

Bulletin

EAST HENDRED

Special Edition



Celebrations for Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee

Over the four-day long weekend from 2nd to 5th June, residents of the Hendreds celebrated the Jubilee with a whole series of joyful events.

On Thursday hundreds of people walked or rode up to the Ridgeway to enjoy a massive beacon, forming part of a national chain. On Friday, The Big Bash, a huge party for over 400, was held on Poplars Field. On Saturday, a fine lunch was enjoyed at West Hendred. Sunday brought an outdoor Ecumenical service, a parade from Mill Lane to Poplars Field, street parties, a tug of war, egg throwing, cake decorating and other competitions.

The celebrations were inspired and led by Alexandra Eyston, supported by a highly enthusiastic and effective team. Many thanks and congratulations to all of them!

See the centre pages for colour photographs.

East Hendred Heritage Trust

The Museum is open every Saturday and Sunday from 2.30-4.30pm. There are new displays this year and we encourage all to visit even if you have been before.

Date for the Diary: The Trust is very pleased to announce: An illustrated talk by author Helen Rappaport – Saturday 1st October, 7pm. Did you know that East Hendred is connected to the portrait by Albert Challen of Mary Seacole, the famous Victorian nurse and healer, which hangs in the National Portrait Gallery in London? Challen's sister and niece lived in Hendred from 1932 until 1967 and it is almost certain the portrait was in their house here. In 2003, author Helen Rappaport discovered and purchased the 1869 portrait, sparking a long investigation and recent publication of her book 'In Search of Mary Seacole'. We are lucky to have Helen coming to the village on Saturday, 1st October to give us an illustrated talk entitled 'The Lost Portrait of Mary Seacole and its Forgotten Artist'. Please visit Champs Chapel Museum to see and discover more about the cottages the Miss Challens lived in during their time in Hendred and the Challen Scrapbook with drawings by Albert Challen which we have discovered in our archive!

We are actively looking for some more volunteers who could give us 2 hours once or twice a year to be the Steward on Saturday or Sunday afternoons.

Aladdin - the Panto



Article by 'Widow Twankey'
(pictured above)

As a newcomer to Springline Productions, it falls to me to put pen to paper by way of a summary of the village pantomime. Rehearsals for this spring's performances of Aladdin started in October last year. The requirements to isolate meant that some rehearsals were partially attended via Zoom, and our director Jo Noble was unable to join for several weeks in the late autumn. Nonetheless, with patient guidance, both musically and dramatically, the group's grasp of the performance did show some progression from week to week! A decision was made early in the new year that a Covid-delay of one month would be wise. Rehearsals resumed, costumes and scenery were prepared, and the levels of guilt from those of us in the cast who still had lines to learn increased.

As we approached the final week before the performances, a myriad of heroes became apparent, ensuring that the cast were made up, holding props, in the right place, that the hall and bar were all set up and that tickets and programmes were all arranged. It was with some anguish that we learned with less than a week to the first performance that the musical director was starting a period of isolation, but we were truly blessed with a fantastic and calm stand-in, Trevor Williams.

For those of you that missed the performances, Abanazer (the baddie) was reformed, Aladdin married the princess and the laundry helper married the princess' assistant. The Genie and Empress were mellow and commanding respectively; the chorus and their choreography were magnificent - and the two policemen attempted to keep some order despite the Dame's obvious aversion to social norms.

The audiences chuckled or groaned at the puns, tapped toes to the musical numbers, and left smiling. Many, many thanks must be given to all those from across the village (and wider afield) who helped to make all this happen - the cast were just a fraction of those who enabled the performances. It may be a case of 'It's behind you' for Aladdin now, but the village pantomime will be back. "Oh yes, it will!"

Message from our local County Councillor

As we celebrate the Jubilee weekend we are reminded once again about the power of community and service. There is no lack of energy in East Hendred for community good, civic action and coming together to help others and celebrate. At this time I would like to thank all our wonderful local groups, volunteers and organisers for all the work they do to make our village the wonderful place it is, your energy is our backbone.

At County Hall it's all change, new chair of council, cabinet reshuffle and I am pleased to announce I am now chair of our political group and the Fair Deal Alliance. What does this mean? Well generally speaking it's the calling to order, calling for motions and creating plans and helping shape the priorities for the year ahead.

My biggest concern is the cost of living crisis and we are expanding the HEG Community Larder into now a HEG Community Kitchen to create meals from food waste we can distribute locally. Please do get in touch if you can help or would like a meal drop every Tuesday afternoon. At times like these we need each other and food is the foundation of health and wellbeing, and we have so much to give locally to each other. Just drop an email to HEGLarder@gmail.com

The biodiversity project on the verge between East and West Hendred has been seeded (thanks to Julian Gold) and let's hope all this rain and sunshine is helping nature embrace the concept too! More details in the next *Bulletin* I hope, but please do litter pick up there if you're local. The litter pick board I funded a year ago is now on Mill Lane, grab a picker and a bag and let's keep the village tidy.

In May I was pleased to have stood in the Steventon & Hanneys by-election and won with a 55% majority, meaning I now have seat on our District Council and have been elected to the executive as the Cabinet Member for Climate Emergency and Environment.

Don't forget you can reach me any time on my details below and always enjoy a chat at cricket, the larder or wherever else you may find me!

*Cllr Sally Povolotsky FRSA (She / Her)
County Councillor for Hendreds & Harwell Division
Mobile - 07939 912997
(please What's app/text if no reply - rural reception issues)
Please note that my best days for meetings are
Monday am and Friday all day.*

East Hendred Community Centre – Snells Hall

The highlight of the spring at the hall was the Easter Bazaar.

Following the cancellation of two Christmas Bazaars the committee decided to have an Easter Bazaar, to welcome people back into the sociable world.

Committee member Amy Peach led the organising effort in great style and on 9th April, a perfect Spring day, the Bazaar proved to be a great success. There was a fine turnout of people enjoying the Scouts' barbecuing, many market stalls, children's activities, the pre-school choir singing and the Main Draw, leading to a lot of fun. Nearly £2000 was raised for the Hall, the Scouting organisations and St Augustine's Church.



HEG Community Larder - update and future plans

The HEG Community Larder is going amazingly well with almost 100 members and processing between 500-700kg of food waste every week. Not bad for our first 3 months, and a huge credit to the volunteers who help us every week.

If you want to join the Larder please click on the link here and make sure you choose HEG Community Larder as your base: <https://www.sofea.uk.com/purpose-projects/community-larder/>

Meanwhile we are trialling a **Food Community Kitchen** (starting 31st May) to help those in need with some cooked meals every week from some of our food waste. This is a collaborative effort between Hendred Environment Group and the Hendred Owls WI. As many of you will know, we are always left with fresh fruit and veg at the end of sessions and we want to use this to benefit our community by cooking it rather than composting the excess. Please complete the questionnaire at <https://forms.gle/pQ2aLaCFxjxAzACw5> to help us judge the demand.

Like all HEG Schemes we are reliant on kindness and generosity as we have no income stream. Donations of food or a few £s would help get us going. Do get in touch with us if you can help! There's no formal set up, and we want to keep this scheme fluid and be able to respond as needed. Please let friends/people you know locally or just come along to the larder! We are hugely grateful to Snells Hall committee for free use of the kitchen for the next few months.

Volunteer help is always welcome - we are in the kitchen from 0800-1200 hrs every Tuesday. Food will be dropped off or available for collection from Snells Hall (table collection in car park). We hope you will support this expansion to our efforts, a roster will be drawn up around weekly volunteer needs. **You will need to complete an online course in food prep/hygiene, at your own costs (less than £15) and other information will be sent accordingly.**

I am sure many of you can understand the difference a home cooked meal or two can make to some people's lives every week. Together with the Community Larder we are truly helping people every week. Thank you.

*Sally Povolotsky and the HEG food waste team
Email - HEGLarder@gmail.com*

from the chair



The village deserves to be proud of itself for such a magnificent set of activities over the Jubilee weekend. For a village we seem to have surpassed many of our neighbouring larger villages and towns with our festivities. A big thank-you to all those who organised the several events.

We're taking the opportunity in this *Bulletin* to publish photos and a short background for each of our nine Parish Councillors, particularly as three new councillors joined in February this year. The special interests of each councillor are also listed so that you can know who to contact if you have an issue to raise.

Our annual parish meeting, held at Snells Hall on 19th May, took a new form this year with not only a review of the year's Council activities by myself but also workshops where those present had the opportunity to discuss how the Council could improve its communications with residents and also how the village could get involved in environment and sustainability projects and initiatives.

Following a mail-drop to the entire parish, around 40 people attended the meeting, a great increase on

previous years. Fueled by refreshments from Hendred Stores, four teams brain-stormed ways to improve communication and identify practical local initiatives, focused specifically on environmental improvement and combating nature loss. In addition these four teams identified key issues facing our community today, such as school traffic, parking provision, village speed limits etc.

Following the meeting, the outputs from each of the four teams were circulated to all participants and those who had registered interest in advance. These will be available on the *hendred.org* website shortly and all comments gratefully received

The Parish Council has taken the output and generated a prioritised list of projects for action. Short-term, quick wins include: changing the What's On format and extending its readership; revamping and updating the village notice boards; increasing information provision in areas such as recycling, energy schemes and potholes and starting dialogue with the primary schools around traffic in the village. Longer term projects cover: the new Platinum Jubilee Playpark in Mill Lane; re-vamping the website; the village speed limit change and a range of engagement initiatives.

A massive thank you to all of those who attended this meeting with real enthusiasm and energy, who came up with brilliant ideas and who made the evening such fun. We look forward to next year's event, when we can review the progress made - hopefully with an even bigger group.

John Sharp

Planning Update

The Vale District Council has launched a first consultation on its Local Plan to cover the period up to 2041. The Vale Council will be working jointly with South Oxfordshire District Council for this new plan which will guide the kinds of new housing and jobs needed and where they should go, informing planning application decisions for the two districts. The Councils are seeking input from residents on the issues to be included. You can comment using their new website until 23rd June (see whitehorsedc.gov.uk and search for Local Plan.) The comments received will be reviewed and incorporated into a revised version which will be put out for further comments from residents. The Parish Council is reviewing the draft and providing comments.

The Government introduced a Levelling Up bill on 11th May which included some new important proposals relating to planning. The ones most likely to affect the village are the removal of the 5 year housing land requirement in Local Plans and a proposal to allow Parish Councils to prepare 'Neighbourhood Priorities Statements' which Local Authorities will be obliged to take into account in preparing Local Plans. We understand that the preparation of these will be significantly less onerous than preparing a Neighbourhood Plan which some villages have undertaken but we have considered that it is too demanding. We will watch the passage of the

Bill through Parliament and hope to be able to make use of the new provision in preparing a Neighbourhood Priority statement.

The Parish Council called a special meeting to respond to the third revision of the planning application for the Plough site. Several of the issues raised by the Council in previous comments have been dealt with. However, this has now become more complex with the demise of the Morlands Bowling Club and hence the need for a large clubhouse which is part of the application. The Council is keen to see the site developed as proposed including a leisure activity linked to the green retained in some form. It has placed a holding objection to ensure that the leisure aspect is built into a revised application.

The Council addressed at its meeting on the 9th June the application to develop the Colts Corner site on Horn Lane by replacing the existing wooden bungalow with a two storey house. A significant concern was the proposal to add a new entrance to the site from Horn Lane and destroy the bank which forms an attractive part of Horn Lane which is in the village Conservation Area. The Council has decided to object to this application based on the negative impact on the Conservation Area, safety issues from the new entrance and also the proposed orientation of the house being different from neighbouring properties on Horn Lane.

Walking Group - every Wednesday

We've had a wonderful dry Spring with Wednesdays, fortunately, continuing to be sunny. We had a very memorable bluebell walk around Farnborough in late April. If you are new to the village or looking for a new activity why not join us. We are a very friendly group. We normally walk about 5 to 6 miles, sometimes stopping at a coffee shop and sometimes carrying our own. On the first Wednesday of the month, we walk from East Hendred to Ardington but on other Wednesdays we often venture afield. For more information please email: susie@monks court.co.uk or ring 07710274653

The Gardening Group

In March and April, we have got together at Jill Broadley's garden in Orchard Close, Pauline Fretter's in Home Farm Close and mine in Horn Lane. We have not yet fixed dates to follow Open Gardens in June. It would be great to have new members. You do not need to be experienced gardeners or to host visits to your own garden. You would gain lots of ideas and plants needing a home. Do have a word with me during Open Gardens if you are interested.

Angela Pawlyn

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The weekly email message *What's On in The Hendreds* announces local events and provides information when important issues or local emergencies arise.

To receive the messages, send an email to events@hendred.org and your email address will be added to the subscribers' list.

The messages are also displayed at www.hendred.org

Helpful websites

East Hendred: www.hendred.org

Oxfordshire County Council: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk

Vale of White Horse: www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk

Oxford City Council: www.oxford.gov.uk

Bank Holiday Waste Collections

Collections start at 6 am - it may be worth putting bins out the night before

Late Summer (August)

Normal day	Revised day/date	Bin type and colour
Tuesday 30 th August	Wednesday 31 st August	Recyclables (Green) , Food Waste and Garden Waste (Brown)

Pavement parking - did you know?

Parking on the pavement is already illegal in London and the greater London area (Rule 244 of the Highway Code). Changes to the law are expected in 2022 that will give local councils across England and Wales the power to issue on-the-spot £70 fines to those who mount the kerb.

Downs Golden Age Club

On 3rd March we reverted to tea at 3pm, so spring has arrived. We had a fascinating talk by Ann Ford on 'Morris Minors in the Media'. Ann had a wonderful array of photographs and amazing anecdotes about the film world. Easter tea was in April with a sumptuous spread of sandwiches, cakes and hot X buns. Our booked speaker, Jackie, had to cancel at the last minute and arranged for Elaine Collier to come and talk to us. Elaine shared her amazing life story with us. In May it's another tea and the speaker is Sally Povolotsky, East Hendred resident, Oxfordshire County Councillor and newly elected Vale District Councillor. In June we are having a special Jubilee tea at Hendred House, hopefully all wearing red, white and blue!

If you are new to the village, we would like to welcome you to our very friendly club. We meet on the first Thursday of the month at Snells Hall and we always welcome new members from the village. It's only £20 per year and that covers all the lunches and teas, speakers and subsidised outings. For more information please ring Susie on 833797 or email susie@monkscourt.co.uk

NAN HILL

We were all saddened to learn of the death of Nan Hill (formerly of East Hendred). Aged 100, Nan was the oldest recorded member of the DGA. Our thoughts are with her family and friends.

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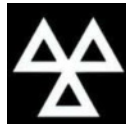
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Scouting report

Scouting is back in full swing, with a packed programme since the beginning of the year!

All three sections (Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) went hiking around the villages and the Ridgeway in February - for a Winter Challenge Adventure Hike. They undertook challenges on the way round, such as experiencing how refugees travel with their belongings and evacuating a casualty on an improvised stretcher.

The Scouts have also been on a night hike to Wantage, where they slept over in the District Headquarters, before making their way back via the Millennium Stones at Ardington in the morning.

Those of you who came to the Easter Bazaar in Snells Hall will have seen the Cubs helping on the HEG stall, whilst the Scouts cooked and served hotdogs and sausages on a BBQ. They formed a great team and did all the cooking themselves. They were sold out by the end of the event, and everyone agreed that the food was very tasty. Giving responsibility to young people, and allowing them to develop their skills are some of the key objectives of Scouting.

The Scouts were also seen litter picking along the A417 (see the photograph in the Green Column on page 15).

Now that we move into the summer, with warmer weather and longer evenings, we will be spending more time outside. Every year we run a St Georges Camp to practice backwoods and bushcraft skills, such as fire-lighting, shelter building and campfire cooking. It's a little later this year, as the actual St Georges Day fell at half term! But all three sections are looking forward to spending some more time in the woods.

There will be further camps for both Cubs and Scouts, including a weekend of watersports activities for the Scouts near Dorchester. Beavers too will have their share of outdoors cooking and den building. Then in July, the Scouts have been invited to the International Air Tattoo at RAF Fairford.

On the 5th July, the Scouts will be demonstrating their BBQ skills once again, at our 'Review of the Year' in Snells Hall, which also includes our AGM. Do come along if you'd like to learn more about what Beavers, Cubs and Scouts do.



The Hendred Owls WI

Back in February three villagers were united by a Facebook post announcing the Hendred WI was about to close after 100 years in the village. Here we are three months on, with a new name, new meeting date, a radically different programme, new committee and bags of new energy! The WI's reputation for jam and Jerusalem may fit some groups but definitely not The Hendred Owls. This is about local women, learning, campaigning, supporting and experiencing life together. We listened to curious locals and heard their opinions at the Easter Bazaar, it gave us a great deal of encouragement. Along with huge determination to prove the reputation wrong.

Our full programme can be found on facebook @HendredowlsWI. This is only the start. We've midmonth gatherings for our older ladies, and are looking to add extra interest groups and activities, be that quiz teams, cocktail outings, book clubs, social group, craft, gardening to name a few. The WI should be run by the members for its members. Whether you want to refresh your skills on something like basic car maintenance or try a bit of mindfulness and yoga, tell us and we will look into it. Our WI is thinking outside the box.

Our first event was a fun Bingo night in May. This month the schedule includes supporting the Hendred Jubilee celebrations on Sunday 5th June, followed by a talk about plants and a healthy environment, and an art class by local artist Greg Whiteman in July. Remember our events are open to all ladies in our surrounding villages, you do not have to be a WI member, just turn up with your friends and make your own mind up, we hope you'll want to join. On a final note, I do wish to thank Jennie Cosgrave for keeping the WI going through all the Covid lockdowns, and for her tremendous support through the transition, you've been a fantastic support to us all.

Louise Low, President The Hendred Owls WI Email:thehendredowlswi@gmail.com



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The calm before the storm - of Jubilee celebrations!



The mighty beacon built by Julian Gold and his team was lit after a count-down by John Sharp of the Parish Council, and its flames complemented the sunset sky.



The Big Bash soon got underway and later lit up the village.



The Ecumenical Service



Gathering in readiness for the parade; Representing the Tennis Club, Wednesday Walkers, Scouts, DGA, WI, St Amunds School and the inimitable Mummies.



The Parade





Street Party in The Poplars
 Jubilant celebrations inside and out of the marquee, May was Queen for a day and we learnt about the Parish Council's Platinum Project

Fabulous cake competition
 One winning cake by George Iggy Bullen (aged 5)



A traditional street party in Orchard Close

Ali leads the Tug of War, MC Dom gets the sing-a-long started then, all too soon, it's over





John Sharp (Chair) Joined the Parish Council in 1980. Career in offshore engineering and visiting university professor. Interested in maintaining and improving the parish's facilities and heritage, managing planning and positive interaction with neighbours (e.g. Harwell Campus). Active in the local AONB, Harwell Stakeholder group, Snells Hall and twinning with a village in France. Tel: 01235 833367



Jonathan Shortis (Vice Chair) Joined the Parish Council 2022. Recently retired and previously worked as a chemical engineer and in supply chain management. Passionate about increasing community engagement and looks forward to working with the Parish to deliver key projects and initiatives to help our residents. Tel: 01235 820284



Sarah James Joined Parish Council in 2022 Sarah works in social investment. She also volunteers with local environmental and clean energy community organisations. Chair of Hendreds Environment Group. Tel: 07811 085661



Charles Pappenheim Joined the Parish Council in 2006 A retired engineer, involved in most aspects of maintaining the village, Snells Hall, the website, and with his wife Anne, the *Bulletin* and the weekly *What's On in the Hendreds* email messages. Tel: 01235 835014



Catherine Shortis Joined Parish Council in 2015. Catherine is a professional student administrator and is active in play park development and manages the village allotments very professionally. Her passion is for gardening. Tel: 01235 820284



Selby Stocks Joined the Parish Council in 2017. Selby is a Chartered Architect and brings extensive experience of the planning process to the Council. Tel: 01235 821740



Roger Turnbull Joined the Parish Council in 2015. Roger is a Town Planner with particular expertise in planning law and highways matters. Tel: 01235 833797



Penny Wall Joined the Parish Council in 2022 and keen to contribute to village life. Previously with a charity providing support and friendship. Particular interest in those excluded from the digital age and those with difficulties accessing goods and services. Tel: 01235 833497



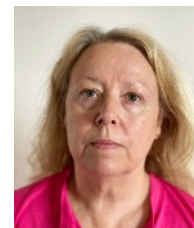
Stephen Webb Joined the PC in 2010, Stephen is a physicist with particular interest in building conservation and transport issues. Email: stephenwebb.ehpc@gmail.com



Sally Povolotsky (County Councillor) Elected 2021 Vice Chair of Hendred Environment Group. Founder of HEG Community Larder & Kitchen Email: sally.povolotsky@oxfordshire.gov.uk



Janet Shelley (District Councillor) Janet is our district councillor and has particular interests in planning and country matters. Email: janet.shelley@whitehorsedc.gov.uk



Julia Evans (Parish Clerk) Joined the Parish Council in 2014. CILCA (Certificate in Local Council Administration) Previously in project management and finance. Tel: 01235 833466

Council Working Groups

Allotments:	C Shortis, C Pappenheim
Communications:	J Sharp, C Pappenheim, C Shortis, J Shortis
Infrastructure:	C Pappenheim, S Stocks, R Turnbull, C Shortis
Finance:	J Sharp, R Turnbull, S Webb, C Pappenheim, J Shortis
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Howard Spicer Fund:	Diana Wheeler, Jan Wansell

Parish Church of St Augustine

We are delighted to announce the appointment of the Revd Dr Nikolaj Christensen as our new Rector. Nikolaj is currently serving his curacy in the Parish of Iffley in Oxford. His Institution as Rector of Wantage Downs should take place in October. Nikolaj and Hannah look forward to moving here in October after the birth of their second child.

Thanks to support from visiting clergy, we have been able to continue our regular pattern of services, and were able to offer a full programme of services across the benefice for Holy Week and Easter Day. Also, during Lent, we held ecumenical services with St Mary's on Wednesdays and Fridays.

We will continue with our regular pattern of Sunday services across the benefice through the summer, with an 11.00 am Holy Communion service at St Augustine's every other week. During the summer, there will be services at St Augustine's on Sundays 5, 19 June; 3, 17, 31 July; 14, 28 August.

We are fortunate to have the ongoing support of the Area Dean, The Revd John Durant, for urgent matters, and for weddings and funerals, and we are grateful to The Revd Mary Harwood for helping us with christenings, and to all the clergy who are continuing to help by leading our Sunday services.

Olwen Lintern-Smyth, Church Warden
olwen.turchetta@live.co.uk

St Mary's Catholic Church, East Hendred

News in recent months has been particularly worrying and it is at times of great insecurity that people reassess their priorities and values. Unsurprisingly there has been renewed interest in prayer, spirituality, and worship, as well as an increased emphasis on matters that concern us all, the plight of refugees, the sustainability of the planet, the urgent need for new and effective international mechanisms for justice, peace, and fairness.

This Easter St Mary's saw congregations returning more or less to normal and it was wonderful to have two adult baptisms and two adult confirmations at the lovely Easter Vigil service. During the coming months there will be the baptism of children, as usual at this time of year. There is some excitement as the East Hendred Consolidated Catholic Charities renovates St Mary's Parish Rooms. The work is well underway and, when finished, we shall have a splendid up-to-date facility which we shall be pleased to make available for community use. Watch out for further details and for the resumption of Children's Church on Sunday mornings.

St Mary's is open at 9am for private prayer or quiet reflection from Sunday until Friday each week. It is normally closed in the late afternoon. There is an opportunity to light a candle and to leave a prayer request in the book near the entrance. All welcome, whether Catholic or not, whether regular or not.

Sunday Masses are at 9.30am and 6pm and at 11.15am at St Patrick's, East Ilsley. Weekday Masses are as advertised: please feel free to look in or drop in: there are plenty of unobtrusive places to sit. The live-stream is on day and night and at the advertised times people can watch Mass from the privacy of their own home.

Live-stream: www.churchservices.tv/easthendred Website: www.hendredcatholicparish.org.uk

Parish Secretary office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk

Fr Andrew aburnham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or 835038

Springline Radio Players

As like most societies and clubs in England, the pandemic has meant that meeting up in the same space was a no-no. So, from March 2020, Springline Radio Players embraced the technology of 'Zoom' and rehearsed and recorded all of our thirty-six radio plays online with the cast, directors and producers being based at their home studio.

Fast forward to April 2022 and, thanks to the East Hendred Sports Club, the cast and crew met to rehearse their first audio play in the same space. The 'Cousin's Book Club' is a new offering from Patricia Motto who is based in Chicago, Illinois, USA, and it will be our second play from this writer, with 'The Artists' Retreat' on our website. The Radio Players have a full year ahead with 'Best Friends' Rule', 'Felicity's Love Match', 'Dracula' and 'Vinegar Hill' in post-production.

We hope to produce our first live audience recording of 'The Fairleigh House Mystery' later in the year – watch out for further details.

Please visit our website at <https://springlineamdram.podbean.com> to listen to or download our audio plays.

If you would like to get involved from the voice, writing, directing or technical side then please email

SpringlineRadio@gmail.com

Springline Singers

Our Community Choir is now meeting regularly on Thursday evening 7.30 to 9.30pm at West Hendred Village Hall. Our spring term finished on Thursday 26th May and we then performed at the Big Jubilee Bash in East Hendred on Friday 3rd June. Our summer term started on Thursday 9th June for six weeks up to 14th July at a cost of £7 per session.

The choir is for anyone aged 16+ who wants to sing. Music includes world music, folk, pop, musicals, sea shanties etc. No singing experience needed. We are a very friendly inclusive group. Come and improve your health and wellbeing and be part of our community of singers!

For more information, please look at the Facebook group page: Springline Singers



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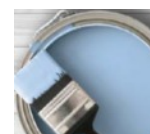
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The Bare Bum Test!

It's peak time of year for seed sowing for allotmenters. We've had the winter joy of leafing through seed catalogues, making growing plans and selecting seed varieties. We've visited the garden centre to buy bags of seed compost or we've bent double over our compost heaps, sieving (and sometimes sieving again) to provide the perfect growing medium for our seeds, roots, sets and tubers.

For me, each seed carries a tiny miracle within it. Each variety of seed looks the same, but every seed knows just what it's supposed to grow into. Beetroot might be purple, yellow, bronze, white or striped; lettuce frilly, cos, oak-leaved, buttercrunch; carrots stump or long rooted, a rainbow of colours. It's easy to tell the difference between bean seeds but what huge amounts of information are held in that runner bean seed (height, flower colour, which way to twine around the supports) or Borlotti, French, butter bean, and string bean - all so different. Cucurbit seeds are amazing, giving everything from cucumbers, courgettes and gherkins to butternut, beautiful turk's turban squash and giant pumpkins. What look like identical tomato seeds will grow to give plants of different sizes, with fruits of ranging colour, shape and

taste. I'm sure those scientists amongst you are gnashing your teeth at my 'old hippie' approach, but I love the fun, joy and satisfaction to be found in germinating seeds!

Even with the best prepared growing medium and the finest seeds, for the grower there is always the jeopardy of 'will they germinate?' It's important to provide the right temperature and humidity to give the seeds a chance to do their stuff, plus light levels need to be right. Some seeds need a bit more heat than others and can be started on the kitchen windowsill or perhaps in a greenhouse or polytunnel. Sowing outside later in the season works well too if the weather has been kind and the soil has warmed up. When my dad had an allotment, at least one allotmenter used the 'bare bottom test' to make sure that the soil was warm enough to direct sow his cucumbers, parsnips and sweetcorn.

By the time of Hendred Open Gardens in June, a whole range of seeds will have done their stuff and lots of strong, healthy crops will be growing away on our plots. Posies & Punnets will be on Saturday mornings, starting from mid/end June. We'd love to see you if you'd care to visit - and in case you're worried, we promise that the days of the 'bare bum test' are over at Bowling Alley Allotments!



The Green Column

At the end of April I put together my Chair's report for the Hendreds Environment Group AGM. I felt that HEG had been busy, but I was really pleasantly surprised at just how much we have done in the last year.

Our activities in 2021 were mainly focussed on **'Space for Wildlife'**, a series of activities about making our village environments more nature friendly. Something we had realised early on was how much of our green space within the village boundaries is people's gardens. So we have a strong focus on engaging people with wildlife gardening. We have done this through pop-up stalls and a stall at the Easter Bazaar, through a members' Open Garden event, online talks on garden ponds, and on glyphosate (a widely used weedkiller), through a village wildlife gardening survey, and via our Facebook and our email news communications.

We also worked with East Hendred Parish Council and Bowling Alley Allotments Association to identify some areas of grass that could be cut differently to encourage greater variety of plants and wildlife. These areas were only cut towards the end of the summer with the cuttings raked away. Wildflower seeds were sown in early Autumn. This should encourage a variety of flowering plants alongside the grass, providing food and habitat for more insects such as bees.

Space for wildlife is expanding this year and we have adopted the verge by the A417 between Hendred dip and West Hendred. Already we have hosted a fabulous work party with 1st Cuckhamsley Scouts who spent all day litter picking, surveying, digging, and monitoring air pollution, to get this big project underway.

2022 has also seen some major new projects for HEG. In February we launched our Community Larder. Larder members make use of supermarket excess otherwise destined for landfill. We had already redirected 2.657 tonnes of food waste by the end of April. Larder subscribers can collect up to 14 items of food each week, or twice that for a family membership. There's quite a variety: everything from fresh mango to pot noodle! Join at www.sofea.uk.com by finding 'Community Larder' under 'Purpose Projects' and selecting 'HEG Community Larder'.

And we have joined in with Sustainable Wantage in a Wantage Plus Solar Streets initiative. Solar Streets is an opportunity to get cheaper solar panels as the installer is delivering quite a lot of installations in the same area. You can sign up to see if your property is suitable and for a quote at <https://solarstreets.co.uk/WantagePlus> If you would like to be part of a vibrant, active environment group sign up to our mailing list by emailing hcg@hendred.org and check us out on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/HendredsEnvironmentGroup/>

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The club is going from strength to strength. With the new season upon us we have already hosted two Home County Womens League matches on our beautiful pitch. Two local derbys against Steventon and Moreton were very well supported and the team spirit was amazing throughout. Training for the women and girls (U13 and upwards) is on a Monday night, 6.30pm at the club led by Laura Jacobs our ECB qualified coach.

In the Senior cricket we are fielding three teams at the weekend and two teams in T20 mid-week leagues. If you would like to dust off your kit, please get in touch with us. We welcome our overseas player Marselle Cronje from South Africa. He is with us for the season, coaching and playing in our senior teams.

The Allstars (5-8 years) and Dynamos (8-10 years) have started on a Friday night at 5pm. This is an ECB National programme which runs for 8 weeks. We extend this programme with thanks to our volunteer coaches, throughout the summer. Our junior cricket for girls and boys, U11, U13 & U15 takes place on a Friday night from 6.30pm.

The Sports Club bar will be open from 5pm, come and join our social gathering in the heart of the community. We are fortunate to have such well managed and tended facilities at Mill Lane Sports Club and it's such a pleasure watching cricket with friends and family, as the sun sets and the week comes to a close.

If you would like any further information on E&WHCC or would like to volunteer to support the club, please contact Dawn on dawn.h.barksfield@btinternet.com or Ivan Mulford on 820316.

Our website is www.eastwesthendredcricketclub.com

Hendreds Tennis Club Summer Update

The Summer season is now underway, and it is great to see all the club sessions are well attended after the Winter hibernation of many players.

The club sessions run on Wednesday night, 5-8 and on Sundays, 10 -12.

Players thinking of joining the club are welcome to attend club sessions. Join the club's WhatsApp group to check who'll be available to play on club morning/evening (or indeed whenever the opportunity presents!). Please email play@hendrestennis.co.uk to get your details added to the group

The much delayed Quiz night took place in March and was a great evening. Thanks to Dom Hones for the fabulous Mexican themed Quiz questions.

The Summer Tournament will take place on Saturday 10th September and will include a BBQ afterwards. Details will be published on the website nearer the time.

Sadly we have not been able to find a coach for children's lessons yet but will keep looking.

East Hendred AFC

The Club was formed in 1912 and, but for the War Years, has played Football at Hendred every year since. We currently run two teams in The North Berks League and this season has proved to be our most successful ever. On the 23rd April our 1st Team became North Berks Champions for the first time (top photograph) and also won The North Berks Charity Shield recently (first time since 1934) - see bottom photograph.

Despite a fine effort we did not win the North Berks Cup Final on 14th May, so that the 'Treble of Trophies' stands as an ambition for next season!

Our Reserve Team, from a difficult start to the season, recovered well and made it to The AG Kingham Cup Semi Final narrowly losing out in the final minutes of the game.

It has been good to see more people down at the sports field watching games but it would be great to see the number increasing further supporting the village teams and enjoying the facilities of the bar. You can also follow us through our Facebook and Twitter pages or on the website www.theowls1912.co.uk

Running costs even at this level of football continue to increase and we are grateful for dedicated sponsors but really need further support. If any prospective village sponsors are out there, we dearly need your help or, if you know of anybody who would be interested in sponsoring 'The North Berks Champions' next season please contact me on 07751515412 or email: stevemulford58@hotmail.co.uk

Steve Mulford



Morland Bowling Club

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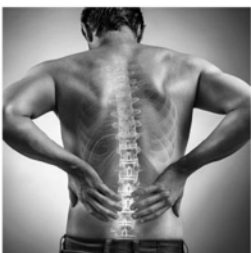
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Planning Matters

NOTE: PC means Parish Council

P20/V1667/O – Land known as Fermi Gate, Harwell Campus. Outline application with all matters reserved for the redevelopment of part of Harwell Science and Innovation Campus known as Fermi Gate to provide employment floorspace (Use classes B1 and B2) for offices, laboratories and light industrial uses, temporary accommodation (Use class C1), supporting parking and ancillary uses (Class A1/A3) and landscaping and open space. The PC responded with a holding objection, requesting information on a Harwell Campus Masterplan, details of the parameters of the floorspace and the lack of a travel plan. Awaiting determination.

P21/V1171/FUL – Former Esso Research Centre, Milton Hill. Application for 44,380sq.m of industrial development (Class B2-B8). The PC objected strongly to this proposal on the grounds that it was contrary to a number of policies in the Local Plan. Permission refused.

P21/V2296/FUL and P21/V2297/LB – The Plough Inn, Orchard Lane. Resubmission (within 12 months of original submission) of Planning and Listed Building applications (P20/V2382/FUL and P20/V2383/LB) - proposed restoration of the Listed Plough Inn to its former state as a residential dwelling with additional enabling works. Conversion of the Listed Oak Room into a residential property. Creation of an extended clubhouse for the Bowls Club and introduction of a new pedestrian gate. Erection of a new house. Refurbishment of existing Listed Cob Wall. The PC submitted a holding objection pending further information. Awaiting determination by the Vale.

P21/V2772/FUL – Harwell Science & Innovation Campus. Erection of transformer substation at the National Centre for pre-clinical innovation. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P21/V3129/HH and P21/V3130/LB – Corner House, Allins Lane. Alterations to existing barns to provide ancillary accommodation together with new boundary treatment. The PC had no objection. Awaiting determination by the Vale.

P21/V3125/FUL – Southernwood, Cat Street. Conversion of existing shed into workplace. The PC had no objection. Permission Granted.

P21/V3405/FUL – Mary Lyon Centre, Harwell Campus. Erection of new science and research facility with associated landscaping, car and cycle parking. Awaiting determination by the Vale.

P22/V0126/HH and P22/V0127/LB – The Old Post Office, High Street. Installation of two new rooflights in the kitchen ceiling at the rear of the property. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P22/V0132/HH – Towersey, Skeats Bush. Extension and remodelling of existing dwelling through replacement roof and demolition of single storey part to rear of dwelling. Thermal upgrade of external building envelope. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P22/V0175/O – Cornerbrook, Mill Lane. Self build project for single residential dwelling and garage adjacent to Cornerbrook. Access is from Mill Lane. The PC had no objection. Permission refused.

P22/V0295/HH – Hines Cottage, Horn Lane.

Proposed bin store and air source heat pump enclosure to front corner of site. The PC did not object but commented. Awaiting Vale determination.

Parish Council

Council meetings are held at Snells Hall at 7:30pm on the 1st Thursday of each month. An Open Forum, in which parishioners may ask questions, starts at 8pm.

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For current Parish Councillors see page 12

Planning Matters (continued)

P22/V0525/FUL – Land west of Newbury Road. Variation of condition 2 (approved Plans) on application P21/V0619/FUL - minor material alterations to elevations and minor internal floor plan layout changes (new dwelling). The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P22/V0416/O – Land south of Curie Avenue and west of Eighth Street. Hybrid planning application for the provision of new employment floorspace and associated infrastructure, car parking and green infrastructure, comprising: 1. Detailed planning application for Tech Edge Zone 1 and 2 for provision of two new employment buildings, with associated infrastructure, car parking and landscaping. 2. Outline planning application for Tech Edge Zone 3 and 4 (with all matters reserved except access) for provision of employment floorspace, with associated infrastructure, car parking and landscaping. The PC objected as the plan was contrary to Local Plan Part 2 Core Policy CP15B on the development of Harwell Campus, Local Plan Part 1 Core Policy CP44 on Landscape and the NPPF paragraphs 174 and 176. Awaiting Vale determination.

P22/V0654/LB – Unit 7, The Old Estate Yard. Removal of store building (associated with already consented office extension) and length of wall running north of it. The PC had no objection. Permission granted.

P22/V0825/N8A – Building R78, RAL. Installation of solar panels. The PC was not invited to comment. Application withdrawn.

P22/V0820/N8A – Building R40, RAL. Installation of solar panels. The PC was not invited to comment. Application withdrawn.

P22/V0819/N8A – Buildings 105 and 106, RAL. Installation of solar panels. The PC was not invited to comment. Application withdrawn.

P22/V0985/FUL – BEPO Building, Thomson Avenue, Harwell Campus. The erection of external plant equipment to serve the use of Units 1 and

8 of the BEPO development, with visual screening enclosures provided to each plant location. The PC submitted comments on the visual impact of the proposal. Awaiting determination by the Vale.

P22/V0396/FUL – Vaccine Manufacturing Centre, Land west of Thomson Avenue. Variation of condition 2. The PC submitted comments on the visual impact of the proposal. Awaiting determination by the Vale.

P22/V1093/HH – Kings Meadow Cottage, Cat Street. Single storey flat roof rear extension. The PC is still considering this application.

P22/V1127/FUL – Colt Corner, Horn Lane. Demolition of existing bungalow, to allow the construction of a new 4 bed-room dwelling. Conversion of existing garage into an annex. The PC is still considering this application.

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Village Diary - Summer 2022

To check the following are still taking place contact clubs and groups direct. See contact details in articles or under Regular Events (right)

June 2022

- 2nd** Parish Council meeting 7:30pm
9th DGA Tea 3pm Hendred House
12th Open Gardens (see front page)
15th Hendred Owls WI Snells Hall doors open 7:15pm (page 7)

July 2022

- 7th** DGA Lunch 1pm Snells (page 5)
7th Parish Council meeting 7:30pm
21st Hendred Owls WI Snells Hall doors open 7:15pm (page 7)

August 2022

- 4th** DGA Tea and AGM 3pm Snells
4th Parish Council meeting 7:30pm
17th Hendred Owls WI Snells Hall doors open 7:15pm (page 7)

Deadline date for next *Bulletin*

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Rachel

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Tuesday Community Kitchen - see page 2

Beaver Scouts 5:25 - 6:25pm, Snells Hall.
 (Doron 07711 474 883)

Cub Scouts 6:30 - 8pm, Snells Hall
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Contact Doron Jensen - Group Scout Leader - for enquiries about joining at gslcuckhamsley@kascouts.org.uk

Wednesday Walking Group 9:30 am
 See page 4

Thursday Springline Singers 7:30 pm
 See page 13

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 1st Tuesday - 7:45pm, Snells Hall Gallery

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1st Thursday - 7:30pm, Snells Hall (Main Hall)

Downs Golden Age Club

1st Thursday (unless advised) meeting with tea or lunch. See page 5

Women's Institute now named The Hendred Owls WI

3rd Wednesday (unless advised)
 See page 7

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 - Church Street Practice 770245
 - Newbury Street Practice 763451
Didcot Health Centre 512288
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 Nuffield Orthopaedic 0300 3047777
 Wantage Community 01865 904030
 Didcot Community 01865 904423

Electricity Mains Problems 105
Gas Leaks 0800 111999
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Rail Enquiries 0845 748 4950
Buses (Thames Travel) 01491 837988
Vale of White Horse District Council 422422

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Vale Community Impact 765348
Tourist Information 760176
Vale & Downland Museum 771447

Churches

Parish Church of St Augustine of Canterbury

For details of services, please see the *What's On in The Hendreds* messages or the church noticeboard.
 Contact: See page 13.

Catholic Parish of St Mary

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Sunday Mass

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