

# Chaddleworth News

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## Chaddleworth Hadland Memorial Garden

The Parish Council has embarked on a refurbishment of the Hadland Memorial Garden and have taken down all the 'overgrown trees', grubbed out the roots and enriched the soil, planting low growing flowering shrubs and grassed the areas between the plants to avoid more weeds growing.

This work is now complete and we would like to thank Mr. Henry Ponsonby for his generous donation towards the planting which enabled us to comprehensively cover the whole area. Included in this was the donation of Patricia (Kish) Armstrong's memorial; a flowering camelia (tea tree). The camelia flowered after the replanting for the first time on Kish's birthday. Our thanks to Joe Mills and Grahame Murphy for the design, ground work, planting, erecting a new pergola and fence, and repairing the bench. Our thanks also to Jim Warwick (rotovating), Gary Pounds, Charles Hadland, (laying turf), David Jennings (chippings), Steve Poole & Ben Barratt (removal of detritus) and invaluable planting advice from Lea Naples, Judy Kelly, John and Phyllis Bibbings and Heather Murphy. Also thanks to Kevin Brady for loaning tools and liquid refreshments. The path at the eastern end has been closed off for safety reasons.

The Hadland Memorial Garden is named in honour of two stalwarts of our community – Violet Verney Hadland, Postmistress and Parish Councillor, who died in 1988, opened the Post Office just after the war taking over from the one at Marlpot in Main Street – and her son Charles 'Chuck' Hadland who carried on until his death in 1992. They were both much loved and appreciated. The bench is a memorial for her and the birdbath for him.



## Chaddleworth Cricket Club

Next month (May) sees our cricket season start on the 9<sup>th</sup> with a trip to Hampstead Norreys. We also have a home game versus Boxford on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and an away match with Ramsbury on the 30<sup>th</sup>. As pledged, please find the full season's fixtures later in this edition.

We will also be playing a **very important fixture at Chaddleworth on 16<sup>th</sup> May**. We will be having a charity match **in memory of our Life Vice-President Ken Compton** whom we sadly lost last year. Ken was a keen supporter of the club, as well as being a first rate player. He famously played gloveless such were his skills with the bat! Gill Compton, who has kindly agreed to take on Ken's role, has asked that we fundraise at this match for **The Duchess of Kent hospice** in Reading in thanks and recognition of the fine care they gave Ken. I hope we can raise a few quid and a glass or two! **Jim Wilson**

## Ministry of Defence Police (MDP)

The Ministry of Defence Police now operates a small armed policing team every day and night at RAF Welford. You might see us patrolling across the Lambourn Valley and the Vale of the White Horse. If you've seen anything suspicious please speak to our officers when you see them, or email us at [matthew.callinicos100@mod.gov.uk](mailto:matthew.callinicos100@mod.gov.uk) or [ian.colin100@mod.gov.uk](mailto:ian.colin100@mod.gov.uk)



Your information, no matter how small, could make a big difference to keeping our communities safe or preventing crime. Your information is always in the strictest confidence and will only be shared with our policing partners at Thames Valley Police. In an emergency please always **dial 999**. It is an emergency when a crime is being committed, someone is at risk of being injured, or there is a risk of serious damage to property.

Regarding the current concerns about dog thefts, we are aware that offenders usually scout out an area before they commit the theft. They will place several zip ties around a nearby lamppost. This is to indicate that there are high value targets/dog walkers in the area. Therefore people can be aware / check for these on their travels.

If any residents need any advice or have any concerns then please do contact us. **ian**

## Obituary- Tilly Fishlock

Tilly Fishlock, born in 1925 lived in Wickslett Cottage in the Parish of Catmore. Tilly was in fact the last member of the old Parish of Catmore and the land there was owned (and still is) by the Easton family of Hendred who are direct descendants of Thomas More who was murdered on the orders of Henry the eighth.

Tilly attended Brightwalton school and left at the age of fourteen to become a 'land girl' on land owned by the Liddiard family. In 1950 when Nodmore was being built the first 4 houses were set aside for farmworkers and she and her fiancée Vernon were advised to get married quickly and 'claim' one. This they did and moved in to number 11 where they lived until 1994 when they moved to a bungalow in Great Shefford. When Tilly and Vern's children started school Tilly went to work for Mrs Denton at 'Mount Pleasant' on the Wantage Road after that she went to work for the Wroughton family at Woolley Park.

Tilly was an accomplished seamstress and continued doing this for a number of years becoming the Village seamstress. She passed peacefully away on the 31<sup>st</sup> of January at the Great Western hospital, Swindon. She left her heart in Chaddleworth and was a long term Member of the '100 Club' supporting our Village Hall. She will be missed very much by Susan, Robin and Jane and all the rest of her extended family.

## St Andrew's Church, Chaddleworth

*part of the West Downland Benefice*

I'm very much looking forward to groups of six being able to meet outdoors and have planned our Easter Services with this in mind. We shall be gathering in churchyards across the Benefice to retell the story of Jesus' final days with his disciples, his death and the first Easter morning.

Chaddleworth's part of the story will remind us of Jesus praying in the garden on the eve of his death. With readings and prayers we'll remember his fear and his determination and reflect on our own experiences during the lockdown and pray for the courage we need to continue to live good lives as we face the challenges of rebuilding after Covid-19.

The other services will each make a distinct connection between the ancient Easter story and our own experience of the pandemic so even if you would not normally travel to the other parish churches please come and join us as we explore how our faith, whether firm or in doubt, can comfort and guide us. There's no need to book, but please be aware that some people will be anxious about gatherings and may wish to retain their 2m social distancing.

The churches will be available for private prayer but face coverings must be worn inside all our church buildings.

**Revd Miri Keen, [miri.westdownland@gmail.com](mailto:miri.westdownland@gmail.com), 07954 117093**

<b>Passiontide and Easter Services in the West Downland Benefice</b> <i>Please note that all 'in person' worship is outdoors except the Monday Holy Communion at St Andrew's Church, Chaddleworth</i>		
<b>28<sup>th</sup> March</b> Palm Sunday	Matins	<b>9:00am</b> Fawley Churchyard
	Palm Sunday Service	<b>10:45am</b> Zoom
<b>1<sup>st</sup> April</b> Maundy Thursday	'Remembering Gethsemane' Readings and Prayers	<b>9:30am</b> Welford Churchyard

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> April</b> Good Friday	Good Friday Liturgy <i>The Passion Readings and Prayers</i>	<b>9:30am</b> Welford Churchyard
	Café Church Open Air Storytime	<b>10:30am</b> Great Shefford Churchyard
	'Standing at the Foot of the Cross' <i>Readings, Music and Prayers</i>	<b>2:30pm</b> Brightwalton Churchyard
<b>4<sup>th</sup> April</b> Easter Day	'Christ is Risen' Holy Communion	<b>6:30am</b> Leckhampstead Churchyard
	Easter Service	<b>10:00am</b> Zoom

<b>Holy Communion at St Andrew's Church</b> <i>Please contact Miri or Sue Ridgeway if you plan to attend</i>	
<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April</b>

## The History Bit – A Potted History of Chadd

The area/manor of Chaddleworth was given by William the conqueror in 1066 to Robert D'oilly who held it for just a little while and it changed hands many many times over the centuries until in the eighteenth century it was acquired by the Nelson family. If you get the chance to look at Manor Farm you will see that the 'rainwater goods' a posh term for the 'gutters and down pipes' are franked with the Nelson name as is a goodly part of Chaddleworth House. In 1837 the estate was sold to the Wroughton family (namely Bartolomew Wroughton of Woolley Park).

Moving swiftly to the church it will be noted that there is a very handsome 'zig zag' Saxon doorway. There was a building here that dated from 908 so this is a very ancient site. The Nelsons who are mentioned above spent so much money on Manor Farm that they had to fell a great quantity of oak trees to defray the expense. Many sawpits were sunk around the area and the planks were provided for the British Navy. Going back to Saxon times the name Chaddleworth refers to 'oak woods' and that is where the name Chaddleworth originates.

We are a very fortunate village in having 3 philanthropic people living here in the past, 1) William Saunders, 2) Sussana Wynne and 3) Ruth Coventry who left appreciable amounts of money to help educate local children of the less well endowed. Chaddleworth was one of the first village schools to be established in the county of Berkshire. They (the above named) have for over 300 years continued to support local children up to the age of 25 to get educated. William Saunders is buried along with his wife Susan in St Andrews church, a memorial stone is inscribed 'pauperes sunt mundi heredes' latin for the poor shall inherit the earth.

Expanding on that during the second world war many school children were living in the village as evacuees, your author personally knew a chap called Don Stephenson who was billeted at Lime Tree Cottage, Upper End with a family called Bradley. St Andrews School was simply not big enough to accommodate these extra children and so the 'Iron Room' (Village Hall) was used to provide additional classroom accommodation. The last time the Village Hall was used for this purpose was in 1960/61 when St Andrews received a major modernisation at the cost of £13,000 ( £248,300 in today's money)! To the existing school were added 2 classrooms, a library, activity space, a kitchen, office and cloakroom facilities for the children and staff.

**George Boxford**

## Chaddleworth Cricket Club Fixtures

Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Hampstead Norreys	Away 2pm
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Ken Compton Memorial Match</b>	<b>Home 1:30pm</b>
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Boxford	Home 2pm
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Ramsbury	Away 2pm
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	The Racqueteers	Home 2pm
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Purley on Thames	Home 2pm
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Leg Rovers	Home <b>6pm</b>
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Bradfield	Away <b>1:30pm</b>
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Presidents XI	Home <b>1pm</b>
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Ashford Hill	Home 2pm
Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Chieveley	Home 2pm
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Inkpen	Away <b>1pm</b>
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Chieveley	Away 2pm
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> August	West Ilsley	Home 2pm
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	Aldworth	Away 2pm
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	Peasemore	Home 2pm

## Downland Gardening Club

We can, at least at this moment, enjoy the fantastic display of Spring Flowers we are being treated to. Everywhere you go there are Daffodils and Primroses on the roadsides. In peoples gardens Narcissus, Hyacinths, Hellebores are blooming, and Camellias are bursting into flower. The Blackthorn is awash with blossom in the hedgerow, Forsythia and Witchhazel with their fabulous scent, Mahonia are glowing yellow against their dark foliage. I find that even a small bunch of fresh flowers indoors lifts the spirits.

You may remember that I have talked about my interest in nursery websites and catalogues, if only to fantasise on all the fabulous plants one can buy. Dream borders, for all seasons. This year I have succumbed to a small starter collection of Auriculas from Ashwood Nurseries, they have arrived in excellent condition, beautifully packaged and now I have to look after them. Several years ago Patricia Elkington came to talk to the club and we had a great early evening visit to her garden near Winchester. She brought us some white forget me nots for the seeds. The plants self-seed every year and I love them, also the blue ones. This year I have found seeds for an extra tall pink forget me not, Cynoglossum Mystery Rose, this is good for pollinators and also self-seeds. Incidentally the gardens in Crawley, including Patricia Elkingtons are opening in April under the National Gardens scheme. All information and tickets are available on the NGS website. . *Stay safe, Judy Kelley*



### Recipes for the month:

Are you bored with chicken, try this... Mix one tablespoon of mango chutney (or other fruity chutney) with one tablespoon of olive oil and ½ tablespoon of grainy mustard, smear over a chicken breast with skin on. Leave covered in

fridge for several hours. Take out for about an hour before cooking. Bake in a hot oven 200c for 25mins. If getting too brown cover with foil. Good served with a green vegetable.

And, have you tried Baked Pears with crushed amaretti biscuits? Peel and half the pears. Take out the core. Mix crushed biscuit with some butter, place into core. Put in dish with a little elder flower cordial/water (optional) cook in medium oven for about 20 mins until pear is soft

## Village Hall

The Committee are in the process of overseeing some extensive electrical work to bring the Hall up to acceptable health and safety standards. The storage heaters have been replaced, small heaters in the toilets installed, replaced lights in the kitchen and toilets with LED lighting, replaced extractor fans in the toilets, new infrared heaters in the Hall and a new water heater in the kitchen.

Please keep in mind the availability of the Hall (when it is back up and running) for your children's parties, family events and any other functions by contacting **Chris Jordan** on **01488 638149**. For any other issues about the Hall please contact **Heather Murphy** on **01488 638628**, or [botmoorway@btinternet.com](mailto:botmoorway@btinternet.com)

## 100 Club

The winners of the 100 Club draw for March are Thea Lett with her lucky number 62 and Joe Mills with his lucky number 42. They both win **£42**. We are now at 84 Members so thank you one and all.

This Club supports the Village Hall in ongoing costs that are ever increasing (Insurance, Maintenance etcetera). The 100 Club is a vital source of income for the Village Hall. It is really worthwhile being a Member and I implore every villager to join. Please contact **Grahame Murphy** on **01488 638628** or email [botmoorway@btinternet.com](mailto:botmoorway@btinternet.com)

*How do I join the 100 Club?* Here is what you do if you "internet bank", set up a standing order for £2 per month (one number) or £24 a year. Payable to:

Recipient: **Chaddleworth 100 Club**

Sort Code: **62-28-74**

Account No: **00000000** (eight zeros)

Reference: **2856684010**

That's it you're done! Alternatively you can let me have a cheque or cash just contact me. Email Grahame Murphy to let him know you have joined and get your allocated lucky number.

## Parish Council

The next Parish council meeting will be held on **6<sup>th</sup> April**. The latest advice from HALC (Hampshire Association of Local Councils) states that Parish Councils can meet after the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2021, but community halls are not allowed for meetings until after 17<sup>th</sup> May 2021. The Chaddleworth 'Annual Parish Council Meeting' on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2021 will be a 'face to face' meeting in the Chaddleworth Village Hall. Please note, this is all pending any further government guidance announced regarding the lockdown gateway stages. For a full transcript of the minutes from all past meetings of Chaddleworth Parish Council, please visit [www.chaddleworth.net](http://www.chaddleworth.net). If you have any matters for the Council, please contact the clerk via email [chaddleworth.pc@outlook.com](mailto:chaddleworth.pc@outlook.com)



## Saunders Wynn and Coventry Educational Foundation

The three named benefactors set up the Trust to offer financial help to further the educational needs of the children and students (up to the age of 25) of the Parish of Chaddleshworth. The Trustees meet four times a year with the next meeting scheduled for **13<sup>th</sup> May** to consider applications including any relating to the additional costs of home-schooling and remote study for students. Previous contributions have been made towards the cost of school uniforms, books for university courses, specific equipment and kit for courses, and residential courses. If you wish to apply for funds please contact the Foundation's Clerk, **Heather Murphy**, Tower Hill Cottage, Botmoor Way, Chaddleshworth RG20 7EU or email [botmoorway@btinternet.com](mailto:botmoorway@btinternet.com) for an application form. All applications are treated in the strictest confidence. Any applications received after 13<sup>th</sup> May will still be considered for awards by the Trustees but there may be a delay before awards are made.

## West Berkshire Libraries



We are pleased to bring you the latest news from West Berkshire Libraries, including details about the services we are currently able to provide in line with government rules on managing the risk of COVID-19.

We are delighted that the government's roadmap for lifting the current restrictions offers public libraries the opportunity to re-open on 12<sup>th</sup> April (this date is subject to the Government's satisfaction that transmission rates continue to fall nationwide this month).

We hope it will once again be possible for visitors to come into library buildings from 12<sup>th</sup> April to choose their own books and to use our PCs, printing and copying facilities. We are now working hard to finalise arrangements for this and will have more information for you in our April newsletter. As always, please continue to check our social media for the most up to date news.

Do you know anyone who is unable to collect books from the library because of age, disability or other special circumstance? Please tell them about our At Home service, which is a vital link for customer who have difficulties getting to their local library. Once someone is registered as an At Home library member, one of our friendly and professional team will contact them to discuss their requirements and find out what sort of books they enjoy, including whether they prefer hardbacks or paperbacks, large print books or perhaps audiobooks. We then deliver these to the doorstep at a safe distance. Deliveries are usually made every three weeks. Please help to spread the word to anyone who may benefit from this service. Thank you.

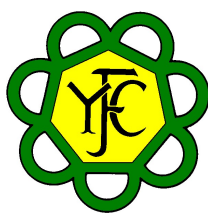
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## Chaddleshworth Hardship Fund

The charity was enacted in 1813 to provide fuel and 'necessaries' for the people of Chaddleshworth Parish. This charity has now been updated to become the Chaddleshworth Hardship Fund.

The Trustees of this fund (the Parish Council) would like to help the village during this unprecedented pandemic. If you find yourself in financial difficulties, please apply to the Parish Clerk by email to [chaddleshworth.pc@outlook.com](mailto:chaddleshworth.pc@outlook.com) and the Trustees will look at your application (in strictest confidence) and may award financial help. **The Trustees**

## Shefford Young Farmers



Shefford YFC are continuing to holding Zoom meetings on **alternate Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm**

We have a good range of meetings planned and members are enjoying the chance to meet up with their friends virtually.

Our meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> February was a Lambing Live evening zoomed from a local farm and we all learnt a lot about sheep and lambing. We were able to see a lamb being born which was exciting.

Our meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> March was a chance for members to show us their pets and tell us all about them. We had a great selection of dogs and cats, who all seemed keen to show off on Zoom, but Sam with her pet cow was the star of the evening. This was also a chance for members to practice their stock judging skills. We are also hoping to hold our Stock Judging competitions in April on Zoom which again will be very different to usual. We are sure our members will enjoy the chance to compete in these very unusual times.

Our next meeting on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March will have been messy but yummy as we are doing Easter baking with ingredients including lots of chocolate and mini eggs. However there is some very good news. Following advice from National YFC we have planned an outside meeting for Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April and it will be great for all our members to finally meet up after more than a year. Hopefully it will be the first of many. If anyone is interested in joining the club please contact Shefford YFC on [sheffordyfc@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sheffordyfc@hotmail.co.uk)



## Chaddleshworth Action Group

The group has many valuable volunteers who live within the village and will help anyone finding themselves in need during these strange, and sometimes difficult, times. Between us we can help with shopping deliveries, a friendly chat over the phone and personal prescription collections. Whether you are shielding, if you or a family member is vulnerable, or you have been told to self-isolate for a period of time. **Nikkie Macnamara** on **07533 591831**, **Kim Lloyd** (Parish Clerk) on **07867 310121**

## Chaddleshworth St Andrew's and Shefford C.E. Federated Primary Schools



All the children are now in school and the 'buzz' is back! The parents, carers, staff and of course the children have worked so hard on the remote learning. I think they all deserve a medal! Learning at school continued

throughout lockdown and our amazing staff made sure that the children on site worked hard and had fun too!

About 30% of our children were in school throughout the period and 70% joined us online daily for live lessons. We celebrated everyone's achievements on the last day of remote learning, starting with the children who were working so hard at home, parents and carers who were supporting their children's learning and staff who have created and delivered exceptional online learning or who have supported the learning in schools throughout the period.

What can we keep from this experience? An even greater sense of community, advanced computing skills for all and parents and carers tell us that they have a far better understanding of phonics, maths and English teaching than previously. And yes, they do know what fronted adverbials are!

World Book Day was being celebrated with the theme of 'Amazing Animals', following on from a virtual visit by ZooLab which was funded by the PTFA. The children loved it! Even those who were peaking between their hands as the animals were presented. Hunter was a favourite – I wonder if you can guess what animal he was! Our children not only learnt about the animals but were inspired to find out more.

*"I really liked the frog because it changes colour from green to brown, like the rainforest colours that it comes from."* Skye; *"Did you know that snails can be boys and girls and they both lay eggs? After, I read books about spiders and frogs."* Maisie; *"I liked the rat. Rats eat everything. We learnt a lot."* Tayla; *"I liked the snake because it wasn't poisonous!"* Isabella C; *"I thought it was amazing."* Alex

We celebrated Comic Relief with Topsy Turvy Day!



A very successful Virtual Cross Country Championships, led by Maiden Erlegh School, was followed by a sponsored walk over half term, raising **£1610** (over twice our target). Our live yoga sessions have also been a hit during lockdown so we are continuing with weekly sessions with Olivia.

Forest School teaching has also continued - the children made stick fairies in the last week of remote learning.



*Thank you to everyone for your continued support.* **Alison Stephenson**, Headteacher/DSL, **01488 648657**, [www.csfschools.org](http://www.csfschools.org)

## Great Shefford Under Fives

*Pre-School, Tue, Wed, Thu 9.15am to 2.45pm*

Spring is in the air and the children are enjoying looking for the signs: catkins, daffodils, new shoots and sometimes warmer weather! We enjoyed watching a new wildflower meadow being harrowed near to the church – it will look spectacular later in the year and provide pollen for the nearby bees.

Each week we have learnt new songs and are enjoying a 'have-a-go' activity including trying different snack fruits including papaya and mango and daring to try out a 'feely box'.



The children dressed up as a favourite book character on World Book Day including Tigger, the Highway Rat and Rapunzel plus I easily changed into the little old woman who chased the Gingerbread Man!

Every child made a wonderful Mother's Day card, they produced their own work, taking great care, then we walked to the post-box and posted them home. They also baked a heart shaped biscuit to give to their mums. Mrs Harris has begun her weekly 'Super Sounds' lessons; fun activities to develop the pre-reading skills of sound discrimination.

Our Deputy Supervisor, Morven, has almost completed her Level 111 Forest School training so we are teaching the children some skills we will be using on our Forest School days, including how to keep safe when standing around a fire pit.

Easter will soon be here; we have arranged to meet Rev. Miri to explore the church in a Covid safe way and will no doubt end the term with an Easter egg hunt.

If you would like to see the wonderful learning experiences the children have received please log on our Learning Diary on our website [www.greatsheffordunderfives.co.uk](http://www.greatsheffordunderfives.co.uk)



## Enrolment of children to start in September 2021

If you have a pre-school child and would like to enquire about a place, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

### Baby & Toddler Group – Monday 9:30am to 11:30am

We are delighted that the government will allow groups to reopen after Easter. Our group meets on Mondays from 9.30-11.30am. The group is usually based inside the village hall but since the pandemic Morven and Debbie have run it outside; either planning a nature walk across the fields or activities in the park. For the foreseeable future, parents will need to book a place as we are limited to gatherings of 15 adults, including the two staff. Our first session is currently planned for Monday 19th April and this will be advertised on our open Facebook page at 11am on Friday 16th so that bookings can be made on a first come, first served basis. If you are not on Facebook please email me and I will arrange a text number for you. We are very much looking forward to meeting new parents and past ones back again.



Happy Easter everyone. **Denise.** Get in touch via email [denise.herrington@btinternet.com](mailto:denise.herrington@btinternet.com) or phone **07765 508867**

## Letters and Announcements

*Somehow I have appreciated all the daffodils out in bloom around our village much more this year. Perhaps we could all plant a few more this Autumn, so that next Spring we are the Sunshine Village worth coming to see and lovely for us all to enjoy. I am sure we all will want to get out more over the Summer but the daffs will be gone by then so something to look forward to. Please can we all get planting? **Anon***

*I can't help but notice the improved memorial garden, it is looking lovely and inviting. An added bonus to everyone is how much it has improved the visibility at the junction. Just wanted to thank those involved in making it happen and doing the work for everyone to enjoy. **Karen***

*I would like to congratulate Messers Mills & Murphy; on what can only be described as a brilliant and well thought out transformation of the Hadland Memorial Garden. I dare say neither Gary Pounds' old heart throb Charlie Dimmock nor even Alan Marshitts could have done better. Very commendable, lets hope that Norway can find in their hearts to supply a Christmas tree this year? **Ray***

*Today we passed our war memorial and stopped to have a good look. To whoever has done all the work, to all who spent their time working on the garden I want to say thank you to all of you. The garden looks so different, but it also looks beautiful. So much better. People don't give enough praise in today's world but this garden is indeed worth the praise. **Jackie and Simon***

*Couldn't agree more. The War Memorial and the Hadland Memorial Garden are an absolute credit to everybody involved in maintaining them and certainly do more to remind me of how lucky I was to have been born and bred in the village than anything else every time we go past. A heartfelt thank you to all concerned, past and present. **David***

## Trindledown Farm – National Animal Welfare Trust

Trindledown Farm are hosting an Easter Scavenger Hunt! The scavenger hunt will be available from **1st April until 19th April**. It is £4 per child to take part OR three for £10 and this will include the clues for the hunt and a prize from the Easter bunny once the hunt has been completed. The hunt will take place in Great Shefford and is a socially distanced



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event. Anyone can take part, but we encourage single households to take part, this is not a group event. To take part or for more details, call Trindledown Farm on **01488 638584**.

This event is to raise funds for the animals at Trindledown Farm. If you would like to donate any Easter eggs towards the event then please call the centre on 01488 638584.

## The Naughty Step

It has been brought to our attention that dog owners have been using the ordinary litter bins to dispose of their dog poo. The Parish Council has provided 2 dog poo bins at extra cost to the Parish and fund them to be emptied. Please take your dog poo bags home with you or put them only in the specific dog poo bins.

If you witness any unacceptable behaviour, please **call 101** or let the Parish Council know (in confidence).

- Please take care and keep everyone safe and well – especially in these unusual times.
- Demonstrate and expect responsibility – from your friends, your family, your neighbours. If you wouldn't like it, then no one else will either!
- Don't drop litter - if you see some, please tidy up. Pick up your dog's mess and dispose of it.



March Mother's Day  
flowers at  
St Andrew's Church

## The Downland Practice

**COVID-19 Vaccinations:** This vaccination programme will continue from the Newbury Racecourse for the immediate future, please note the vaccines are sent to the site not requested, we do not know the arrival dates of the vaccine till about a week before the clinic, this is why we cannot book clinics too far in advance. Patients who have been invited to the mass vaccination centres (Oxford/Reading/Basingstoke) for Covid-19 vaccination are strongly advised to take this offer up as soon as they can rather than waiting for the practice to offer a vaccination. If you have received a vaccine at a mass vaccination centre then they will call you forward for your second dose too book your vaccination at the below link. Updates on the Downland Practice can be found at the practice website news section [www.downlandpractice.nhs.uk](http://www.downlandpractice.nhs.uk)

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If you have had your first Covid-19 vaccination at the Racecourse or at a GP Practice then you will need to wait until you are called forward for your second vaccination by the GP Practice. If you try and book your second vaccination with the above link this will not work unless you have had your first vaccination at the mass vaccination centre. If you have a concern or any problems with the above link then contact [vaccinedq.issues@nhs.net](mailto:vaccinedq.issues@nhs.net) or ring **0300 200 1000**.

**Pharmacy Disruption June 2021:** The Pharmacy will be undergoing some planned infrastructure work in June 2021. This will involve the Pharmacy moving into a temporary accommodation that will be situated in the surgery car park. It is anticipated that work will take about 6 weeks to be fully complete. There will be some work required at the end of May and we will be updating our patients on the process that will change during this period. We will still be processing medication from the Pharmacy during this planned infrastructure work in June 2021. The temporary pharmacy will arrive around the 28 May 2021 and will be open for business on the 1 June 2021.

**New Social Prescriber:** Sadly Karen Thomas has resigned from her post of social prescriber, we wish her well in the future. We do welcome Nicky Agar who will be taking up the post of social prescriber in April 2021. This post will be based out of Compton and Nicky will be seeing patients who are in need of social care and input, we are looking forward to Nicky joining the team.

**New Paramedic:** Martin Hambling joins the Team in Mid-March 2021, Martin will be working closely with the GP's to provide patients with on the day care. Once Martin is established he will be screening all of the on the day requests from patients and he will be administering treatment within his scope of practice, he will be fully supported by the Duty Doctor. Martin will be undertaking the screening of patients via telephone call initially, if he then feels that they patient needs to attend the surgery then he will arrange for this to happen. This is a big change for the surgery but the aim here is to free up GP time so that the GP's can have more time for routine appointments. Martin comes from a Primary Care background and is used to dealing with patients who need to be seen on the day for their primary health care needs.

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