

# *The Stoker*

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**Stoke Golding Village Magazine**  
*including*  
**Dadlington Matters**

**50p**



### *Note from the Editors*

*We think this is a first for the Stoker - an amazing 32 pages! We are sorry to those of you who provided items we couldn't squeeze in this time and will hopefully include them in the September edition.*



*It has been so lovely to read about your achievements this month, from Ruth gaining her prestigious Gold D of E Award, Rev'd Linda Blay running a marathon and raising an incredible amount for the Alzheimer's Society to Joy with even more success in her shooting. We have just heard that Joy has successfully shot and won her Second England Cap and will proudly represent her country as part of the England Shooting Team at the Home International in Wales in August. Congratulations Joy from us all at the Stoker. There are six pages of 'What's On' with plenty of activities to get involved in over the summer months including music, dancing, garden show, coffee mornings, fetes, flower show and cricket matches, so no chance to get bored! We hope you all enjoy the summer and we will be back with the September issue.*

*Steve and Jane*

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If you can submit articles by e-mail or on a memory stick (Microsoft Word) it makes our job much easier, (**500 words maximum** please).

All correspondence, including e-mails, must include your full name, home address and home telephone number.

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*Cover picture: Ruth Spence with her Gold D of E Certificate*

## Former St Margaret's and St Martin's Pupil Receives Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award

Ruth Spence, granddaughter of the late Lucy and Wilf Aucott whom many villagers will have known, received her Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award in the presence of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh at St James Palace on 2nd June.

To achieve the award, over a number of months, Ruth learned to canoe, took part in a strenuous three day canoe expedition, volunteered at the British Heart Foundation Charity Shop, helped at Ashby Rose Cattery & Kennels at Stapleton and played badminton.

Ruth is rightly proud of her achievement and said:

"Persistence and commitment are required by anyone considering taking part in this award. Through completing it I have found that it built up my confidence and developed my self-esteem. I have really enjoyed taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards, I have learnt many new skills, faced different challenges, met new people, made new friends and achieved my goals. I would encourage anyone thinking about doing it to take it up, it is a fantastic opportunity and sets you up for life".

HRH Prince Philip Duke of Edinburgh founded the Duke of Edinburgh Award for Boys in 1956 and in 1958 a pilot scheme for girls was started. Since then there have been over 8 million participants covering the three levels of award - bronze, silver and gold.

## Triple Wins for Joy



England International skeet shooter Joy Hirons from Church Walks has had a highly successful start to the competition season.

She started by once again travelling with Captain Pete Underwood from Arnold Road on the Stenaline ferry to Belfast to compete in the Ulster Open Skeet Championships for the first time. The event was held in Dungannon on a very wet and windy day but that did not stop Joy lifting the National Ladies title.

The following day Joy travelled over the border to County Donegal in the Republic of Ireland to compete in the Irish Open Skeet Championships, also for the first time. Once again she triumphed there too, taking her second Major title of the weekend.

Joy arrived home on the Tuesday night in time to compete at the English Open Skeet Championships held at Doveridge in Derbyshire on the Sunday.

She shot an almost perfect score of 99 out of 100 which then put her in a thrilling shoot off for the National title. Joy destroyed all of her 25 deciding targets with her opponent missing 2 resulting in Joy retaining her English Open title for an incredible 4th time in succession.

*Rob Hirons*

## Correspondence



Dear Editor

I wish to make some comments from the May and June Stokers. Two ladies at the top of Sherwood road are totally against the building of new houses next to where they live. My wife and I agree with them as do many of the neighbours and the majority of the village. Morris Homes proved they are not interested in what the villagers think about these houses as they have now gone from 75 houses to 80 houses - this is what Cllr Reg Ward told me some weeks ago. My view is if we have to have houses built then it should be less than fifty, after all it is only a small field.

I believe the ladies built the original fence but this was removed and a new one was built by a chap from Cambridgeshire. He told me Hinckley Council had asked him to build it. What a waste of rate payers money. A local firm could have done that at a lot less cost.

These ladies look after the small piece of land in front of their garden which is owned by Hinckley council, so there is no reason why they should not buy that land which is only big enough to park three small cars. Why is Morris Homes so interested in the little plot?

My view and that of neighbours is they want it to put a road straight through Sherwood Road, ending our cul-de-sac which would cause further problems for Sherwood Road residents.

Sincerely Haydn "Spitfire" Smith  
Sherwood Road



### Remember to Lock Your Car on the Drive

Hi – we went to the car this morning to find it had been entered since 5.00pm yesterday and some items were missing. We suspect we must have forgotten to lock it as it had not been broken into and the alarm had not gone off. The thief must have taken pity on us and only took the few pence kept for parking meters and 2-3 CD's and left more expensive articles. Why they would want compilation CD's of Neil Diamond I'll never know, maybe to give to Dad and Mum?

Anyway just a reminder-be sure to lock your car doors on the drive.- CHECK and CHECK AGAIN.

*John Burton*

### Jam Jars Needed

Jane would like any jam jars you cannot use, please leave them by the church door or ring Margaret who will collect them on 212387 after 6pm



God knows how infuriating it is to me reference the amount of dog mess I come across during my daily walks with my dog. Whether it is the footpaths, verges but especially along the canal, I constantly have to be on the alert for fear of treading in the offending mess.

Having just started my walk and not 50 yards from my house my dog "Bertie" crouched and decided he wanted a "wee" or if you prefer a No.1.

We had walked a few more yards when the driver of a vehicle stopped and the passenger window was lowered. Thinking that maybe someone wanted directions I looked into the car and the driver leaning over said in a rather sarcastic/aggressive tone "are you going to pick that mess up ". Somewhat taken aback I replied that my dog had done a No.1 not a No.2.

"I just seen him crouching down" replied the driver, convinced he was right. Trying to keep my language as civil as I could, in view of the fact he had children in the car, I asked him if he knew anything about dogs but he was having none of it. No doubt he was trying to impress his children and show them he was being a good upstanding citizen when tackling the thorny issue of careless dog owners but maybe he would have impressed them more if he had got out of the car and checked what I was saying was correct and then apologised.

I wonder if the driver of this vehicle would have been as keen had it been someone 30 to 40 years younger and with a lot less grey hair. I think not.

So, to the driver of this Black Honda Jazz 13 plate, although I commend your civic duty in trying to tackle this problem, to save myself and other villagers of having sympathy when possibly reading about your casualty report I would suggest the following:-

- a) Learn a few facts about dogs. . A lot of dogs stoop to do a No. 1 instead of "cocking their legs" so to speak, and it does not mean they are doing their No.2.
- b) Use a more conciliatory phrase such as "Can I offer you a bag to help?". You do not have a bag yourself as believe it or not these irresponsible dog owners do carry bags but only use them if they think someone is watching. Invariably these are the owners that then at the first opportunity discard the bag to the verges or into the hedges like decorating a Christmas tree.
- c) Visit "Specsavers"

A responsible Dog Owner  
*Alan and "Bertie"*

### **The Electrification of the Church Clock!**

As reported in the April Stoker the Church Clock is no longer to be wound manually and the task to electrify the mechanism has now been completed successfully. We hope that the accurate time keeping and traditional chiming of the hours throughout each day will continue to benefit the whole village for many years to come.

We would like to thank The Charity of Thomas Barton Trustees for their generous donation of £4875 to fund this work.

*On behalf of the  
Parochial Church Council of St Margaret's Church*

## "Change the world"

This was the title for the Scouting Magazine this month and I believe we achieve this within our Scout Group.



The Cubs finished off their cyclist badge joining in with the family Kirby Mallory Mile cycle ride. 26 of our Cubs and family members took part in the challenge on a particularly cold and windy night. Some dads are still cycling the streets of Stoke Golding!!!

The Cubs went to Blackwell Court Adventure from 4th to 6th June where they slept in a tented village and took part in various activities including team games organised by the leaders. Activities run by the centre included swimming, tree top challenge and zip wire to name but a few. Feedback from some of the 21 Cubs who attended included:

Zip wire - " fast, fun and made you smile",  
" enjoyable , fun and made your inside tingle in a good way" Tree top challenge -

"high, really fun", " explosion of excitement" " loved being outside",  
" enjoyed sharing a tent with friends"  
Most of the activities took place on the Saturday despite a 4.30am start - not the leaders choice!!

If anyone sees a rather rotund squirrel wandering round the streets of Bromsgrove it was the one who craftily stole a doughnut which we had with our hot chocolate on Friday night.

Fortunately it didn't get the Cubs' tuck!!!  
The Beavers have been busy with their



Global Challenge badge and did a litter pick down at the Rec and surprisingly didn't pick up much litter. They also went for a walk from Sutton Cheney Wharf to the Battlefield Centre and had a picnic. They had a competition to spot as many examples of wild life in the woods, some more real than others were spotted! Thank you to the parents who helped out.

The Scouts have been busy delivering leaflets for Adult Learners Week round the village and constructing their go-cart for the soap box Derby. The channel 4 series in the million dollar E type jag has nothing on the scouts and approximately the same time frame but the go-cart is cheaper!!!

The scout group are finishing off the summer term with a Rounders night and hot dogs and drinks for all.

So as you can see we have in a small way given the Scout Group experiences to change their world.

Jennifer Michie



### Mobile Phone Use Causes Crash

In the early hours of a mid June morning a car smashed into a parked car in Station Road causing a further two parked cars to be damaged as they were shunted in the accident. The young driver admitted to the police who attended the scene, that he had been on his mobile at the time. Luckily no one was seriously hurt, but three cars have been 'written off' causing considerable inconvenience to the owners. It is an offence to use a mobile phone whilst driving, but that does not seem to stop drivers doing it. Perhaps we should start reporting offenders to the police - it just may save lives.

## **A Weekend in Istanbul**

Istanbul a city of magical sights  
Mosques and museums by day and by night  
Throngs of people fill the streets  
Oh what history and building feats.

The ancient splendour of the mosaics  
And the vastness of size,  
The blue mosque, palace and museum  
A delight for the eyes.

The Grand Bazaar a mass of humanity  
Stay too long and lose your sanity  
Everything for sale under the sun  
But barter the price or you may get done

The spice market with its colours and smells  
Another place in which to dwell.  
Pomegranate, Viagra, apple and orange teas  
Spices and delicacies, whatever you please

A boat on the Bosphoros that links west to east  
Relax, for your eyes yet another feast  
Of palaces, minarets and mosques all so grand  
Then back to shore and crowded dry land.

The call to prayer seems to fill the vast sky  
From minarets set on high  
This sound can cause an occasional fright  
but it's just another Turkish delight.

*Jean Matthews*

## **Friends of Kenya's Children**

Friends of Kenya's Children (FKC) is a small charity founded ten years ago to support orphaned or abandoned children living in Lodwar & Eldoret districts of Kenya. Through working in partnership with with Christian Outreach Ministries (COM) they have been able to build and run a beautiful school which is the pride and joy of the community. The charity also provides a feeding programme for children who so desperately need this help. These children now have a much better start in life than was otherwise possible, but of course there are always more children who need help and FKC want to continue supporting them throughout their childhood.

Gill Skelton and friends are running another "Tea and Cakes Afternoon" (page 15) in aid of FKC and would be grateful for any help you can give - they need cakes and small gifts to sell. They would also love to see you there and treat you to a cuppa!

Find out more about FKC at [www.fkc.org.uk](http://www.fkc.org.uk)

## Rev'd Linda Raises Nearly Two Thousand Pounds for Charity



When Stoke Golding Vicar Linda Blay decided to train and run the London marathon little did she know how much money she would raise. - a whopping £840 in online donations and £1036 in cash - a grand total of £1876 for the Alzheimer's Society. Linda said: "This is an amazing amount. A huge thank you to everyone for their support."

## PRIVATE MATTHEW KIRKLAND



As the 200th anniversary of this battle was commemorated a few weeks ago we should perhaps remember the above named of Stoke Golding. Born in 1796 in Oakthorpe, Leicestershire, he served in the Coldstream Guards at the Battle of Waterloo under Lieutenant Colonel Dashwood's Company. He survived the conflict and returned safely to Stoke Golding where he died at the ripe old age of 90, on 21st November 1881 and was buried in the Hinckley Road Cemetery

Stoke Golding two days later. At the time of his death the census shows him living with his son in law and daughter, as a Chelsea Pensioner, at 4 Croad's Yard. Croad's Baker's shop and house was next to the present village stores. The records show that, at the Battle of Waterloo fought on 18th June 1815 in present day Belgium, the young Matthew Kirkland distinguished himself in the defeat of Napoleon by Wellington and Blucher. He was awarded the Waterloo medal.

*Denis Cash*

## Methodist Flower Festival

The late May Bank Holiday weekend will not be renowned for its warm weather, but a warm welcome could be found at the Flower Festival in the Methodist Church. The theme of this year's display was 'The Sayings of Jesus'. 'Be fishers of men', 'I am the way', 'The Good Shepherd' and many more sayings were ably depicted in colourful arrangements. In the schoolroom a Ploughman's Lunch could be had and cream teas were available in the afternoon. Some visitors had lunch and then stayed on for a cream tea. Others, disappointed that there were no lunches served on Sunday, returned on Monday to ensure that they had their Ploughman's. As well as Sunday morning service there was a special evening service, which included singing by the Stoke Golding Community Choir.

*Jill Webster*

*Turn to page 20 for more about the Flower Festival and some photographs.*

Janet Wroe from the Concordia Theatre returned in June with her husband and two friends to present Judge and Jury. They gave a summary of several cases that had actually taken place in a civil court by assuming the roles of judge and barristers. As the jury we had to ask questions and give a verdict before hearing the actual result. It was an amusing and competitive evening as we had several "juries".

Earlier in the evening Sue Fraser told everyone about the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace she had attended with Anne Fullagar and Sue Mottram to mark the WIs centenary. It was such a windy day. Hats were flying off across the lawns and the sound of the two military bands was blown away on the breeze. The gardens had flashes of brilliant coloured azaleas and rhododendrons and a rose garden that will be stunning when the blooms appear. A lake was home to a variety of wildfowl that had their newly hatched chicks in tow. It was a secluded oasis of calm in a buzzing city. It was hard to believe 8000 women were there. Sue shook hands with the Duchess of Cornwall, the Countess of Wessex and Princess Alexandra before heading for the tea tent and the balancing act required by small tray of sandwiches and cakes, a cup of tea and an ice cream. The real Calendar girls were there and posed for photographs fully clad in their uniform black. Cameras were forbidden, but the odd mobile phone broke cover.

Sue Mottram and Anne Fullagar were back in London two days later at the Royal Albert Hall. HM the Queen opened the Centenary AGM and cut one of the fruit cakes, with the help of the Princess Royal. The main speakers were Lucy Worsley who has made a documentary on the history of the WI to be seen shortly, Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson and Helena Morrissey, CEO of an investment firm, who began a club for companies that have at least 30% women on their board. A packed lunch on the steps of the Albert Memorial in Hyde Park in brilliant sunshine to the strains of Jerusalem played by a brass band from a new Huddersfield WI, after 15 weeks tuition, was a sharp contrast to the garden party but equally memorable.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 8th July at 7.30 in the Methodist Hall when Carolyn Boulter will get us to make a pin holder. Visitors are welcome. There is no meeting in August.

*Anne Fullagher*

### **Stoke Golding & Dadlington Festival of Learning**

We will provide coverage of the varied activities including photos in the September edition of the Stoker. It has been an amazing week.

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# Dadlington Matters

## SUMMER EVENTS IN DADLINGTON

### SUNDAY 26 JULY - CRICKET MATCHES

**Team matches: Dadlington, Stoke Golding & Shenton will play a Round Robin series to produce an overall winning team**  
Matches and games for all ages. Spectators & supporters welcome.  
Licensed bar. Collection for Pancreatic Cancer UK. Start 2pm.  
Info: Keith on 213214 or keith@morton5275.co.uk

### JUST BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 2PM-5PM- SUMMER FETE

Bouncy slide, army assault course, pitch'n'putt, tombola, archery, ring, plate smashing, tug'o'war, vintage military & farm vehicles, derby, play your cards right, wheel of fortune, family races, skittles, archery, table top sales (rent-a-pitch £12 in advance), drink at the BBQ, cream teas & cake stall, bar and ice cream stall.  
& table top rental: John on 212292 or jawalliker@gmail.com

**FOR: September - *Treasure Hunt*... October - *Wine Tasting*... *Cabaret Night*... and then December is *Party Time*, with *The Lights Switch-on* and the fabled *Christmas Cracker!***

Church Dadlington

### Tea at Hall Farm

15th August at 3pm.

£5.00 Children £2.00  
include tea.

### Small Church

Let's Big & Small Church  
Sunday of the month  
Jam at the Baxter Hall.

St James' Church Dadlington

### "Richard 111 Where Was He Killed?"

A talk by Peter Foss

### Dadlington Village Hall

Saturday 22nd August at 2.30pm

Admission £5.00  
Refreshments

## What's On

### Stoke Golding Neighbourhood Plan *Your Village, Your Voice*

#### Learn

If you care about the future of our village please come along to the **Baxter Hall on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July from 7pm**. At the meeting we will explaining what a Neighbourhood Plan is and how it will benefit the village. We will then talk about what is involved in producing the Plan.

#### Get Involved

We are at the very early stages so this is your chance to influence development of the plan. Everyone's thoughts and ideas are valuable and we will also be looking for people who want to get involved, however much or as little as they can, whether that be on the main steering group or in an area of expertise. This can be helping with publicity or project managing, obtaining funding, help with legal matters, schools and education, paperwork and minute taking and many other areas of support that will help us all to make this plan successful.

#### Make a difference

A Neighbourhood Plan is a statutory document that will carry significant weight when the Borough Council makes planning decisions. Plans that have been completed by other villages in the country have managed to stop some housing developments in the area taking place for example. The Plan will help us all in shaping the future of our village including development, green spaces and improving community facilities amongst many other topics which we all feel are important to us.

#### Talk to us

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at this meeting however if you are unable to attend but have any questions or can offer any help please contact me on [ajbealeslmckenna@aol.com](mailto:ajbealeslmckenna@aol.com)

Methodist Church  
**Coffee Morning**  
Saturday July 11th  
10.00-11.30  
For Church Funds

Methodist Church  
**Coffee Morning**  
Saturday August 8th  
10.00-11.30  
For Church Funds

#### St Margaret's Church Coffee, Chat & Book Swap

Free coffee, tea and a chat on Wednesdays

**10.30am - 12 noon in Church**

Everyone is welcome, we do hope you will join us.





**\*\*\* SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST \*\*\***

**GATES OPEN AT 2 PM**

**Live Music from:**

**Men in Black, TBC, Ash, Zaney J, Jamie, The Crowned Rogues, Kieran, General Jack, Marky T, Micky Vegas, The Kamikazes, and**



**DOG DISPLAY AND NOVELTY DOG SHOW, VINTAGE CARS,  
BEAT THE GOALIE, STALLS, RIDES AND ATTRACTIONS!  
REAL ALE TENT, BAR AND REFRESHMENTS**

**Please don't bring your own!**

**BRING A DECKCHAIR AND ENJOY A FUN FILLED  
FAMILY AFTERNOON AND EVENING!**

***\* Tickets to the Stoke Fest Ceilidh dance with The Craic on sale on the day\****

**\*\*\* For more information please see our website \*\*\***

**[www.stoke-fest.co.uk](http://www.stoke-fest.co.uk)**

## What's On

### Look After Your Eyes

A specially designed mobile unit for older people at risk of developing sight loss is visiting Stoke Golding and Dadlington offering information, support and advice.

**20th July 9.30am – 12pm: Stoke Golding Village Hall**

**20th July 1.30pm – 4pm: Dadlington Village Hall**

1.8 million people are living with significant sight loss in the UK, and evidence suggests that over 50 per cent of sight loss is due to preventable or treatable causes. Vista will raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of sight loss, the importance of early diagnosis and the links between lifestyle and sight loss.

Manned by friendly staff, the vehicle features an open plan welcome area, leaflet display and a seating area for individual consultation and support. During their time on board, visitors can:

- ◇ Learn how a healthy lifestyle can reduce the risk of sight loss, the importance of regular sight tests and spotting conditions early.
- ◇ Find out more about the support and services available through Vista.
- ◇ Discover equipment and technologies that can support people with sight loss.

A full list of dates, locations and times is available on our website at

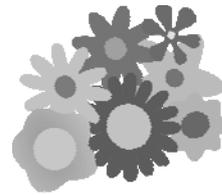
[www.vistablind.org.uk/mobilesupport](http://www.vistablind.org.uk/mobilesupport)

### St Margaret's Church Flower Festival

#### Journey Through the British Isles

August Bank Holiday Weekend

Saturday 29th August 10am - 5pm  
Sunday 30th August 11.30am - 5pm  
Monday 31st August 10am - 5pm



Ploughmans lunches, cream teas, cakes etc.  
Various stalls including cakes, jams, plants, raffle, tombola

## What's On

### Fourth Annual Tea & Cake Afternoon in aid of Friends of Kenya's Children

At 8 the Courtyard, Higham Lane, Stoke Golding (Hopefully outside!!)



Also small gifts  
and cake stalls

**Wednesday August 12th 2 - 4.30pm**

For £3 you can eat & drink all you want

Phone Jan 212397 or Gill 213700 for tickets

PS. Can you help again by making cakes?



#### Clubbercise® is Coming to Stoke Golding!

*\*Bringing a Night Out to your Workout!\**

From **Monday 6th July** 2015, 10.30 – 11.20am  
At Stoke Golding Club  
**Booking is essential!**

[www.bookwhen.com/clubbercisehinckley](http://www.bookwhen.com/clubbercisehinckley)  
Contact Ruth at [oof@sky.com](mailto:oof@sky.com) / 0781 2212298

*Glow sticks. Disco lights. Club anthems.  
Dance Fitness.*



St. Margaret's Church

#### Advance Notice of Teddy Bear Jump

Saturday 26th September from  
12noon – 3pm

**Get your teddy ready to fly**

#### Fun To Dance At Stoke Golding Village Hall **New! New! New!**

SALSA a 7 week course for BEGINNERS. Pay in advance for 6 and get week 7 free.  
Starts **Sunday July 12<sup>th</sup>** at 8pm

All Sequence Tea Dances – **1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in the Month**  
With a mixture of new and older/popular sequence dances.  
Starts **August 6<sup>th</sup>** 2pm to 4pm



"From Basics to Beyond" A new ongoing Ballroom and Latin  
class for dancers with basic knowledge wishing to refresh and learn more.  
Starts **Sunday September 6<sup>th</sup>** at 8pm



Have FUN and enjoy a NEW dancing experience!

For costs and further information call *Jean on 07594 343333*

## What's On

### Falls Awareness Workshop

Organised by Age UK, HBBC, Active Together  
and Leicestershire & Rutland Sport

**Stoke Golding Village Hall** on Friday 17th July 12noon - 2.00pm

- ◇ Have you had a fall or been close to having a fall in the last 12 months?
- ◇ Do you have a health related condition that is affecting your balance?
- ◇ Do you have poor hearing or eyesight?

Eye sight and hearing services provided  
Free 10 minute reflexology taster  
Free postural assessments  
Information and advice  
Free Tai Chi taster session

**Booking is essential.** Please contact Emma Hopkins on 01455 255875 or  
email: [emma.hopkins@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk](mailto:emma.hopkins@hinckley-bosworth.gov.uk)

### Wykin Lane Cemetery and Conservation Area

The air is cool, the breeze is light.  
The clouds in the sky are fluffy and white.  
The flowers open to show their bright faces,  
(Unknown)

If you've missed the flowers of spring in the new cemetery and conservation area then follow the neatly mown footpaths round the meadow and woodland taking in the tapestry of flower colour. The scents from the spring blossom have been lovely this year and the meadow gets better year-by-year. Take a moment to watch butterflies darting around. The area has caught the attention of nature experts from the Market Bosworth Natural History Society, who are impressed with what has been achieved. We have a wonderful village asset.

Please encourage others to care for it by not damaging trees and most important would dog walkers keep their dogs off the wildflower areas, out of the pond and clean up any fouling.

Sue Mitchell  
Heritage warden

Stoke Golding Garden Show

**85th Open Show**

**Saturday 5th September 2015**

Main beneficiary:



**Stoke Golding Club  
Hinckley Road**

Flowers, vegetables, homemade, novice, children's section and much more

6pm - Open to the public (free admission to everyone)

8pm - Presentations (class/section winners)

8.20pm - Clear Down

8.45pm - Grand Auction (come and bid on the produce!)

9pm - Grand Raffle

**Free Admission**

**Everyone welcome ☺**

**For more information contact**

**Tina on 07809629690**

**More Help Needed for Village Show**

We are currently encouraging sponsors to step forward and help fund the Show this year - if you feel you could spare a few pounds and sponsor a class please contact Tina on the number below.

Schedules will be available in Stoke Golding from **1st August 2015** at the surgery, pubs, shops and Stoke Golding Club. These are free of charge so why not pick up a copy and have a go at entering one of the varied classes on offer? Schedules can also be posted to you or sent by email by contacting Tina on 07809629690

Last year we introduced a new feature - 'The Market Stall' - and invited people to bring along any spare produce so it could also be sold. All profit went to the chosen charity and we were so grateful for the generosity and goodwill gestures that were made throughout the day. We intend to repeat this feature so if you have any spare jam, cakes, vegetables, fruit, flowers (or indeed ANY produce) please bear us in mind as we would be happy to take it off your hands.

*Tina Waters*

# Church Matters

From St Margaret's Church



This has, by far, been the most difficult pastoral letter to write, mostly because it is my last one in The Fenn Lanes Benefice as I shall be moving to a new post over the summer. I have been appointed as Anglican Chaplain at De Montfort University in Leicester and our family will be moving to Leicester in the next few weeks. I am really looking forward to the new role, as you can imagine, but it is also important to acknowledge the sense of loss and even grief that we feel when we move on. I am so grateful for all that I have learnt through my Curacy here across the parishes of Stoke Golding, Dadlington, Higham on the Hill, Fenny Drayton and Witherley. One of the great privileges has been to be along side people at moments of great joy in their lives and also moments of huge loss.

As we move on through life, we all inevitably suffer losses along the way. Our deepest sense of loss may be from the death of a loved one. There are so many other examples of loss events: unemployment, retirement, long-term illness, moving house and children leaving home, to name but a few. We are not always good at recognising the losses in our own lives and sometimes we need professional help to work things through. Compassion, a listening ear and prayer, though, is something that all of us can offer one another.

As we pass through the different stages of life, we can creatively find ways of 'ageing zestfully'. Anne Karpf, in her book, 'How to Age' coins that wonderful phrase and encourages us to view ageing much more positively, more in terms of growth and maturity, encouraging us to view ourselves, 'like wine connoisseurs laying down bottles that will improve with age'. It is a good reminder, that, even through life's challenges, we need to cultivate our qualities and to be alive to what is really important.

As we have journeyed together over these past three years, it is people's kindness and graciousness and immense dedication to the churches that they love that I will remember. It is so exciting to see God's love for us overflowing to others, filling us with courage to share our living, Christian faith and all the new possibilities that that brings for the future.

May God bless you and keep you, and be gracious to you.

Blessings,

Hilary  
The Rev'd Hilary Surridge – Curate Fenn Lanes Benefice



## Stoke Golding Methodist Church Flower Festival

The creativity around in the villages of Stoke Golding and Dadlington never ceases to amaze me when it comes to arranging flowers in a festival with a theme and this one was no exception. As soon as you walked into the church the altar with its displays as well as the individual arrangements on the pews struck you. As well as the individual floral displays depicting the theme of the festival " I heard



the voice of Jesus say", there was also the Mums and Tots children's display which was particularly unforgettable.

Having viewed the display I wandered into the hall and there had the promised warm welcome with tea and cake in good company whilst we had a chat about the festival. I also took the opportunity to purchase some local produce in the form of jam and plants which have survived intact so far. They were also about to serve their renowned ploughman's lunch and cream tea, both of which looked particularly tempting.



The community choir sang in the church on the Sunday evening surrounded by the altar flowers. The singing was particularly well received and it was nice that church members made the point of coming up and saying how well we had sung.

All in all it was a positive experience and made us feel proud to have been part of the flower festival and extended community.



*Jennifer Michie*  
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## **The Fool on the Hill**

## **A little brown envelope.....**

So that's it then. Mr Blatter has finally fallen on his sword amidst accusations about how the goodies for the World Cup are doled out. The idea of holding a football tournament in 50 degrees of heat and in a country that doesn't know what a pub is suggests, and call me Mr Cynical if you like, a degree of coercion has taken place. Given that the average English football fan is prepared to stand shirtless in a hailstorm fortified by nothing more than lager, Qatar in July may prove something of a culture shock.

Football is by no means alone in this. It is hard to imagine that the International Olympic Committee is not subject to the same culture of inducements that attend any major sporting event. It is curious though, that our American brothers are the ones who seem intent on putting the boot into FIFA when they are the only country in the world that still uses the word "soccer" and, let's be honest, the likelihood of them winning the World Cup is about the same as me being propositioned by Keira Knightley. Americans may also like to ponder the fact that a surprising number of their elected leaders come from a group of people who are, what one might describe as, "well-funded". We must also look to our own shores because, in the wake of the latest general election, the share price of companies who will benefit from an increase in Government outsourcing went through the roof. A number of these companies feature on their respective Boards of Directors, undoubtedly worthy individuals who, in a previous incarnation, were ministers responsible for doling out Government contracts. Obviously there is no direct connection.

So where do we go to find competent, responsible individuals who will be impervious to the attentions of the top corruptors? Look no further. This you understand is not a high moral standpoint. It is merely that I have no knowledge, skill, contact or influence that is worthy of being even mildly corrupted. Until fairly recently, I may have been able to prevail upon Mrs Fool to put in a favourable word for your Victoria Sponge when offered up to the W.I. for appraisal. However, since a shameful dereliction of duty when charged with the relatively simple task of observing and controlling a pan containing boiling eggs, my stock with the dearly beloved is at a 5 year low. In my defence, it was a particularly enthralling game of cricket on the telly and I made no attempt to conceal my misdemeanour. This would have been difficult as I was still picking fragments of exploded egg from the extractor fan when she breezed back, somewhat early, into my presence. As my pocket money has now been stopped until further notice, I am forced to apply for the vacant post as President of FIFA.

I trust that I can count on your support. (It's worth a fiver!)



## Beth's Corner

## Emma Prokipczuk

A very big welcome to our new Head Mistress at St. Margaret's Primary School.

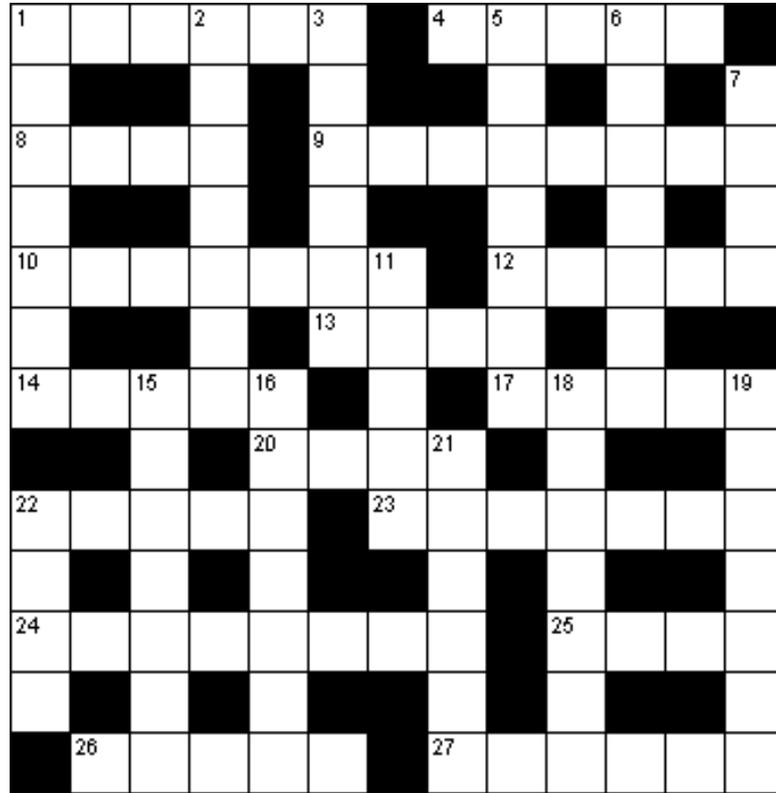
The name 'Emma' is always reminiscent of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Centuries, a heroine in one of Jane Austen's novels of that period. The unlikely Ukrainian surname however, brings us up to our own time of more open borders across the world. I discover the Ukrainian background on inviting Emma here for coffee last week. I'd already realised we knew each other from Holy Trinity Church in Hinckley, although I hadn't seen her since 2011 having moved away to another congregation. As I opened the door, however, I immediately recognised this slender, long-legged young woman in her knee length maroon dress; her long legs looking even longer in black opaque tights. Wide blue eyes, and sleek shoulder length hair, enhance her pale creamy complexion. Our first reaction was to start 'catching up' over the last four years, until I remind ourselves, we need to get down to our interview. *"Right Emma, where shall we begin? Tell me where the Ukrainian surname comes from."* She laughs: *"My Grandfather came over in World War two, met my Grandmother in the fifties, settled down in Hinckley, and that was that. I was born in Hinckley and have lived in Hinckley and Burbage all my life. It's very special being back in Stoke Golding, as I went to St. Martin's School, which I loved, and I wanted to stay there forever."* Emma trained for the full four-year teacher training course at Homerton College in Cambridge, qualifying in 2000. This was followed by three years teaching in Suffolk, moving back closer to home with a further four years at St. Nicolas Church School in Nuneaton. Her last school in Sapcote, where she was Deputy Head, had a unique position as the Headship was also shared with the church school in Sharnford. Noticing that every school Emma mentions has been an Anglican Church school, I ask her if this is important to her. *"Oh yes, definitely Beth."* She adds: *"This was one of the lovely feelings I got at my first visit to St. Margaret's. To begin with I was made so welcome, and then there was something very special about the whole ethos of the school. I loved the way all the staff spoke to the children, and how they respond back to the teachers. I really felt God's hand on the school, and on my decision. In fact, I just fell in love with it."* I wondered what had nudged Emma to 'move on' and consider Headship. *"I'd been reading about a course called "Church School Leadership Programme" run by Nottingham and Southall Diocese. This really felt like the next step to take and discover if I was ready to be a Head. I love the course, and it's teaching me so much. It's very relational, rather than academic. Once a term there's a 48 hour residential stay and each participant (there are around twelve of us) is given a personal mentor. There are so many decisions to make in leadership, and this programme is showing me the better way – "Not Making Decisions Before Kneeling."* Finally I ask: *"How's the house progressing Emma?"* Four years ago I remembered Emma was buying her first house. *"Well it still needs a new bathroom and kitchen, but I'm becoming quite a gardener. I've my own raspberries, strawberries, peas and onions, and now I'm only five minutes away from work, which is great!"* We look at our watches It's time to say goodbye, and get back to work. Very Best Wishes Emma.



Beth

# CROSSWORD

## Based on Dad's Army



### Across

1. (19 Down) was this type of warden (6)
4. Short written work (5)
8. "You stupid boy" Surname (4)
9. WW2 Comedy (4-4)
10. Buildings for penny slot machines (7)
12. To rub out (5)
13. Mark left by cut (4)
14. Homes for birds (5)
17. Lamentably (5)
20. Surname of composer of Show Boat Musical (4)
22. Windy (5)
23. Kitchen worktop material (7)
24. What (3 Down) called Mainwaring (8)
25. To wander (4)
26. "They don't like it up em" Surname (5)
27. Sergeant in 9 Across (6)

### Down

1. Mainwaring 's army title (7)
2. To play again what has already happened (2-5)
3. Surname of (6Down) warden (6)
5. Godfrey lived with two (7)
6. (3Down) was this type of warden (3-4)
7. Covering on wheel (4)
11. Neck covering when cold (5)
15. Zodiac sign of November (7)
16. Colour of horizon (3-4)
18. High ranking naval officer (7)
19. (1 Across) warden's surname (7)
21. What you would say to people arguing (3-3)
22. Where (1Down) worked during daytime (4)

Answers on page 30

## Bird News

By mid May I'd been drawn to the call of a hobby just 300yards from last summer's nest, coming from a tree with an old buzzard's nest. I've monitored the situation since, have actually seen the Hobbies at the nest. Notified the farmer again as he will keep an eye on any suspect trespassers. Fortunately it is some distance from a footpath which is out of the way somewhat. It has been the only "confirmed" breeding pair of hobby in Leicester and Rutland over the past few years. There is an estimated 30 to 40 pairs.



Local experienced birder, Carl Baggott, a regular visitor to Brascote Pits, met with well- earned good fortune at the site in the earlier part of spring in noting four ring ouzel with several wheatear over fields to the rear and a pair of garganey on the large pool. Ring ouzel is a migratory moorland breeding bird, very difficult to encounter on passage, whilst garganey, bucking the trend entirely for migratory wildfowl, is a scarce summer visitor. It is similar to teal, the male being easily recognized by a very obvious thick white eye stripe and attractive colouration. Incidentally, I visited Seeswood Pool near Nuneaton to see a pair round about the same time.

During mid-May, rather fortuitously, I managed to discover that the somewhat local breeding pair of hobby falcon had returned for the third consecutive year. For obvious reasons the actual breeding site is known only to the farmer, county recorder and myself. It's quite remarkable that such birds can return from wintering in Africa to the same location as previous years, much the same as swallows tend to do.

On Tuesday the second of June, during a period of fine warm sunny weather and strong winds, a grey phalarope appeared at Brandon Marsh near Coventry. It is



something of a rarity which normally turns up during autumn gales when blown inland off the sea. This one, however, supporting such pristine breeding plumage, attracted much national interest. Indeed I thought I'd been quick off the mark though, on arrival, the hides were packed. Sadly the bird's sojourn was brief as it departed at 4.30pm. Brandon Marsh, easily accessible from the Old Fosse via

Bretford, is a truly wonderful reserve, somewhat accustomed to rarities, though is also noted for its breeding Cetti's Warblers.

*David Abbott*

*Over the next few pages we have included more articles from budding reporters at St Margaret's School following the building of their new allotment. We have really enjoyed reading them all and hope you do too.*

## **ALLOTMENT BUILT FOR WINNING SCHOOL!**

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> of April 2015, a large team from National Grid took a trip to St. Margaret's CofE (A) Primary School (the winning school) to build a sustainable allotment garden.

Earlier on in the year, St. Margaret's won a competition to design an allotment garden to be constructed in their school. As a consequence of this occurrence, a strong team of men and women gathered together at the school to build the allotment. This team was made up of many people: ex-employees from National Grid, people who worked elsewhere and National Grid employees. Commitment, workmanship, loyalty - which one is shown most? The delighted children of the school have been making a huge effort to get involved with this project by painting the different plants (that will be planted) onto wooden spoons and sticking them in the ground next to the plant that is painted on them. Also, they have been interviewing many of the helpers and have managed to collect many quotes. Martin Tomkins commented, "I'm feeling proud- a truly

inspirational day!"

In the allotment, many different plants will be planted; that's not all that is being done at St. Margaret's school.....

Thanks to the National Grid Company, many of the other plants and slopes around the school are being patched up and re-planted. The harder they work, the easier the job becomes for these volunteers. As commented by Pam, "hard work but an extremely nice day!" also by Pete, "mucky but fun!" many of the volunteers didn't have to help with the project: they kindly came in and helped, bringing a smile along with them and wearing it all of the time!

Lisa (network strategy gas employee) commented, "although it was a hard job, it has been completed- a great achievement! Thanks for having us!" without National Grid, none of this would be possible - imagine a place without National Grid, without the opportunity to enter the competition; thank you National Grid for your hard work and enthusiasm!

Written by **Anya Ibbitson** (yr6)

## The St Margaret's allotment

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April, National Grid (a local energy company) came to our school to build an allotment. Earlier in the school year St Margaret's School entered a competition to have an allotment built in the school grounds. Luckily, we won! The budget was £1000 to spend on our allotment.

So, today the National Grid have travelled to construct our new allotment. As they dig, lift, plant and smile the job is closer to being done.

Some of the school children went outside to ask what their day was like in under 8 words. Martin said "I am feeling Proud." Pete said "A fun Experience!"

Pam said "It was a nice day."

The school would like to thank all of the participants who have helped to develop our new allotment. Also, thank you for the people who brought in plants and resources to use for the allotment.

I cannot wait to see what the allotment will look like when it is done and all of the great things that it will help our school with.

The other local schools around the area would love to have an allotment built in their school and we have our very own allotment. Another great thank you from everyone at St Margaret's Primary School.

*Daniel Fielding*

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### **MISTRESS HESTER HODGES EXHIBITION FOUNDATION**

At their October meeting the Trustees of the Mistress Hester Hodges Exhibition Foundation will consider applications for small grants of money.

In order to be eligible the following conditions must be met:

- a) Two years attendance at St. Margaret's C.E (Aided) Primary School, Stoke Golding
- b) Residence in Stoke Golding
- c) Attained the age of 16 years or more and be undertaking further education in the academic year commencing September/October 2015

Application forms may be obtained from the Post Office or from A. Fullagar, 26 Wykin Lane (anne.fullagar@btinternet.com).

Completed application forms should be returned to A. Fullagar by 20th Sept 2015

# National Grid Helps Local School.

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2015, at 9am, National Grid arrived at St Margarets CE (A) primary school to build a sustainable allotment garden. They have been working hard to accomplish this task; they said “It is an amazing accomplishment for the school.”

During the day, the volunteers have built steps leading to the field, a garden patch and lots more. Pam, a national grid volunteer, said, “It’s hard work but a good day!” lots of children at the school enjoyed seeing just how much their community cares for them!

However, the team have not just been putting in these amazing things; they have also been replacing, removing, levelling and helping any part of our school that needs it. They have been soooo busy: lifting, chopping and turfing all day. National grid (suffering sweets and splinters) deserve a medal of honour for what they have helped.

St Margarets School is now a better, safer school thanks to National Grid. Someone from the team said it was phenomenal seeing people come together to do this.

The allotment will have vegetables of all kinds growing from it. As a school the vegetable patch will be harvested and used in the school kitchen. Then, with the crops, the children will have proper school dinners.

Imagine if National Grid weren’t here, that the children didn’t get this opportunity, that no one cared for the school: this is nothing but wrong thanks to national grid.

To conclude, the national grid team truly are amazing for what they have accomplished. St Margarets School says a massive thank you to all the volunteers and staff at National Grid.

Written by Camara Ashley Year 6

## CASAG - Patient Participation Group

Some of you might know that from 1st to 6th June was Patient Participation Awareness week. A stand at Woodlands was manned by patient participation group members including myself.

CASAG (Castle Mead and Stoke Golding Action Group. ) has been running for several years, getting involved with various issues relating to the practice including appointment system, audits, feedback on patients surveys and input into the CASAG newsletter.

We are always looking for new members to join and give their input. Meetings are approximately an hour, bi-monthly, on the first Tuesday of the month at 6.15pm. You could also be involved via email as well.

Contact is Alison Elis practice manager at castle Mead Medical Centre.

Email: [castlemead.medicalcentre@nhs.net](mailto:castlemead.medicalcentre@nhs.net)



Jennifer Michie

## **Stoke Golding Parish Council Summary of the Minutes – May 2015**

Cllr Rachel Terheege was appointed as Chairman and Cllr Sarah Beale appointed as Vice-Chairman. Cllrs Beale and White will continue on the Village Hall Management Committee. Pauline Goodsell and Cllr Pegg will continue to liaise with the developers to secure the community land at the convent site. A sports/pavilion committee is to be set up with Cllrs Brown (chair), Terheege and Pegg. The Neighbourhood Plan Committee will include Cllrs Beale (chair), Mitchell, White, Ninness and Terheege. Parish Clerk was appointed as Financial Officer.

**Verge on Roseway** – Following assessment by a Senior Highways Inspector it has been agreed the verge could be changed to a footway construction or a grid system installed to protect the grass. Negotiations between LCC Highways and residents are on-going.

**High Street parking** – The Green Rangers at St Margaret's school have written to the PC regarding a park and stride scheme to ease congestion.

**Bus stop on Higham Lane** – Senior Public Transport Policy Officer recommended the bus stops be removed to encourage residents to use the bus stops on Station Road which are in a safe location.

**Convent corner, 106 money for bus stops** – £14,610.00 allocated from the 106 agreement for the convent site is for improvements to existing bus stops nearest to the application land on Stoke Road to include raised/dropped kerbs, timetable displays, new shelters, poles and signage. The 106 agreement for Morris Homes is specific for the two bus stops nearest the development, so LCC Highways has been asked if it can be used for a new bus stop between Dadlington and Stoke Golding to better serve the residents of the two new developments.

**Convent corner, ownership of verge** – the school and LCC Highways do not own the verge. LCC suggest the developer of the convent site may own it. Morris Homes will not carry out this work. Following the APM Mar City were contacted regarding the transfer of ownership of the community land.

**Bench on Sherwood Road** - Thomas Barton consider that maintenance is PC's responsibility, but will consider funding a replacement should the bench be beyond economic repair. It was agreed the bench should be replaced to match those recently erected elsewhere around the village.

**HR Cemetery wall** – arrangements are in place to have the wall re-pointed..

**Recreation Ground maintenance** – removal/replacement of trees in Sherwood Road as previously agreed- £450.00.

**Village flag** – the replacement union flag was £35.00.

Tina Waters, who attended the meeting, spoke on behalf of Paul Grouse. Paul is taking over the Three Horse Shoes and, as part of his plan to put the heart back in to the village, he wishes to start a Stoke Golding Adult Football Team. He requests that the PC consider allowing the team to play at the recreation field alternate weeks to the adult team that already play. He recognises the need for improved facilities and will be happy to be involved in the pavilion project and any remedial work that might be required in the short term. Cllr Pegg confirmed that he recently met with the adult Football Team to discuss pitch requirements and forms will be sent out to all clubs shortly to ascertain pitch requirements and Paul's request will be considered in light of this information.

Cllr Brown reported on the pavilion project and the need to prepare a brief to enable an architect to draw up initial plans. Following concerns raised at the APM the idea of a multi-use space was discussed which could benefit more residents. A meeting will be arranged with sports clubs to discuss a brief.

**Playground inspection** - A low branch, weeds under swings and slide/long grass under gym equipment and a bolt missing from the four-seater springer. All have been dealt with.

**Planning applications** were discussed and reviewed as follows:

a) New Applications:

Land rear of Little Meadow Farm, Basin Bridge Lane, SG – erection of a timber stable block.

22 Hinckley Road, SG – installation of external wall insulation to front and rear elevations.

Romerden Farm, Upton Lane, SG – agricultural building and extension to farm shop.

New/Withdrawn –

46 Convent Drive, SG – works to two oak trees at rear of property.

b) Permissions granted:

103 Hinckley Road, SG – erection of fencing and gates.

Odd House Farm Cottage, Rogues Lane – erection of 1 wind turbine.

24 Pine Close, SG – extensions and alterations to existing garage to form 2-storey annexe.

c) Refusals:

48 Roseway, SG – proposed dwelling and associated access.

The Parish Council is waiting for Morris Homes to get back with amended plans.

**Parish councillor's areas of responsibility** were agreed:-

Groundsman/cemeteries – Cllr Pegg, Pavilion/Sport in Stoke Golding – Cllr Brown  
Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Beale, Children's play area/ gym equipment – Cllr Terhegge, Planning – Cllr White.

**Neighbourhood Plan** - PC will meet with HBBC on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May to discuss the neighbourhood plan. Bosworth Parish Council has offered to share their experience. The Neighbourhood Planning Forum will meet on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

**Re-surfacing** - re-surfacing work carried out recently is not to standard.

**The Stoke Golding Boy's Charity** – Concerns were raised about the criterion for distribution of income. It was unanimously AGREED that the Deed of Trustee should be amended from boys to young persons from the village. The clerk has already written to the trustees and awaits a reply. Ruth Fisher has resigned as trustee to the Stoke Golding Boy's Charity and Cllr Mitchell was appointed as trustee for a term of four years.

**Correspondence** - Letter from Chief Constable re crime figures. Letter from resident of Whitemoors Close re ball games.

Request for funding for wild flower meadow at Bennett Close – approved.

Letter from the Green Rangers at St Margaret's School .

**Next Meeting: Wednesday 1st July at 7pm**

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**CROSSWORD ANSWERS** (from page 23)

**Across:** 1. Church. 4. Essay. 8. Pike. 9. Dads Army. 10. Arcades. 12. Erase. 13. Scar. 14. Nests. 17. Sadly. 20. Kern. 22. Blowy. 23. Formica. 24. Napoleon. 25. Roam. 26. Jones. 27. Wilson.

**Down:**

1. Captain. 2. Re enact. 3. Hodges. 5. Sisters. 6. Air raid. 7. Tyre. 11. Scarf. 15. Scorpio. 16. Sky blue. 18. Admiral. 19. Yeatman. 21. Now Now. 22. Bank.

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