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GUEST EDITORIAL: Gareth Hurley WBC Councillor for Pangbourne

It is with considerable pleasure that I have been asked to write this article following election as the District Councillor for Pangbourne, Tidmarsh and Sulham.

It has been a mere five weeks since the local elections and most of my time has been spent involved with inductions, committee training and getting up to speed on the structure and functions of the West Berkshire Council. Normal business for the elected members is only starting to gain momentum as these initial weeks have involved the appointment of a new leader (Lynne Doherty), the executive team (portfolio holders) and then allocation of members from all parties to the various committees.

Whilst I have still to complete all the committee training I do know that in the fullness of time I will be sitting on the Eastern Area and District planning committees, Appeals committee and the Licensing committee.

To offer a little bit about myself; I moved to the area in 2003 following university and eventually settled in Pangbourne with my wife in 2006. We both work locally in Reading and thoroughly enjoy the opportunity to be able to walk to the railway station as opposed to facing a daily driving commute. My career background is in Mechanical Engineering, but I now spend most of my working days involved with the contractual element of railway infrastructure projects, primarily developing the options for enhancing the railway between Paddington and Reading.

I have two young children attending Pangbourne Primary School and aside from the normal parenting responsibilities I have the pleasure in spending the remaining free time coaching mini rugby and Parish Council activity.

To summarise I would like to pay tribute to Pamela Bale as she has been an outstanding representative for Pangbourne in all the years I have been a resident, with commitment and contribution to the village that I can't contemplate emulating.

I look forward to meeting more of the villagers over the coming years and would welcome your thoughts and opinions on how we make Pangbourne, Tidmarsh and Sulham even better places to live.

Regards,

Gareth (Gareth.hurley1@westberks.gov.uk)

DOG OWNERS OF PANGBOURNE!

I count myself extremely lucky to live in Pangbourne. We have a beautiful village. We live in a beautiful environment. Down the road from where we live, down a short public footpath, we arrive on the beautiful Pang Meadows. Yesterday, I heard a pheasant, and saw two Muntjac deer. The birdsong was amazing, and like it or not, the Red Kites were giving an amazing display. John's bees on his allotment were busily gathering their pollen to make more honey and the cattle in the adjoining field were eying us up quite interestingly.

I consider myself a responsible dog owner who regularly takes her best friend for a good work out, in and out of the Pang, to the Meadows. I automatically take doggie poo bags and clear my little friends deposits. However, I'm appalled at the lack of concern by my fellow dog owners at their lack of care and responsibility, the way they allow their charge to defecate on the public footpaths, that we so enjoy, without bagging it (bags provided by WBC) and subsequently disposing of it. There is nothing worse than having an enjoyable walk with your best friend only to step into a pile of "doggie doodoo"! This of course applies also to the streets of the village! Totally unacceptable!!! So come on Dog Owners of Pangbourne!! Step up to the plate and accept responsibility for your animal!



DOG FOULING

It is every owner's moral duty and legal responsibility to clean up after their dog.

There are no excuses, fouling is unacceptable.

The Council has the power to prosecute under the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996. This Act allows for a fixed penalty fine of £50. In certain circumstances offenders can be taken to court where the maximum fine is £1,000 and a criminal record.



Pangbourne Parish Council provide a number of dog bins around the village and are working with West Berkshire Council to provide more where possible. Bags are provided free to use via dispensers. Properly bagged waste can also be placed in normal public council bins so long as it is in a sealed bag.

BEALE PARK WELCOMES EMU CHICKS

They look like something from a fairy tale. Dark emerald green and the size of a large avocado, emu



eggs are a thing of beauty. In the wilds of Australia, dad emu will spend around sixty days incubating them. It's a tough job as he won't eat, drink or even go to the loo during this time! Here at Beale Park we have electric incubators to do the job. These

control the temperature and humidity, and turn the eggs at regular intervals.

Because the shells are quite thick, it's a bit of a struggle for the baby emus to hatch out. It is tempting to give them a helping hand but it's usually best to leave them to get on with it themselves. After hatching they rest for a couple of hours while they dry off and then they're good to go, and able to run as fast as you or me at full pelt!

Baby emus have stripes running from beak to tail. These provide camouflage from things that would enjoy them as a snack in the wild - dingoes, eagles, crocodiles and monitor lizards. Beale Park is much safer with a retinue of keepers attending to their every need. They love their greens and quickly bolt down bowls of chopped cabbage. We also provide special pellets for them, packed with vitamins and minerals. They're not so keen on those as yet but they do need them to sustain their growth rate. They get visibly bigger every day and, in nine months or so, they'll be pretty well full size at over six feet tall, and in the record books as the second biggest bird in the world, after the ostrich. But please don't be tempted to emulate (sorry!) us by hatching your own. Charming though they are, you'd find them hard to look after, potentially quite dangerous and they will destroy your garden!



MARILYN WENDY PAUL

29 DECEMBER 1944 - 15 MARCH 2019

Marilyn Paul, long-time resident of Horseshoe Road, died in March at the age of 74, after a short illness. She wanted no fuss and no funeral. In the three months that have passed since, however, our family has been overwhelmed by the number of people who have offered their condolences and spoken of Mum with such affection. We would like to thank everyone for their kindness.

Mum was multi-talented and driven. Customers of her dressmaking business were astounded by the creativity on the walls of her little house. Not only skilled with a



needle, she was also a prolific writer, painter and sculptor – her bronze portraits of Michael Caine, Richard Shepherd and Peter Langan remain on display at the iconic Langan's Brasserie in London's Mayfair. In all of this she was completely self-taught.

Of all the things for which Mum might be remembered though, her love of dogs came first. A lifelong devotee of German Shepherds, more recently it was Sandy, her rescue Labrador, that was her constant companion. For those who knew Marilyn and Sandy, you will be happy to know that the wonderful Labrador Trust helped us to place her with another devoted dog lover – she has settled beautifully in her new home, which is just what Mum would have wanted.



HUMAN STORY THEATRE

CONNIE'S COLANDER BY GAYE POOLE

Approximately fifty people were privileged to be present at a wonderful performance of *Connie's Colander* in the Village Hall on Tuesday 21 May.

As part of National Dementia Week, the Village Friends' Forum hosted this exceptional play which dealt with effect of dementia on a mother, Connie (Gaye Poole) and her daughter Emily (Amy Enticknap).

This sensitively written piece, beautifully shaped and crafted, started with Emily as a child cooking and reading with her mother. Emily became a TV presenter of a cookery programme – *Connie's Colander* – with her mother as a guest cook demonstrating traditional recipes that they used to make together. (I almost looked round expecting to see the TV camera behind me!) The recognisable deterioration began when one day Connie could not find the right word for currants. Gradually Connie was unable to remember the words and demonstrate the recipes and her TV appearances had to end.



Emily (Amy Enticknap) and Connie (Gaye Poole).

Emily did research on Alzheimer's and learnt in what other ways the disease could affect her mother and they both took medical advice. The balance of their relationship gradually changed but Emily was so careful not to argue with or contradict her mother in spite of temptation and treated her with patience and gentleness. Connie came to live with Emily although she was unable to recognise where she was and eventually went into a home. It brought a tear to my eye when Emily found a copy of her mother's living will. Sadly, the inevitable happened – Emily disagreed with her mother and Connie pushed her violently and she fell.

This was a beautiful piece of drama, sadly reflecting real life, sensitively and thoughtfully directed by Emma Webb and most movingly acted.

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PANGBOURNE FETE

Thank you to everyone who came and supported Pangbourne Fete this year on Saturday 8th June! We were so lucky with the weather and the sun even came out for the afternoon, making sure it was a successful event for all involved.

WHAT HAPPENED?

- The arena was jam packed with activities which were well participated in, including the dog show, tug of war and the famous egg throwing competition! Well done to all our winners on the day.
- This year we had a new stage which has been very well received, with bands sponsored by Millgate.
- The Dragon Boats were out in full swing and Adventure Dolphin also had boats out on the water allowing people to try it for themselves.
- Dotted around the meadow were lots of busy activities, including Pangbourne Football Club hosting a penalty shootout, and the chance to try caving in the Outdoor Academy Cave Trailer.
- There was plenty of yummy food available, thank you to 'Thai Now' (who deliver to Pangbourne!) The Scouts also had a very successful barbecue stall ensuring they raised plenty of funds for this year's adventures.

FETE FUNDRAISING

The Pangbourne Fete is one of the highlights of the village calendar, but also has the added benefit of raising funds for the local community. Previous years we have been proud to support local causes such as the Scouts, Action for Pangbourne Toilets, and Whitchurch Playgroup. Plenty of local groups and charities also have stalls at the Fete for their own fundraising. We are currently accepting applications for grants from local causes. If you would like a copy of the application form, please send an email to pangfete@gmail.com.







HOW TO GET INVOLVED NEXT YEAR

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Pangbourne Fete will of course be back in 2020 and we'd love you to be a part of it. Here's how you can get involved:

DRAGON BOATS

- Find us on Facebook! Search 'Pangbourne Village Fete' and click 'like' to be the first to hear all the news for next year's event. This will ensure you don't miss out!
- We'd love to hear your feedback. What did you enjoy? What can we do better next time? If you have any great ideas, feel free to share either on our Facebook page or email us at pangfete@gmail.com
- Do you want to get involved next year? The Pangbourne Fete is run entirely by volunteers, and we are looking for more people keen to get involved! It's a great chance to meet people, give something back to your community and is incredibly rewarding. Email pangfete@gmail.com to enquire about joining us.



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	Boxercise	Gareth France – 07853 381449, gareth.france@sky.com	Dolphin
09.30	Yoga	Helma – 078104 25593, yogabyhelma@gmail.com	George Hotel
10.30, 11.30	Pilates (2 classes)	Vicky – 07775 638611, info@themovementclinic.co.uk	Movement Clinic
14.00	Coffee and Craft	0118 9844117, pangbournelibrary@westberks.gov.uk	Pang Library
15.30	Draw/Paint	Jean – 07500862025, art-course@hotmail.com, www.drawing-painting.com	Dolphin
18.00, 19.00	Yoga (2 classes)	Helma – 078104 25593, yogabyhelma@gmail.com	Whitchurch VH
18.30	Zumba	Rachel – 07885 444510, rachelzumba4043@gmail.com (VH in holidays)	Pang Primary
19.30	Badminton	webmaster@pangbournebadminton.club, www.pangbournebadminton.club	Pang College
19.45	Pilates (intermediate)	Vicky – 07775 638611, info@themovementclinic.co.uk	Movement Clinic
Tuesday			
09.30	Hand Bell Ringers	Len Palfrey – palfrey62@btinternet.com	Various homes
11.30	Otago Fall Prevention	Daniela – 07900 307520, d.capasso67@gmail.com, www.yogawithdaniela.co.uk	Pang VH
11.30	Yoga	info@pangbourneclub.co.uk	Pang WMC
16.00	AC Pilates	Anna – 07754 598627, actraining@hotmail.com, www.acpilates.co.uk	Pang VH
17.00, 18.15, 19.20	Pilates (3 classes)	Julia – julia@tilehurst-pilates.co.uk	Dolphin
18.30	Tennis	Louise – 07554 432216, info@pangbournetennis.org	Pang Tennis Club
19.30	Radiant Body Yoga	Joy – 07956 620868, joy.golding30@gmail.com	Movement Clinic
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09.30	Circuits	Gareth France – 07853 381449, gareth.france@sky.com	Pang VH
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10.00	Keep Fit 50+	Jo Cassells – 01491 578076, jo.cassells@live.co.uk	Whitchurch VH
13.00	Art Group	margharita.wade@gmail.com	Pang VH
18.15	Zumba	Rachel – 07885 444510, rachelzumba4043@gmail.com	Pang WMC
18.30	Cricket Practice	Pangbourne Cricket Club. Dan Booth – 07956 526505, www.pangbournecc.org	Pang College
19.00	Hatha Yoga	Helma – 07810 425593, yogabyhelma@gmail.com	Whitchurch Artcafe
19.15	Vocal Locals Choir	Claudia – 07796 776461, c@claudgibson.com	Pang Primary
19.30	Dance Fitness Class	Andrea – 07717 023007, turners.the@icloud.com	Pang Primary
19.30	Langtree Sinfonia	nrkiff@tiscali.co.uk, www.langtreesinfonia.co.uk	Langtree school
20.00	Camera Club	Alan – 01491 681471, alan@alancopeland.co.uk, www.whitchurchhillcameraclub.co.uk	Whitchurch VH
20.00	Pangbourne Band	Stewart – 07786 694491, www.pangbourneband.org.uk	Pang VH
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19.30	AC Pilates	Anna – 07754 598627, actraining@hotmail.com, www.acpilates.co.uk	Pang VH
19.45	Pilates (intermediate)	Vicky – 07775 638611, info@themovementclinic.co.uk	Movement Clinic
20.00	Bingo	info@pangbourneclub.co.uk	Pang WMC
20.00	Bell Ringing	Len Palfrey – palfrey62@btinternet.com	St James
Friday			
09.30	Kettlebells	Gareth France – 07853 381449, gareth.france@sky.com	Pang VH
16.15	Junior Tennis	Richard – juniors@pangbournetennis.org	Pang Tennis Club
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09.15	Radiant Body Yoga		Movement Clinic
09.30	Shop Bike Ride	Toby – 0118 9842823, info@pankhurstcycles.co.uk, www.pankhurstcycles.co.uk	Pankhurst Cycles
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Compiled by Ruth Paul. If you would like to add a group to this list please email ruth@singlesport.com.

WHAT'S ON



GORING GAP BOAT CLUB GORING AND STREATLEY REGATTA AND RIVER FESTIVAL JULY 20TH 2019

We are now in the final stretch in the lead up to this year's regatta. Summer is just around the corner and Goring Gap Boat Club are putting final plans into action. For anyone not in the know the Goring and Streatley Regatta is held just upstream of Cleeve Lock (nearest postcode RG8 9PU) with the entrance being just off the A329 Wallingford Road.

At the time of writing we have 30 crews signed up to take part in the main racing which offers all day action. In addition, there are other on the water attractions for adults and children alike; a Crafty Raft Race – build and enter a raft and then race it with friends and family (enter online now) – or take part in the Baby Dragon Boat and canoe races (entry on the day). There will also be a chance to "go row" – a coached taster session for adults.



The regatta also hosts many stalls and other attractions to keep young and old entertained. Bring a picnic or be tempted by one of the food stands. Enjoy the bar and get your toes tapping to live music from Goring Unplugged www.goringunplugged.weebly.com/home.html.

With the main action taking place between 11am and 5pm, rent a gazebo spot on the river and make a day of it in luxury!

Entry is £8 – and kids go FREE this year (16s and under). Parking is free too!

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NINO'S CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

FRIDAY 19TH JULY FROM 8.00AM

We're delighted to announce that we will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 19th July, fundraising for Sue Ryder Duchess of Kent Hospice. After the success of our annual autumn-time coffee mornings and their growing popularity, this will mark the start of

us hosting two coffeemorning style fundraisers a year. We're very pleased to be working with this charity once again, and excited to be able to give local people another opportunity to enjoy the delicious cakes and coffee we have to offer! We hope to see as many of you as possible.

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WHAT'S ON



Challenge yourself at the Englefield 10k Run (Sunday 25th August). This 10k run has it all: Tough hills, mixed terrain and it is entirely within the beautiful private grounds and deer park of Englefield House, near Theale. With this year being the 10th anniversary the event has been spiced up to make things interesting even for regular participants. We are running some sections of the route in reverse this year, we have upgraded our medals to a unique custom design and we have changed the finish line location to make for better photos with the house behind.

Enjoy a picnic in the grounds, refreshments from Café2U, ice cream from Lolliedollies or a therapeutic massage! All money raised goes to charity, and last year the event raised £3,670 for Autism Berkshire. Organised by The Rotary Club of Reading Abbey and Tadley Runners.

Find out more and register to run at www.englefieldrun.info. Advance registration is £16 for the 10k and £6 for Under 15s.



THE SULHAM AND TIDMARSH FETE

The Sulham and Tidmarsh Fete will be held this year by kind permission of Henry Scutt in the beautiful grounds of Sulham House on Saturday 3rd August between 2-5pm. A Traditional Garden Fete with Pimms, Beer and Tea Tents, BBQ, many varied stalls and children games; there will also be a classic car display. St Nicholas Church will be open and filled with flowers for visitors to enjoy. Free car parking. Come along and enjoy relaxing afternoon in the garden.





PANGBOURNE HASLER CANOE RACE

SUNDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER 2019 9.00AM – 4.00PM

Pangbourne Hasler Canoe Race is a National Event in the Canoeing Marathon Race Calendar. Competitors from Clubs from mostly from the southern region will be competing so there will be some good quality racing to watch, and refreshments available.

Main race times (approx.) 10.00 and 12.00noon.

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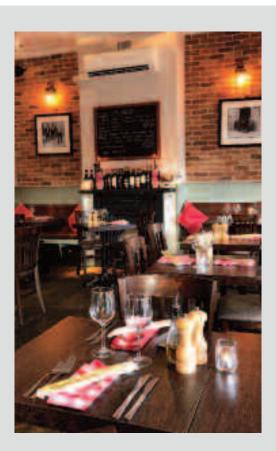
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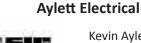
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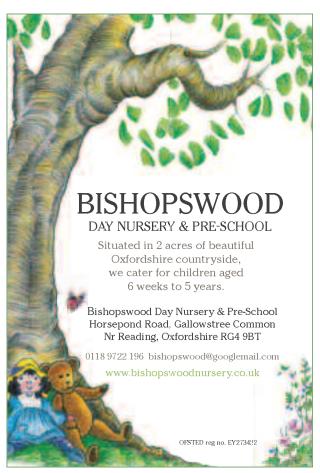
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Bishop Steven be visiting churches in Purley, Pangbourne, Tidmarsh, Basildon and Ashampstead on **Thursday 5**th **September**.

For information about the route he'll be taking and timings visit our website – www.pangbournechurches.org.uk



PARISH FETE Sulham House, Sulham Saturday 3rd August from 2 pm

Members of Pangbourne Football Club and St James Parish Church, seen here at the Pangbourne Village Fete with Reverend Barry Ashdown and Reverend Heather Parbury, are getting together to promote a development team in the Thames Valley Churches Friendly League. June 2019



Midweek Communion

Wednesday 10am in St James A short, peaceful time of worship followed by coffee and chat. Especially good if you can't make Sunday because of work or family commitments.

Sunday worship this year at 11am

1 st Sunday Family Worship	St Laurence, Tidmarsh		
2 nd Sunday Holy Communion	St Laurence, Tidmarsh		
3 rd Sunday Family Worship	St Nicholas, Sulham		

Tuesday Teas

for seniors monthly in Pangbourne Village Hall on the fourth Tuesday each month from 2pm

THE PARISH OF PANGBOURNE WITH TIDMARSH AND SULHAM

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

The Parish of Pangbourne with Tidmarsh and Sulham Parochial Church Council Committees

When the single parish of Pangbourne with Tidmarsh and Sulham was created, almost 20 years ago, three separate Parishes and Parochial Church Councils were closed and a new PCC was formed for the new parish.

In accordance with the Church Representation Rules for the Church of England elected members of PCC are communicant members of the church who have been on the electoral roll of the parish for a minimum of 6 months. The three churches were to provide PCC members in the proportion 9:3:3 = St James : St Laurence : St Nicholas

The newly formed PCC established church committees to work on behalf of, and in conjunction with, the PCC, made of members of PCC and members from each congregation. These committees evolved and developed through the decades. As you know, time and culture moves on and it has become increasingly difficult for many residents in each village to commit to active membership of the Church of England. It has not been possible to elect church members to PCC in the proportion originally set for several years. In accordance with the aims of the Church of England to have 'a Christian presence in every community' the PCC of Pangbourne, Tidmarsh and Sulham has resolved to do everything possible to maintain our three places of worship on behalf of all the residents of our villages and others who choose to worship with us.

In the place of the three church committees this year we now plan to have open meetings of the PCC in each village this summer, and invite all residents who are interested to come and meet the elected representatives, hear how church members and other volunteers are using, maintaining and funding the building in that village, and share ideas about how the church community can be supported and encouraged by the residents in keeping our lovely heritage buildings at the centre of both Christian worship and village life.

We do hope you can join us in your own village, or in the place where you worship,

from Reverend Heather Parbury Rector of Pangbourne with Tidmarsh and Sulham and Chair of the Parochial Church Council. June 2019

Village Church Open Meetings following Sunday Worship

St Laurence, Tidmarsh11am Sunday August 11thSt James the Less, Pangbourne10am Sunday August 25thSt Nicholas, Sulham11am September 15thLet us know you are coming admin@pangbournechurches.infoor just turn up!

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PLANT SALE

On Saturday, 11th May the Society held a successful Plant Sale in the Memorial Hall car park. This was well supported by the general public and I would like to thank everyone who came along. The profit made will help subsidize our various activities.

COACH TRIP

On Wednesday, 15th May the Society had a successful outing to Leonardslee Gardens with perfect weather. I hope everyone enjoyed this trip.

LATE SUMMER SHOW

This will be held on Saturday, 7th September in Purley Memorial Hall, Glebe Road and open to the public from 2.30-4pm.

Schedules will be available shortly in the Trading Store and on our website. Entries must be handed into the Trading Store by Sunday, 1st September or to Paul Humphreys 20 Brading Way, Purley-on-Thames by Tuesday, 3rd September.

R.H.S.

As an affiliated Society we hold a card that provides entry for one paid up member of P.H.S. and one adult guest at a 30% reduction on the normal adult entry rate to any of the RHS gardens. If you require further details or would like the card, please contact Wendy Chapman on 9429067.

If you are interested in more information on the Society's activities you can visit the Purley-on-Thames website, www.purleyonthames.org.uk/PHS.

Happy gardening this season – Marion Dabbs, 9422349

PANGBOURNE HERITAGE GROUP

JULY/AUGUST REPORT

The recent commemorations for the 75th anniversary of the D Day Landings focused on the seaborne and airborne invasion of northern France from the English coast. What is perhaps less well known is the part played by Pangbourne in the training of troops in preparation for landing in France.

The river meadow in Pangbourne was pivotal in the training of Scottish, English, Canadian and American soldiers in the construction of bridge building and other forms of engineering warfare. Troops were based in Pangbourne, Whitchurch and Basildon Park, the latter being commissioned by the Ministry of Defence. At one time the 101st



Airborne of the American Army trained in the woods of the Park, although little remains of their occupation today. As can be seen from the photographs, the ground where the huts stood has largely returned to woodland, apart from one, which has been retained and altered considerably over the



intervening years. Although the war in Europe was not to end for another 11 months, an eerie silence fell over the once active training areas, and the troops who survived the D day landing went on to continue the fight across northern France, into the Low Countries and eventually Germany.

One of the roles of the Heritage Group has been to document the details of what happened during the years 1940 to 1944, and although we cannot replicate the exhibition we held in 2005, Pangbourne at War, we have much of the material on file today.

After two very successful evenings of talks in April and May, we are branching out into our outside visits, firstly to the Reading Abbey ruins, recently reopened to the public after a period of restoration, and in July to the Control Tower at Greenham Common, Newbury, to study the history of its use during both the Second World War and the Cold War, which should prove extremely interesting. In August we take a break, but are back in September to meeting in the Reservoed Hall. Whiteburgh Read, The library in Panchourne kindly, put our posters up

in the Rosewood Hall, Whitchurch Road. The library in Pangbourne kindly put our posters up, and are happy to refer anyone interested in finding out more about the group to one of us. A message to some of our newer village residents, if you want to find out more about Pangbourne, past and present, please feel free to contact us.



Lesley Crimp, Jane Rawlins, Ellie Thorne, Siw Randall

PANGBOURNE WI

APRIL AND MAY 2019



At the April meeting the Pangbourne WI welcomed our Guest Speaker, Graham Horn from the Reading Branch of Kennet & Avon Canal Trust. Graham has been involved with the Trust since 1983 first as Secretary and now in his current role of Chair. Graham presented an interesting and extremely informative background history of the Trust and shared many fabulous photos of all the work the Trust have completed in restoration of locks and surrounding areas throughout many years. Graham's love of the waterways and the fascinating industrial history was clearly evident in his presentation. As well as his presentations on behalf of the Kennet and Avon Canal Trust, Graham is also a Blue Badge Tourist Guide. All members thoroughly enjoyed Graham's presentation.

The Kennet & Avon Canal Trust are the charity that saved the Kennet & Avon Canal which runs from Bristol to Reading. They now work to Protect, Enhance and Promote Britain's best waterway. To find more out about their boat trips, steam engines, events and their cafes visit their website @ https://katrust.org.uk. Lots to do along the very best 87 miles in Southern England.

Early May, many members participated in a trip out and visited the Rosebourne Garden Centre for a browse around their extensive range of garden and indoor plants, homewares and unique gifts for the home followed by lunch in their restaurant. Rosebourne is passionate about quality, fresh and locally sourced produce served within their table service restaurant and food hall.

The May meeting was extremely well supported and members were invited to get together in teams and participate in a general knowledge Quiz. With a fantastic maximum score of 18/18 the winners were team GTC Carol Martin and Davina Stark. Much deliberation was held in the room with regards to the questions and it was a fun afternoon thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Any readers wishing to join our fun, friendly and active group in Pangbourne, Judy our President will be only too pleased to discuss and can be contacted on 07812 381005.

With the temperature slowly heating up and summer nearly almost upon us, our gardens hopefully should soon be in full bloom with colourful hanging baskets and for those gardeners out there, delicious home grown vegetables, without a plastic bag in sight.



Winner of the Rosekilly Cup, Liz Ford presented with her cup by President Judy Schurer at March's meeting.

Caz Parris

PANGBOURNE BOWLING CLUB

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Throughout the season we have inter club friendlies as well as league matches and we also run club competitions for our own members culminating with the finals in September. Whether you are looking for competition or friendly social play Pangbourne Bowls can provide it. All you need is flat soled shoes – we have bowls you can borrow whilst you learn. Come and join us . . . join in the fun.

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WHITCHURCH HILL CAMERA CLUB

We reach July and come to the end of our year. This month we have John's and Shirley's yearly barbeque to look forward to, always enjoyable, we as a club relax together.

Thursday July 23rd – We meet at Harley Davidson at Loddon Bridge at 7pm as part of our Summer Programme, our second visit to HD, great 'street photography' good vibes with music to be had in a friendly environment. We cross to take(in) the Loddon Bridge graffiti/arches and then have a nightcap in 'The George'. Too soon to talk about our return date, that's for later.

Meanwhile I give you three images by different club members that encapsulates the beauty of our countryside. With a photographer's eye we can appreciate these images, the awareness of the fragility of our planet make these images poignant for all.

Dragonfly by Tilly Jamieson

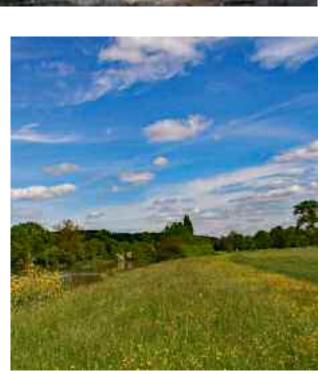
Thames Side Meadow by Joyce Storey

Tilly and Joyce are two of the growing number of women members,' women who click'.

Mute Swan by Ian Lewis

Ian assures me there is no tech/digital enhancement (now would he?). Just good use of the 'golden hour', the evening light just the sun dips.





Our Autumn 19/20 Season starts in September. 11th September *Confession of a Landscape Photographer* Paul Mitchell.

We meet on a Wednesday at 8.00pm with the occasional Techy Thursday (same place/time) at the Village Hall, Manor Road. Whitchurch Hill. Or find us on www.whitchurchhillcameraclub.co.uk

Lyn Higgs

PANGBOURNE BAND

Some good news and some sad news.

In our last report, I mentioned that we were competing in Stevenage at the London and Southern Counties Brass Band contest on Sunday 17th March. We put in extra rehearsal time in the weeks

before the contest, including a public performance the previous Sunday. As a result, I'm pleased to say our set piece *Stantonbury Festival* went very well indeed and we came fifth out of a field of twenty bands. A big thanks to our Musical Director, Stewart Lewins for all his hard work preparing us.

Sadly, on 29th March Ron Curtis, our bass trombone player, passed away in the Royal Berkshire Hospital.

Ron lived his life to the full and gave his complete commitment to everything he did, whether it was playing in the Pangbourne Band, the 103rd Reading Wind Band, the Reading Spring Gardens Band, singing in Reading Male Voice Choir, driving the hospital buggy, playing bowls or tending his Japanese Maples.

Ron always had a positive attitude to life and just a week before he passed away, he was planning his return to band and choir when he got out of hospital. Alas, that did not happen. We will miss Ron, who was a dear friend, a kind man and someone you could rely on. Rest in Peace, Ron.

On the 17th April we had the privilege of playing the *Prince of Denmark March* and *Shine Jesus Shine* at Ron's funeral at Reading Crematorium alongside the Reading Spring Gardens Band and the 103rd Reading Wind Band. A group from the Reading Male Voice Choir sang *The Rose* by Amanda McBroom, accompanied by the three Bands. Our Musical Director Stewart Lewins conducted the music and former Band Member Andrew Rixon played the organ.

Friday 3rd May found us playing a short programme in Pangbourne Village Hall for the Pangbourne Twinning Association as they welcomed their guests from Houdon in France.

On Saturday 18th May we held an afternoon concert at Trinity Church, Lower Earley (next to ASDA).

Two weeks later, on Saturday 1st June we played at Pangbourne College for the annual Classic Car Show. The weather was glorious and we had a chance to look at the cars during our interval.

At the time of writing we have three more events planned for June before some of the Band head off to Michigan, USA for a tour at the end of July. We will tell you how that all went in our next report.



We rehearse on Wednesday evenings at Pangbourne Village Hall, starting 7pm for the "All-Comers" training Band and 8pm for the main Band. We are a friendly bunch of people and welcome new brass players; so why not come along at 7pm if you are a learner or 8pm if you are a more experienced player? We'd love to see you!

THE WHITCHURCH & DISTRICT THEATRE CLUB

We visit musicals, plays, ballets, operas, classical concerts etc. once a month or more.

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Major London venues and productions. Mainly matinees in the week, but sometimes evening performances and weekends. Holiday trips away.

Tickets purchased at group/concessionary rates. Coaches depart from Pangbourne.

For our forthcoming programme please check the Whitchurch-on-Thames Website.

Subscriptions: £14 per annum but £12 if paid online.

Organiser: Christine Martin, "Sonia", Goring Heath Road, Whitchurch Hill, RG8 7PG Tel: 0118 9844252 email: whitchurchtheatreclub@gmail.com



ACTION FOR PANGBOURNE TOILETS COMMUNITY TRUST

As ever APT's trustees and supporters have been busy organising fund raising activities to secure the long term future of Station Road toilets.

In previous editions of the Magazine we have publicised APT as a local cause in the West Berkshire Lottery and we are very pleased to announce one of our supporters recently won £250 – congratulations! We promoted the Lottery via a village wide leaflet drop which helped to boost our ticket sales. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to deliver the leaflets. As a result of these ticket sales APT is due to raise several hundred pounds each year via the Lottery but more ticket buyers are most welcome – to find out more visit our page at https://www.westberkshirelottery.co.uk/support/action-for-pangbourne-toilets-community-trust.

In early May at the invitation of Co-op we manned a promotional stall at the petrol station forecourt on the Reading Road to promote APT as one of the three local causes chosen for this year's Co-op Community Fund. Thank you to everyone who helped during the three day promotion, including handing out promotional leaflets to Co-op customers to encourage them to nominate APT as their chosen cause.

> We rounded off a busy Spring by holding our popular raffle at Pangbourne Fete which included a variety of great prizes donated by local businesses – we are extremely grateful for their support and



grateful for their support and to the volunteers who helped to sell tickets on the day. The raffle raised £387 and a good day was had by all.

We are well on our way to reaching our 2019-20 target to raise just over £15,000 via Greenham Trust's Good Exchange to cover 12 months of running costs and maintenance from September. The generous donations from our supporters and local parish councils made via Good Exchange attract match funding up to £5,000 which goes a long way to funding the cleaning contract and the utility bills. If you would like to make a donation we encourage you to do so online, and if you are a UK taxpayer you can easily Gift Aid your donation. Find out more at https://app.thegoodexchange.com/project/12331.

And finally, if you're a keen gardener and would like to help us to transform the shrubbery beds at the front of the toilet block, please drop us a line to join Lyn's team of volunteers.

Keep in touch with us at actionforpangbournetoilets@gmail.com. You can also find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/ APTCommunityTrust/ and on Twitter @pangbourneloos.

We remain 'at your convenience'! - The APT Community Trust team

Apt Trustees extend their appreciation to:

Lamborghini, Nino's, Triangle Travel, Aston Martin, Beale Park, Cobb's, Cross Keys, Finn Hair, Green's, The Elephant. Who contributed prizes for our Grand Draw and made for us a successful day at the Fete.

SOCIAL BRIDGE

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We meet from 7.30pm to 9.30pm at the Dorman Room, St Bernadette's RC Church, Horseshoe Road, Pangbourne on the <u>first and third Tuesday every month</u>.

CRASD

Whilst there is no formal teaching, we encourage quiet conversation to help each other to improve and enjoy playing bridge in a friendly atmosphere. Tea and coffee is available. You do not need to come with a partner; tables are arranged with players of similar ability and experience. Cost is £3 per session (no joining fee).

Contact Stephen Billyeald on 0118 984 3368 or **stephenbillyeald@btinternet.com** or just come along to see whether it suits you.

THURSDAY CLUB

We look back on our second year and "Oh what fun we had" . . .

We begin and end with Dementia Action Week. Last year we hosted an information event inviting agencies, who in their own particular way, help and support our older community. Amongst all the agencies we had the Fire and Rescue service, who install fire and Co2 detectors in your homes, Southern Electricity, who will put you on a priority list in the event of an outage, Health and welfare and many more. This was followed by our own "Not Strictly Tea Dance" when we joined in with Peta and her dancers, great fun was had by all.



We kicked off at the George Hotel "our new home" with a games afternoon. This was very well supported, in fact all the events have been very well attended throughout the year. We have hosted Jack and Matthew "Singing Bingo", held a Beetle drive, when we witnessed a high degree of competitiveness amongst our guests. Then came Christmas when we joined together and sang carols accompanied by mince tarts and mulled wine, may I quickly add "nonalcoholic". "Carol of the bells" came and entertained us with her hand bells. Some of our ladies and gentlemen joined in and managed to play a tune or two, under the guidance of Carol.

Latterly we enjoyed a very interesting talk from John and Caroline who invited us to the world of bees. John and Caroline brought with them a glass hive so we could see what activity goes on behind closed doors. To enable us to identify the Queen Bee they painted her bottom for the occasion . . . very indignant!!



Unfortunately Kitty our jazz singer was extremely ill and was unable to join us last month but Kitty arranged for Jen to step in, it was excellent, Jen sang and entertained us. Everybody joined in singing and we even witnessed some of our guests and volunteers up and dancing, some of whom, including the volunteers, hadn't dance for 20 years plus. It was great and we were so grateful for Kitty who arranged it all for us, it was very kind and thoughtful of her. We look forward to meeting Kitty next year.

For Dementia Action Week this month we presented "Connie's Colander" at the village hall which was very successful and well attended. It was a short play about the relationship between mother and daughter and how their relationship was affected when Mum received the diagnosis of dementia. It was an excellent performance after which there was a Q&A session with a panel of professionals, Sue Butterworth, Programme Support Officer – Healthy Communities West Berks Council, Dr Matilda Oppenheimer and Jenny Hall BHFT Care Home SupportTeam.

Our last meeting this year is the quiz in June when we will be hosting Tim Huelin, our quizmaster. We will also be enjoying our luncheon which, this month is, Cottage Pie and mixed veg.

We look forward to meeting new faces and seeing old faces again in September when we will be holding the Thursday Club again. The event has not been decided yet but we know it will be on Thursday 19th. Look out for the posters in the village and the article in the Pangbourne Magazine.

We would like to thank all our sponsors and supporters, firstly Kiren Sharma of Gravity Personnel who supports us along with Devarshi at the George Hotel, together they make the Thursday Club happen. Phil of Green's of Pangbourne who provides the lunch, sausages, mince etc. and Pangbourne Cheese Shop who supported us when we entertained Connie's Colander. It goes without saying "Thank you" to the Magazine for their understanding and support.

The team from the Thursday Club

Any enquiries please ring Di 9842473 or Gill 9841122

PANGBOURNE ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION

National Allotments Week runs from 12-18 August this year and as part of this, Pangbourne Allotments are holding an Open Morning on Saturday August 17 from 10 till 12.00 am. There will be refreshments, a produce stall and guided tours of the plots to show what a wide variety of fruit, flowers and vegetables are grown in this community garden. These beautiful irises will be over by then, but there is always something of interest.

It is hoped that, by the time this article appears, work will have started on replacing the old west fence, giving us not only a better-looking boundary, but also an animal-proof one, thanks to the Parish Council!

Setting up at the Fete and erecting the gazebo proved quite challenging because of the gusty conditions, and after everything was displayed a particularly fierce squall forced the decision to take it down again. The poor plants looked rather the worse for wear at being battered by the wind, but in spite of that we sold most of them and raised £382.30.



Together with the plant stall outside Garlands in May we banked a total of just under £840.





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LOCAL CLUBS





PANGBOURNE TENNIS CLUB

The summer tennis season is well underway, with the Wimbledon Championships starting on the 1st July. If watching Wimbledon inspires you to get on court, Pangbourne Tennis Club is the place to play, whatever your age or level! We pride ourselves on being a friendly and inclusive club for the whole community. Our club open day in May was very busy and we were delighted to welcome many people new to the club, along with members and their families, for an afternoon of drills, friendly matches and kid's tennis all sustained by a barbecue. The competition for the fastest serve was close fought in all the categories. Andrew Carney and Lauren Kilsby triumphed in men's and ladies' sections. Harry Latimer and Katherine Carney were the victorious boy and girl. If you would like to play tennis and haven't yet got in touch, email us at info@pangbournetennis.org.

COACHING AT THE CLUB

Junior coaching on Friday afternoons have been very popular once again. Nearly 50 children from four years old up to young teenagers have been taking part. The Back to Tennis programme for adults has been a great success and the club has welcomed many new members keen to improve their tennis skills. And our established

			Dates		No of	
*no coaching on 21st Sept		Time	Start	Ends	Weeks	
LATE SUMMER	Tuesdays	Club coaching	18:00-19:30	23rd July	20th Aug	5
		Back to Tennis	19:30-20:30	23rd July	20th Aug	5
	Fridays	Skills and Drills	19:00-20:30	26th July	16th Aug	4
AUTUMN	Saturdays	Club coaching	10:30-12:00	7th Sept	19th Oct	6*
	Sundays	Club coaching	11:30-13:00	15th Sept	13th Oct	5

members have taken advantage of coaching sessions on Tuesday and Friday evenings. Even though Wimbledon is often the impetus to pick up a tennis racquet, our summer programme has been running for three months, and the timetable for Back to Tennis and adult coaching in August, September and October is now open for booking. Full details and the registration form are available at www.pangbournetennis.org. Places are limited, so book your place as soon as possible.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Our end of season tournament is on Sunday 8th September from 2pm, followed by the AGM and presentation of awards.

ABOUT THE CLUB

Members have free access to the club courts, discounted rates for drill and training sessions, a range of team matches and friendlies and free membership of British Tennis, which (amongst other benefits) offers access to a ballot for Wimbledon tickets.

It's is located between the river and the railway on the Recreation Ground and we share the club house with Pangbourne Bowls Club. The subscription for adults is just £45 per year. We also offer a family membership for £100, which covers up to two adults and three children.

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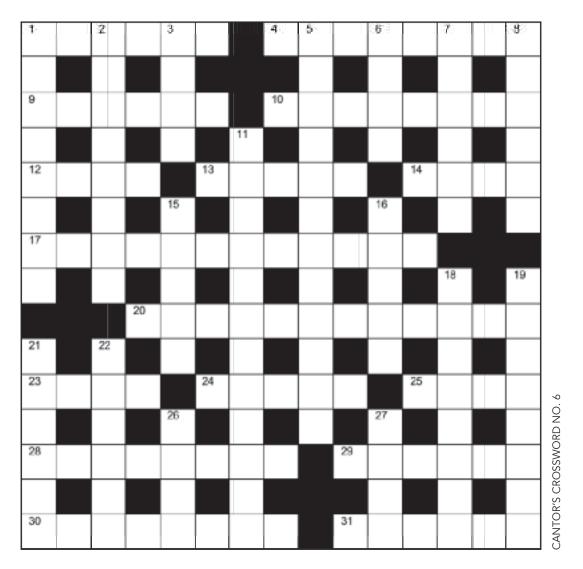
Pangbourne Tennis Club Committee





All pictures from recent Club Open Day





ACROSS

- 1. Maria, simply seen in, I recall, ascending scales (6)
- 4. Eponymous film man's lengthy run for a bar? (8)
- 9. This started as self-deceptive, but with an initial loss, got away (6)
- Does Royal Academician's President, submit Russian "monk" for hanging (8)
- 12. Not Caesar's preferred time in the Roman calendar (4)
- 13. Alternative to one? (5)
- 14. We hear it's a debateable bovine issue (4)
- 17. It's a battle: but if you don't rate the tenor, then back off (2,3,7)
- 20. This will get you in anywhere, even if it's sticky round the borders (12)
- 23. Maybe off-course, but with a sort of smile (4)
- 24. Looks in with some difficulty on the upper classes? (5)
- 25. Sounds like a rather whiffy European river (4)
- 28. Look, is aunt in North Africa on a date with him? (8)
- 29. Carpenter's beach companion revised R.U.laws (6)
- At the start, ran backwards, then assessed so the story went (8)
- 31. Ring round for a top rate chef (6)

DOWN

- 1. All right for goods on tick in West Country town (8)
- 2. To be so titled would be poetic justice (8)
- 3. Do you have to raise cain just to get him? (4)
- 5. It would be unprofessional on our team's part to take money (7,5)
- 6. With such a mix of friends, you could scale new heights (4)
- 7. A dachshund in season (3,3)
- 8. Musically happy ones over the eight? (6)
- 11. If one alters resets there's bound to be pressure (6,6)
- 15. Hold up progress by backing Ivy League university (5)
- 16. Counter the composer (5)
- 18. Much thought given if you need drop reorganisation (8)
- 19. Begins reading this as a directive to leave the straight and narrow? (6,2)
- 21. The dickens Sydney's container with family transportweighty (6)
- 22. It has currency in Scandinavia (6)
- 26. It embraces Indonesia, Siam and other eastern countries (4)
- 27. Clouseau's "man" once conspired in this London street (4)

(ANSWERS ON PAGE 65)





PANGBOURNE ART GROUP

HISTORY

It is believed that the Group was started in the mid seventies by a Mr Broadhouse who was a scene designer with the BBC and who acted as a mentor for local artists in the Group. A few years later his place was taken by Mrs Ellie Soar. Mrs Soar who was a professional artist lived in Pangbourne and was patron for the Group for the rest of her life. Over the years the Group has become more of a self-help meeting place for all artists working in all mediums and developing at their own pace.

MEETINGS

Our group meets every Wednesday afternoon in Pangbourne Village Hall starting at 1pm and going on until around 4pm. We stop halfway through the afternoon for tea/biscuits/cake and take time out to look at everyone's work and make favourable comments! We have three terms a year, usually working through Easter, but we have a break in August, restarting a new term in September. The cost for the year is £60 (£20 per term).

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership averages 30 at any one time, and we do have room for more members from anywhere. We welcome members of all ages and abilities. We have a small committee of 6-7 people, which meets about four times a year, including our AGM which takes place in November each year. Our committee is very hard working, as they arrange various painting workshops, and en plein air painting days, plus our yearly Exhibition.

ACTIVITIES FOR 2019

Already this year we have had a painting workshop with a well renowned Artist, Paul Weaver on the 30th March. The subject was "Street scenes and buildings" in watercolour which he demonstrated for us, followed by us doing our own painting(s) with a guiding hand from Paul. This was a very well attended day with a very modest fee. In May several members ran the Art Cafe in Whitchurch with a wonderful display of the group's paintings and cards.

We will be running another workshop on 30th June this time run by another well renowned Artist, Max Hale, and working with a model, doing a life study in water mixable oils.

Recently a group of members had a day at Dorchester, painting around the Abbey and nearby Wittenham Clumps. This is always a good day out as we like to have lunch in a local pub, or a cream tea which makes it a very sociable occasion.

EXHIBITION – 9-10TH NOVEMBER

This is our yearly Exhibition which most members of our Art Group exhibit their work. We usually get about 300 visitors, and hopefully sell some of our work. Last year was very successful, with one of our members Celia Coleman winning the vote for the favourite painting by the public.

CONTACT US

If you are interested in coming to our Art Group, we would be pleased to hear from you. We have a website which is pangbourneartgroup.com or alternatively contact our Chairman Donald MacDonald by email: dmacdonald3@btinternet.com or tel: 01189678467 or mob: 07888 705839.

Elizabeth Ford







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By Theresa Fleetwood, Founder of Andresa Aesthetics

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not discussed or were considerably down-played by the consultants and surgeons recommending the surgery The National Institute for Health and

Care Excellence (NICE) has finally

altered its recommendations to state that surgery should be viewed as a last resort and preferable non-surgical treatment options recommended by NICE now include pelvic floor rehabilitation.

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Contract State During a recent shopping trip my friend actually asked why##wasi # #or#the#hearest# toilet every 30 mins, as usual. I I ! ## # #ealised#how# much this had impacted on our previous trips out and then I told her about my Emsella treatments. I am very happy. **Janet**

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A MUSICAL HIGHLIGHT FOR THE ST ANDREW'S SENIOR CHOIR



The St Andrew's Senior Choir have recently returned from an exciting four day tour to Paris, where 35 pupils performed an incredible 16 pieces in Église Saint Louis en I'lle and Église Saint-Sulpice, currently the largest church in Paris. To help prepare for their Parisian musical adventure, the Senior Choir performed at St Mark's Church, Englefield, in support of the Charlie Waller Memorial Trust, raising approximately £1000.

'The choir sung with great energy on both occasions and the wonderful singing matched the wonderful setting,' said Malcom Gunningham, Director of Music. 'I am so incredibly proud of all the children who performed; their commitment, passion and dedication to music really shone through.'

A busy timetable was scheduled for the pupils, as they travelled on the bateaux bus on the River Seine, tasted delicious crepes at local cafes, strolled along the majestic Parisian streets and soaked up the spring time sunshine.

'I had a great time exploring Paris and visiting famous landmarks, such as the Eiffel Tower and Arc de Triomphe said Madeleine Stevens, Head Chorister at St Andrew's School. 'However, my highlight was singing in two of the most prestigious and beautiful churches in Paris, it is an experience that I will never forget!'

About St Andrew's: Established in 1934, St Andrew's is a leading co-educational independent day and boarding school for 300 children aged 3 to 13 set in 54 acres of Berkshire woodland. The School provides an all-round and forward thinking education, which cherishes a child's individuality whilst nurturing their happiness, confidence and passion; preparing children to be positive contributors in life. To book a visit or to request some more information about St Andrew's, please call the registrar, Mrs Carolyn Reeves on 0118 9744276 or email registrar@standrewspangbourne.co.uk.



PANGBOURNE SCHOOLS



75TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY

"When you go home, tell them of us and say, for your tomorrow, we gave our today" Kohima Epitaph

Pangbourne Primary celebrated the 75th Anniversary of the D-Day landings with special bunting around the school made by the pupils. We remembered the huge amount of effort, dedication and lives that went into the attack that led to the liberation of Europe. Those men and women who were asked by their countries to fight in the Second World War will always be remembered because they fought so that we would know the value of peace.

ERIC THE VIKING

'Eric the Viking' visited the school and Year 4 spent the whole day getting to learn about the Vikings, handling all the wonderful artefacts and putting themselves in the shoes, literally, of the Vikings. It was a great day of Viking learning! Thank you to FOPPS for helping with the funding for this event!

GREEK DAY

'A Greek Hoplite' came to visit Year 5 to tell and show Year 5 about Greek life. A fantastic day of Greek learning!

SULHAM WOODS

Year FS2 and Year 4 went to Sulham Woods recently for the Woodland Adventure and to learn about nature in the woods.

ORIENTEERING

Twelve children from Year Six went to an Orienteering Event at St Andrew's school. It was a nice sunny day. There were seven schools including us. All the children were great representatives of the school. All the schools did very well and it was really tough. There were seventeen checkpoints and we had to read the map carefully to find the checkpoints in the correct order. The team did very well, and we came third overall, gaining a bronze medal for our efforts.' Casper Charlesworth (Y6) and Jessica Grouse (Y6)

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK!

Paul Graham the Children and Young Peoples Healthy Lifestyles Officer for West Berkshire Council came to school to present an assembly to the pupils promoting the West Berkshire 'Walk to School Week'.

We look forward to a busy end to the Summer term with sports day, the production of *The Lemonade Kid* and the Year 6 Swanage residential trip!

Mrs Fry Headteacher



NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Coming Soon! FOPPS (Friends of Pangbourne Primary School) has now raised enough to book the first stage of the playground equipment, which will be for the KS1 (Infants) playground. We couldn't have done it

without the help and commitment of our volunteers, and our supporters in the school and the village and local area. Thanks to everyone who's been involved over the last couple of years. Here is a sneak peek of the playground design so



PANGBOURNE FETE

On Saturday 8 June FOPPS was at the Pangbourne Village Fete and FOPPS with two stalls. We raised around £600 with our Bottle Tombola and "Berries and Bubbles" stall selling strawberries, Prosecco and fizzy drinks.

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TEAGUE TONS UP IN FIRST GAME AS CAPTAIN

Upper Sixth student Elliot Teague (Macquarie) celebrated his appointment as Captain of Cricket with a superb century in his first game as skipper. Teague made 114 not out against Old Dowegians which led Pangbourne to a total of 229.

Having been a fixture in the First XI last year, Elliot has hit the ground running at the start of this season. He got his first call of the day right as Pangbourne won the toss and he chose to bat, and after a couple of early wickets, he totally dominated the innings.

Out of a total of 229-7, made from just 28 overs, Elliot made almost exactly half his team's score with a superb display. The next-highest score in the innings after his 114* was 26.

Pangbourne then put in a strong bowling and fielding performance as Old Dowegians finished on 148-8 from their 36 overs in a drawn game. To cap off a sensational day, from his only over in the second innings, Elliot took two wickets without conceding a run. Other good performances with the ball came from Muhammad Rizwan (Lower Sixth, Hesperus) with 3-29 from 12 overs and Matthew Stanley (Form 5, Hesperus), taking 2-28.

Head of Cricket at Pangbourne, Mr Ryan Cruwys, commented on Teague's performance, saying: "It was an extraordinary accomplishment. To do this in our first game of the season, having been given the role as Captain of Cricket, it shows a great deal of maturity and skill. Hopefully it's the first of many for Elliot as we look ahead to a positive Summer Term for the First XI."

LOWER SIXTH STUDENTS PUT IN GREAT PERFORMANCE IN ENTREPRENEURSHIP CONTEST

A group of Pangbournians made a big impression in an exciting entrepreneurship contest recently. The team of Lower Sixth students collected several awards at the Young Enterprise West Berkshire Area Final and made it to the Berkshire County Final, having created an innovative pet-tracking product, SPOT.

Young Enterprise is a scheme which enables young people at school or College to set up and run their own business over the course of their Lower Sixth year, before entering into a national competition which culminates with a grand final held in London.

The Pangbourne team, whose business is operating under the moniker, Sterling, have taken a significant step in the competition by collecting the Best Overall Company, The Digital and The Best Presentation Awards at the West Berkshire Area Final. Our entrepreneurs fought off stiff competition from six other teams representing three other schools in the area and performed equally well in the Berkshire County Final, but just missed out on the top prize.

Tia Duffy, who took on the role of Managing Director in the project, said: "We had lots of ideas to begin with and we were thinking of things that could benefit people. A lot of us have dogs that run away, so the tracker felt like quite a good idea!



"We've done a lot of marketing online and attended some fairs and trade centres – it's been both rewarding and difficult trying to sell things. When we got to the local [West Berkshire] final, the other teams were quite a lot bigger than ours and they had great ideas so we weren't sure if we would do well. We were quite surprised when we found out we had won!"

Their product, which proved to be a huge hit with the judges, is a GPS dog-tracker that is packed with features to allow the owner to proactively track their pet. These include the ability to set a radius on the tracker and receive a notification when a pet leaves this area, owners can call a pet via their phone to get them home or reassure them if they are lost, and the use of a SIM card and GPS data means a pet can be tracked almost anywhere in the UK via the corresponding SPOT app which is now available via the App Store for iOS and Google Play Store.

Not only did the team come up with the concept and create the SPOT collar tracker, they have built a website and made social media channels to promote and sell their product, which costs £34.95 and fits onto any regular collar.

PANGBOURNE COLLEGE



Pangbourne College hosted its fourth annual Classic Car Show on Saturday 1 June 2019, with over 1,800 motoring enthusiasts making the most of a beautiful day. The show saw nearly 200 vintage, classic and rare cars, plus a few motorbikes, on display across the College's Parade Ground.

The stunning array of vehicles on the day ranged from Aston Martins and Triumphs to Morgans and MGs, with all of them sitting perfectly in the College's surroundings. The oldest car on display was a wonderful Rolls Royce 20HP, from 1923, but it was accompanied by amazing diversity from across many automotive eras.

The most interesting car of the day, which was awarded the car show's Peter Blond Trophy, was a 1953 Triumph Mayflower owned by Mr Trevor Adams. It took the trophy because, as the organiser of the show Mr Tom Cheney said: "It had been lovingly maintained over a number of years and also provided the owner a lot of use – it was not a traditional show car by any means, but it had a great patina with just enough being done to it to keep it on the road."

Mr Cheney also commented on the day as a whole, saying: "It was such an enjoyable day. To be able to chat to some amazing owners and see their amazing car in a very relaxed environment is brilliant. It was great to have such generous support once again and we were proud to be raising money this year for a fantastic local charity, the Footsteps Foundation."

A parking charge of £5 and proceeds from the sale of food and drinks went towards the Footsteps Foundation, which is a Wallingford-based charity that specialises in the rehabilitation of children and young adults with cerebral palsy and other genetic disorders. The total amount raised was £2,309.27.

Mr Cheney's efforts in organising and promoting the event were aided by 50 volunteers from Pangbourne's staff community, who all contributed to a lovely family atmosphere. The Association of Heritage Engineers were in

attendance, along with many local car clubs, and the former took a particularly keen interested in Pangbourne College pupils' display car – the 1970 Bond Equipe. The car was donated by a parent and pupils have been rebuilding it over the past four years, rebuilding its engine, chassis and refurbishing the bodywork.

Supporters of this year's event included Kingdom Coffee, H.R. Owen Bentley, Aston Martin Reading, Lamborghini Pangbourne, catering company Leaf of Sizzle and Millgate Homes. Other entertainment came throughout the day from the Pangbourne Silver Band and there was an organ recital in the Falkland Island Memorial Chapel from Oxford Scholar and OP, Andrej Ivanovic.



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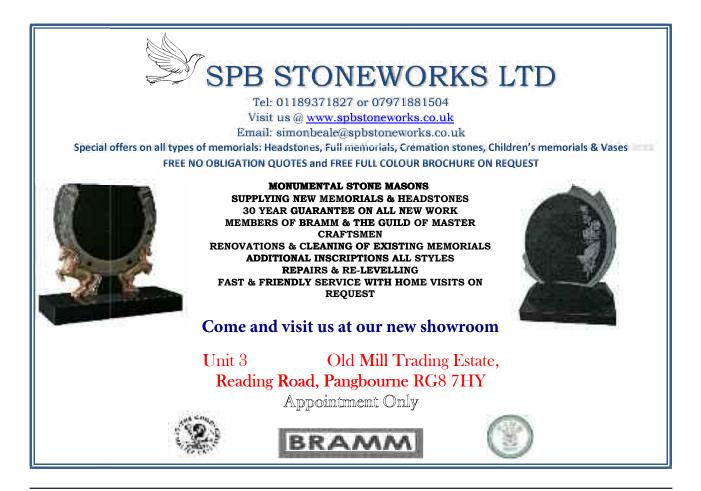
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THE SWAN



19th century painting of The Swan, showing the former flash-lock

Little definite is known about the history of **The Swan**. It is said to have been built about 1643, at the time of the English Civil War, and probably started as a place of refreshment and overnight lodging for bargees waiting to navigate the nearby flash-lock, which, being dependent on the vagaries of the water levels in the Thames, could take several days. This lock, which was in use until 1786 and the construction of Whitchurch Lock, was located towards the centre of the present weir, and, since about 10% of the manpower in our village was required to haul one single barge through the flash-lock, no doubt The Swan also did good business once the task was completed.

The Swan as the name of an inn is frequent beside rivers. What distinguishes our own is that, from time immemorial and although on the Berkshire side of the Thames, part of the land on which The Swan stands was in Oxfordshire, with the county boundary bisecting the public bar. As the closing time of the two counties was different, at the earlier closing time drinkers could simply move to the other end of the counter, and, quite legally, carry on drinking.

Usually, a Swan inn sign depicts a majestic white bird, often gliding on a stretch of water, the lord of all it surveys. Ours is black, recalling the black swans of the Southern Hemisphere first seen by Europeans in 1697. The Property Department at Greene King, which bought the pub in 1999, tells me that, since the name does not include 'White' or 'Black', black was chosen as being more in keeping with the external colour of the building, and more likely to make an impact.

Every year in the third week of July, in a tradition dating from the 12th century, the swans on the Thames between Sunbury and Abingdon are rounded up, caught, marked and then released, in the ceremony called Swan Upping. The term 'Upping' derives from the method of turning the birds up(side down) to weigh, measure, tag and examine them for injury. Swans caught by the Queen's Swan Uppers are no longer tagged or 'marked' by the Swan Marker, apart from being ringed on one leg only, to link them to the database of the British Trust for Ornithology. Those belonging to the Vintners' and Dyers' Livery Companies have a ring also on the other leg.



Swan upping

"A fat swan loved he best of any roast" wrote Chaucer of the monk in the *Canterbury Tales*, a reminder that in Medieval and Tudor England swans were a prized source of meat. Their quills were used for writing. Although quills from geese were cheaper and more flexible, a swan quill used as a pen lasted up to 50 times longer, and was the preferred writing instrument of Elizabeth I. Quills were invariably trimmed of all or most of their feathers to make writing easier. Each resulting pen, a word ultimately derived from Latin *penna*, 'feather', was regularly sharpened during use – the origin of the modern *penknife*.

All our native breeds of domestic goose derive originally from the wild greylag goose, and, in place-names, it is difficult to differentiate between wild and domestic ones. However, there is no doubt about **Wild Goose Pightle**, a field-name mentioned in Beenham in 1814. **Goosey**, Ock, *Goseie* in a document of AD 811 and meaning 'goose island (*eg*, developed to –y)', may well refer to a wild goose, whereas **Gosbrook Road**, Reading, first recorded as *Gosebroke* in 1551, probably recalls the farming activities of the monks of Reading Abbey. What both names will certainly not refer to are the now all too frequent *Canada geese*. These were first introduced into Britain in the late 17th century as an addition to James II's waterfowl collection in St James's Park, London, and have spread from there.

Swans and geese are monogamous, mating for life and only 'remarrying' if their mate is killed. This characteristic is true too of the uncommon waterbird recalled at **Cranbourne**, Winkfield, where the stream (-bourne) was associated, as the name suggests, with the *crane*. The mind of modern man has fastened on this bird's long legs and neck in

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Crane

applying its name to the contrivance for lifting heavy weights. Earlier, it was the bird's bill that caught the eye. Curiously, via the Greek for the crane (bird), *geranos*, we have the *geranium*, from the long spur on the fruit which also caused the flower also to be known as 'cranesbill'.



Cranesbill, showing the long spur giving the plant its name

In the New World, early European settlers in America observed the similarity of the flower, stem, calyx, and petals of a marsh plant there to the neck, head and bill of the bird. The resulting berry features on our dinner tables at Christmas as the *cranberry*. Cranes ceased breeding in the United Kingdom in the 16th century, and the bird is now not commonly seen as it only stops here briefly on its migratory flights between North Africa and Scandinavia.

An even rarer visitor to our shores than the crane is the *stork*, recalled at *Storkesham*, a lost field-name at Burghfield recorded in 1218. Maybe just a single stork had been seen there, enabling the villagers to feel it was a manifestation of the stork myth, around at least since Roman times, which, it has been suggested, allays the discomfort of discussing sex and procreation with children. The stork may originally have been chosen for the myth because of its white plumage (depicting purity), size (in that it is big enough to carry an infant), and flight at high altitude (likened to flying between Heaven and Earth).

The crane is similar in appearance to the *heron*, except that, in flight, the crane flies with the neck elongated, whereas the heron's is retracted. The two species are not in fact related, but this did not prevent a certain confusion in nomenclature. For example, **Cranemoor Lake**, Englefield, still has a resident heronry many hundreds of years after the lake (*mere*, developed to -moor) was first named, and it may well be the heron that was associated with the stream at **Cranbourne**, Basingstoke.

And what then of the *pelican*, recorded at **Pelican Road**, Newbury? The reference here is not to a Southern European bird very severely blown off course, or to an escapee from an aviary, but is an echo of an old Speenhamland coaching inn, The George and Pelican, which stood at the junction of Northbrook Street and the London to Bath Road. Its heyday was during the coaching era, c. 1780 to 1840, during which time a wag wrote:

"The famous inn at Speenhamland That stands below the hill May well be called the Pelican From its enormous bill."

The modern surname 'Pelican' may well derive from a nickname, *Thomas Pellican* being mentioned in a document in 1316; perhaps he or one of his forebears had a large lower jaw. In contrast, the surname 'Swan' is often derived, not from the bird, but from *swain*. This is an archaic term for a country youth or, in medieval England, a peasant, and occurs occasionally in place-names, as at **Swain's Copse**, Wokingham. It survives in Modern English in the rather more distinguished nautical 'boatswain' and 'coxswain'. No doubt out in the country in medieval England anyone who rose up the social scale was keen to shed the humble origins of 'swain', slightly changing his name to that of the imposing bird. Unfortunately, therefore, by no means all modern 'Swan' families can claim descent from a man having white hair and an aristocratic appearance.

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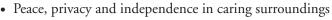
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PANGBOURNE AND WHITCHURCH SUSTAINABILITY NEWS

A "green wave" is sweeping the continent: that is the story of last month's European elections, said Jen Kirby in Vox {New York}. Green parties made huge gains across the EU, taking nearly 10% of the total vote. German Greens took their share of the vote to almost 20%, causing the biggest upset to the social democrat SDP, 16% and Angela Merkel's party CDU/CSU alliance, 29% since the Second World War. The Greens achieved more votes from the 18 to 24 year olds than the conservatives, liberals and social democrats put together. The core issue for these young voters is that of the need for urgent action on climate change.

Protection of our highly complex environment with its uniquely nuanced and sensitive relationships has to be the work of all of us whether by confronting the producers of damaging pesticides or protesting about the race for oil in the arctic waters or by supporting research into alternatives to environment-damaging life styles. Everything we do has a political impact. We vote by what we buy, and it is fascinating to see how the supermarkets are responding to issues of plastic packaging and food waste. This will have an effect on producers and bring about change in production processes.

Sustainable companies are reducing their carbon footprint by creating their own and buying electricity from renewable companies. A much greater awareness exists about the need to evolve cleaner, safer, less wasteful mechanisms in order to protect our sensitive life support. Our young people are demanding that government supports every aspect of the battle to prevent the effect of climate change.

PAWS members were delighted to see the return of our very young climate warriors to the Pangbourne Fete in June. Some of you may remember how last year young students from Pangbourne Primary School helped with clearing up of litter from the site and with running the plastic awareness game at the PAWS stall. This year they came armed with their own leaflets about plastic pollution, endangered stuffed toys and activities for children; they set up stall and were ready to discuss environment issues with anyone who would talk to them. The young are leading us because they know that their futures will be



compromised by changing environmental conditions. PAWS was overseeing the recycling in order to be a plasticfree fete again, and it was very encouraging to see how little litter was left on the field at the end of fete.

PAWS and WoTHabs jointly organised a haymeadow walk on the Hardwick Estate at the beginning of June, and this coincided with the moth count taking place in Whitchurch. This was another enjoyable walk in this very special organic meadow.

Like many other community groups we have been able to participate in the Art Café coffee morning project and we were really pleased to be able to grow our funds which will go towards the cost of a drinking water fountain in Pangbourne. A big thank you to Gill Williams for starting the café which brings community groups together.

At the time of writing we are looking forward to the Paws AGM on 27th June followed by a talk by Jon Ashford on Charging for Electric cars. This is a vital cog in the system for those thinking of switching to anyone thinking of switching to electric

Please put the 12th October in your diaries for the PAWS barn dance to be held in the village hall Pangbourne. This is great fun and sells out quickly.

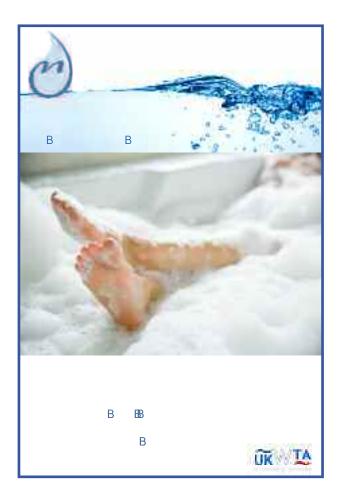


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PANG VALLEY FLOOD FORUM

The Englefield Estate is working in partnership with the Pang Valley Flood Forum (PVFF) on a pilot project which aims to assess the benefits of using more natural methods to try to reduce flood risk.

A team from the Estate, under the direction of the PVFF, has been constructing so-called "leaky dams" on the River Bourne – a tributary of the River Pang. The dams are designed to "slow the flow" of floodwater, which in turn reduces the risk of overbanking, and the likelihood of flooding further downstream.

The work, funded by Defra, has been undertaken by a team led by the Englefield Estate's Forestry Manager Richard Edwards, on Estate land south of Pangbourne.



Richard said: "The River Bourne is usually quite peaceful, wandering through the countryside until it reaches the River Pang. But it is in a narrow, deep channel, so in extreme weather the waters can flow very powerfully, potentially contributing to extensive flooding downstream. We know that people in Pangbourne were hit badly by flooding some years ago, so when we were approached by the Pang Valley Flood Forum, we were keen to help out. The Englefield Estate has been caring for the environment for generations, and we wanted to make sure the work was done in an environmentally friendly way. Their grant was awarded to help to increase the research knowledge of using Natural Flood Management (NFM) techniques rather than hard, concrete structures and this really appealed to us. We built leaky dams using locally felled trees which are placed in the river in such a way that the natural base flow of the river isn't really affected. But in times of rising water levels and potential flooding, the dams will hold back the flow and slow it down so it is less destructive downstream."



Kay Lacey has chaired the Pang Valley Flood Forum since it was set up in 2013. She was previously a parish councillor in Pangbourne and saw first-hand the damage and misery caused by flooding in the village in July 2007.

Kay said: "The Forum is run by volunteers and works closely with the Environment Agency, Thames Water and West Berkshire Council. We have a Flood Risk Management Plan which is designed to look at ways of reducing flood risk on behalf of the people living close to the River Pang. We are being supported by the Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs in implementing Natural Flood Management techniques at a number of strategic locations in the Pang Valley, with the aim

of reducing the risk of floodwater breaking over the banks of the River Pang. Our project will contribute to a national database of information on natural flood management effectiveness. I was heavily involved in the recovery work following the 2007 flooding in Pangbourne and know how traumatic it was for local people. We cannot completely eliminate the risk of property flooding, but we believe this work will help to reduce that risk. Flooding is not simply caused by heavier than usual rainfall over a few hours or days: other factors such as frozen or baked ground, rising groundwater and unusually persistently wet seasons can all contribute. The team from the Englefield Estate have been incredibly helpful and have really bought in to what we are trying to achieve – to protect people and property using methods which work with nature rather than against it. The University of Reading are also helping us by installing flow monitoring equipment so we can measure what impact we're having."

Richard added: "While work was getting under way it was interesting to see that the Environment Agency nationally was saying that climate change is increasing the threat of floods, and that we can't win a war against water with ever-higher flood defences. Instead, we should be looking at a range of solutions, one of which is Natural Flood Management – which is exactly what we have been doing here. We hope that our work will be seen as a pioneering way of effectively reducing flood risk, protecting people, homes and infrastructure in a sustainable way using natural materials close to hand."



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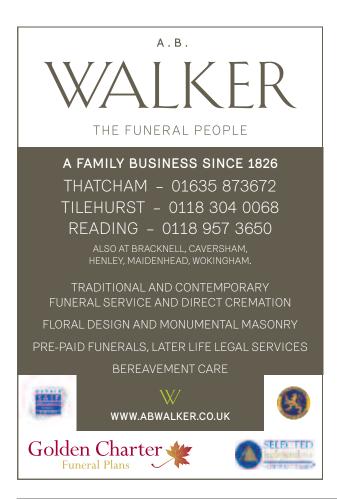
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PANGBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Following May's local elections, membership of the Parish Council has undergone some changes. Thanks are extended to outgoing Councillors Tom Saunders, Di Williams and Davina Griffiths who have all left the council in recent months along with outgoing Chairman Rob Holden. Welcomes are extended to new councillors Matt Shakespeare, Chris Hartley, Brenda Kerr-Muir and Jan Pearce who have recently joined or reioined the council. Thanks also to those councillors who re-stood at the elections, Peter MacIver, Claire Rennison, John Higgs, Gareth Hurley and Graham Child who continue to serve on the council. There are currently two casual vacancies (please see advertisements on noticeboards). Please contact the clerk (clerk@pangbourne-pc.gov.uk) if you are interested in helping make a difference.



ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Thank you to all the residents who attended the Annual Parish Meeting on 16th May. Over 60 members of the public were present for what proved to be an informative night of sharing between local groups and organisations. The Millennium Award was presented (see below). It was also an opportunity to hear updates from the Parish Council and to give thanks to outgoing District Councillor Pamela Bale after many years of dedicated service at both Parish and District level. We wish her a wonderful retirement.

Minutes of the meeting will soon be available on the Parish website.

MESSAGE FROM PETE MACIVER, CHAIRMAN PANGBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

Firstly it is a pleasure to have been elected as Chairman of Pangbourne Parish Council following the recent elections. Furthermore I also welcome John Higgs as Vice Chairman, John brings a wealth of experience to the position. I look forward to serving the residents and community of Pangbourne.

Just a quick intro; my wife and I have lived in Pangbourne for 21 very happy years, our two grown up daughters attended local schools; they went to Pangbourne Primary School and then Theale Green School. I have spent my career working in the oil and gas industry, developing major projects worldwide, which meant being away from home for long periods. I retired recently and joined the Parish Council a year ago because I really wanted to do something for the village and the community that we have happily lived in for those 21 years.

At the recent Annual Parish Meeting we had a very cheering reception from all the attendees and I hope the new Councillors gave some positive messages. I would like the Parish Council to be a much more inclusive, open and transparent organisation. All the Councillors give our time voluntarily, we all pay Council Tax and the Precept which makes up the income that supports the Parish and we are as keen as you all are that the money gets spent wisely and for the best interests of the community as a whole.

On that note, we also said at the meeting that we had CIL money to spend on projects to benefit the community. CIL is the Community Infrastructure Levy, which the Parish receives from new developments in the village and which can be spent on improvements to, or investments in certain types of infrastructure. We want to spend the money but we also need your help and involvement, not just making suggestions but also helping us manage the projects. Furthermore if you have specific skills or trades that you would like to offer then again we would welcome your help. This can't just be done by councillors, we don't have enough hours in the day so please, if you have some time you can spare then let us know. Anyone wanting to get involved please contact the Clerk on Clerk@pangbourne-pc.gov.uk.

Pangbourne is a lovely place to live but that's not to say it couldn't be better and I do believe that together we can make it better.

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CIL EXPENDITURE

(COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY)

The Parish Council receives a levy from certain types of development within the village that can be used to fund infrastructure to support the local community. This is called CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy).

Pangbourne Parish Council currently has money earmarked for this purpose.

It is important that this money is spent in a way that will best advantage the Community and as such we would like to invite suggestions on how this money can be spent. There are limitations/conditions which apply to how the money can be used. As such, there are a number of suggestions below. THESE ARE JUST SUGGESTIONS AT THIS STAGE.

Please indicate which you would like to see happen and return the form to the Parish Office at the Village Hall (or contact the Clerk email – Clerk@Pangbourne-pc.gov.uk) by **Friday July 26th**.

Please indicate here if you have already completed this consultation when attending the Annual Parish Meeting)

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PROJECT	COMMENT (IE, WHAT AND WHERE)	PROJECT	COMMENT (IE, WHAT AND WHERE)
EG: New equipment	Benches – especially at the recreation ground	EG: New equipment	Benches – especially at the recreation ground
RIVER MEADOWS		VILLAGE HALL	
eg: benches, noticeboards, maps, bins, recycling		eg: solar panels, new chairs tables, better facilities	
RECREATION GRND		OTHER	
eg: Playground trim trail, adult gym, shade and seating, resurfacing Sports courts, pitches, sports pavilion, gates and security, parking, water drinking fountain, tarmac pathway, floodlighting Improvements to public toilets, bins and waste		eg: parish website noticeboards, village maps, dogbins, dustbins, village signs, footpath and pavement works (if feasible)	
CEMETERY		CHILTERN WALK	
eg: parking, landscaping, waste recycling		eg: football goals repair	

MILLENNIUM AWARD 2019

The Parish Council had the pleasure to be able to award the Millennium Award again after a brief pause in 2018 when the Magazine team retired.

There were several very strong candidates nominated for a range of good service and it is always hard to single out any one person. There was, however one clear and very deserving winner – ANGELA CULLINAN.

Angela was nominated after 12 successful years as Chairman of the Village Fete Committee and also for her work on other volunteer organisations, as a former Parish Councillor and School Governor at Pangbourne Primary School. She has also been active within APT in helping to secure the continued operation of the public toilets in Station Road. Through her work on the fete, she has been able to raise funds for several local causes.





Angela has contributed greatly to village life in Pangbourne in a variety of ways and even after stepping down from the fete committee, is continuing to offer support this year.

One nomination summed up Angela thus:

"If Angela were a stick of rock, you would see Pangbourne written right through. Angela has given a great deal of time and energy to the Pangbourne Community since she moved here."

PLANNING APPLICATIONS REVIEWED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL SINCE LAST ARTICLE

APP NO:	PROPOSAL RE	COMMENDATION	
19/00972/ FULMAJ	Proposed new access to Pangbourne Road with the installation of a galvanised gate Woodland Manor, Pangbourne Road, Pangbourne RG8 8AW	COMMENT	
19/00928/ HOUSE	Single storey front and rear extension NO OBJECTION Struan House, Pangbourne Hill, Pangbourne RG8 7AS		
19/00850/ FULD	Construction of new dwelling following removal of domestic outbuildings Garden Land North of Hillside Riverview F	putbuildings	
19/00855/ HOUSE	Single storey extensions to the front and side and a two storey extension to the rea Winloed Cottage, Bere Court Road, Pang		
19/00857/ HOUSE	Single storey porch extension, side roof modification and internal alterations. 10 Woodview Road, Pangbourne RG8 7JN	NO OBJECTION (COMMENT) N	
APPLICATIO	ONS DETERMINED BY WBC:	WBC DECISION	
19/00564/ ADV	Company branded signs to advertise Formula Health Consultancy Ltd. One elevated on (or behind) brickwall by road s Ground Floor, 19 Reading Road only, acce Ground Floor, 19 Reading Road, Pangbou	ss to the rear.	
19/00563/ FUL	Change of use from offices to D1 for the e ground floor access to the rear of 19 Read Road. Application for approval of details re by conditions (3) Ground Floor, 19 Reading Road, Pangbou	ing eserved	
19/00857/ HOUSE	Single storey porch extension, side roof modification and internal alterations. 10 Woodview Road, Pangbourne RG8 7JN	APPROVAL	
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19/00730/ HOUSE	Erection of two-storey front extension (wes Erection of single storey rear extension (ea Erection of single storey side extension (so 8 St James Close, Pangbourne RG8 7AP	st).	
19/00704/ HOUSE	Single storey side extension to form store 40 Reading Road, Pangbourne RG8 7JF	APPROVAL	

APP NO:	PROPOSAL	RECOM	MENDATION
19/00624/ FUL	Removal of an existing canopy and e of a new fascia. 8-10 Station Road, Pangbourne RG8		APPROVAL
19/00664/ FUL	Erection of detached triple garage p residential accommodation above to Land North of Pangbourne Hill, Pang	Plot 7.	APPROVAL
19/00520/ COND1	Application for approval of details re- by conditions (3) schedule of works, (and (5) building recording of approve 18/02628/LBC2 – to facilitate the safe removal of the extensive asbestos the ground and first floors and to enable 15th/16th century vaults below the g propose to replace the existing wood the drawing room with new oak floor improve the appearance of the interi- room and study, we propose to replan new existing pine floorboards with ne Bere Court, Pangbourne RG8 8HT	4) floorboard ad application and perman at exists in the access to the round floor, diveneer floor boards and ors of the di ce the relation	on anent ne we or in to ning vely
18/02901/ HOUSE	Insertion of 2 no dormers to rear, rep staircase to existing loft room, togeth internal alterations, to form en-suite a 39 Shooters Hill, Pangbourne RG8 7	ner with and relocate	APPROVAL d kitchen
18/02902 /LBC	Insertion of 2 no dormers to rear,repl staircase to existing loft room, togeth internal alterations,to form en-suite a relocated kitchen 39 Shooters Hill, Pangbourne RG8 7	ner with nd	APPROVAL
19/00478/ HOUSE	Bespoke aluminium and glass apex re extension to kitchen 37 Thames Avenue, Pangbourne RG		NITHDRAWN
19/00475/ FULD	Change of use of part of the ground reate a retail unit of c70m2 plus exter area for use as A3 or A1. Change of u of the ground floor to C3 which toge C3 use on the first floor will be recon 2 dwellings first floor rear extension t The Star, 27 Reading Road, Pangbou	rnal terrace use of the re ther with the figured to p to form bath	e existing rovide room
19/00529/ HOUSE	Single storey side and rear extension existing kitchen with first floor rear ex form bathroom 64 Horseshoe Road, Pangbourne RG	tension to	APPROVAL

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