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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



Ordination

Every year during Peter Tide (a few weeks before or after 29 June), in all the Anglican dioceses, those ordained to the diaconate the previous year are ordained to the Priesthood. This year, on 14 July in Peterborough Cathedral, our curate, Rev'd Graham Brack, will be ordained to the Priesthood; I'm sure you'll join me in keeping him in your prayers on the day. Graham has been working/ministering in the benefice for the last 12 months. He has brought a new depth and richness to the life of the churches here; he will continue to minister within the six villages over the next 24 months. His first Eucharist is a special occasion in the life of a priest and Graham's is on 17 July in Saint Mary's Church Stoke Bruerne at 7.00 p m. You are all warmly invited to join us in supporting Graham.

Children's Summer Club

During the summer holidays, we will hold three holiday club days across the benefice for children to come along and have fun. This is open to all. If you would like to know more, please don't hesitate to contact either Graham or me. The dates are: Blisworth: 6 August, Milton Malsor: 7 August, Stoke Bruerne: 8 August from 9.30 a m until 12.30 p m.

Fathers' Day.

On 16 June, we gathered in the churchyard at Saint Margaret's Alderton at 8.00 a m for our annual Fathers' Day celebration, followed by a magnificent breakfast; a big thank you to the extraordinary ladies who prepared this. It was good to see so many of you come and support this annual gathering; I highly recommend you join us next year for a great start to this beautiful day. We briefly considered our fathers, the example they set for us, and what they mean to us individually. Then we reflected on our Heavenly Father using the story of the prodigal son from St Luke's Gospel, who stands patiently looking out for each of us. When we wander off, He's continually waiting for our return, and when we do, He greets us and celebrates, never asking where we've been but rejoices that we have returned home into His presence here on earth.

Stoke Bruerne Church of England School.

Another big celebration that has gone on in the benefice was when Bishop John came to Stoke Bruerne Church of England Primary School to present them with a special award for being an outstanding school. This is all down to the head, Eliza Hollis and her fantastic team, who all work very hard to ensure our children receive an excellent education. Every time I visit the school, I get a warm welcome from the staff and students. Their knowledge of the Christian faith is awe-inspiring, on this occasion, a group of older children led the worship. A big thank you to all those who work in this outstanding school to achieve this award. Blessings, Richard



Service Schedule for July 2024

Sunday 7 July, Trinity 6

9.30 a m: Family Eucharist, Milton Malsor

11.00 a m: Family Eucharist, Blisworth

Sunday 14 July, Trinity 7

9.30 a m: Family Eucharist, Stoke Bruerne

11.00 a m: Family Eucharist, Blisworth

Wednesday 17 July

7.00 p m: Graham Brack's First Eucharist service, Stoke Bruerne

Thursday 18 July

9.30 a m: Morning prayer, Shutlanger

Sunday 21 July, Trinity 8

9.30 a m: Family Eucharist, Milton Malsor

11.00 a m: Family service, Blisworth

3.00 p m: Patronal service, St Margaret, Alderton

Sunday 28 July, Trinity 9

9.30 a m: Family service, Milton Malsor

9.30 a m: Family service, Stoke Bruerne

11.00 a m: Family Eucharist, Blisworth

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

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Churchwardens of Grafton Regis: Mrs Jean Glanville, tel 01908 543463 and Mr Nieldre Laubscher, tel 01908 542979.

Churchwardens of Alderton: Mrs Margaret Hall-Townley, tel 01327 811307 and Mrs Linda Dards, tel 01327 811265.

Churchwarden of Milton Malsor: Mrs Gill Franklin, tel 01604 706545.

VILLAGE NEWS



STOKE BRUERNE

St Mary the Virgin Church

Coffee Morning

It was a glorious morning on 25 May when we held our last, and most successful, coffee morning at church. The warm weather allowed the plant stall to be set up outside and it attracted a great deal of interest for visitors and passers-by. We were given a wonderful array of plants and we are very grateful to all those people who kindly donated them. We were spoilt for choice! A special thanks must go to Liz Hargreaves, Alison Grace and Betty and Terry Robinson who worked hard organising the plant stall before, during and after the event. We mustn't forget Deborah Mbofana, who single handedly provided our drinks, and Janice Bullwright, who helped me on the cake stall. Thanks to everyone involved, we raised £630 for church funds.

Our next coffee morning will be on Saturday 17 August between 10.00 a m and 12.00 noon; on this occasion we will be holding a raffle. Lynne Wild



SHUTLANGER

Shutlanger Parish Council

Since the annual village meeting, the Council has seen the long-awaited installation, by Highways, of three 'Unsuitable for HGVs' signs to prevent articulated lorries trying to use the High Street and Bakers Lane in the village. The next Council meeting is on Thursday 11 July at 7.30 p m, members of the public are welcome to attend.



Shutlanger Village Hall

Website: www.shutlangervillagehall.org.uk, phone number: 01327640547, Twitter: @ShutlangerVHall
Facebook: Shutlanger Village Hall, Instagram: shutlangervillagehall, What3words: confetti.freely.exacts

Coffee Morning

Our monthly coffee, cake and chat morning was on Thursday 20 June 10.00 a m until 12.00 noon. The coffee morning was preceded by a short prayer service which started at 9.30 a m. The next coffee morning will be on Thursday 18 July there will be bacon rolls and homemade cake too.

We have free wi-fi and contactless payments. Our coffee mornings are always on the third Thursday of the month, put a note in your diary so you don't miss it. A very warm welcome awaits you.

Tote Draw

The latest draw was, as always, during the coffee morning. We gave out two prizes of over £100. Congratulations to all the winners. The tote has raised over £5,500 towards keeping our hall as a centre for our community and we have given out the same amount in prizes. Thank you for your continued support; it is making a real difference.

It's easy to join the tote, it costs just £5 a month; half the money goes to help the village hall and the other half to two lucky prize winners. The odds are much better than the national lottery! There are application forms in the hall, you can call 01327 640547 or email secretary@shutlangervillagehall.org.uk any of these make it easy for you to join our ever-growing band of supporters.



Events

Open Gardens

Sunday 9 June was the annual village open gardens, starting at the village hall for maps and to buy plants and refreshments. Nearly 60 people walked around 10 gardens in the village. The best thing you could say about the weather was 'it didn't rain'. It was certainly cold and windy. The plants, bacon rolls and cakes did a brisk trade and the event raised nearly £700 towards the upkeep of the hall. Thanks to all those who came along, the villagers who opened their gardens and to the Parish Council for their support.



Dog Show

We will be holding another dog show on Sunday 8 September. More details to follow.

The Angels' Share

The band are set to perform for us again on 20 September; put the date in your diary as tickets will sell fast.

Plant and Crop Swap

The plant and crop swap is in the hall gardens. Either bring some surplus plants from your garden and take home something new or pick up a plant you like the look of and leave a donation in the post box at the hall. All the proceeds from the plant swap go towards buying new plants for our lovely hall garden.



Fundraising

As ever we continue to raise funds to renovate the excellent facilities within our most important community asset.

Remember you can help by: joining the tote, coming to the coffee mornings, donating plants, recycling your old ink cartridges in the hall, joining Easyfundraising where you can easily make donations.

Your help matters to us. EVERY penny counts! Thank you. Barbara Stanbridge, Secretary Shutlanger Village Hall Management Committee



GRAFTON REGIS

Church Bazaar 18 May

It was a busy afternoon with a collection of classic cars, heritage transport vehicles and a pony and trap standing by to take people off for trot around the village, all situated in the corner field after Tony kindly moved the sheep out.



In the church we had a wonderful display of paintings by our resident village artist, Nieldre, a medieval tile stand with an introduction to

medieval tiles and the potteries producing tiles in our local area run by Judy, who is becoming a bit of an expert after all her visits to ARC at Chester Farm.

And, as always, tea and cakes. What a wonderful display of cakes, our village bakers did an amazing job. After two hours we had raised £650, one of our best fund-raising events.



Evening Service

On Sunday 2 June we had one of our new style church services; this was an evening service celebrating our Patron Saint, St. Mary the Virgin. Bishop John of Brixworth came along to deliver the sermon and a new choir had been formed to sing the responses. I believe they spent several weeks practising for the event, thank you for all your hard work. Jean

Grafton Regis: 1,000 Years in 100 Minutes

The sun shone on Saturday 13 May for the first Grafton historical walk of the year. We were also lucky enough to have a capacity audience to watch and hear of the exploits of the Woodville family, Richard III, Henry VIII and his wives, Elizabeth I, Lady Crane, and Vice-Admiral FitzRoy. From a later era, Isabella Sams, amateur artist, and Ada Brafield, schoolmistress, also told their stories. This year there has been unprecedented interest in the walks, with the result that the 22 June and 21 September walks are already fully booked. The dates for 2025 will be arranged soon, and details will appear on the village website at www.grafton-regis.co.uk.



Garden Shed Break in at St. Mary's

On the evening of Thursday 20 June, or early Friday morning, the garden shed was broken into and two mowers and a strimmer stolen. They were several years old and not expensive models so will bring little reward to the thieves. This is a busy time in the churchyard with lots of luxuriant growth and this would have been obvious to the thieves when they did their reconnaissance, particularly with all the piles of growth that had been already cut down.

That people are so selfish and have no regard for the impact on other people's lives by their thieving life style leaves you wondering what if any values people have today. We are scanning the CCTV footage and believe the incident happened around 12.35 a.m. when the motion sensitive light on the porch front went on. Jean



BLISWORTH

Short Mat Bowls Club

The Blisworth short mat bowls club meets every Monday and Wednesday afternoon at 1.45 p m until 4.00 p m every week.

Derek & Shirley Bull

Derek and Shirley Bull were married in 1983, following which they contributed significantly to Blisworth's village life for decades. Sadly, Shirley died on 24 November 2023 aged 88, and Derek died on 29 April 2024 aged 96.

Derek was the village family doctor from 1955 until he retired in 1992. He was kind, compassionate, courteous and highly committed; He was empathic and placed the needs of his patients first - a true gentleman.

Shirley was kind, courteous, sociable, and elegant. They were a devoted couple, complementing each other throughout their lives together.

Derek was an excellent doctor, highly respected for his skill in diagnosing what was wrong with patients. Shirley, more importantly, was an excellent cook, specialising in mince pies at Christmas and lemon drizzle cakes, both of which were often available at the regular coffee mornings at Candlebridge, Little Lane. These were held to raise money for St. John the Baptist church. Over the years, many thousands of pounds were raised, and quite a few put on around waists!

They both enjoyed chatting and mixing with people. Who hasn't spent time in their company, just chatting and enjoying Derek's tales and skilful amusing storytelling? They were longstanding friends to my wife Joan and me and they will be sadly missed by us and all who knew them.

Dr Tony Hillier



Blisworth Heritage Society held a meeting on Friday 14 June when Maureen and John Smith showed two DVDs of Dr Bull, one where he took us around the old surgery buildings in Station Road in 2004, and one where he did a presentation called “40 Years On” in 2006 in the village hall about his time in practice in Blisworth. He also talked us through his work experience prior to coming to Northampton, as interesting and humorous as ever.

Scarecrow Festival

The weekend of 27 May saw the first ever Scarecrow Festival in Blisworth. Visitor numbers were around 3,000 people who came to walk around the village seeing the scarecrows which had been built by local residents.

The Royal Oak pub also had a very interesting presentation which included a real-life scarecrow who moved to offer sweets to the children who were brave enough to go near him.

St John’s Church was also open to visitors, who saw the scarecrows and then took time to look around the building while enjoying coffee/tea and cakes; donations were given to swell the church coffers.

We even had a scarecrow vicar in the pulpit, (the template for which I can hardly imagine), a couple of scarecrows being married, a visitor in the churchyard, a new policeman and the Grinch.



ALDERTON

Church Cleaning Rota
Churchyard Rota

July Jackie G & Carol
July Anthony Barry (first half) Lee (second half)
Service: 21 July

Fathers’ Day Breakfast

About 30 people gathered together in the churchyard to celebrate Fathers’ Day on 16 June at 8.00 a.m. A cup of tea or coffee was handed out and then Richard stood up and talked to us about fathers and prayers were said. We also wished Will Hempenstall a happy 18th birthday; it was very brave of Will to come to breakfast actually on his birthday but he was a very good sport and accepted the specially chosen card and cake in good humour.

A full English breakfast was served after Richard’s talk and everybody seemed to be enjoying themselves. Donations were asked for and a total of £237 has been put into the servery/toilet account; many thanks to those three households who gave us a donation afterwards, even though some of them were unable to attend the breakfast. Thanks to everyone who came along but especially to the people who individually cooked and prepared the meal (a great team!) and to Richard for allowing us to celebrate in a non-traditional way. It’s just lovely to see so many villagers and visitors enjoying our beautiful church and churchyard; we need attendance at events like this to keep our church alive. Margaret, Linda, Doris, Maureen, Brian and Anna



A Special Service for our Patron Saint, St Margaret of Antioch

We will be celebrating St. Margaret of Antioch, our Patron Saint, whose special day is 21 July, with a service at 3.00 p m in St Margaret’s Church, Alderton.

St. Margaret was the patron saint of childbirth and children and she was especially revered during the medieval period when childbirth was a life-or-death experience (as it still is, but not so much now, thankfully) and many young women and their babies didn’t survive. St. Margaret, fighting off the Devil in the form of a dragon by jamming her cross in the dragon’s mouth and escaping with her life was an image of hope for many.

In the past we have asked villagers who have been connected with children and nursing to speak to us; also villagers’ individual experiences during the Pandemic was a feature of one service and this revealing some very moving and surprising revelations. Without exception, the short talks have been very much appreciated. We have also asked people who have sympathy and connections with animals to talk to us; villagers who keep animals, use them but appreciate and love them as well. Again, this revealed warmth, humour and music, resulting in a beautiful service. All of these personal reflections have made the St. Margaret’s service a really special and individual experience. This year, as we are very dependent on our businessmen and women to help lift our country out of the doldrums and to enable the prosperity and good health that is needed to build a safe and positive society, we will be asking villagers who are connected to business to come and give us a short, individual insight into their experiences.

The service will be at 3.00 p m on Sunday 21 July in St. Margaret’s Church at Alderton. We always celebrate after this service with a glass of bubbles and some delicious nibbles, and this year will be no exception. Please come and join us for this lovely and very individual occasion followed by a warm and welcoming celebration. We would love to see you there.

Linda & Margaret

Garden Party at Pear Tree Cottage

Lulu and Richard Pelly will be hosting a garden party at Pear Tree Cottage, Spring Lane, Alderton from 3.00 p m until 5.00 p m on Saturday 13 July in aid of the toilet/servery project in St Margaret’s Church. Everyone is welcome – you do not have to live in Alderton to attend! If you are planning to come along, it would be helpful if you could let Lulu Pelly or Linda Dards know so we know how many yummy cakes to produce – by text message or email, 07723 604316/ lulupelly@yahoo.com 07932 693726/ 01327 811265/ linda@dards.net

Sale for the Knight

After a much-needed break, we will be holding another of our sales for the knight on Saturday 27 July from 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon in Alderton church. Lots of lovely things to buy will be available as well as cake, biscuits and preserves and a warm welcome. A cup of coffee or tea is offered free of charge; these events have become a bit of a social occasion, with people staying for a chat, which is absolutely wonderful.

Ride and Stride

The Ride and Stride event will take place on 7 September; the idea is to walk, cycle, or ride between some of our lovely Northamptonshire churches and be sponsored for doing so. The churches visited will generally have a drink and a cake or biscuit available for you and it gives you a chance to look around different churches. Half the money raised goes to Northamptonshire Historic Churches Trust and the other half to our church here in Alderton.

Steve Hempenstall is in charge of this event; if you would like to participate, please contact him and he will be able to supply you with sponsor forms. It's a lovely thing to do, especially if a group of you go. Our church will be open for the day to welcome visitors; if you feel like doing a stint of being in the church on this day, it would be much appreciated – let Margaret or Linda know.

Dog Fouling in the Village Field

Attention has been brought to the fact that someone is covering up their dog's 'business' with long grass in the field, and then just leaving it lying there; this is a very unsavoury practice both for any children who might come across it and also for the person who cuts the grass and could be covered in it. Please clear up after your dog and dispose of it respectfully!



MILTON MALSOR

Short Mat Bowls Club

The Milton Malsor Short Mat Bowls Club meets every Tuesday from 2.00 p m until 4.00 p m every week.

Holy Cross Church

How grateful we are to see friends of Holy Cross Church enjoying our monthly coffee mornings held on the first Saturday of the month. Without these, we would not be able to make ends meet with our costs. The plant sales in May and June also helped us out. So come and join us between 10.00 a m and 12.00 noon; meet fellow villagers and make new friends. There is also Messy Church for the children to attend. You do not need to stay the full two hours.

Grass Cutting

We have had complaints about the grass cutting; Fletch just found it all too much with his illness. We are most grateful for the many years he undertook this work and wish him well for the future. The people we employ now are doing the job at a price we can afford to pay, which is much less than the other quotes we were given. So if you would like to volunteer to undertake jobs around the church grounds within reason, we would love to talk with you.

Church Services

We do not have dates for the church services later in the year at the moment, but Harvest will be in September. Graham has said he will lead a pet service on the Green after school on 27 September - bring your pets, large or small, warm or cold (fish), furry or slimy snakes for a blessing on this day.

Past Events

Our Proms and Prosecco and Open Gardens will have happened by the time you read this and we hope you enjoyed these events as this is a way of meeting folk and raising awareness of our beautiful church and village.

Forthcoming Events

Coming up on 13 August in the church from 2.00 p m to 5.00 p m., we invite you to afternoon tea with homemade cakes and an exhibition of work from the Art Group. There is no charge but a donation would be good if you wish to do so.

In September, we have a wonderful exhibition of crafts from villagers and people further afield. If you wish to exhibit some of your work, for further information, call Gill on 01604706545. There will also be on show a model of the International Space Station (ISS). The creator will also be available to ask questions. There will also be a competition for the under 11s of their photos taken around Milton village, or their pet - no people. These will eventually be used on the leaflet that comes to your house from the church. So, get clicking and bring them along; if you have any questions ask Gill.

Lastly but not least, we will have been to Peterborough to support our Curate, Graham, and he will have been ordained and will be known as Reverend Graham Brack. We wish him well in his future works with us, the school & fellow parishioners.

GENERAL NEWS

Notes from a Local Farmer

Dear Readers

Well, the year is progressing but so far there has been no heatwave but plenty of rain. The grass keeps growing, which for sheep is ideal. We have just sold our first draw of lambs; these were born in February and were all singles. They enjoy all the milk so grow quickly. We sheared all the mothers on 28 May, producing 14 large bags of wool - it costs around £1.75 to shear per head - all done with New Zealand labour. But cost and return are finely balanced. Crops are benefiting from the moisture with the maize growing well. At the moment, we are laying concrete fencing and spraying an abundance of thistles so there is always plenty to do. Speak to you again next month.

Robert Davy.

News from The Old Mail

For events and happenings in the nearby villages: Cosgrove, Potterspury and Yardley Gobion, see the newsletter, The Old Mail, is available online at various websites: www.cosgrovevillage.co.uk; www.potterspury.co.uk; www.yardleygobionparishcouncil.gov.uk

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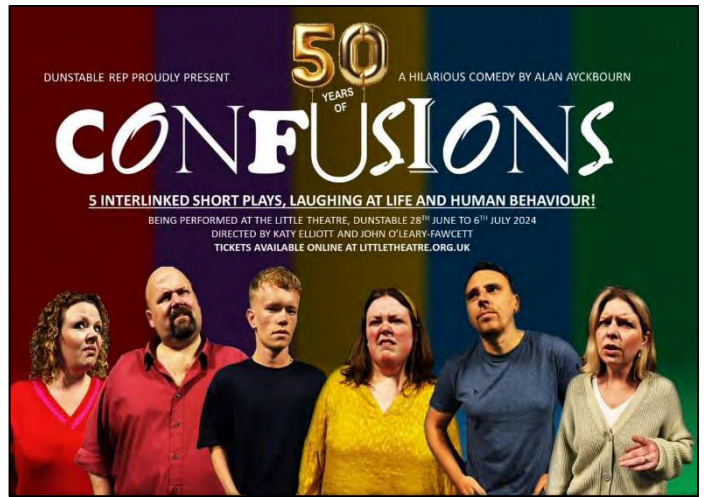
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United Benefice Calendar for 2024

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

July

- 1 Monday Club meeting at Bronte House, Tiffield
- 6 Coffee morning and Messy Church, Milton Malsor, 10.00 a m
- 11 Blisworth WI meeting, I'm a Poet but not as you know it, 7.30 p m, Blisworth village hall
- 11 Shutlanger Parish Council meeting, 7.30 p m
- 12 Farmers' market, Towcester
- 13 Garden party, Pear Tree Cottage, Alderton, 3.00 p m to 5.00 p m
- 16 Parish Council meeting, Stoke Bruerne village hall, 7.30 p m
- 18 Shutlanger coffee morning, 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon
- 20 Hunsbury & Blisworth Community Choir concert, St John the Baptist Church, Blisworth, 7.00 p m
- 26 Blisworth coffee and cakes, 7 Pond Bank, 10.00 a m to 12. 00 noon
- 27 Sale for the knight, Alderton church, 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon
- 27 Stoke Bruerne churchyard working party, 9.30 a m to 12. 00 noon

August

- 3 Coffee morning and Messy Church, Milton Malsor, 10.00 a m
- 8 Blisworth WI meeting, outing
- 10 Stoke Bruerne churchyard working party, 9.30 a m to 12. 00 noon
- 13 Afternoon tea and exhibition of art, Milton Malsor, 2.00 p m to 5.00 p m
- 17 Stoke Bruerne coffee morning – raffle, 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon
- 20 Parish Council meeting, Stoke Bruerne village hall, 7.30 p m
- 30 Blisworth coffee and cakes, 7 Pond Bank, 10.00 a m to 12. 00 noon
- 31 Alderton Art Festival

September

- 1 Alderton Art Festival
- 7 Ride and Stride day
- 7 Coffee morning and Messy Church, Milton Malsor, 10.00 a m
- 8 Dog show, Shutlanger
- 11 Beat Bus, Royal Oak car park, Blisworth, 3.00 p m
- 11 Shutlanger and Stoke Bruerne Flower Club, Roade village hall, 7.30 p m
- 12 Blisworth WI meeting, 'Our Fifth Sense', 7.30 p m, Blisworth village hall
- 14 Stoke Bruerne churchyard working party, 9.30 a m to 12. 00 noon
- 14/15 Exhibition of craft work, Milton Malsor
- 17 Parish Council meeting, Stoke Bruerne village hall, 7.30 p m
- 20 The Angels' Share performance, Shutlanger
- 21 Grafton Regis, 1,000 Years in 100 Minutes, 2.30 p m
- 27 Blisworth coffee and cakes, 7 Pond Bank, 10.00 a m to 12. 00 noon
- 27 Pet service, Milton Malsor

October

- 5 Coffee morning and Messy Church, Milton Malsor, 10.00 a m
- 10 Blisworth WI meeting, Mata Hari – a spy or a scapegoat, 7.30 p m, Blisworth village hall
- 15 Parish Council meeting, Stoke Bruerne village hall, 7.30 p m
- 19 Stoke Bruerne churchyard working party, 9.30 a m to 12. 00 noon
- 25 Blisworth coffee and cakes, 7 Pond Bank, 10.00 a m to 12. 00 noon
- 26 Hallowe'en trail, Shutlanger

November

- 2 Coffee morning and Messy Church, Milton Malsor, 10.00 a m
- 9 Stoke Bruerne coffee morning – bacon butties
- 13 Shutlanger and Stoke Bruerne Flower Club, Roade village hall, 7.30 p m
- 14 Blisworth WI meeting, Northampton theatres, 7.30 p m, Blisworth village hall
- 16 Bingo evening, Shutlanger
- 19 Parish Council meeting, Stoke Bruerne village hall, 7.30 p m
- 29 Wreath workshop, Shutlanger

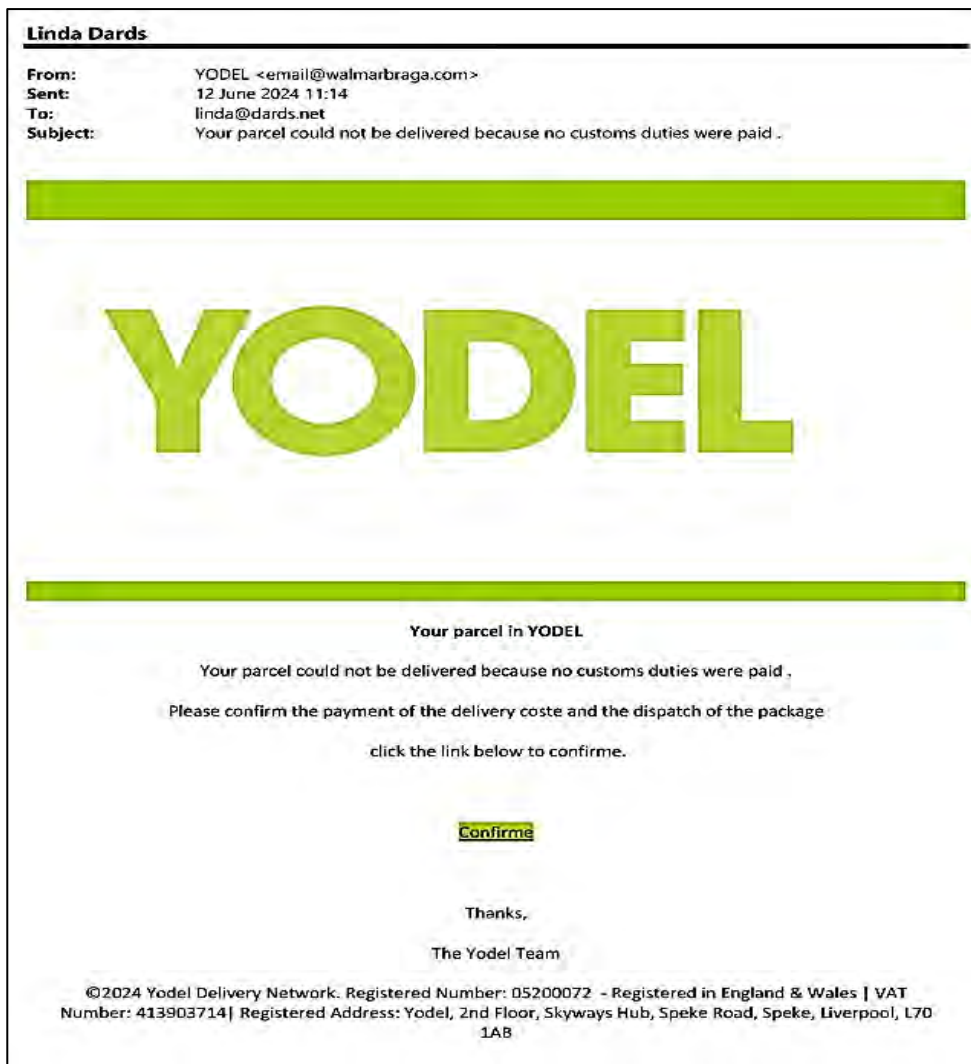
December

- 4 Beat Bus, Royal Oak car park, Blisworth, 3.00 p m
- 7 Coffee morning and Messy Church, Milton Malsor, 10.00 a m

- 12 Blisworth WI meeting, Christmas celebration, 7.30 p m, Blisworth village hall
- 14 A 'Christmas Carol' read by Rev'd Graham Brack, Moorend, Alderton
- 21 Tree dressing, Alderton, 6.30 p m
- 21 Tea and carols, Shutlanger

The Blisworth short mat bowls club meets every Monday and Wednesday afternoon at 1.45 p m until 4.00 p m
 The Milton Malsor Short Mat Bowls Club meets every Tuesday from 2.00 p m until 4.00 p m

WARNING - Scam email



SNIPPETS:

The most expensive thing in the world is trust – it can take years to earn and a matter of seconds to lose.

It takes less time to do a thing right than it does to explain why you did it wrong.

Linda received the above bogus email, purporting to come from Yodel, but the “from” address is obviously false as it is email@walmartbraga.com which has nothing to do with YODEL. Also, note the spelling errors - **coste** and **confirme**. The objective of this type of scam is for the villains to obtain your credit card or banking details. It is so easy to be taken in; please be careful and don’t respond to emails like this without checking the email address if possible.

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If you can get any copy to us earlier than that it would be very much appreciated

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