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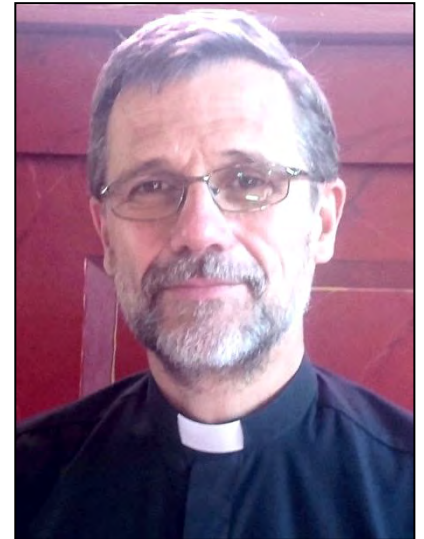
**THE NEWSLETTER AT THE ROOTS OF THE GRAND UNION BENEFICE
OF BLISWORTH AND STOKE BRUERNE/ SHUTLANGER,
WITH GRAFTON REGIS, ALDERTON AND MILTON MALSOR**

Rector's Letter

As I sit down to write my first letter for GRASS, I have just returned from a walk by the canal with Tara (my four-legged friend). It has been a day that had seen a mixture of weather, from bright sunshine to torrential downpours. So, as we set off, we took a risk in assuming that the rain had finished for the day and we were soon rewarded when the sun broke through the clouds, bringing a beautiful blessing to the late afternoon. It serves as an ongoing reminder to me that no matter what life throws at us, if we walk in faith, God's love will always break through into our lives.

It's been an eventful September and a time of new beginnings for everyone. I would like to thank you all for the warm hospitality, which Monique and I have received since moving into the Benefice. From the very first day, we have felt welcomed and at home amongst you.

In particular, on 9 September, many gathered in Stoke Bruerne for my institution service, led by the Bishop of Brixworth and Archdeacon of Northampton, as I was inducted as the new Rector of the Benefice. It was good to see so many new friends alongside numerous others from across the Diocese, all celebrating together this new beginning. I'd like especially to thank everyone who worked hard in making the evening such a success; both Monique and I appreciate all the efforts that were put in behind the scenes. I'd also like to say thank you to the churchwardens and everyone who served the churches tirelessly through the vacancy, helping the benefice to run smoothly. Monique and I look forward to getting to know you all in the months and years ahead. Canon Richard Stainer



Installation and Induction of Canon Rev'd Richard Stainer As Rector of the Grand Union Benefice

On the morning of 9 September, the church and churchyard were buzzing with men and ladies carrying out our early autumn clean in preparation for a very special service in the evening - that of the Institution and Induction of Rev'd Canon Richard Stainer, as Rector of the Grand Union Benefice.

At 7.30 p m the church was filled with congregations from across the Benefice, a good representative of clergy, together with many of Richard's previous congregation and friends from Higham Ferrers and Chelveston. We were also delighted to welcome Richard's wife, Monique, and other members of his family, including his two granddaughters.

Bishop John of Brixworth conducted the service, accompanied by The Venerable Richard Ormston, Archdeacon of Northampton.

Much preparation had taken place between the Benefice churchwardens and they, together with other lay members took part in this special occasion to ensure the procedure ran smoothly.

We all look forward to getting to know Richard and Monique as we welcome them to each one of our churches across the Benefice.

Stoke Bruerne PCC

Streetchurch, 6 October 2019

Sunday 6 October is the last duty of the year for the Benefice Streetchurch team. The team on this occasion will be Linda, Roger, Andrea, Maureen and Carolyn.

Alderton donations may be dropped off to Linda, (01327 811265). Jean Glanville will co-ordinate donations from Grafton Regis, donations for Stoke Bruerne and Shutlanger may be left with Roger (01604 862473) and donations from Blisworth may be left in the church porch before 11.30 a m please.

A big thank you to all who have supported Streetchurch in so many ways this year; it is so much appreciated by all the clients who find Sundays a difficult day, as so many people who are on their own for one reason or another do. The fact that they can meet up in a warm environment, receive good food so generously donated and happily served, especially by our Benefice team,

and talk to counsellors, can be a highlight of the week. Thank you to all who think of Streetchurch when clearing out wardrobes etc and I am happy to receive donations at any time and to take them along. Sadly they cannot take donations of duvets, pillows or such bulky items as storage is so limited. Men's clothes and shoes, waterproof jackets, sweaters and tee shirts are always in short supply. I am at Manor Court, Spring Lane, Alderton (01327 811420) and if I am not in, bags may be left in the corner of the courtyard near the garage door and I will see them when I arrive home again.
My thanks to you all for your continued and generous support.

Doris

Service Schedule for October 2019

Sunday 6th October

9.30 a m: Holy Communion, Milton Malsor
9.30 a m: Morning Worship, Shutlanger
11.00 a m: Morning Worship, Blisworth

Sunday 13 October

9.30 a m: Holy Communion, Stoke Bruerne (Harvest Festival),
9.30 a m: Morning Worship, Milton Malsor
11.00 a m, Holy Communion, Blisworth

Sunday 20 October

8.00 a m: Holy Communion, BCP, Blisworth
9.30 a m: Holy Communion, CW, Milton Malsor
11.00 a m: Holy Communion, Grafton Regis
11.00 a m: Morning Worship, Blisworth

Sunday 27 October

9.30 a m: Morning Worship Milton Malsor
9.30 a m: Holy Communion, Alderton
11.00 a m: Holy Communion, CW, Blisworth

Every Wednesday: 9.30 a m, Morning Prayer, Blisworth and Milton Malsor

Useful Telephone Numbers for the United Benefice of Blisworth and Stoke Bruerne with Grafton Regis, Alderton and Milton Malsor

Rector: Canon Richard Stainer, The Rectory, 37 High Street, Blisworth NN7 3B, tel 01604 857619

Churchwardens of Blisworth: Mrs Fiona McKenzie, tel 01604 859541 and Mrs Angela Cheesebrough, tel 01604 858059.

Churchwardens of Stoke Bruerne: Mrs Christine Frost, tel 01604 862561.

Churchwardens of Grafton Regis: Mrs Jean Glanville, tel 01908 543463 and Lord Charles Fitzroy, tel 01908 542908

Churchwarden of Alderton: Mrs Amanda Selvey, tel 01327 811380.

Churchwardens of Milton Malsor: Mrs Jane Treharne, tel 01604 858323 and Mrs Sue Bell, tel 01327 351043

The Julian Group for Silent Prayer

The Julian Group for Silent Prayer – making space for God. The group meets on the second Monday of the month (14 October) from 5.00 p m to 6.00 pm, usually at 2 Towcester Road, Blisworth. You are welcome to join us to 'taste and see' or on a regular basis. Contact Sue Cutts or Hilary Spurrier for more information.

VILLAGE NEWS

Monday Group

We are a group who have sadly lost someone we loved deeply, and if you also have suffered the same sadness, we would welcome you to join us. We meet in Milton Malsor church on the first Monday of each month from 2.00 p m to 3.30 p m. We have refreshments, chat and an occasional speaker. If you come along you will not find us a miserable group, but a friendly, welcoming group.

Geoffrey Goswell, tel 01604701572.



STOKE BRUERNE

A Busy Week At Stoke Bruerne Church

A lot of preparation and activity went on at Stoke Bruerne Church ahead of the weekend of 7, 8 and 9 of September. The path leading from Church Lane had become extremely untidy and required many hours to remove the grass between the slabs and sweep up the debris from the conifers overhead. The sound system was serviced and the hearing loop reconnected. Our thanks for all of this hard work.

We were pleased the church field and church were once again used by the organisers of the Village at War to park cars and host their fashion show on both days of the festival. It was lovely to see so many people about the village dressed in vintage clothes and enjoying the warmth of the late summer weather.

Our usual service took place on at 9.30 a m on the Sunday morning and we are extremely grateful to Rev'd Heather Wilson for conducting these monthly services during the Interregnum and also to Mrs Helen Halson for kindly taking our monthly service in St. Anne's Chapel, Shutlanger; both were most appreciated.

Jackie Evans

See front page for report on the Installation and Induction of Rev'd Canon Richard Stainer

Victoria Karensa Powell (nee Johnson), RIP



Victoria Karensa Powell (nee Johnson), who was born 11 March 1976, passed away on 22 May 2019 in the loving care of Danetre Hospital after battling with brain cancer.

Victoria was an adoring wife to Jim, devoted mother to her 2 girls, Olivia and Molly, much loved only daughter to Colin and Julie, and fun-loving aunt to all her nieces, nephews and their parents. She will be sorely missed by everyone who knew her, having touched so many lives, and was loved and respected by all. Special thanks go to her mother-in-law, Angela, her best friend, Mandy and all the staff at Danetre Hospital, and everyone who has helped and supported all the family during the last few months. Victoria and her family lived in Orchard Lodge for years and Victoria always had the community and her neighbours at heart, such as volunteering annually to help run the family festival and children's activities. Victoria was a kind, strong and determined person all her life and to the absolute end.

St Mary the Virgin Parish Church

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival service will be held on Sunday 13 October at 9.30 a m. There will be a collection for the Towcester Food Bank on this occasion, which will be passed on to those less fortunate than ourselves.

Decorating the Church for Harvest

In preparation for our Harvest Festival service, we would be very grateful for help with decorating the church on Saturday 12 October between 9.30 a.m and 12.00 noon. Any autumnal foliage and flowers you can offer would be much appreciated. Refreshments will be available during the morning. Many thanks.

Lynne Wild

Delivering GRASS in Stoke Bruerne

Blodwen Gwilt has been delivering GRASS around the lower part of Stoke Bruerne for the last few years and now feels that it is time for her to stop doing this as she needs to spend more time with her husband, David, who has not been well. We are very fortunate that somebody has stepped in to take on this task, and we are thankful for that.

We would like to express our gratitude to Blodwen, who has given up her time to deliver GRASS for so many years and we send her and David our very best wishes.

Defibrillator

Stoke Bruerne Canal Partnership would like to remind villagers of the position of the public access defibrillator (PAD) on the left hand wall of the Canal Museum. In the unfortunate event of it being needed, access is by dialling 999 or 112 (works on a mobile phone anywhere in the world) quoting your location, and the operator will give you the access code. You don't need to be trained to use a defibrillator – anyone can use it. There are clear instructions on how to attach the defibrillator pads. It then assesses the heart rhythm and will only instruct you to deliver a shock if it's needed. You cannot deliver a shock accidentally; the defibrillator will only allow you to shock if it is needed.

Having said that, if there is enough interest, Canal Museum staff are happy to arrange a refresher course for those who would like one. Please let Louise or Steph know on 01604 862229 if you'd like to attend.

Lastly, we would like to thank Trevor Allum, a Friends of The Canal Museum volunteer, who has kindly agreed to undertake regular checks of the defibrillator to make sure its batteries are topped up and the unit is operational.

John Samuells 1934-2019

Lynda and Sam's family would like to thank everyone for their kind messages of support and flowers following Sam's death at home on 30 July. The funeral, which was very well attended - standing room only - was held on the canal side at Stoke Bruerne on 14 August. Donations in memory of Sam for his two nominated charities, Cancer Research and the Royal Lifeboat Institution, are still coming in, but over £1,440 has been raised so far. If anyone would like to make a donation, cheques should be made out to John White F/D donation Samuells and can be sent to John White Funeral Directors, 188/190 Watling Street East, Towcester, Northants, NN12 6DB.

Vintage Sunshine

This year's award winning Village at War weekend in Stoke Bruerne was blessed by dry weather, resulting in elevated visitor numbers, even though it felt that there were less people about. This was due to an expanded event with three, instead of two stages, spread out around the village and not concentrated in the centre. It also benefited from good coverage on BBC Radio Northampton and ITV Anglia News.

As a result, organisers, the Friends of The Canal Museum, are confident of good financial results and hopeful that other not-for-profit groups and charities who took part have done equally well. Full results will be posted on their website <http://www.friendsofcanalmuseum.org.uk/vaw-2019> as soon as they are confirmed.

The Friends wish to thank the church, village hall, school, cricket club, Collingtree & Milton Malsor Scouts, the Northampton branch of the Inland Waterways Association, members of Stoke Bruerne Canal Partnership, the canal museum, businesses, villagers, landowners and individual volunteers without whom this popular, colourful annual event would not be possible. The event relies on an army of helpers to be able to continue and the Friends hope that more of you will consider joining the 2020 Village at War team, raising funds for local good causes. Watch out for announcements in Grass or on the Stoke Bruerne noticeboard Facebook page for details of their first meeting later this year.



Big Draw @ Stoke Bruerne

The Stoke Bruerne Canal Partnership invites all budding artists to join them once again on Wednesday 30 October between 11.00 a.m and 4.00 p.m on the green by The Canal Museum for a FREE art session under the guidance of our resident artist. All materials provided - just bring your imagination and be inspired by what you see around you - no drawing ability needed! This year's theme is 'drawn to life'. The event will be under cover and suitable for all ages. More information from the museum, tel 01604-86229. Sponsored by Stoke Bruerne Boat Company, Inland Waterways Association Northampton Branch and South Northamptonshire Council.



GRAFTON REGIS

Big Curry Lunch

The first lunch of the season was a Big Curry lunch in aid of ABF, the Soldiers' Charity. The charity was founded in 1944 and is the national charity of the British Army.

A raffle was held, with Joy Wilson managing to raise £78 from our lunch group - thank you to you all. A further £22 will be added to the sum so that we can send a total of £100 to the charity.

Our lovely landlord, Alan, of the White Hart, donated a lamb balti and puddings towards the event. The other dishes were cooked by our team of Kathy Colgrove, Kathy Harry, Doris Knights, Linda Dards and me.



Historic Events

Our last '1,000 years in 100 minutes' event of the year was held on Saturday 14 September with a Medieval murder mystery dinner the previous evening - all in all a very busy few days of cooking and baking. The costumes are all put away for a few months when they will be checked over, repaired if necessary or taken apart and a new costume created.

We are always looking for material suitable for period costumes - old jewellery we can take apart and create new pieces, wigs, bits of lace etc. If you have anything you would like to donate please contact me on 07528 607389. Jean



BLISWORTH

Coffee Morning

Does anyone have the number of a plumber? When was the sugar shortage – and why did it happen? What is the difference between jam and jelly? Why is “orange jam” called ‘marmalade’? What happens to gluten in your gut?

All these and much more interesting conversations at the monthly coffee & cake sale at Pat & Mason’s house, 7 Pond Bank Blisworth.

A warm welcome to everyone on Friday 25 October from 10.00 a m until 12.00 noon.

Art Trail 2019

The annual South Northants Art Trail will again have the Blisworth Art Group exhibiting in St John’s Church, Blisworth from 5 to 13 October 2019. Opening times will be from 11.00 a m until 5.00 p m from Monday to Saturday, and 12.30 p m until 5.00 p m on Sunday.

More information will be available when formal brochures are printed, which will include details of the various demonstrations and children’s workshops as part of the exhibition.

For further details contact Maureen Smith on 01604 859361, email at smithmaureenp@hotmail.co.uk.



ALDERTON

Church Cleaning Rota

October

Val Kleine & Joy Wilson

Churchyard Rota

1-14 October

Hempenstall family

15-29 October

Selvey family

Thereafter – leaves

Martyn and anybody who would like to help

Alderton Art Festival 2019

Despite a sometimes cold, blustery and showery weekend, we had another fantastic festival. Thanks to cash donations, as well as donations of cakes and 2 barrels of real ale, from 3 local companies at Pury Hill Business Park, our total refreshment profits were a record at £2,159. The white elephant stall (aka Alderton Antiques) and book stall generated an astonishing £887 from people’s throwaways. Income from the sales of paintings came in at a very respectable £1,672, and was our 3rd highest painting income over the last 15 years. Thanks to some magnificent prize donations (and one towards costs) from companies at the Business Park (plus some slick selling techniques from Kesh), our grand prize draw turned in another record of £920. Total income from stalls and advertisers etc brought the gross profit to £5,922 which, despite the weather, was only 2% down on last year.

However this year, the committee decided beforehand to invest £2,300 into the future of the festival with much needed new marquees, foldable chairs, tables, and a new barbecue. We are grateful to South Northamptonshire Council for a £700 capital grant towards these costs. So we finally made £4,322 for the upkeep and development of St Margaret’s Church. Not bad for a tiny village of 100 souls of which 40% turn out to help. Thank you villagers and others for your dedicated help. Thank you also to our growing number of local sponsors, namely Brand Ambassadors, Hagerty International, KRW Accountants, Michael Graham, Neill Taylor at Pury Hill Business Park, South Northants Council, Towcester Mill Brewery, Whittlebury Hall, Village Framers and last, but by no means least, Zija International. Charlie Reece

Alderton PCC would like to say a massive thank you to all those involved in the art festival this year – there were some new faces and others stepped in to fill gaps for those who couldn’t be there this year. There was a wonderful atmosphere and I would like to say a personal thanks to all those people who firstly put the tents up, emptied the nissen hut, set the stalls up and, at the end of the weekend, rallied round to help clear up – many hands really did make light work.



Air Ambulance came on Monday and collected the residue from the white elephant stall, and by lunchtime, the churchyard was virtually back to normal and some of the team enjoyed a final, well deserved, glass of beer – the last from the barrel. LD



MILTON MALSOR

Milton & Collingtree WI News

Thursday 10 October is our annual meeting when we review our year and share plans for the next, followed by social time. The speaker for our meeting Thursday 14 November is yet to be decided, as our booked speaker is unable to come. We welcome visitors and charge £4, which includes refreshments and a raffle ticket.

Church News Round-Up

After many months of waiting, Holy Cross Church has a new south aisle roof. The builders have done a remarkably good job so that the roof is no longer made of lead but terne-coated stainless steel. Whilst scaffolds were up we replaced the plastic downpipes with new cast-iron ones. Recent visitors to the church, especially the group who came for the Northamptonshire Churches’ Day, have remarked on the way the building is being improved and cared-for. The Churches’ Day coincided with the annual ride & stride, which raised some £115 for the Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust, and the day itself raised a further £500 for the church and the Trust. Thanks to Bob & Lesley for organising the ride & stride and Malcolm for the Churches’ Day.

The monthly coffee mornings have continued throughout the summer and the next one on Saturday 5 October from 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon will be specially devoted to supporting the McMillan Cancer Appeal. Plants are needed for the plant stall and also alpaca wool will be on sale. The November coffee morning is on 1 November.

The December coffee morning on 7 December will be hosting a display of our favourite carols. All groups and individuals who would like to present a display of the first verse of their favourite carol are invited to take part.

Milton Malsor Brownies

The Brownies group has spaces for girls aged 7 to 10 to join us. We meet on Monday evenings (during school term time) from 6.00 p m to 7.30 p m in the village hall. For a taster session or more information please contact Chris Ladd (Brown Owl) on 01604.707910 christine.ladd@btinternet.com or go to www.girlguiding.org.uk (select Brownies and register your daughter).

Milton Malsor Film Club

This is held on the first Friday of the month at the village hall at 7.30 p m. £5 admission and films are as follows:

4 October: Bohemian Rhapsody, 1 November: Children Act, 6 December: Yesterday.

Mums and Tots

This takes place every Friday morning through term time at Milton Malsor Village Hall from 9.30 a m until 11.30 a m. All mums and tots welcome.

GENERAL NEWS

Notes from a Local Farmer

Well, readers, the time keeps marching on. Harvest is over with largely good weather and even better now we are finished. Harvest was, on the whole, very good (no famine this year) and prices have receded partly due to Brexit, as has the price of lamb.

We have had very little rain in September and while I am writing this on 18 September, it is drier now than the rest of the year, with grass disappearing fast. We have drilled 80 acres of stubble turnips after spring barley, which, strangely enough, looks very well. These will be grazed by the breeding sheep through the winter. The rams are ready to put with the sheep this next week; we are putting one ram with fifty ewes, with a blue marker on the ram, to show they had the chance to become pregnant. Two weeks later we change the block to red. They all look very well flashed this year compared to last year.

Cultivations for winter crops are well advanced but we will wait for rain before we drill.

We have sold a lot of straw again this year, to go to Wales for livestock feeding as there is very little arable cropping in Wales.

We have just spread 500 tons of recycled plasterboard on our heaviest fields; hopefully this will mix in with the soil to make it more workable in the future. So there is plenty going on. Talk to you again soon.

Robert Davy

News from The Old Mail

For events and happenings in the nearby villages: Cosgrove, Potterspurty and Yardley Gobion, see the newsletter, The Old Mail, is available online at various websites: www.cosgrovevillage.co.uk; www.potterspurty.org.uk; www.yardleygobionpc.wordpress.com

Theatre Group

Please see: <http://paulerspuryparish.org.uk/local-groups/theatre-group/> then click the link new shows. Contact Sue, via the web site or phone, 811 596 to reserve seats.

Paulerspury Picturedrome

The grand reopening will be on Friday 8 November at the village hall at 8.00 pm. The film that has been booked is "Stan and Ollie", a biopic of Laurel and Hardy in their later years, Funny at some times, a bit sad at others, but wonderful impersonations of this unique duo.. Do come, £5 each at the door as usual.

Derek Batten

Fitness Classes in Paulerspury Village Hall

No classes school half term: week commencing 28 October 2019

Monday pilates classes: 10.45 – 11.45, 11.55 – 12.55, 18.00 – 19.00 & 19.00 – 20.00.

Wednesday pilates classes: 10.45 – 11.45

Contact: Contact Elizabeth, tel 07547 618987 for more information.

Tuesday yoga classes: 10.00 – 11.30 (sorry currently no vacancies)

Saturday morning yoga session: 2 November 10.00 – 12.30 in the village hall. £10 - profit to be donated to the village hall funds.

Contact Sue 01327 811 596 or fitnessgroup@paulerspuryparish.org.uk



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Email for Towcester: SCT-SouthNorthantsTowcester@northants.pnn.police.uk

Your local officers are as follows:

Alderton: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

Stoke Bruerne: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

Shutlanger: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

For more local SCT information, visit the local policing pages www.northants.police.uk.

Grafton Regis: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

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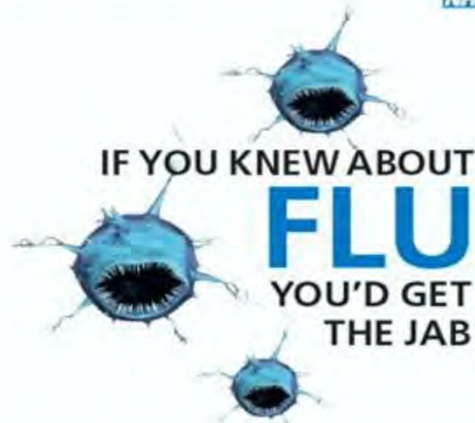


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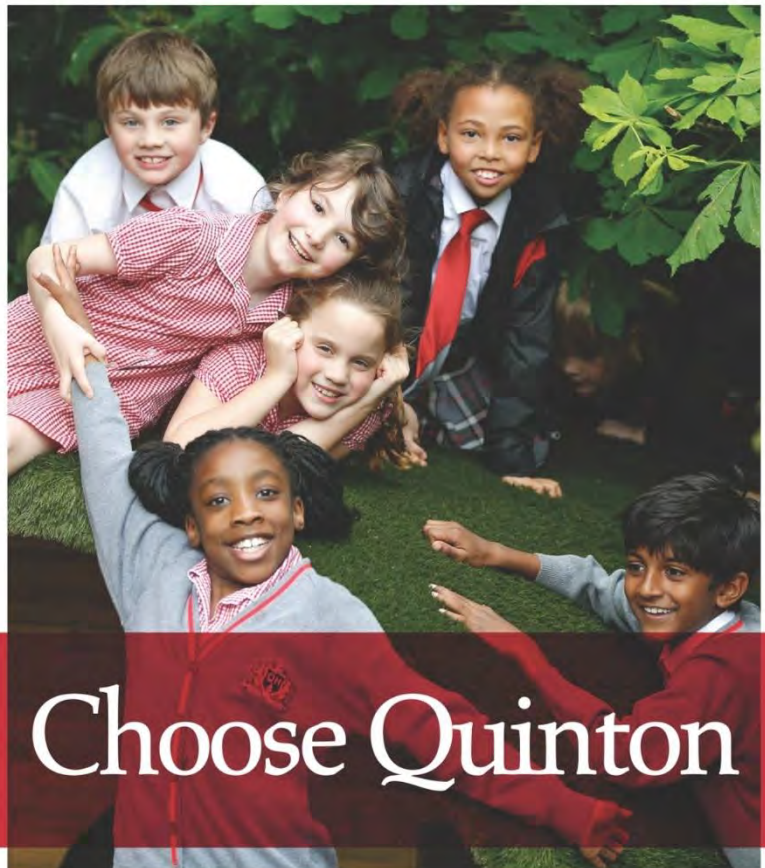
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All groups and organisations within the community are warmly invited to include events here.

<u>October</u>	4	Milton film club, Bohemian Rhapsody, 7.30 p m, village hall
	5-13	SNA ART trail
	5	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor in aid of MacMillan, 10.00 a m – 12.00 noon
	6	Streetchurch team on duty
	9	Shutlanger & Stoke Bruerne Flower Club, 7.30pm Roade Village Hall
	10	Blisworth WI, 7.30 p m, village hall – AGM
	10	Milton and Colingtree WI annual meeting,
	17	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
	17	Towcester Heartbeats meeting – let's get moving, 7.00 p m – 8.00 p m
	25	Coffee and cakes at 7 Pond Bank – homemade jams & bring and buy, 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon
	29	Book Club, the Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	30	Big draw event, Stoke Bruerne
<u>November</u>	1	Milton film club, Children Act, 7.30 p m, village hall
	2	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
	8	Paulerspury Picturedrome – Stan and Ollie, 8.00 p m
	9	Coffee morning – St Mary's Church, Stoke Bruerne, 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon
	12	Stoke Bruerne Parish Council meeting, 7.30 p m
	13	Shutlanger & Stoke Bruerne Flower Club, 7.30pm Roade Village Hall
	14	Blisworth WI, 7.30 p m, village hall – passionate about pasta
	14	Milton and Colingtree WI meeting
	16/17	Canal museum event - Floating market
	21	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
	23	Christmas coffee morning and bazaar, Blisworth, to be confirmed.
	26	Book Club, the Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	29	Coffee and cakes at 7 Pond Bank – homemade jams & bring and buy, 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon
<u>December</u>	6	Milton film club, Yesterday, 7.30 p m, village hall
	7	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
	12	Blisworth WI, 7.30 p m, village hall – Christmas party
	17	Stoke Bruerne Parish Council meeting, 7.30 p m
	19	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
<u>January</u>	16	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
<u>February</u>	20	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
<u>March</u>	19	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
<u>April</u>	16	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall

Community choir: Come along and join the community choir who are meeting every Thursday night from 7.30 p m till 9.00 p m in Blisworth church. All are welcome to swell the ranks, and subscriptions are only £2 per person.

SNIPPETS:

A new broom sweeps clean but an old broom knows the corners.

The world is full of good people; if you can't find one, be one.

Yesterday is not ours to recover, but tomorrow is ours to win or lose.

For every minute you are angry you lose sixty seconds of happiness."

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