

The Four Parishes News Magazine

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HORTON-cum-STUDLEY
STANTON St JOHN



View from Beckley Church Tower, May 2019

June 2019

The editor writes:



In a world which is full of uncertainties, the steady rhythm of life in our village communities is something to really appreciate. This issue contains notices about old favourites, such as the 40th Annual Otmoor challenge and all the regular monthly gatherings that take place throughout the year, alongside new initiatives, such as the

Market on the Green at Horton-cum-Studley (page 22) or the Street Fete in Forest Hill (page 12).

Behind all of these events, large or small, there is a team of tireless and dedicated volunteers who quietly get on with a host of demanding and sometimes tedious tasks in order to ensure that village life carries on offering something special to everyone. Please spare a thought for all these amazing people and support them by taking an active part in the life of our community or by contributing in any other way possible.

Julia Stutfield

Our cover photo ...

was taken by Dominic Holdsworth

from the top of Beckley Church Tower during the Church Open Day
on Saturday 11 May 2019

**If you have taken a photo which you think might be suitable for the
cover of the next magazine, please email it to
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Benefice of Beckley, Forest Hill with Shotover, Horton-cum-Studley and Stanton St John

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We are extremely grateful to all of our volunteer clergy and Licensed Lay Ministers for their generous support during our vacancy. Please contact the Church Wardens in the first instance with any enquiries.

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Church Services in the Four Parishes, June 2019

| | St Nicolas, Forest Hill with Shotover | St John the Baptist, Stanton St John | Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Beckley | St Barnabas, Horton-cum-Studley |
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| 2 Jun | 11am Parish Communion | 9.30am Parish Communion | 9.30am Parish Communion | 11am Morning Prayer |
| | | [no Taizé] | 4pm Family Church (Beckley Village Hall) | |
| 9 Jun <i>Pentecost</i> | 9.30am Family Service at Stanton St John | | | 11am Parish Communion |
| | 6pm Choral Evensong (Book of Common Prayer) | | | |
| 16 Jun <i>Trinity</i> | 11am Morning Prayer (Book of Common Prayer) | 9.30am Parish Communion | [no morning service] | 11am Family Service |
| | | 4pm Family Church (Stanton Village Hall) | 6pm Iona Service | |
| 23 Jun | 10am Joint Benefice Service at Horton-cum-Studley | | | |
| 30 Jun | 11am Morning Prayer | 9.30am Parish Communion | 9.30am Morning Prayer | 11am Parish Communion |
| | | 6pm Church Without Walls (Stanton Village Hall) | | |

If you would like more information about Family Church in Beckley and Stanton Village Halls, please contact Jo Allen at jo.ordinand@gmail.com

CHURCH NOTICE BOARD

We have no vicar at present so please contact the Church Wardens with any enquiries (details on page 4).

GENERAL NOTICES

Wheatley Library

Dates to note:

***New* Digital development, Tuesdays at 4pm.**

Gain a better understanding of digital terminology, the internet and general computer usage. You will be logged onto a simple online course that you can work through at your own pace.

***New* Library Quiz, Friday 14 June 4.30pm**

Friendly quiz with a book bias. We are a library after all, how could there not be a bit of book-y bias?

***One-off event* Opera in an Hour, Friday 21 June 10.30am**

Come along and join local musician and library volunteer Roger Simmonds to create an opera in an hour. You decide the story, the music and the dramatic ending! Contact Roger on 01865 872009 if you would like to know more.

***Children's Summer Reading Challenge Launch*, Saturday 13 July**

Space chase is the theme for this year. 4 visits to the library, 6 books to the read, crafts, characters, activities, prizes, and stickers! Come and join in the challenge.

Wheatley Reading Group

The Wheatley reading group has a few spaces available for anyone looking to join a group. The books they read cover a broad range of genres from thrillers to classics to non-fiction to light reads. There is always something to enjoy in each book and something to discuss at the meetings. If you are interested, please leave you details with a member of library staff and the group leader will get in contact with you.

For opening hours and other events see the relevant page at

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk



Oxford-Cambridge Expressway update

Advocates of the expressway are pushing for it to enable "**transformational development**" of the counties along the arc. We have completed further analysis of Highways England's Corridor Assessment Report (CAR) to understand the model for "**aspirational growth potential estimates of workers and jobs**". We've discovered that:

- Highways England have modelled these "aspirational growth" estimates **at key locations** along potential expressway routes for both sides of the preferred Corridor B.
- These key locations are **expressway junctions** and areas within 4kms of them.
- **Assumptions** have been made to estimate "aspirational growth" including:
 - the "spare vehicle capacity" at each expressway junction, above forecasts for traffic from existing sources and already planned growth. This is turned into an estimate of the number of new dwellings that could be built near the junction, giving an estimate of **number of workers available locally**
 - a separate model was used to predict the number of **jobs potentially available**
- Aspirational growth estimates are **in addition to** new housing in all existing local plans; i.e. additional houses the expressway could enable
- The **aspirational growth is very substantial** for both B1 and B3 options but **greater for B3**, mainly because B3 goes through more open countryside, presently with fewer dwellings and cars. Thus, there is more "spare capacity" at each expressway junction, allowing more aspirational growth. **Reminder - B1** follows a route West and North of Oxford city; B3 comes South and East of Oxford city
- **Aspirational growth estimates for corridor B3 suggest** > 50,000 new jobs and workers for an "East of Oxford" junction AND > 80,000 new jobs and workers for an "East of Oakley" junction

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- These are huge estimates; the "East of Oakley" worker population, for example, is equivalent to a total population of 150,000 people, about the size of Oxford City in 2017 (154,600).

The CAR emphasises that its aspirational figures are maximum possible values at each location. The total numbers of expressway-enabled houses involved across the Arc are far fewer than the total number of new houses proposed by the National Infrastructure Commission, which means that many more additional houses will be built in regions other than those directly affected by the expressway.

Save the dates! On 7 July the No Expressway Group is repeating last year's very successful 'Walk the Moor' event, a family stroll around the seven Otmoor villages. The No Expressway Alliance is planning a picnic at Brill on 27 July. **Everyone is invited!**

If you would like a copy of our "aspirational growth" paper, have any campaign ideas, questions or would like to get involved, please contact Olivia Field, noexpresswaygroup@gmail.com.



John Howell MP writes...

May 2019

In recent weeks we have seen concern about climate change growing to unprecedented levels with it moving firmly into our national consciousness. It is an issue that I too take very seriously and am among those pleased that in Parliament we have declared a climate emergency - which now needs to be followed with action.

At the end of last year the Government asked the UK Committee on Climate Change for advice on setting a 'net-zero' emissions target. This committee published their findings on 2nd May and the Minister is now looking at this evidence-based advice to determine just what actions we need to take. I look forward to some practical proposals with targets to which we can commit. Although historically in the UK we had indeed contributed to the problems our more recent track record of action on this is good and thus I am confident that we can rise to the challenge.

Whilst we cannot, and must not, be complacent, there is some good news. The UK passed the world's first Climate Change Act over a decade ago with cross-party support. This gave us both a framework to set statutory carbon budgets and set up the independent Committee on Climate Change. Since 2000, independent analysis shows that no other major industrialised country has done more than the UK to cut CO2 intensity (the measure of carbon for each pound of GDP). Overall the UK has cut emissions by more than 40% while growing the economy by more than two thirds, the best performance on a per person basis than any other G7 nation. We are on track to meet the 2050 target to reduce emissions of all greenhouse gases by 80 per cent - but now we may need to move the goalposts and set more ambitious targets.

I am aware that there are differing views on the merits or otherwise of different measures, and rightly we should continue our research. But above all I would encourage positive action. We must all ask what we can do as our contribution to resolving this problem. I am pleased to see some of our local councils making their own Climate Emergency commitments. I am also pleased to see community groups getting together to see what each of us can do in our everyday lives and would be delighted to hear from the different groups about what you are doing. Often small changes replicated across the country can make a big difference. However, climate change is too broad a challenge for us to tackle alone. It is a global problem which needs the global commitment to the solution and I am pleased that we are playing an influential role in this.

I welcome learning more about what our communities are doing on this. Please email me at howelljm@parliament.uk or write to me at the House of Commons (House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA) or my constituency office (PO Box 84, Watlington, OX49 5XD).

BECKLEY SPEAKS DIRECTLY: HOUR AND FORTY-FIVE MINUTE MEETING ON THE EXPRESSWAY, BECKLEY VILLAGE HALL 10 JUNE 7:30-8:45

Cut to the quick - no long speeches or history - WHAT IS HAPPENING NOW ON THE EXPRESSWAY? WHAT IS SCHEDULED TO HAPPEN IN THE NEAR FUTURE?

The Maple Tree

Thank you for such a fabulous response to our recent Maple Tree Wish List. It was lovely to meet everybody that donated dressing up clothes, kitchen utensils, toys, fabric, wool, craft resources, shells, corks and much more. If anybody has spare seeds/plants and/or gardening equipment we would be more than willing to re-home them for you :

We are still looking for people to share their hobbies and skills with us. Visitors always attract a lot of attention and it is lovely to learn about different people and professions. So far we have welcomed The Fire Service, Oxford Museum Service, Dentist, Children's Doctors, Milton (PAT dog) and Rev'd Nigel. Guest story-tellers/musicians to take part in our Once Upon a Rhymetime Session on Tuesday mornings would be very welcome.

EXCITING NEWS: The Maple Tree are holding a Summer Fete on Friday 7 June from 3-5.30pm. We are in Littleworth Road next to the Registry Office. Do come along and have some fun with us. If you would like to volunteer to help, donate a tombola prize or cake, we would be most grateful.

We are going to have a stall at the OPA Wheatley & Holton Fun Day on Saturday 7 July providing activities such as sand & water play, arts & crafts and you can design your own healthy wrap for lunch - come over and say hello to us.

If anybody has small tables/chairs or gazebos we could borrow for this event, we would look after them very well.

See our Facebook page www.facebook.com/groups/500731153419935/ or to volunteer, hire the MT, buy or sell raffle tickets or just for more information contact hayley@mapletree.org.uk

Hayley Hayle, Coordinator

The Maple Tree is a community charity (registration no. 1174117) based in Wheatley aiming to replace some universal services that were lost when local Children's Centres closed in 2017. We serve families from Wheatley and surrounding villages, including Stanton St John, Forest Hill, Horton -cum-Studley and Beckley & Stowood.



Dame Elizabeth Holford's Trust

The Holford Trust (Charity Reg. No. 309576) welcomes applications for bursaries from young people under the age of 25 living in Beckley, Forest Hill, Elsfield parish, Horton-cum-Studley and Stanton St John for the advancement of education, which includes social and physical training. This could include funding towards residential or online courses, music lessons, books or equipment required to aid in education (such as laptops or software), sporting equipment, tools etc.

The applications are NOT means tested, but applicants must live or have at least one parent who lives, within the area of benefit. The Trust are meeting again in August and welcomes applications in writing to holfordtrustchair@gmail.com, or via letter to the Chair of Trustees, who is Alison Finch - address is 14 Mickle Way, Forest Hill, Oxford, OX33 1DX.

FOREST HILL

News from St Nicolas Church

Please see page 5 for details of all church services during June or visit our website at www.stnicolasforesthill.org.

The **Joint Benefice Service** on 23 June is at **Horton-cum-Studley** at 10am.

Cream Teas at St. Nicolas Church, **Sunday 23 June**, 3 -5 pm.

Choral Evensong at St Nicolas

On Sunday 12 May we welcomed visiting choir 'Sine Nomine', with their conductor Richard Moller and organist Cynthia Hall, to sing our regular monthly Choral Evensong. This beautiful service in traditional language provides much needed spiritual refreshment and a brief escape from the busy world outside. Music plays a large part in the service and there is no sermon.

People of all denominations and none are welcome to join our monthly celebration of evensong. If you would like to know more about it, contact Julia Stutfield on julia.stutfield@gmail.com or simply turn up at 6pm (4pm in winter) on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

FOREST HILL STREET FETE - SATURDAY 20 JULY

In an effort to raise funds for the Village Hall (and in the absence of the Feast this year), we wish to organise a **street fete**, involving anyone who wishes to participate.

There will be games, a tombola, a raffle, 'car boot' stalls, books, children's activities, ice creams, food & drink, and music.

Timings on 20 July will be approximately 11am-3pm.

If you can join in in any way, be it running a stall from your own driveway or garden / helping out in general on the day / contributing stall items, then please contact me to confirm your interest.

James Skinner

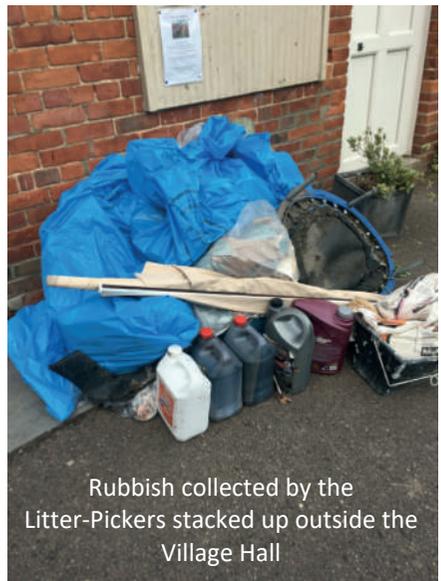
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Forest Hill with Shotover Parish Council May Litter-Pick

Organised by the parish council in conjunction with local residents, the village was given a spring clean and it was a great success. It was agreed by all those that took part that the village generally was very clean. So to all those that ensure rubbish is put where it should be...in the bin! Thank you very much.

It was noted that the use of dog poo bags is fantastic but only if they are placed in the bins provided and not left to hang on bushes or just thrown in the verge. The plastic will not rot down and will be there for hundreds of years

Once again many thanks to all those that took part.



Rubbish collected by the Litter-Pickers stacked up outside the Village Hall

Councillor Vacancies

Due to two councillors standing down at the recent election, which was un-contested due to only 5 members of the public standing, we now have two vacancies. Councillors represent and carry out their duties for the village and community.

It is a voluntary role with some time commitment, one meeting every six weeks with the possibility of other tasks between meetings. We would welcome people with different backgrounds, skills and interests to help deliver improvements to the village. The Parish Council is politically neutral. If you would like further information and/or would like to apply please contact the clerk at the details below. We would like to hear from you!

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 27 June 2019, at 7pm in the Village Hall. Meetings are open to the public and have an open session where residents can bring attention to any village issues.

Current Agendas and Minutes are posted on the notice boards outside the Village Hall and at the end of Mickle Way. Archive Agendas and Minutes can be viewed at

www.parish-council.com/foresthillwithshotover/index.asp.

You can contact Helen Cross, the Parish Council Clerk, tel: 0844 884 3328 or email theclerk@foresthillwithshotover-pc.org.uk.

Cream Teas at St Nicolas

Visit our historic church between **3pm and 5pm on Sunday 23 June** and enjoy a cream tea with home-made scones in the church garden (inside if wet).

The church and garden are accessible to wheelchair users. Cars can be parked on the verge opposite the church gate.

STANTON ST JOHN

Stanton Church

Please see page 5 for details of all church services during June.



Work on the Chancel ceiling has been completed and looks really good. These photos were taken on 21 May.



Ninebarrow Folk Concert in the Church

Saturday 15 June 7pm

Ninebarrow are a multi-award winning folk duo from Dorset who perform original songs inspired and rooted in the landscape and history of the British Isles. They also take a wide range of traditional folk songs and rework them in their own distinctive way.

There will be light refreshments from 6pm, and if anyone would like to bring a picnic, the grounds of College House will be open from 5pm. Tickets, priced £12.50, are now available from www.ninebarrow.co.uk and the village shop.

It'll be a great concert - we hope lots of people will support it!

Strawberry Cream Tea, Saturday 29 June

3pm to 5pm at Deirdre's house (4 Simms Close), in the garden if fine or the house if wet.

Donations in aid of Church funds. Please come.

April Film Night

Thank you to everyone who supported the film night in April. It made a profit of £273, which will go into the Church Building Fund.

The Film Club Committee

Stanton St John WI

Stanton St John WI are pleased to have John Caldicott talking about "The origins of the London 'Foundlings' Hospital" on Tuesday 18 June in the Village hall. This is an Open Meeting. After business matters are discussed from 7.30-8pm we welcome visitors to join us for a small fee to defray expenses.

Stanton St John Parish Council

The defibrillator outside the Stanton St John village hall, next to the front door, is now active and registered with the ambulance service.

Please stop by the War Memorial in Stanton St John next time you are passing. It has been repaired, cleaned and weather proofed.

Cairns Fudge Cricket Club have regular games at the Stanton St John recreation ground. Fixtures and results can be followed at <http://www.oxfordshirecricketassociation.org.uk/fixtures/fixtures.asp?Division=2>. You are invited along to a home game. The kettle is always on, and a good story to be told in the sunshine!

Community Cafe - Stanton St John

Stanton's monthly Community Cafe is going from strength to strength. Join us for a cuppa and a slice of something nice (for a donation of £2.50) on Friday 7 June at 10.30am in the village hall.



If anyone is a keen baker or bake-off champion (!) we'd love for some volunteers to bake cakes for the day! Please email Cai Hall at carolineharodgers@gmail.com if you can help us out!

BECKLEY

Beckley Church

Please see page 5 for details of all church services during June.

Church Open Day on 11 May

About 30 people came to see the wall paintings and medieval glass, and the many interesting features that the church has. They enjoyed tea and homemade cakes, and the exchange of ideas for the improvement of the church building.

Several more intrepid visitors went up to the top of the tower, with its spectacular views over the village and Otmoor.

The various suggestions that were put forward will be discussed very soon at our next PCC meeting, and we shall hope to decide the main project on which we should concentrate.



Photo by Dominic Holdsworth

Beckley Village Hall

A third Tennis Table table has been found and we now have 12 regular players. Thank you to all who helped with the search!

Weekly Activities

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| Table Tennis | Monday 10 - 11am | £8 per month (just appear) |
| Yoga | Monday 7.30 - 9pm | hayley_lennard@hotmail.com |
| Pilates | Tuesday 9.30 - 11am | Kim Barresi 07918180392 kim.barresi@gmail.com |
| Beckley Bells | Tuesday 2 - 4.15pm | lizbixby@me.com |
| Senior Circuits | Wednesday 8.30 - 9.30am | £36 per month, £10 per session Carl Davis 01865 920460 Carl@over60exercise.com |
| Art Group | Friday 9.30am - 12.30pm | lizbixby@me.com |

Planning Ahead

Harvest Supper and Community Caelidh Saturday 5 October 6 - 10pm

Beckley and Stowood Parish Council

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Thursday 6 June at 8pm in Beckley Village Hall. Minutes and agendas and dates of future meetings are available at www.beckley-and-stowood-pc.gov.uk and the Clerk's email address is clerk@beckley-and-stowood-pc.gov.uk.

There is an OxCam Expressway Meeting on Monday 10 June at 7.30 pm in Beckley Village Hall, to include four speakers and a Q&A session for Beckley and Stowood residents.

The Otmoor Flyer - Information on the village mini-bus service can be found on the Parish Council website. The mini-bus comes to Beckley on Tuesdays and Fridays and picks up at 10.40am from the bus stop opposite the Pub. Bus tickets available from The Abingdon Arms and Dee Hazell in Beckley. The bus goes into Headington and Oxford.

For information on **Beckley Village Hall** please see www.beckleyvillagehall.org and to make a booking please contact Stuart Marshall, email booking@beckleyvillagehall.org

Fix My Street – find and report road or street problems at www.fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk

Beckley & Area Community Benefit Society

The Abingdon Arms 'More than a Pub' programme, June 2019

Details of the full programme for June can be found at www.bacbs.org.

The following are selected highlights:

3 Jun LITERARY TALK 6.45 for 7 - 8.30pm

'City of Inspiration: The role of Oxford in the life and work of Evelyn Waugh' – Dr Barbara Cooke (Loughborough University), poet Dr Robert M. Francis & playwright Ms Sophie Swithinbank

11 Jun EVENING COMMUNITY WALK 6 - 8pm (note time)

16 Jun JAZZ SESSION 6.30 - 8.30pm

Adrian Litvinoff Trio

30 Jun LITERARY TALK 6.45 for 7 - 8.30pm

'The Pre-Raphaelites' - Prof Jon Whiteley (Oxford University)

HORTON-cum-STUDLEY

News from Horton-cum-Studley, St Barnabas

Please see page 5 for details of all church services during June.

Message from Lynn Whitaker (Church Warden)

There is still time to support me on the sponsored 13 mile Otmoor Challenge walk! If you wish to do so, please call 01865 358838 or email lyndawhitaker@btinternet.com. Thank you!

Horton-cum-Studley Gardening Club

Spring bulbs faded rapidly after the hot Easter weekend. This was followed by a cold snap with winds and even frost which damaged tender new growth. Gardening is always a challenge but the rewards make it worthwhile, so do persevere. The club will be running a plant stall at the Otmoor Challenge on 8 June. Donations of plants or helpers would be very welcome.

Forthcoming outings include Jacobs Field Lavender in Islip on 22 July and Aston Pottery gardens on 21 August. Dr Chris Thorogood from Oxford Botanic Gardens will be talking about "Weird Plants" on 15 October. Please put the date in your diary now. He is an excellent and very entertaining speaker. See our website for more information about the programme: www.horton-cum-studley.org.uk/community/clubs/

If you would like to know more about the Gardening Club, please contact the chairman, Susan Burge on 01865 351310.

'Music for a while'

A concert by

Nicholas Clapton - countertenor

Andrej Ivanovic - Harpsichord

Sunday 16 June 5.30pm

St Barnabas Church, Horton-cum-Studley

Admission free but with retiring collection in aid of Oxford Homeless

**The Horton-cum-Studley Millennium Village Hall
Management Committee
Notice of Annual General Meeting**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Annual General Meeting (AGM)
will be held on 20 June 2019 at 8.30pm in the Millenium Village Hall

All are invited to attend the AGM

Millennium Hall Committee

The new committee are committed to making the best use of the Millennium Hall in the village; it is a valuable asset that is underused. Over the next few months you will see various improvements and more events taking place at the hall.

We started with a wonderful Easter Fair organised by Jess and we look forward to many more village activities. We want to ensure that the whole village and surrounding area knows what is going on so we would like to remind you where you can find the latest and most up to date information.

The two main resources online are:

- Village website: - <http://horton-cum-studley.org.uk/>
- Facebook: search Horton cum Studley Village Group

Of course the information is also available from the new notice boards in the village.

Mike Bennett, Committee Secretary

Horton-cum-Studley Parish Council

The Parish Council would like to invite all Parishioners to the Annual Parish Meeting in the Millennium Village Hall on Thursday 13 June at 8pm. County and District Councillors will provide their annual updates, and Rosie White will be giving a talk on Good Neighbourhood Schemes. Light refreshments will be available.

There have been a number of thefts of bikes and garden tools from garden sheds over recent weeks, please be vigilant and make sure that garages, sheds and outbuildings are locked.

Giant Pumpkin Competition 2019 is back!

Would you like to try to grow a GIANT Pumpkin?

Can you beat the Bronwyn's 129 lb beauty last year? Do give it a go. They are easy to grow. Plants are £4 each. Book early to avoid disappointment!

Also in 2019 we will have a giant sunflower competition. Who can grow the tallest? Plants are £1 each.

To get your plants ring Cathy Jenkins on 07941 245726.

Women's Institute

Our meeting will take place on Tuesday 18 June at 7.45 pm in the Millennium Hall. Please note that this meeting is on the third Tuesday of the month as our Speaker could not do the second Tuesday. The talk is entitled "Your Harvest- safe and affordable food" and will be given by Emma Hamer. We look forward to seeing you at the meeting and also invite any ladies to join us. Further information can be obtained from the President, Barbara Jewell tel .01865 351315.

Social Night at Studley

On the last Friday of each month Studley Wood Golf Club put on a meal especially for villagers. They provide a simple, but very tasty menu which changes every month. Large tables are set out, which works well if you are on your own or new to the Village. A notice is put on The Green as a reminder and Iveta will send a menu choice to those who have provided their email address, so that they can send their choice of food to her beforehand. If you would like to be on the mailing list, contact iveta@studleywoodgolfclub.co.uk

Safari Lunch

On 11 August there will be a Safari Lunch around Horton-cum-Studley starting at 12.30pm. There will be three courses at three different venues. Any offers to host a course would be much appreciated.

Tickets at £15.00 for adults and £5.00 for children are available from Mo Caldwell, 3 Priory Close (01865 351400) and Ruth David, Attock House, Church Lane (01865 351444) or contact ruth.david@live.com for more information.

The 40th Otmoor Challenge -Saturday 8 June

Many thanks to all of you who have offered to help - much appreciated. Do come along and meet your friends, and spend some money which will help us to support local charities and good causes. We do not decide on who gets the money until we have completed our accounts, but if you have a local charity that might deserve our support, then please let me know with details as soon as you can.

There is still time to buy tickets for the Evening Bash/Pig Roast, starting at 6pm. Prices are a very reasonable £10 per adult + child (6-13 age), £8 per adult (14 and over), £2 per extra child (6-13) and free for age 5 and under. Tickets from Nick Tribble 07535 228581 or Jane Pennington 01865 358800.

We need help on Wed 5th to erect tents on the playing field at 6.30pm and to take them down on Sunday 9th from 9am. The more hands on deck, the quicker it all gets done.

Walkers set off from 8.30 am, the fete opens at 1pm and the runners mass start at 2pm. We are pleased to announce that John Howell MP, will be officially opening the Fete and also starting the Challenge at 2pm. Please feel free to chat with John and share your views and opinions.

The prize giving is at 4.30pm. Free parking and entrance, (almost) guaranteed sunshine, and a great opportunity to see all your friends, old and new, from all Four Parishes!

*Andrew Pennington, Chairman Otmoor Challenge Association
01865358800 ajpen63@gmail.com*

There will be no Coffee Morning in June due to the Otmoor Challenge.

Tractor Run - Save the Date!

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