

Editorial

If you have any articles for inclusion in the next edition, September 2019, please could you let me have them by 22nd August either by email to alisonjstone26@gmail.com or deliver a hard copy to Sycamore Cottage, Main Street, Knossington.

Contributions are very welcome from everyone, please think about anything which may be of interest to fellow villagers.

Many thanks

Alison

Parish Council.

For those of you who are not aware your Parish Councillors are Nigel Gates (Chair) George Cook (Vice Chair) Brian Cobb, Jeremy Latham-Smith and Julia Seary.

Amendment to previous item – The cost (to the PC) of painting the white line on Main Street Knossington was not as reported in a previous issue of OTGW £200 but was £100.

Statement from the Parish Council**ROSE COTTAGE: PC Statement**

- As many parishioners are aware, there has been an ongoing dispute between the PC (as owner of the playing field) and Mrs G Heathcote-Ball (owner of Rose Cottage).
- The matter has been particularly sensitive; it has taken many months and, unfortunately, a period of legal action to achieve a solution.
- In order to resolve matters, the parties have recently signed a legally binding document which effectively settles matters on agreed terms.
- As is standard practice with these types of agreements, the document contains a provision that obligates the parties to keep the specific terms of the agreement strictly confidential.
- We can, however, confirm that the matter has been concluded and we have finally been able to draw a line under what has been a particularly difficult situation for all involved.
- As you will be aware, a new fence has been erected between the respective properties and contractors have constructed a new gate into the playing field.
- Both parties were encouraged to mediate in order to try to resolve the dispute before the matter came to Court. Whilst neither party is particularly happy with the settlement reached, the PC is mindful that a resolution has been achieved without the need for a potentially lengthy Court case, where the outcome would have been difficult to predict.
- In terms of fees and expenses, the PC can report that this matter has cost the parish in the region of £2,500 in total. All other fees were insured.
- Unfortunately disputes with parishioners do arise from time to time and we are committed to dealing with such issues in good faith on a fair and prudent basis and in the interests of those involved and the parish.
- Whilst we welcome transparency and open communication, there are certain situations where our legal position prevents us from sharing information with our parishioners on a fully open basis, such as the specific details of the settlement – which we hope you understand.
- However, if you do have any specific questions or concerns, please do contact clerk@knossingtonandcoldovertonpc.org.uk and we will do our best to respond as fully as possible.

The Parish Council now has a website and all editions of OTGW are also be posted on the site – www.knossingtonandcoldovertonpc.org.uk.

The next Parish Council meeting is **August 14th 7.00pm** at the Village Hall. The meetings are open to everyone and you never know you may learn something.

In addition to a regular slot in OTGW a Parish Council WhatsApp group has been set up to keep parishioners in touch with current issues. If you would like to join the WhatsApp group, please send me your name and mobile number to Julia Seary 07786515882.

If new to you, WhatsApp is an app which you can download onto any smart device and enables chat and group messaging using WiFi.

Village Hall Notes

Inter-village Quiz.

It was brought to my notice, very pointedly, that I made a serious error in last month's notes on the subject of the inter-village quiz. I omitted to publish the name of the winning team! I shall now put this right, with sincere apologies for my mistake. THE WINNING TEAM IN THE 2019 INTER-VILLAGE QUIZ, held on the 8th of May, WAS THE WOODLANDERS. THE TEAM MEMBERS WERE: VICKY, HANNAH AND DAVID WOOD, AND JOHN MERRILL. I trust this correction will sooth their hurt feelings.

Village Fayre.

By the time you read this, the Village Fayre will have come and gone. At the time of writing, the weather forecast for the day is perfect, and I hope sincerely, that everyone will have had a fun day.

Future Events.

Hog Roast. As was mentioned in the June OTGW, a hog roast is planned for the 14th of September. Over two weeks ago, the date was agreed with the company supplying the roast. All that was left to do was to arrange the cost to the village hall. I have not yet received these details, and having been away this last week, I have not been able to chase the company up. I cannot therefore, advertise the cost at the moment, but will publish full details in the next edition of your OTGW. The hog roast will take place at the Fox and Hounds on Saturday, 14th September. Kate has kindly agreed that the bar will be open for the event, which will commence at 1.00pm and finish at 4.00pm, giving time for the pub staff to set up for the normal evening opening. Let's hope that we can have some good late summer weather on the day.

Next Meeting of the Village Hall Committee.

As mentioned in the June edition of OTGW, the next meeting of the Village Hall Committee will be held in the village hall at 7.00 pm on Wednesday, 4th September. As always, all are welcome, and invited to attend.

Gary West Secretary

Village Golf

Please mark the date in the diary and contact me if you want to participate (as no OTGW for August) in this popular event!

Date Thursday 22nd August. Venue Rutland County GC. 1st tee about 1 pm.

Bacon roll to start. (Green fee discount if we get 12 or more). 18 holes (or 9 if any want to) Afterwards back to Fox and Hounds for supper non players welcome to join for this.

For more info please contact George 454557 or george.cook6@btinternet.com

Annual Cricket Match

This year's match between the Village and Knossington CC will take place on Friday 12th July. As usual, we will play a T20 match, starting at 6 o'clock at the Cricket Ground on Owston Road. Refreshments will be served after the game.

Brian Cobb 454772

Cold Overton Church - Art Exhibition

Leicestershire Pastel Society will be holding their annual exhibition of pastel, charcoal and pencil pictures in the Church. There will be a preview on Friday 5th July from 6-8pm with refreshments. The exhibition continues on Saturday 6th and Sunday 7th July from 10.30am- 4.00pm..

If you are interested in finding out more about the LPS please visit:

www.leicestershirepastelsociety.com

Rutland Patient's Voice

Unclear instructions

Today's Doctor joke

Doctor: "You are seriously overweight and I would like you to go on a diet. I want you to eat regularly for two days, then skip a day, and repeat the procedure for two weeks. The next time I see you, you'll have lost at least 5 pounds.

When the patient returns, she has lost 20 pounds.

Doctor: "Wow, that's amazing! Did you follow my instructions"?

Patient: "Yes I did. Mind you, I thought I was going to drop dead on that third day"

Doctor: "From hunger, you mean"

Patient: "No, from skipping.

Well, we know that it is easy to misunderstand instructions – but sometimes these are just not clear enough, are they?

A case in point is the information given to patients in Rutland about the 'drop-in' services at Rutland Memorial Hospital (RMH) – these are very complex and sometimes incomprehensible. This is a shame because the service is very important and valuable to people in Rutland.

Your Patient's Voice group is doing everything it can to improve patient understanding of the services. We are also working with the provider of these services to try and simplify the reception and explanation of the services.



The walk-in services are available from 8.30am to 9pm weekdays and 9am to 7pm on Saturdays and Sundays and Bank Holidays. It is all based at the Rutland Memorial Hospital, not at the adjoining Oakham Medical Practice.

Please be aware that the 8.00am to 6.30pm, weekday service, is a 'minor injuries' service, only. During normal working days, illness issues should be addressed to your GP practice. If you have an injury that needs immediate attention, then go to Rutland Memorial Hospital – Minor Injuries Unit.

Another out-of-hours walk-in service is available from 6.30pm to 9pm on weekdays and then between 9am and 7pm on weekends and bank holidays. This service is delivered by a different provider. It is called the Urgent Care Centre (UCC) and provides instant care or signposting to a wider range of medical needs.

We should realise that this is not an A & E department, so patients may be assessed and then directed for treated elsewhere. If your medical needs are very serious then you should consider traveling straight to Leicester, Peterborough, Corby or Kettering A & E or ringing 999 for an ambulance.

Appointments are not required but waiting times are unpredictable. Patients who ring the 111 NHS telephone helpline may be advised to attend the RMH services; in this case patients are given an appointment time.

The RMH is a valuable health resource for Rutland. Please help us to keep it by using it wisely and with an understanding of its necessary limitations.

This column is submitted by the committee of the Patient Participation Group of the Oakham Medical Practice. The PPG group tries to act as the 'Patient's Voice' to the medical practice on behalf of all the registered patients; the group is a special Partnership forum between patients, GPs and the Practice management. All patients are encouraged to join the group and you can do so by emailing your details to info@omp-ppg.org

Also, join us at www.facebook.com/RutlandPatientsVoice

Pickwell

There will be an Organ Recital by Simon Headley, formerly Organist and Director of Music at Leicester Cathedral, at All Saints' Church Pickwell, on Saturday 28th September, 7pm.

Tickets £12. Doors open at 6.30pm for a reception drink included in the ticket price. All proceeds for the fabric of All Saints' Church.

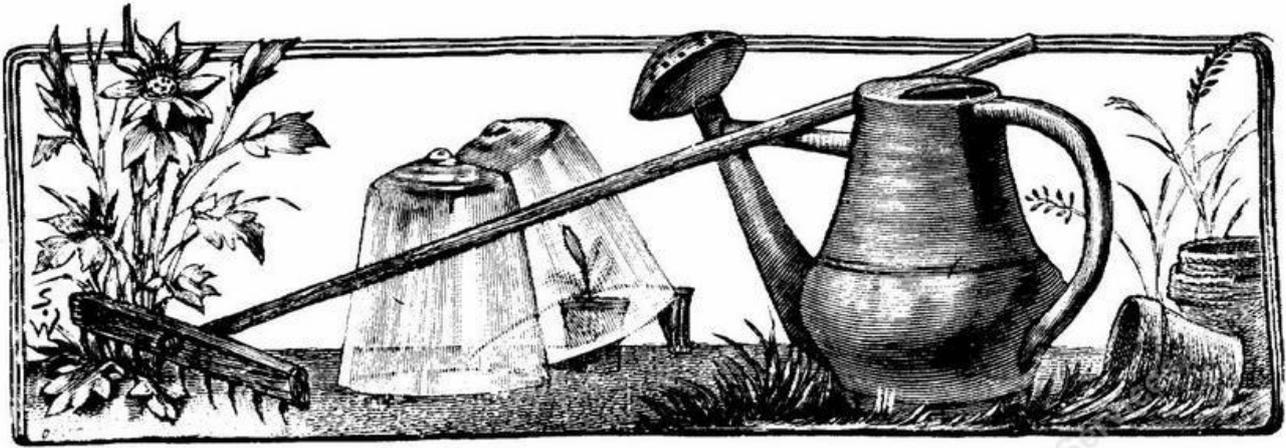
Contact Julie Bell 01664 454664

Tilton on the Hill - St Peter's Church – Tilton on the Hill LE7 9LB

There will be teas in the Church from 3pm-5pm on the following Sundays 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th,

£3.00 cream tea. Cakes £2.00. Tea/Coffee £1.00 Disabled access and WC. All are very welcome

All proceeds to St.Peter's Church



Somerby & District Horticultural Society

The garden group has had a very busy year so far. We've enjoyed a range of speakers. Adam Cade enthused us about setting up a community orchard and its benefits for the whole community, while our speaker in May challenged us to fill our outdoor planters with something other than petunias. She also suggested great ideas for all year round containers – and brought along some interesting plants to satisfy our need for some horticultural retail therapy!

Our Spring Open Gardens in Owston on Easter Sunday saw us enjoying perfect weather, lots of visitors, and even more tea and cake.

We also supported Somerby flower festival with our "Tea in the garden" display and a plant stall.

We've refreshed the village planters for summer and they are starting to look good despite the sometimes challenging weather of this summer.

The group meeting on Thursday 18th July is a private visit to Tresillian House gardens. This was postponed from last year as we managed to book the only day when it rained non-stop.

Finally, September sees the start of our autumn programme of speakers with Mike Davey talking on the topic of 'propagating your own plants – an expert guide'

If you would like to come along to July's garden visit or our September meeting or become a member of the society please contact:

Angela Fisher on 01664 454265 or angelasfisher@tiscali.co.uk

CHURCH NEWS – July/August

“The Reader Writes”

Recently I received a new publication from the Central Readers’ Council. “Resourcing Sunday to Saturday Faith”. *A renewed vision for Readers and all in licensed lay ministry.*

As I began to read it I was reminded of my early years, my teenage years, and the beginning of my faith journey.

My Christian journey began in a church on a new estate in Leicester. The church building no longer exists. It was an ugly late 1950s dual purpose church, open every day of the week for all kinds of activities and of course, church services on Sundays; an 8 o’clock Holy Communion, for those who liked to get up early and have a said service; a 10 o’clock Holy Communion with a robed choir for everyone who didn’t want to get up so early and who liked to socialise with a cup of coffee afterwards (and didn’t mind that there were children and toddlers in church as well as the old dears from the old folks home who were brought to church by volunteer drivers) and at 6pm Sung Evensong. And in the early days of this new church there were two Sunday schools, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

The building, demolished to make way for a new “walk in surgery” for the estate, may no longer exist, **but the church that began there does!**

There was something very special about that church and I’m extremely proud, that from its beginning in 1959 to the day it closed, from the many people who passed through its doors it discovered, (if that’s the right word), at least, to my knowledge, seven vocations to authorised ministry; three Readers, a Church Army Captain, a missionary, and two priests, (one of whom was the first female Padre in the British Army and is now a vicar in Essex). And there still are, from that church, lots of men and women of my generation who I know still go to church regularly.

So what was so special about St Elizabeth’s?

I believe it was the fact that it had something for everyone in the community and it connected with peoples’ everyday, ordinary lives. And it was OPEN every day!

Monday- Church Lads Brigade (The only uniformed organisation for young people in The Church of England)

Tuesday- Womens’ Fellowship in the afternoon, Mens’ Group in the evening

Wednesday- Church Girls’ Brigade

Thursday- “Evergreens” in the afternoon, Whist Drive in the evening

Friday- Choir Practice and Youth Club

Saturday- Coffee Morning and bring and buy

SUNDAY- CHURCH

Well, it was ALL CHURCH really!

So, did I learn anything from that new publication “Sunday to Saturday Faith”? If it did nothing else, it reminded me that Christian faith, Christian living, isn’t only for Sundays. The church exists today because people of faith, like those from my early days, dedicated themselves to enabling all God’s people to live out their faith from “Sunday to Saturday”- in their workplaces, in their families, in their networks and in their community.

These days most of us tend to live our lives in confined spaces; homes, cars, offices, shops, and in our enclosed technological world, where people seem to be permanently fixed to a small screen.

We need to open our minds, open our spaces..... and open our churches, so that all are noticed and made welcome.

Opening our church doors from Sunday to Saturday is a start.

What else can we do?

Perhaps **you** have some ideas.

I know I have!

Sue Sills

Church Services for July and August

JULY 2019

Sunday 7th 9.30am Holy Communion **Owston**
11am Holy Communion **Tilton**
6pm Evensong **Lowesby**

Sunday 14th 10am **GROUP SERVICE** at St John the Baptist Cold Overton
To celebrate the completion of the renovation project. **ALL WELCOME**

Sunday 21st 9.30am Holy Communion **Owston**
11am Holy Communion **Knossington**

Sunday 28th 6pm **GROUP EVENSONG** **WITHCOTE CHAPEL**
Sung service with a guest choir.

AUGUST 2019

Sunday 4th 9.30am Holy Communion **Owston**
11am Holy Communion **Tilton**

Sunday 11th 9.30am Holy Communion **Cold Overton**
11am Holy Communion **Knossington**

Sunday 18th 9.30am Holy Communion **Owston**
11am Holy Communion **Tilton**

Sunday 25th 9.30am Holy Communion **Cold Overton**
11am Holy Communion **Knossington**

