOUGH REOPENS... PAGE 5

**ST JAMES SCHOOL SUMMER FETE
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**A reminder to all
you wannabe
Luvvies!!**

**Hanneley Drama Group needs
you! See page 7 if you’ve lost
last month’s copy!**

Editorial

Oops, gremlins got in again last month, stating on the front cover that the May issue was our 5,567th issue! Eagle-eyed reader Sir Dave of Bratley and Sharpness of Brain pointed out that would indicate a first issue some 464 years ago! Just to clarify it was in fact our 557th issue, the first being Dec 1975. So, welcome to our 558th issue, as Jubbly celebrations loom. Full details on the 4 middle pages, updated from last month please note, so remove the May version from the fridge, dog, or whatever, and affix instead this month's.

No more Film Nights until September, but the Drama Group's open evening is happening on 7th June, see page 7.

Hanney War Memorial Hall v Village Hall?...my ramblings on page 8.

Our new District Councillor

Sally Povolotsky follows in the big shoes of Matt Barber...not literally of course, she has her own shoes I'm sure...and a very respectable turnout of 49% only serves to emphasise just how important local issues - the reservoir, developments, need for infrastructure etc. - are to local people.

Once again, I've given space to GARD (Group Against Reservoir Development), and once again I would add that not everyone shares their views. David Corps who stood as an independent in the recent District Council elections stated that he was not against a reservoir in principle, and he received a very respectable 199 votes. If you're of a similar persuasion on this, feel free to write to Hanney News to offer your take. I want to present a balanced view on this very weighty matter.



See page 7

Talking of water, the Letcombe Brook features on pages 5 and 14.

Please read the piece from the Scouts on page 19. Can you help?

West Hanney's only pub, the Plough, re-opens on 28th May and we wish Owain and Luke, the new tenants, every success. See page 5. Our good wishes also go to the newly appointed board of directors. They are a good mix of folk, with experience, enthusiasm and a certain gravitas - I do like that word! I have every confidence that the Plough's future is in good hands.

Hope this doesn't come over as blowing my own trumpet, but a recent article in BBC Countryfile's magazine in which John Craven extolled the virtues of parish newsletters made me rather proud

that we here at Global HQ continue to do our bit to try to...as John C has it... *"keep us informed of the happenings on our doorstep, boost local trade and make us thankful that our community is vibrant and worth belonging to."* I hope we reach those high ideals, we certainly try, and thanks as ever to Chris French, our Treasurer, Paul Haines our chief Distributor, and all our individual distributors!

I also want to thank Philippa Kendall who is the very talented graphic designer who put together the Jubilee pages. I'm grateful for the patience she always shows when working with me, a complete novice! Recently I've been meeting several lovely new people on my travels - mainly round the allotments - and hope to meet more at the June Jubilee celebrations!

We here at Hanney News Global International welcome articles or letters.

Please submit items to the Editor, preferably by email, or use the Hanney News post box in the Community Shop. Contact me, the Editor, Jim Stagg, on 01235 867500, or by email: hanneynews@gmail.com

What's happening this month?

2nd - Senior Citizens Lunch to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Venue to be confirmed. This is a free lunch for all members and replaces our usual May meeting. We hope you will be able to join us!

2nd - 5th, Platinum Jubilee Celebrations, see pages 15 - 18 incl.

Tues 7th - Hanney Drama Group Open Evening - page 7

Sat 25th - 11am till 2pm St James School Summer Fete at the school. Any local stall holders please do contact us.

Sat 25th. Hanney Gardening Club visit RHS Wisley. See page 4.
www.hanneygardeningclub.org.uk

Sun 26th, 11am - 7pm, Wantage Carnival, Market Place, page 13

Mon 27th - Hanney History Group (HHG) - A tour of Lower Radley's old dwellings, incl. a visit to one. Led by Richard Dudding. 6.30pm, £10.

And further ahead...

Sat 2nd July Village Hall, 10am - 2pm, Cancer Research Table Top Sale - see front cover.

Mon 25th July - A HHG tour of places on interest during the siege of the Royal Court in Oxford. Led by Stephen Barker. £10, and on **Mon 15th Aug** - A Review of ancient and modern buildings in the centre of Oxford, led by Victoria Bentata



Fri 9th Sept, the wonderful Montagnana at

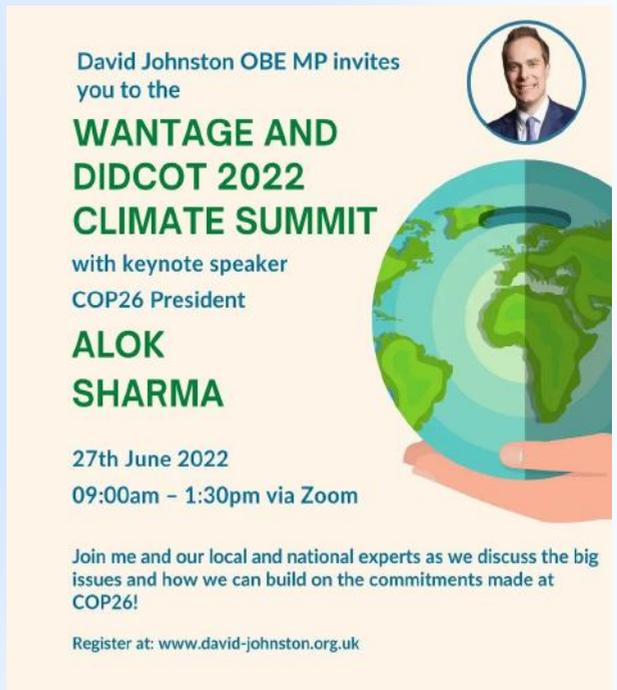
the Oxford Natural History Museum with sublime music, fundraising for Flexicare. Tickets will go on sale via our website (www.flexicare.org). at the end of June.

Saturday 15th October 10am till 3pm. Hanney WI Craft Fair, Village Hall. Lots of stalls, teas and cake throughout the event, a nice family outing. More details nearer the time, but put it in your diary now!

24th Oct - 5th Nov - Wantage Literary Festival. www.wantageliteraryfestival.co.uk



Join in, or I'll send the boys round!



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Register at: www.david-johnston.org.uk



Here are two long time members of our community, who have recently left Hanney, to live nearer their families.

Ray Woodyear on the left, and Angela Cousins on the right, have both been involved in a very wide variety of 'community' activities over many many years. We thank them both and wish them every happiness in their new homes. They will be sorely missed!



This fine bunch of gentlemen are my coffee-drinking and custard cream-consuming pals every Tuesday morning at the Village Hall, on the occasion of the Community Coffee Morning. Their witty banter, fascinating memories and great senses of humour make it a highlight of my week.

Left to right they are John Spindloe, Graham Rowley, Terry Flynn, Frank Bunce and John Cook. With a combined age of 425 - yes really! - their recollections go back to a simpler time.

If you fancy joining us, just come on down! 10 am, every Tuesday morning, and of course, any age welcome. Just £1 gets you a coffee, a custard cream - other varieties are available! - and a thoroughly enjoyable morning.

Hanney Gardening Club - Plant Sale. The committee want to thank all involved for helping to make this another successful year.

We now have a visit to the **RHS at Wisley on 25th June**. Please contact Sue Garner for details (sue.garner@sky.com)

On **Friday 8 July**, we have our **Travelling Garden Party** for members and guests.

Come and join us **5 Sept 7.30pm at the Village Hall**. Mandy Bradshaw will be giving a talk on Cotswold Gardens. All welcome, guests £2 "

These are difficult times for many folk, and they don't look like getting easier any time soon. The **Hanney Parochial Trust** may be able to help.

If you know anyone who is in genuine financial need, please ask them to contact me, the chairman of the Trust, in strictest confidence of course, on 01235 867500 - or email me: jimstagg@btinternet.com.

The Trust's Charity Commission number is 205792.

(Please note that we are currently only able to help residents of East or West Hanney.)

As I write, the Plough in West Hanney remains closed,

but by the time you read this, it will be very close to being, or already be open! Great news indeed, and so long as folk support it, I'm sure a bright and prosperous future awaits.

It's been a bumpy road since it first opened as a 'Community pub' in May 2015, and it's only thanks to an ongoing team effort and support from many locals, good burgers of both of East and West Hanney, that it still exists today.

Given that many folk deserve our thanks for their efforts, it is perhaps unwise to mention just three individuals, but I'm going to anyway!

The first is Dave Bratley, the gent who recognised the very real threat that we may lose the pub altogether once Punch Taverns - the then owners - put it up for sale. His action in calling a meeting and alerting the community meant that wheels were set promptly in motion to ensure that didn't happen.



The second is Phil Larder, who has over the years has devoted a very large amount of time indeed and a wealth of expertise to

the maintenance of the fine old building. The final name to mention is Chris French. His tireless efforts since the beginning of the process have been the single biggest reason we still have a pub, and as I write, he is spending long hours preparing the Plough for the new tenants.

This latest effort from him in spite of the fact that he has resigned from the Hanney Pub Co. board of directors after having served on it for seven of the seven and a half years it has been in existence.

Chris - along with everyone else of course - has worked entirely voluntarily. He now wishes - and deserves! - to step back and simply enjoy the pub...he's more than 'done his bit'.

We offer our sincere thanks to Chris, Dave, Phil and all the other worthy souls whose collective input means that Mrs Editor and I will be seen regularly heading down from Global HQ, bound for the pub!

'The History, Ecology and Management of Letcombe Brook' was the title of a most interesting recent walk organised by the Hanney History Group. The weather was kind, the 'Daddy' swan currently living with his family on Letcombe Brook, came and checked us out to make sure we didn't upset his 7 little signets, and the gents who entertained and informed us - Clive Manvell, Paul Sayers and Mark Bradfield - with their pearls deserve our sincere thanks. We even got a chance to smell some otter poo! If the History Group organise another walk in Hanney - and I sincerely hope they do! - I strongly advise you to go.



See also page 14

East Hanney Parish Council

We welcome Sally Povolotsky as our new Ward Councillor, and if you don't know Sally, you soon will. Sally already has a list of concerns from the PC and has begun to address them on your behalf despite, as I write, her only being in the job for 5 days.

On the 11th May the Planning Committee approved planning permission for 44 homes north of Ashfield's Lane despite presentations to the Committee from your PC and Sally that flooding is an issue that was not satisfactorily addressed within the application. The Committee ruled that permission is granted but it is subject to the developer securing an agreed plan with the County Drainage Officer before a spade touches the ground. The PC will be requesting that we are to be kept up to date so our own consultant can analyse and comment.

I do hope that everyone in the village will attend at least one event over the Jubilee weekend, the volunteers have put a lot of their time and effort into making this a weekend where for the first time in at least two years we can meet as a community, so make use of the break.

Steve McKechnie - Chairman

**Next Meeting, Wednesday 8th June, at 7:30pm, Old Hanney Room,
Hanney War Memorial Hall, aka Village Hall.**

East Hanney Parish Councillors -

Chairman: Stephen McKechnie - smehpc@gmail.com.

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Website: www.easthanneyparishcouncil.org.uk



Dear Hanney,

Thank you very much to all our friends and neighbours in Hanney for supporting us in our charity sales during May.

We raised £300 which has been split between Cancer Research, The Hanney Scout Group and St James School. The items that were left have gone to Marion Carter for the next Cancer Research sale.

With many thanks,

David Blomley & Kathy Ethelston

(The next Cancer Research sale that Kathy refers to is happening on 2nd July. See ad on front cover - Editor.)

West Hanney Parish Council

West Hanney Parish Council congratulate Sally Povolotsky on her election as District Councillor for the ward of Steventon & the Hanneys, and look forward to working closely with her for the benefit of all our residents.

The next regular meeting of WHPC will be held on Tuesday 5th July 2022 at 7.30pm in the Olde Hanney Room in the Hanney War Memorial Hall.

Councillors: Chairman: David Corps - 867454. Graham Garner - 868684.
Edward Wilkinson - 07771 705234. Trevor Brettell - 868459.
Peter Packham - 868038. Barbara Martin (Clerk) - 868806
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Website: www.westhanneypc.org.uk



Continuing with my passion for quirky bicycles, I now proudly present to you the 'Cyclomer', a bicycle for land and water! It was claimed that it could ride with a load of 120 pounds. Now, that chap looks to weigh a tad more than that, and I fear he'll get quite wet were he to venture onto the Seine on that! The photo was taken in Paris in 1932. The Cyclomer didn't sell well because it... "didn't get traction on land or in the water". In other words, it didn't actually work! Oh dear...would have been fun on the Letcombe Brook!

Hanney Drama Group Invites You to Our Open Evening on Tuesday 7th June!

Famous for our pantomimes, plays and music halls, we are back in business following Covid and would love you to be part of our next production.

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looking forward to
meeting you.**

Can't make it but are interested in joining us? Then call Iain or Karon Gray on 01235 868780



Two of the many jewels in the

Hanney crown are our community halls: the Royal British Legion (RBL) and the Hanney War Memorial Hall (HWMH). Both are available for hire on a regular basis, e.g. for clubs and classes, and on a one-off basis - parties, and the like.

The RBL Hall is run by Carl and Suzanne - you can contact them via their website: www.hanneyroyalbritishlegion.co.uk, or by phone, 07984 721629, or 01235 868672

The HWMH is run by a committee, currently headed by Graham Garner: phone is 868864, or visit their website for more info and to book: hwmh.thehanneys.uk/

The Hall is a charity registered with the Charity Commission, number is 300096. It offers all mod-cons, and it is one of the best equipped in the county. The RBL hall is also fully equipped and both make great venues for throwing a party!

Confusion occasionally crops up with the HWMH, since it is also often known simply as the 'Village Hall'.

Hanney's actual War Memorials - one for each of the World Wars - are in St James church in West Hanney, some distance away from the hall.

Prior to the hall's opening in 1970, there existed a wooden hall known as the 'Victory Hut.' It was built in 1919 to celebrate victory in the First World War. The story has it that the then Headmaster of St James School, one Harry Edwards, sourced it from Wokingham where it was owned by the YMCA.

Many jolly events were regularly held in it, including dances - sometimes twice a week - which attracted folk from far and wide, including three popular young ladies who used to come over from Denchworth, and Polish servicemen from Kingston Bagpuss - well, they were from Poland originally of course, but were staying in KB! - and US soldiers. Music was supplied by a Mr Dickie White in the 1930s, a farmer from East

Hanney with a record player, and the sometimes vigorous efforts of the dancers often caused clouds of cough-inducing dust to rise from the rickety floorboards! The hut was heated by two stoves, one at each end and on occasion, youngsters would climb onto the roof - easy to do apparently - and block the chimney. This caused the folk inside to stagger out coughing and wheezing, much to the amusement of the miscreants perched on the roof!

'Victory Hut' has always struck me as a very upbeat name for a building commemorating a war that had witnessed such global carnage. Hanney alone saw 29 men never return, whilst 6 were lost in WW2. In contrast to 'Victory Hut', the title 'Hanney War Memorial Hall' seems to me to be a very downbeat name for a place where much jollity is regularly to be had! It reminds me of the dour and dull 1950s, which I can just about recall...rationing didn't end until 1954. I don't propose to compile a list of 'things we didn't have in the 1950s', and anyway the current hall wasn't opened until 24th January 1970 by Lady Page of Hinton Waldrist. I wonder if she'd been a regular at the dances in the Victory Hut? (See the plaque on the wall to the right of the main entrance.)

For clarity and brevity I usually refer in these pages to the HWMH as the village hall, but some say there be folk who would be sore offended were the hall not to always be given its full and original name. I don't share their view, and in the seven+ years I've been editing this little mag, no one has ever told me, either by letter, email, phone or to my face that they've taken offence at it being called the Village Hall. Whichever is your preference dear readers, and especially you newcomers to our community, please do not allow yourselves to be confused by the names! HWMH and the Village Hall are one and the same!

Our political chums...

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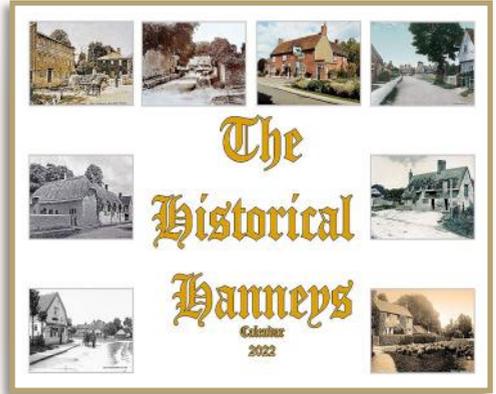
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Sally Povolotsky is our new District Councillor.

We wish her all the best in
her new role.

You can contact her on:
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Where do you feel closest to God/most spiritual?

I was asked this recently on a training day led by Rev. Paul Cudby. The responses from our group included; by water, on a mountain top, when alone, on a walk. Usually, Paul told us, people's answers are related to being outside and in nature. There is something about being outdoors that can affect how we think and feel. The Bible tells us that God is everywhere and has created all things; *"God created the heavens and stretched them out; he fashioned the earth and all that lives there; he gave life and breath to all its people"* Isaiah 42:5.

When asked where people should worship God, Jesus replied that there was not a set location but a right attitude *"when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth"* John 4:23. This can be in a church, on a walk, sitting in a comfy chair, staring at the stars, while at work, when with others or on your own. It is about cultivating an attitude of awareness, being open to God wherever you are. This can happen in any place, but certain places seem to help.

There is a concept called "thin places", locations where people feel more spiritual and most aware of God's presence. This could be in an ancient church building, that has been a place of worship and prayer for hundreds of years or out in the countryside where we are surrounded by the beauty and wonder of God's creation.

My response to where I felt closest to God, was in certain moments. These have been walking on a footpath through fields, alone in a rural church, sitting on a train waiting for it to leave, being in my office at home, when worshipping in a field with hundreds of other Christians or just pausing for a moment during a stressful day. There are certain places that have and do help me feel more aware of God, but I am also working at remembering God is present wherever I am and whatever is going on, I need to be more aware of God's continuous availability.

This week, I hope that you find a space or a moment that helps you be more aware of God. That you will be able to find a time and place where you are fully aware of yourself and of all that is going on within you and around you. To find your own "thin place" whether inside or outdoors, on your own or with others, while active or at rest, where you can be reconnected in mind, body and soul.

God bless,

Alec

SERVICES in June 2022 at St James

Our Sunday Eucharist is celebrated at 9.30am – whilst it is no longer mandatory to wear a mask whilst in church, we ask consideration for others who might be vulnerable and that you wear a mask, especially whilst entering and leaving (unless medical exemption applies).

5th – Revd Canon Geoff Maughan, 12th – Revd Alec Gill, 19th – Revd John Durant. 26th – no service in Hanney – all invited to join St John's Grove at 10a.m. for their Patronal Festival.
Midweek Said Eucharist – Tuesday at 10.00am

Vicar : Revd John Durant : 766484 - vicar@valebenefice.org.uk

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Letcombe Brook Project Work in East Hanney 2021/22

I mentioned the Letcombe Brook on page 5 as being the very interesting subject of a recent walk. The brook itself is managed by the Letcombe Brook Project, ably led by a fine gent called Mark Bradfield. They recently published details of what they've done on our stretch, and below is a summary. Big ups to all involved!

"We continue to improve and care for the entire length of the brook for both people and wildlife. We have several ongoing projects, some of which receive funding from the Environment Agency (EA) and Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment. (TOE) For our core funding we rely on the Town, Parish and District Councils; thank you for your continued support.

Specific work carried out in East Hanney is listed below.

Engagement Work

Trained up some Hanney Flood Group members to survey for water vole (June)

Two Guided Walks with Hanney History Group and Hanney Flood Group

Education work with St James Primary School Yr 4 (28th Sept)

Talk to Hanney Gardening Group (4th October)

Talk to Hanney Seniors Group (28th April 2022)

Advice to five Riparian Owners on various issues.

Ongoing engagement with local residents via our Facebook page, website and Twitter

Practical Work

Clearance of Himalayan Balsam along brook and start of new section to the NW of Ebbs Lane, working in partnership with Hanney Flood Group

Water Vole survey of entire length of brook (April/May/June)

Clearance of Fish Bypass Channel – Sept, and fallen tree from same in Jan.

Clearance work on very large fallen tree on Philberds Manor land – March.

Detailed design of fish pass around Dandridge's Mill, option on land owned by Weir Farm £5952 (EA funded project).

Nine large crack willows pollarded alongside brook and several blockages removed on private land NW of Ebbs Lane at a cost of £4,278 (as part of EA and TOE funded 'Love the Letcombe Brook' Project) Jan 2022

Provision and maintenance of four mink raft along local stretch of brook (Invasives Species Project)

Regular support of Hanney Flood Group – regular attendance at work parties."



Not long to go until East and West Hanney's weekend of Jubilee celebrations.

Three days of fun events and activities for all ages. Please read on and also check out the website for all the latest on competitions and what's happening.

Full details can be found on www.hanney-events.co.uk

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Hanney Platinum Jubilee Weekend Celebrations

3rd - 5th June 2022

Friday 3rd June

- **National Peal**
St James Church, West Hanney
- **BBQ**
Royal British Legion
Time: from 2pm
- **DISCO**
Royal British Legion
Time: from 8pm

Saturday 4th June

- **Hanney Jubilee Fayre**
Activities, music and fun for all the family in and around **St James Church**, West Hanney
Time: 2pm - 4pm
- **The Black Horse Garden Party**
Pizza Oven, live music, bouncy castle, face painting and activities for the children
Time: from 5pm

Sunday 5th June

- **The Big Jubilee Lunch**
BYO picnic, rugs/chairs • Fun for all ages, bouncy castle, face painting
Hanney War Memorial Hall, East Hanney
Time: from midday
- **Hanney's Got Talent Grand Final**
Hanney War Memorial Hall, East Hanney
Time: from 7pm



Friday 3rd June

National Peal

St James Church hope to join the national bell-ringing celebrations during the morning.

BBQ

Royal British Legion, East Hanney
From 2pm

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Royal British Legion, East Hanney
From 8pm

Would you like to help?...

- Books and sheet music for the fayre stall desperately needed.
- Volunteers for setting up and clearing away throughout the weekend.

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Saturday 4th June

Hanney Jubilee Fayre

from 2pm in and around
St James Church, West Hanney

- Hanney Artisans Stalls
- WI Teas
- Max's ice Creams
- Children's Competitions
- Cookery Competitions
- Create Hanney's very own JUBILEE PUDDING
- Fun & Games for all
- Hanney Clubs
- Wantage Silver Band celebrate 70 years of music!
- Dog Show!
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The Black Horse Garden Party

- Pizza Oven
- Live music
- Bouncy castle
- Face painting & kids' activities

From 5pm

Pull this out and keep it and... keep looking at the website

Fayre Competitions

All information, fees, rules and deadlines can be found on the website. **Ready, steady... compete!**

Children 8 & Under

1. Animal made of fruit and/or vegetables
2. Jubilee Crown
3. Jubilee Garden on a Plate
4. Jubilee collage
5. Model of a Castle
6. Model made of Lego (NOT kit)
7. Poem or Story "If I was Queen for a day"

Children 9-13 inc

8. Animal made of fruit and/or vegetables
9. Model of a Castle
10. Jubilee themed decorated cupcakes 4 on a plate
11. Jubilee themed painting
12. Jubilee themed collage made of natural materials
13. Model made from Lego (NOT kit)
14. Poem or Story "If I was Queen for a day"

Cookery

15. Pot of chutney
16. Pot of jam
17. Plain scones Plate of 4
18. 'Bunting' biscuits Plate of 4
19. Jubilee themed decorated sponge cake
20. Battenberg cake
21. 'Create' your own HANNEY JUBILEE PUDDING – the competition is to BOTH make it and supply the full recipe Must be suitable to serve cold
22. Savoury quiche

Dog Show



Sunday 5th June

The Big Jubilee Lunch - fun for all the family

Hanney War Memorial Hall, East Hanney

Time: 12 - 4

- **BYO picnic, rugs/chairs**
- **Bouncy castle**
- **Face painting**
- **Hanney Cricket Club**
- **Hanney Youth Football Club**
- **Hanney Tennis - speedy serving**
- **Assault course**

We have a plan if it rains too!



Hanney's Got Talent Grand Final

Hanney War Memorial Hall, East Hanney

From 7pm

Audience tickets will be on sale at the Hanney Community Shop in May at a cost of £5 for adults and £2 for children under 16 and senior citizens.

After the huge success of Hanney's Got Talent during the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in 2012, it returns ten years later for the Platinum Jubilee.

The competition is open to all talents, aged 21 and under (on the 5th June). Whether your talent is singing, dancing, magic tricks, gymnastics, football skills, comedian or any other talent. Entries can be individual or as a group.

Application is available via an online link on our website and should be submitted by **22nd May 2022**.

The preliminary selection round will take place in the Hanney War Memorial Hall on **Sunday 29th May in the afternoon**.

Please note that only performers resident in Hanney or a village receiving Hanney News, pupils at St James Primary School in Hanney, or groups that include a Hanney resident can enter this competition.

Any questions or queries: helencavendish@googlemail.com



Join the Platinum Jubilee story on social media using #HM70 and #PlatinumJubilee

St Georges' Day Celebrations

Hanney Scout Group came together in April for a very important occasion in the Scout-



ing calendar - to celebrate St George, the Patron Saint of Scouting. Along with family and friends, the group gathered for an enjoyable afternoon, which included team games, a picnic, a renewal ceremony of our Scout Promises and we awarded our Young People with the very special Queen's Jubilee Badge!

It was a great opportunity for Leaders to meet parents and carers, some of whom have volunteered their skill and time,

something for which we are very grateful! We have received an offer from a local police officer to show the group a police car and a firefighter who has offered to host a visit to a local fire station. We rely on

volunteers and therefore if you have a skill, really interesting job or hobby that you could talk to our group about, then please do get in touch as we would love to hear from you. Please contact Janet Green

JanetGreen@kascouts.org.uk

Please look out for us at the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations on Saturday 4th June where we will have a Chocolate Tombola stall - come and win some chocolate and support your village Scout Group!



GARD is a local community group formed to campaign against Thames Water's proposals to build a reservoir south-west of Abingdon.

Abingdon Reservoir - Latest from GARD

The GARD AGM was well attended with some great discussion and ideas to support our campaigns planned for summer and autumn - thank you to all that came.

A "Water Summit" has been scheduled by Oxfordshire County Council in Oxford for 11 June. GARD will be co-chairs and the summit will seek to form a unified response from all levels of local community, environmental and political opinion.

We will share how you can watch the summit (and perhaps even join) via video link once details are confirmed.

WRSE Draft Regional Plan consultation - WRSE's response to all the comments made on the plan are anticipated 20 May; we will keep you posted.

WRSE have commented (but TBC) that the significant Oxfordshire response (almost 20% of responses across the whole South-east) could weigh heavily in the way the plan develops. Thanks again to all those who responded; we were copied into approx. 200 individual responses.

In the meantime for further information, updates, contact details or to join GARD visit:

www.gard-oxon.org.uk, Facebook: @abingdonreservoir, Twitter: @GARD_OXON

Hanney Historical Calendar.

This month's pic was taken in approx. 1910 in East Hanney. The house on the left was the Post Office, which at that time was run by spinster sisters Mary Ann and Margaret Ellen Piggot. They delivered letters, one up the street and one down, and kept bees in a skep - a kind of wicker bee hive. Mary Ann was nicknamed Dr Piggot, because she could, allegedly, cure anything, and accepted no payment. Remember no NHS back in those days.

She is listed in the UK City and County Directory of 1887 as a dressmaker shopkeeper, as well as the 'receiver' at the Post Office. The entry tells us the letters arrived from Wantage at 7.55am and were dispatched at 6.30pm.

Their brother Edward was a cobbler and he may have run a cobblers business from the property before his sisters took over. Mary Ann was about 76 when this photo was taken, so she's clearly not the young lady in the doorway. Nor is it her sister who was only about three years younger. The young woman may have been the daughter of another East Hanney shopkeeper called Mrs

Gilbert, who we shall meet in August. I have no idea who the three gents are, two in the cart, with the other apparently holding the horse, in the middle of the photo.

Mary, Margaret and brother Edward all died in or around 1911 - 1913, when the Post office



moved to Cross Tree House.

The photo below, taken from almost the same spot, has many folk - I would guess instructed by the photographer - standing in a line across the road. It enlarges quite well, and is a fabulous picture, albeit a bit battered. I will try and include it next year's calendar (2023), which I hope will be available in the Autumn. In this pic, the roof of the post office looks rather sad. I wonder if it was renewed before the current calendar pic was taken? It certainly looks new in the latter.

If you have any ideas on who the four people may be in the calendar photo - or indeed any in the other photo - please let me know. This kind of stuff really floats my canoe!





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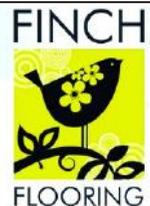
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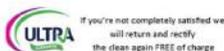


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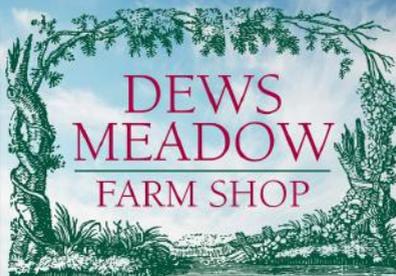
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HANNEY BOWLS CLUB - Thursdays 2.00-4.00pm. Contact 868145

HANNEY BROWNIES AND GUIDES (for all girls aged 7-14) meet on Mondays in HWMH 6:00-7:30pm during term time. **RAINBOWS** (aged 5-7) in Grove on Thursdays. Girls and volunteers always welcome. Contact Clare Green 07845 047990/ districtcomgrove@gmail.com / girlguiding.org.uk

HANNEY COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING in the Village Hall, Tuesdays, 10.00-11.30am. Everyone welcome for tea or coffee - a chat and a raffle. Just turn up!

HANNEY COMMUNITY WOODLAND WORKING PARTY...contact Paul Sayers by email pksayers@btinternet.com or 01235 868146

HANNEY CRICKET CLUB Occasional Sunday friendly games. For details ring David Johns on 07770 456147 or 01235 868519, or email hanneycricketteam@gmail.com

HANNEY FLOOD GROUP hold a monthly working party. Contact Clive Manvell for details - clive@manvell216.plus.com, or 01235 868216. www.thehanneysfloodgroup.org.uk/

HANNEY GARDENING CLUB meets on the first Monday of each month, Sept to April, in the HWMH. 7:30 for 8.00pm. Tea and coffee followed by a talk. www.hanneygardeningclub.org.uk

HANNEY HISTORY GROUP. Meets 8pm on the 4th Monday of every month in the main hall of the Village Hall. For further details and programme visit <http://hanneyhistory.org.uk/>

HANNEY OCCASIONAL GOLFERS SOCIETY (HOGS) was formed in 1996, and meets four times a year plus Christmas. HOGS is very much about social golf with all standards welcome. Non golfers/spouses usually join for the evening session when prizes are awarded and 'fines' imposed! Contact 'Poppy' at andrew.fletcher@rer.co.uk for further details.

HANNEY SCOUTS,CUBS and BEAVERS, Contact Janet Green at janet@thegreensonline.me.uk

HANNEY SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB meets on the 4th Thursday of every month except August, at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Tea, cake, chats, talks and activities. For more details, ring Marcia on 01235 867461

HANNEY TABLE TENNIS in the Village Hall, every Friday at 10am. Also every Thurs eve, 6.30pm - 7.30pm. Just turn up to either, or both! £2 a session.

HANNEY TENNIS CLUB is a very friendly village club and always welcomes new members. The courts have just been resurfaced and painted. For membership enquiries email our membership secretary membership.htc@gmail.com

HANNEY WHEELERS CYCLING We meet on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 10.00 am prompt at the Hanney WMH. New cyclists, you will be warmly welcomed for recreational local cycling with essential coffee stop!! Call Bob Wilson 868389 or email: bobwilson300@hotmail.com

HANNEY WINE CIRCLE meets on the 2nd Monday each month: www.hanneywinecircle.org.uk

HANNEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE (W.I.) meet the second Thursday of the month (except in Aug) 7.30 - 9.30 in the Olde Hanney Room, Village Hall. New members are welcome. Contact Kate Tyler on 07446 364859

HANNEY YOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB trains at the rec. on Thursday night. We play in the Oxford Mail Youth League and have teams from age 5 up. If you would like to join us please contact Paul on 07510 435 508, hyfchooty@gmail.com or visit our website hanneyyouthfc.co.uk

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BRANCH meets bi-monthly on the 4th Wednesday of September, November, January, March, May and July in the RBL Club. NEW MEMBERS WELCOME.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION BINGO every Sunday, R.B. Legion Hall 8pm. Cash prizes. 18+ welcome.

THURSDAY SINGING WITH SJS, East Hanney small consort male-voice group, 8-10pm. Join us in our 'Royal year' with 4-part songs written by Kings Henry VIII, Charles I, and in praise of Henry V and Agincourt and Queen Vic, and a pint in the Black Horse afterwards. 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 767408, 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.

WANTAGE U3A: Visit our website detailing all our current activities - www.u3asites.org.uk/wantage or ring 07546 631089

PILATES CLASS Wednesdays 9.15am - 10.15am, and 6 -7pm (term time only from w/c 13th Sept) at the HWMH, aka Village Hall, in 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

VALE NORDIC WALKING - Nordic Walking is a form of full body exercise, suitable for everyone, irrespective of age, gender or fitness level. A range of group classes or 1:1 sessions available weekly. Telephone Louise on 07709 939997. More information at www.valenordicwalking.com

YOGA WITH 'MAMAYOGA' every Wednesday, from 7:45pm until 9pm in the Village Hall. All ages, abilities and levels of experience are welcome. Details and bookings, visit the website: itsmamayoga.com or email Grace at mamayogacontact@gmail.com.

'DANCING THROUGH THE DECADES' - Get ready to dance/workout to sounds from the 60's,70's,80's and current chart hits. This uplifting LOW impact workout moves at YOUR pace. Suitable for anyone looking for a class that feels like a party. Every Friday, 12noon till 1pm, £6 per class. To book or for more information email suerichmondjr@hotmail.co.uk

FITSTEPS - If you love 'Strictly' then you'll love this! Join **Dancing Debs** every Tuesday 2-3pm at the Village Hall for a fun and friendly dance fitness class, combining the best of Latin and Ballroom. Suitable for all ages and abilities with low and high impact moves demonstrated. Wear comfy clothes, trainers and bring a bottle of water. For more info contact Debs 07968 948007 or visit - www.dancingdebs.com

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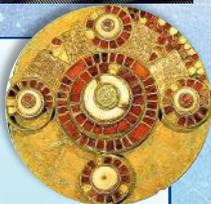


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Where's our Defibrillators?

In East Hanney, it's on the left wall of the open porch in the Village Hall.

In West Hanney it's on the wall of the brick garage opposite the Plough in Church St. Both are accessible 24/7. Hopefully we'll have a third one soon!

Hanney War Memorial Hall

To book the Hall, the Committee Room, or the Olde Hanney Room, contact Graham Garner on 01235 868684, email hwmh.hanney@gmail.com

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