The Link September/ October 2024 News and information covering Tadmarton and Swalcliffe



Photo by Chris Dean : Egret on The Brook in Taddy

This photo ties nicely in with my article;

Water the most valuable resource in the world.

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www.tadmartonvillage.co.uk

Swalcliffe Village Website

www.swalcliffevillage.co.uk



Saturday 21st September Tadmarton Village Hall 10am to 12noon

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September

03 Recycle, Garden and Food 10 General and food Waste 17 Recycle, Garden and Food 24 General and food Waste

October

- 01 Recycle, Garden and Food
- 08 General and food Waste
- 15 Recycle, Garden and Food
- 22 General and food Waste
- 29 Recycle, Garden and Food

Batteries and small electrical appliances can be put out every week on top of your bins. Glass bottle banks: Sibford Ferris layby, Ellis Lane Layby, Bodicote house.

Can you please help us buy a new climbing frame and Rollover Bar?

The Community Woodland Play Park which was opened in 2018 is proving to be a very valuable new amenity for the wider community of North Oxfordshire. It attracts young children and their parents from a wide catchment area, not just Swalcliffe, but as far afield as Adderbury, Banbury, Bloxham, Tadmarton, Hook Norton and The Sibfords. People often comment on its rustic natural design and that it's unique in its tranquil woodland setting; an absorbing experience for young ones, and a valuable support to frazzled parents!

Currently the play equipment is designed primarily for under-fives with swings, a small slide, mud kitchen, and a children's cottage as well as picnic benches. To widen it's appeal, we want to add a timber climbing frame and roll over bars which will appeal to a slightly older age group of five- to nineyear-olds. This will cost about £8,500 which we will need to raise by fundraising. We would really appreciate your help please to make this possible.

The Play Park is managed by a sub-committee of Swalcliffe Parish Council; we adhere to all the health and safety regulations, and it is monitored on a regular basis. The Park was made possible by the very generous granting of a piece of woodland by Swalcliffe Park School on a long-term lease as well as financial contributions from several donors.

If you would like to donate something, no matter how modest, please go to the **gofundme** website and look for *Swalcliffe Community Woodland Play Park Appeal*



In the meantime, please visit The Park if you haven't already; it's on the other side of the road from the Tithe barn in Swalcliffe. Many thanks for your help.

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### The Winter Fuel Payment has changed and we are urging older people across Oxfordshire to check whether they are entitled to Pension Credit or any other qualifying benefits.

The Winter Fuel Payment is an annual tax-free payment for households that include someone born on or before 23rd September 1958 (for 2024-25) designed to help cover heating costs in winter, with households receiving up to £300.

Previously, the payment was not mean-tested, but changes by the current Government mean that only those receiving certain benefits will receive the contribution to heating costs.

Pension Credit is the primary way older people can continue to receive the Winter Fuel Payment, and with an estimate of more than **4,000 older people across the county not claiming the Pension Credit to which they're entitled**, it's more important than ever that people check their eligibility.

Pension Credit is an income-related benefit that tops up weekly income to  $\pounds 218.15$  for a single person and to a joint  $\pounds 332.95$  for a couple.

So if you know anyone eligible for Pension Credit, please encourage them to apply online at <u>www.gov.uk/pension-</u> <u>credit</u> or by calling <u>0800 99 1234</u>.



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### Get hands on with our the new KHH fundraising group

If you want to make a direct impact on the community around you, why not join the new Katharine House fundraising group. The group is already getting stuck in, organising fun events and fundraisers to raise money for the hospice. For a fun, sociable, flexible way to put your creativity and energy to good use, find out more at <u>www.khh.org.uk/fundraising</u>.

### Play our lottery!

Playing the Katharine House weekly lottery couldn't be simpler! For just £1 a week, you can be in with a chance of winning one of our 20 weekly cash prizes. When you join the Katharine House Hospice lottery, you'll be supporting local people living with an incurable illness, as well as their families and loved ones. Players must be 18 and over. Find out more and sign up here: www.khh.org.uk/lottery.

### Digital monthly newsletter - keep up to date with your local hospice

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| Tadmarton Village Hall - Hire Rates 2024 |                   |               |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Charge Type                              | Village Residents | Non-Residents |  |  |  |  |
| Hourly Rate                              |                   |               |  |  |  |  |
| Main Hall                                | £ 7.00            | £ 12.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Annexe                                   | £ 5.00            | £ 8.00        |  |  |  |  |
| Main Hall and Annexe                     | £ 11.00           | £ 18.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Children's Parties - up to 4hrs          |                   |               |  |  |  |  |
| Main Hall                                | £ 20.00           | £ 30.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Annexe                                   | £ 15.00           | £ 18.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Main Hall and Annexe                     | £ 25.00           | £ 35.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Overnight 5pm-9am                        | £ 50.00           | £ 75.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Full Day Hire - up to 8hrs               |                   | _             |  |  |  |  |
| Main Hall                                | £ 50.00           | £ 90.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Annexe                                   | £ 35.00           | £ 60.00       |  |  |  |  |
| Main hall and Annexe                     | £ 80.00           | £ 120.00      |  |  |  |  |
| <u>Deposits</u>                          |                   |               |  |  |  |  |
| Room Hire- Maximum                       | £ 300.00          | I             |  |  |  |  |
| Equipment Hire Only                      | £ 10.00           | )             |  |  |  |  |



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#### September

Sunday 1st 10.30am Sunday 8th 11.00am Sunday 15th 11.00am Sunday 22nd 6.00pm Sunday 29th 11.00am

Benefice Eucharist at Epwell (ES) Holy Communion (BF) Holy Communion (ES) Evensong (JT) Holy Communion (JT)

### October

Sunday 6th10.30amBenefice Eucharist at Sibford (ES)Sunday 6th6.00pmHarvest Festival followed by supper (JT)Sunday 13th11.00amHoly Communion (ES)Sunday 20th11.00amHoly Communion (JT)Sunday 27th11.00amVillage Service (ES)

Sundays (ZOOM) at 11.00am from Tadmarton Meeting ID: 851 3086 9357 Passcode: 305275

Tuesdays in Tadmarton Church 10.00 am HC

Rector: The Rev'd Emily Robottom-Scott (ES)

The Rev'd John Tattersall (JT) Tel: 01295 780283 The Rev'd. David Pym (DP) The Rev'd Glyn Evans (GE) The Rev'd Brian Fairbank (BF)



### **TADDY CHURCH NEWS;**

We welcome Emily at last and hope that she will be very happy in our Benefice. She has such a lovely, smiley face and we wish to give her as much support as she needs.

Thank you to all the mowers, they do a splendid job keeping the Church yard tidy, and we look forward to our new tarmac path being installed in the near future, then it will all look really smart.

A thank you also for your all your hard work Gillian; the brasses in the church look so shiny and everywhere is "spick and span". It doesn't go unnoticed.

We look forward to our Harvest Evensong on the 6th October at 6.00pm in Taddy church followed by a supper and auction in the Village Hall. Tickets will be available at a later date. Could be Bangers and mash with onion gravy with options of vegetarian and special diets.

Lots of blackberries have already been picked and frozen so a dessert to maybe include these. Volunteers to help with this festive occasion would be gladly welcomed. It should be a lovely occasion and great fun if Mike is available to do the auction with Louise as his helper.

Fingers crossed Emily might join us.

Thank you to all the ladies that make Kids and Caffeine such a success. The hard work and good humour reaching out to so many children, mums and dads, is just amazing. Each (running) weekend lots of various teas, fresh coffee, and delicious freshly baked cakes are donated by our wonderful volunteer bakers with cupcakes and goodies for the children. The kitchen fairies (invisible) in the kitchen together with those who set up, take down and run the sessions, you are all fabulous.

Last week we had a delicious blackberry cake and we held a recycling morning with a pile of blue bin "rubbish" that was transformed into spectacular creations. What a rewarding event.

Autumn is surely round the corner and the Summer days have passed so quickly. We are due to have a PCC meeting very soon, when we will be making plans for the Autumn and Christmas events in St Nicholas Church.

Early this morning walking up Swalcliffe Lea the thought was.....what a beautiful place this earth is and how lucky we are able to spend our lives here on earth. Let's not take it for granted and try to preserve for future generations.

Thank you Carrie and Edith at the Lampet for being such a big asset to the village, not only running the pub and Bed and Breakfast, but reaching out with your kind words and help for many people in the village.

God bless everyone, sending love from our beautiful Church and us folk.

Sennifer Brown





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Swalcliffe Church September and October

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September – 9.30am – Holy Communion (The Rev'd Canon Glyn Evans)

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September – 6.00pm – Harvest Festival (The Rev'd Emily Robottom-Scott)

Followed by welcome drinks for Emily to meet parishioners.

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – 9.30am – Holy Communion (The Rev'd Emily Robottom-Scott)

Sunday 29th September – Taizé Service (The Rev'd Emily Robottom-Scott)

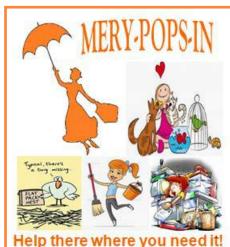
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October – 9.30am Holy Communion (The Rev'd Canon Glyn Evans)

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October – 6.00pm Evensong (The Rev'd Emily Robottom-Scott)

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October - 9.30am Holy Communion (The Rev'd Canon John Tattersall)

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – 10.30am Benefice Eucharist (The Rev'd Emily Robottom-Scott)

In addition, there will be Benefice Eucharists at 10.30am at Epwell on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September and at Sibford on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October, both led by our new Rector, The Rev'd Emily Robottom-Scott.



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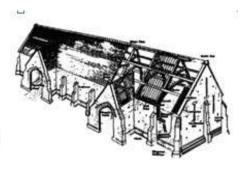
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# **BARN NEWS**



Come and join the Volunteer Team - Saturday 12th October, 10am-4pm Find out what volunteering at Swalcliffe Barn is all about.

Join us at the Barn to find out more about what volunteering means for such an important site and to the community. The Swalcliffe Society, Museum staff and volunteers will be there all day to share their experiences of volunteering at the barn.

Tours of the barn will be available, and you can chat to other volunteers about their experiences of volunteering. Discover why they think it is important to give their time to support opening the barn to visitors as they have done since 1991. **Refreshments** will be available for a small donation.

# More Information

For more information on any of the above events:

Phone 01295 788127

or email swalcliffe.barn@gmail.com

For Archaeology Day information and booking:

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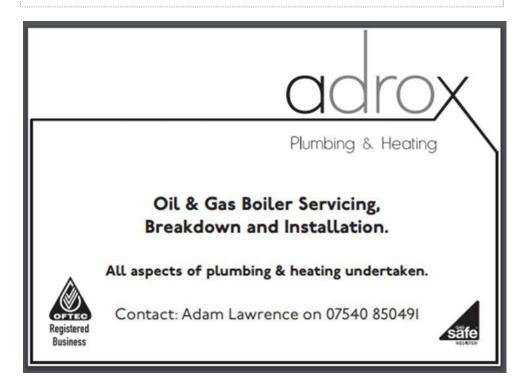
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# **CRAFT IN COMPANY** CRAFT IN COMPANY



### The Crafty Sew and Sews are BACK!!!

We took a short break over the summer and are ready to return on **September 8**<sup>th</sup>, for our regular crafty meet-ups which are

### the 2nd Sunday of the month: 1.30-4.30pm.

Pop along and try out a new craft and/or bring along your own projects to inspire others or to seek any advice or help.

Charlotte and Susan would love to see you there. Usual chit chat and refreshments provided.

A small donation if you can, to go towards the village hall is always appreciated.

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August 2024 206—Angela Hadfield £15 41—Peter Warnford £10 12—David Morgan £5 111—Mike Hillman £5

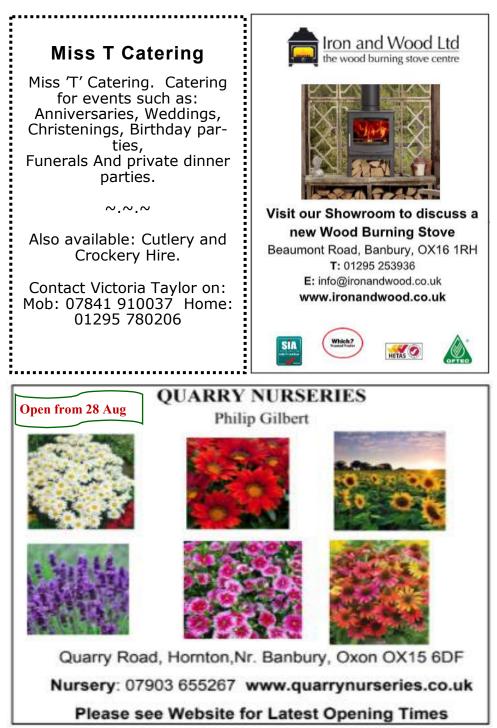
### TADDY FILM CLUB

As a result of new licencing laws; Tadmarton Village Hall is now required to obtain a licence to show films at a significant cost. New prices from January 2025 will be: Annual Membership £32 / PAYG £3.50 per film.

Sat 28th Sept 19.30-22.00 Matinee Wed 2nd Oct13.30-16.00 Sat 26th Oct 19.30-22.00 Matinee Wed 30th Oct13.30-16.00

Winter showing time (from November) is 19.00-21.30. Matinee is dependent on numbers !!!

Do you know someone who would like to attend the matinee but has no transport contact us to see if we can help 01295 780451





- \* Use of Tadmarton Village Hall for FOUR hours
- A choice of FIVE of our toy boxes from across the range, plus ONE large item (list of available toys will be sent separately)
- \* Craft essentials
- \* Full use of all facilities including hi-fi, kitchen and car park
- \* ONE helper to set up and pack away all the toys (using the first and last hours of your allocated time). You will be required to supply ONE additional helper.



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- Craft essentials
- \* Full use of all facilities including hi-fi, kitchen and car park
- TWO helpers to set up and pack away all the toys (using the first and last hours of your allocated time)



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- Craft essentials
- \* Full use of all facilities including hi-fi, kitchen and car park
- TWO helpers to set up and pack away all the toys (using the first and last hours of your allocated time)
- \* ONE 'Kitchen Fairy' for the middle TWO hours of your allocated time to assist with all refreshment duties (please note they are NOT a party host)

If you would like more information or to book a party; Please contact our volunteers at tadmarton.kc@gmail.com You can view hall availability here: <u>Tadmarton Village Hall</u>



### The Energy Saver App available for Oxfordshire residents

The Energy Saver App is now available to all 172,000 Oxfordshire households with a smart energy meter.

It does not matter if they own or rent their home, or who supplies their energy.

Oxfordshire County Council is supporting the delivery of this app, which will analyse gas and electricity use and suggest personalised actions for reducing bills.

The app is open to all residents and is independent of energy suppliers.

Councillor Pete Sudbury, deputy leader of Oxfordshire County Council with responsibility for climate change, environment and future generations, said: "In the middle of a cost of living crisis and a climate emergency, this exclusive offer for Oxfordshire is a fantastic way for residents to reduce their bills and cut their carbon emissions.

"We expect everyone who signs up will be able to cut their gas and electricity consumption by at least seven per cent and save themselves money.

"The app is independent of the energy suppliers, so there is no catch, and we are delighted to be pioneering it here in Oxfordshire."

Later in 2024, over 500 householders, representing a range of app users, will be invited to trial energy smart appliances.

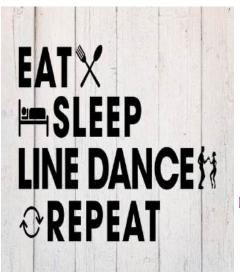
These appliances include solar panels and batteries, and heat pumps. The trial will remove the barrier of installation costs and help Oxfordshire homes become green.

For further information : https://www.oxfordmail.co.uk/news/24455848.energy-saver-app-available-oxfordshire-residents/

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| *             | SWALCLIFFE & TADMARTON<br>HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY                                                  | *      |
| *****         | A.G.M - October                                                                                  | *<br>* |
| *             | On Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October we will be holding our AGM                                  | 米      |
| *             | followed by Cheese and Wine.<br>Tadmarton Village Hall – 7.30pm.<br>We hope to see you there.    | *      |
| <b>ボ</b><br>米 | Something a bit different - our meeting on                                                       | *<br>* |
| *             | Thursday November 14 <sup>th</sup> is in the afternoon.<br>More information in the Nov/Dec Link. | *      |
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### LINE DANCING IS GOING STRONG AT TADMARTON VILLAGE HALL !!

Come and join in the fun on : Monday night from 7-8.15



No experience necessary , but a good sense of humour does help.

We use a variety of styles of music as well as incorporating different levels of dances so there is something for everyone.

The group is run by seasoned amateur Gwen Phipps (Who is excellent) and her apprentice Mery Wolke (who can do better).

PAYG £2.50 suggested donation per person to the Village Hall. (Age 16 and over welcome).

### WATER THE MOST VALUABLE RESOURCE IN THE WORLD.

When you look at the title of this article, you might feel that I am exaggerating, after all, we are constantly informed how we are running out of Fuel, Lithium, Copper, Cement, Sand, Cocoa, Food. Not much mention of water in the daily newspapers, I mean even food is not at the front of the list.

Why is this? Is it because there is not much money to be made out of water but for a very small amount of dividend holders? Is it because there is no "trade", we have a basic human right to clean water and prices are capped. Water boards are not even allowed to cut you off since water is seen as a basic need. Or is it simply because the truth has too much of an impact on every part of society and we can't handle the truth?

Our body relies on water to survive, we can NOT survive without it. Our body consists on average for 60% out of water. Each body part consists out of a different percentage of water with the highest levels as follows: : 75% = heart 96% = blood 73% = brain 95% = eyes 79% = kidneys 83% = lungs .

The main function of water in our bodies are:

Flushing out waste products (Toxins)

Carrying oxygen throughout our body to ensure our organs can do their vital work.

Lubricating our bones.

Regulates our Body temperature.

Keeping your eyes, nose and mouth lubricated/ healthy.

Without water we are unable to produce food. We are not just talking any water, we are talking clean, fresh water.

Without clean water our whole Flora and Fauna ecological system would shrivel up (we would not find that front page Egret at the bankside); our pollinators all rely on clean water and no irrigation could take place.

Hygiene and Health care could not exist if it wasn't for water.

Clean bodies, clothes, dishes, and environment would be a thing of the past.

Ever checked out how much water is needed to run a shower, toilet, washing machine, dishwasher, or make wet tissues?

Countries with low or no fresh water supplies suffer with diseases like cholera, typhoid fever and dysentery, and other water-borne tropical diseases,

Salinity is a quiet killer in countries like Bangladesh where the only drinking water available is salt water. "Coastal Bangladesh is not the only area being affected by salinisation; coastal areas from Australia to Africa and from other parts of Asia to North America are also facing increasing salinity, affecting both drinking and irrigation water."

And what about manufacturing?

Manufacturing clothing would no longer be a thing, concrete not an option, and lack of any "important resources like lithium, copper etc would be irrelevant because most manufacturing relies on water.

The world water consists out of 97% salt water, 2% frozen fresh water, this leaves only 1% suitable for human consumption.

According to the Worldwater organisation (Latest update 2013) the countries with the largest amount of fresh water are: Brazil, Russia, Canada, China, Colombia, Singapore.

If we take into consideration all the available fresh water on the planet, we would be able to use an avg.11.4 litres per person per day. In reality we use an avg.135litres a day.

### So how do we waste water and what can we do to save water?

To understand the term waste, we need to understand the difference between clean, grey and black water. We also need to understand how we use water and our needs.

Clean water is what comes out of our household tap. Grey water is water we have used "just a bit" and we can use again without much interference or adaptations. Black water is what needs to be treated properly (industrial) = sewage, toilet and dishwasher.

There is currently much talk about forever chemicals, which I wont discuss into detail here, but we can help with those too. I will mention how in a bit.

We waste water by; long showers, using hoses to water gardens, clean cars, leave taps running whilst brushing teeth or washing up, not dealing with dripping taps, small load washing, incorrect recycling/ disposal, overconsumption of goods, buying prewashed salad/vegetables,

Changes you can make?

-A 1 minute shower uses 10 ltrs water, do you really need more than 4 minutes?

-A bath uses on avg 170 litres, just saying.

-Can you water your plants, clean you car using watering cans/buckets and rain water? -Rinse your mouth and clean your toothbrush using a cup.

-A leaking tap wastes on avg 5 litres every day = 1825 litres a year! Enough drinking water for 4yrs for 1 person! Can you imagine dying of thirst and knowing some people allow for this waste?
- Make sure you only (Dish) wash a full load, save on water, electrics, washing powder, time. Don't Prewash dishes. If needed pre clean using a bit of old newspaper.

- by ensuring correct disposal you can indirectly save water; don't put anything down your sink that would spoil water. Cooking oils can be "mopped up" with newspaper or poured into a old bottle and go in the green bin. Take your paint tins to a recycling centre when spoilt, if unspoilt freecycle it. Medicine can be taken to your chemist, and try to use cleaning products which are as harmless as possible. Bleach can never be removed from water, and you do not need to use it to kill bacteria. Safe alternatives are available, always look for this in the label " safe for aquatic environment and watercourse"

- when you stop buying products you don't need or buy second hand you will help the environment in many ways. It's a win win situation.

-Invest in a salad spinner, water used can go over your garden. You save approx 25ltrs for 400grams of salad (and it would be chlorine free)

-maybe we can think about the hidden water usage for product/ food we buy and make an informed decision on if we really need it. (would you support a compulsory water footprint on foods and products you buy?)

-can you put your clean jam jars on freecycle instead in the glass bank? And have you bought that reusable bottle yet because the production of the bottle of water you buy en route uses7 x more water then you buy to drink.

Obviously we need water companies to pull their weight, sort out leaks (Ideally we need report them when we see them), they need to stop discharging into our precious waterways and upgrade their systems.

We need farmers to pull their weight and come away from factory farming, battery chickens and excess fertilizers and pesticides, we as consumer can help by paying fair prices for our food and and supporting animal welfare (can you go meatless a few days a week to keep your cost down)? We need manufacturers to take responsibility for their waste and stand up to pollution.

I have not even talked about climate change; mass pollution by projects like HS2, drugs (ranging from Cocaine to Paracetamol) found in river water. It is clear that this is a huge subject and deserves proper attention. If you have the chance, check it out and see what you can do.

https://www.nationalgeographic.com/search?q=hidden%20water%20we%20use&location=srp&type=manual https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/water/problems-with-paying-your-water-bill/if-you-don-t-payyour-water-bill/

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# Regular Clubs and Activities at Tadmarton Village Hall

**Line Dancing** - every Monday at 7pm to 8pm **Tuesday Coffee Morning** - every Tuesday at 10.30am Age UK Gadget & IT Support first Tuesday of the month at 10.30am Folk Dancing - every Tuesday 7.45pm to 9.45pm (summer break 23rd Jul-27th Aug) **Pilates** - Wednesdays (Termly) 10am to 11am Seniors Lunch Club - fourth Friday of the month 12.30pm Kids & Caffeine - Saturdays 10am to 12 noon Green Dragon Martial Arts - every Tuesday 6.15pm to 7.15pm, Friday 7pm to 8pm and Sunday 10am to 11am Film Club - last Saturday of the month at 7.30pm and following Wednesday at 1.30pm

### Stagecoach 75+75A+75B

| Stratford-upon-Avon to Banbury        | Mon-<br>Sat | Mon-<br>Fri          | Mon-<br>Sat | Mon-<br>Sat | Sat<br>only |
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| Stratford-upon-Avon, adj NatWest Bank | 06:02       | 07:30<br>* <b>!x</b> | 10:15       | 13:17       | 16:40       |
| Stratford-upon-Avon, opp McDonalds    | 06:04       | 07:32<br><b>*x</b>   | 10:17       | 13:15       | 16:38       |
| Ettington, opp Rogers Lane            | 06:18       |                      | 10:31       |             |             |
| Halford, opp Bridge Inn               | 06:27       |                      | 10:40       |             |             |
| Tredington, adj Bus Shelter           | 06:31       |                      | 10:44       | 13:35       | 17:02       |
| Shipston on Stour, adj Beecham Road   | 06:37       | 08:18                | 10:50       | 13:41       | 17:10       |
| Shipston on Stour, opp Tesco Express  | 06:41       | 08:21                | 10:54       | 13:43       | 17:13       |
| Lower Brailes, adj The Park           | 06:48       | 08:29                | 11:01       | 13:51       | 17:23       |
| Sibford Gower, o/s School             | 06:56       | 08:37                | 11:09       | 13:59       | 17:31       |
| Lower Tadmarton Fourways (E-bound)    | 07:04       | 08:45                | 11:17       | 14:07       | 17:39       |
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| Halford, adj Bridge Inn              | 12:28 |       | 18:28 |
| Ettington, adj Village Hall          | 12:34 |       | 18:34 |
| Stratford-upon-Avon, adj McDonalds   | 12:46 | 16:02 | 18:47 |

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### CODEWORDS

are like crossword puzzles - but have no clues! Instead, every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number, the same number representing the same letter throughout the puzzle. All you have to do is decide which letter is represented by which number!

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Despite the weather, the Tadmarton Allotments are growing and blooming with plots planted with all kinds of vegetables, fruits and flowers.

We have a half size plot available now; open to Taddy and Swalcliffe residents.

If you are interested in growing your own food/flowers, getting out in nature and being a part of this very friendly group, please contact Christine Coles, (PC), 01295 276229 or tadmartonpc@btinternet.com

for details of the plot, or to go on the waiting list.

You don't need any experience, just enthusiasm!

# Senior Luncheon Club:

### Where? Tadmarton village Hall When? 4th Friday of the month

Don't enjoy eating alone, find cooking a chore?

Come and find some salvation, eat with other seniors whilst having a natter and not having to worry about the washing up.

Don't Drive? We have some volunteers who might be able to pick you up and take you back home. (limited Spaces, booking required).

For £7 you get a 2 course meal (Mains, Pudding) followed by coffee.

Interested? Give Shirley a call on: 01295-780596 Email: shirleywackrill@btinternet.com

Next Dates: 27 September 25 October 22 November

# Notes from the Editor

Dear All,

I hope you have enjoyed the links the last 6 years, the next issue will be my last. I have new commitments that take up my time.

If there is anybody in Tadmarton or Swalcliffe who would like to take over I can be in the background for the first few issues.

I am not a very creative person and as such it takes me approx.12 hrs every 2 months to put the link together.

I am certain that someone with the right creativity, IT skills and writers gene can do it in about 6-8hrs.

Ideally we need someone who feels a strong social bond with our communities and who is happy volunteering time for the greater good of the whole community.

If I cannot find anyone to take over, than that would be a big shame for the village halls and local event organisers, not too mention for those who are of later generations and/or who are not on the internet. For more info: Mery 01295-780451.

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### Codeword solution July/Aug 2024

|                         |                                 | Oxfordshire Animal          |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Emergency               | Banbury Police                  | sanctuary                   |
| 999                     | Non emergency 101               | 01865 890239                |
| NHS England             | www.thamesvalley.police.uk      | www.helpwildlife.co.uk      |
| 111                     | Crime Stoppers                  | RSPB                        |
| www.nhs.uk              | 0800 555 111                    | 01767 693690                |
| Hornton Hospital        | www.crimestoppers-uk.org        | RSPCA                       |
| 01295 275500            | Missing people                  | 0300 1234 999               |
| Bloxham Surgery         | 116 000                         | Oxfordshire Wildlife rescue |
| 01295 722788            | 116000@missingpeople.org.u<br>k | 07549-322464                |
| Bloxham dispensary      | National Stalking Helpline      | Stray Dogs                  |
| 01295 721884            | 0808 8020300                    | 01295-227007                |
| Bloxham Dental          | Domestic abuse helpline         | 01295 221531 (Out of hours) |
| 01295 721030            | 0808 2000247                    | Red wings Horse Sanctuary   |
| blox.dent@nhs.net       | Mobility Aids Red cross         | 01508 481000                |
| Sibford Surgery         | 01235 552664                    | Local Vets                  |
| 01295 780213            | Government Services             | Hook Norton 01608 730085    |
| Suicide prevention      | www.gov.uk                      | Hawthorne 01295 259446      |
| 0800 689 5652           | Cherwell council                | West bar 01295 262332       |
| Mind                    | Gen Enq: 01295 227001           | Chipping N 01608 642547     |
| 01295-261195            | Environment: 01295 227007       | Loose Cattle in road        |
| Samaritans              | Highways                        | Highways , police, farmer   |
| 116123                  | 0300 123 5000                   | Silverline                  |
| Thames water            | Western Power                   | 0800 4708090                |
| leakline 0800 714614    | Faults 0800 6783105             | BT Landline Faults          |
| Blockages 0800 316 9800 | General Enq: 0800 0963080       | 0800 111 4567               |
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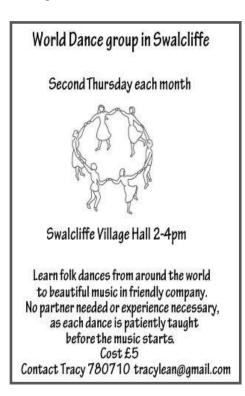
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|                                                       |              |

### STOVES

Iron and Wood. Wood Burning stove centre.

01295-253916





SAVE THE DATE: FESTIVE FIESTA TIME IS NEARLY UPON US!!

# SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER 10 AM TO 12.30 PM

## TADMARTON VILLAGE HALL AND ST. NICHOLAS' CHURCH

Craft Stalls ~ Gifts ~ Homemade Christmas Treats Chocolate and Bottle Tombolas Mulled Wine & Mince Pies Christmas Raffle with Super Prizes And much more.....

WE WILL BE LOOKING FOR HELPERS, SELLERS AND BUYERS SO DON'T BE SHY AND SPREAD THE WORD.





We often hear visitors to the hall say "Oh the hall is looking great" "There's so much going on!" "We really love coming here" It doesn't happen by magic but ; being part of the team who run the village hall is very rewarding. We'd love for you to join us and share the load and the joy.

So if you have some spare time and you'd like to join our happy band of helpers and committee members, why not pop along to the village hall for ;

# **The AGM of Tadmarton Village Hall Trust**

Wednesday 25th September 2024 At 7pm. In the Village Hall

Everyone Welcome!! If you'd like to know more about what's involved, then please call Jane 07711 794133 or Helen 07947 724502 It's your village hall!!!