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## MESSAGE FROM THE RECTOR

Dear friends,

It is wonderful to be able to communicate with you all again, after a trying couple of years. I know that this time has not been easy for any of us, and that my absence, combined with Covid-19, has caused difficulties for the spiritual life of the Arden Valley. I would like to thank all of those who have done so much to 'keep the show on the road' - especially the churchwardens, Joan, Richard, Lizzie, and Stig. We have been truly blessed in having such wonderful people across the benefice who have stepped up to the plate and done so much to keep our churches going throughout all the trials and tribulations of the recent past. I know also that there have been a lot of questions about what will be happening in the future, and I hope that I will be able to address some of these questions now.

You will know from Archdeacon Sue's last communication that I have received a rebuke and an injunction from Bishop Christopher in regard to specific matters within the Clergy Discipline Measure complaint made against me. When I last met with Bishop Christopher in early June, he explained that a rebuke does not mean the end of ministry, and that the injunctions which have been put on my ministry will not prevent my return to ministry. It was the Bishop's wish, that given the 'long and arduous' nature of what we have all been through that I should return to ministry 'as soon as practicably possible'.

I can therefore announce that I will be returning to ministry in the Arden Valley. I do not yet know exactly when that will happen, as it is dependent on a DBS check, but I am in contact with the Churchwardens, the Safeguarding Team, and Archdeacon Sue with regards to this, and you will be told dates just as soon as we know them. I'm afraid that there's really very little we can do to speed this process up, so we must just continue to practice our patience!

Although I am very much looking forward to returning to ministry, I have had to make some difficult decisions regarding my future with you. After discussing the situation with both bishops, some fellow clergy, and a host of family and friends, I have decided that I will be leaving the Arden Valley, probably in the first few months of next year. This has not been an easy decision to make, but I feel that it is the least bad solution to a very difficult situation - it will give us all the opportunity of making a fresh start, whilst also providing for a proper finish to my ministry with you and allowing us time to properly prepare for what the future has in store for us. Bishop Christopher is entirely supportive of this plan, and it is his hope, I believe, that we use what time we have left together as constructively as possible, not least in beginning to address the questions around the future of the benefice more generally.

I know that for some this will be an unwelcome shock, and I apologise for the circumstances which have led us to this situation. I am greatly sorry for my actions, and for the consequences which have caused such hardship and uncertainty across the benefice. Please know that I have been holding all of you in my daily prayers throughout these past two years, and I will continue to do so in the future.

With love and blessings,

**Richard**

**PARISH RECORDS**

Wedding	31 July	Norton Lindsey
Frederick Henry Hopkinson		Jemima Elizabeth Radcliffe

**5<sup>th</sup> September Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Readings: Ps 146; Isa 35 : 4 -7a; James 2 : 1 - 17; Mark 7 : 24 - end

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened up for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**12<sup>th</sup> September Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Readings: Ps 116 : 1 - 8; Isa 50 : 4 - 9a; James 3 : 1 - 12; Mark 8 : 27 - end

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.     **Amen.**

**19<sup>th</sup> September Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Readings: Ps 54; Jer 11 : 18 -20; James 3 : 13 - 4 : 3, 7 - 8a; Mark 9 : 30 - 37

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.     **Amen.**

**26<sup>th</sup> September Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

Readings: Isa 45 : 22 – end; Rom 15 : 1 - 6; Luke 4 : 16 - 24

OR Harvest Ps; 126; Joel 2 : 21 - 27; 1 Timothy 2 : 1 - 7; Matthew 6 : 25 - 33

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

A wedding couple whom I had married recently gave me a gift of an Ordinance Survey map with my home village, Lighthorne Heath, at the centre and with a picture of themselves on the cover. This is not the place to go into the detail of why this was such an apposite gift, but we were all delighted to give and receive it.

Maps have always been a pleasure for me, especially where possible routes can be explored, and journeys and walks, imaginary or real, can be planned. With the recent poor weather there seem to have been rather more walks in my head than on my feet, but surely that will change soon.

It is such an intriguing concept to have my village at the centre, especially as there so many lovely walks in the vicinity and some rich in history too. But it is equally intriguing to think that everyone's home, whether in a city, town or a village, is at the centre of a map somewhere: just type your postcode into Google Maps and there it is.

One of the joys of being a chaplain, and possibly any role which enables you to interact closely with others, is to appreciate the journey that others have been on and the terrain, sometimes green and lush, sometimes rugged and inhospitable, through which they have travelled, or which now, they are about to undertake. For a time, their centre becomes ours as we try to understand and empathize with their experiences, as we try to see the world through their eyes.

Jesus had an amazing ability to bring other people front and centre with their stories of hope and fear, joy and tribulation, illness and death. For someone as charismatic a figure as Jesus, he repeatedly contrives to place himself at stage left whilst those whom he meets take centre stage, and their concerns become the focus of his attention.

We are each at the centre of God's love, and we each have the opportunity to share and experience that, as we meet others on the Way.

**Stig Graham**

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## VILLAGE RAMBLE

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2021 we had our summer evening ramble which is always a local walk. This year we started from The Crown in Claverdon and walked over to Yarningale Common, along the canal and back through the woods to the pub which was just short of 4 miles. Our group of 15 walkers and 2 dogs then enjoyed a nice meal in the pub afterwards. All in all, a lovely evening.

There is no ramble in September as we have our annual walking weekend



which this year is in The Lake District and which was postponed from May 2020.

We will start our normal rambles again the following month.

The dates for the rest of the year are as follows:

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October (changed date)

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> December (Christmas ramble).

Anyone wishing to join our group is most welcome. Please let me know and I will send out details of each ramble approximately 10 days before the date.

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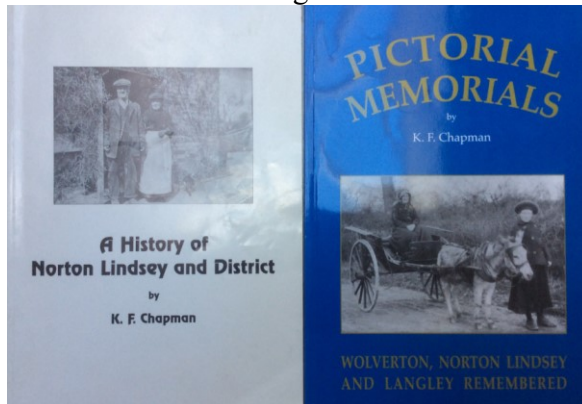
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Langley Spring Lane	Sep 7, 28	09:20 to 09:45

## NORTON LINDSEY AND DISTRICT

There are still some of Ken Chapman's local history books available.  
A History of Norton Lindsey and District, £9.50.  
Pictorial Memorials, £12.00.

Please phone Joy Chapman on 01926 842694.  
Proceeds are for the general church funds.





## ***Majestic Dance Club***

The long established Majestic Dance Club, Warwick, will be running some Ballroom and Latin Dance classes at Norton Lindsey Village Hall from May onwards (Lockdown restrictions allowing). We would like to welcome anyone who is keen to start dancing, or who already has some experience, to join us and experience the joy of dance with professional tuition amongst new friends.

The following classes will be taking place at the Village Hall:

Bronze Level Classes on Tuesday evenings from Tuesday 18 May (7.30pm - 8.15pm)

Silver Level Classes on Tuesday evenings Tuesday 18 May (8.15pm - 9pm)

Beginners Social Dance Classes on Sunday evenings from 23 May (7.30pm - 8.15pm)

The following link to our website contains full details.

<http://majesticdance.co.uk>

All our dance exercise classes will be run in line with all government regulations and IDTA (International Dance Teachers Association) Covid-19 free requirements and guidelines. Please call Greta Needham on 07718139983 or email on [agneedham50@gmail.com](mailto:agneedham50@gmail.com) if you would like to find out more.

**Stop Press:** Norton Lindsey is planning to hold a **Harvest Supper** this year.

Please hold the date **Friday 8 October**. More details to follow in next month's Parish Magazine.



## **HARVEST SUPPER**

## RECIPE – BANANA AND CHOCOLATE CUPCAKES

Ideal for children to make...with some adult supervision!

### Ingredients

You will need 12 cupcake paper cases.

#### For the sponge

120g plain flour  
140g caster sugar  
1 tsp baking powder  
1 tsp cinnamon  
1 tsp ground ginger  
Pinch of salt  
5 tbs unsalted butter  
120 ml whole milk  
2 eggs  
1 banana mashed



#### For the Frosting

300g icing sugar  
4½ tbs unsalted butter (softened)  
40g unsweetened cocoa powder  
2 tbs whole milk  
1½ oz chocolate shavings

### Method

- Heat oven to 170c (325F)
- Mix flour, sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, ground ginger, salt and butter into a bowl and beat with an electric whisk.
- Slowly pour milk into mixture and mix well. Add eggs and beat well.
- Stir in mashed banana by hand. Spoon the mixture into cupcake cases and bake in the oven for 20 minutes. Leave to cool.
- To make the frosting, heat icing sugar, butter and cocoa, slowly adding the milk continuously beating until the frosting is light and fluffy.
- Spoon onto the cakes and decorate with chocolate shavings.

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## NORTON LINDSEY VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

We have managed to attract a number of volunteers to support the Trustees with the running of the Village Hall, it's very much a work in progress to share the load, but we are very thankful for the offers of support and would welcome anyone else who might want to get involved.

Peter Woolford has recently filled some areas of tarmac outside the front of the hall, thank you Peter. We have some other ideas to finish off the rest of the Hall's boundary, so watch this space.

Our focus is now on increasing the number of bookings for local people and groups. If you wish to book the hall either for a one off or more regularly please look on our website for availability and to arrange a look around <https://www.nlvillagehall.org/>.

We are looking forward to Norton Lindsey's Got Talent on 4th September and the Scarecrow Competition on 26th September, more details of both these event are included elsewhere in the magazine.

### Norton Lindsey Village Hall and Playing Fields Trustees

## NORTON LINDSEY VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB

### August Winners

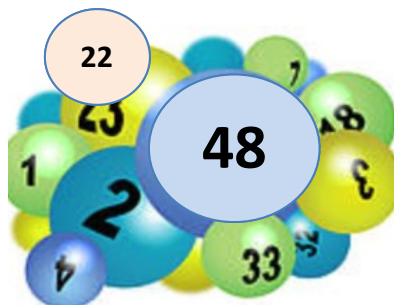
First prize, no. **48** Christine Glover £75

Second prize, no. **22** Dorothy Ramsden £25

Thank you for taking part in this year's draws.

The year starts on the 1 September and it would be great for the Village Hall if you renew your subscription for the next year. I shall be contacting you shortly.

**Carole Briggs on 01926 843355**



## BEST KEPT VILLAGE!



Ron Burn was looking through old photos and came across this wonderful photograph of him, as Chairman of Norton Lindsey Parish Council, being awarded the certificate for Norton Lindsey winning the Best Kept Village competition. The photo is full of villagers, some of whom still live here.

I think the year is 1977 but it would be wonderful to add names to all the faces and an accurate date. Maybe next month we could have this photo in the magazine again with names of the proud villagers!

If you can help, please contact me on 01926 843223.

**Julie Howard**

## **BUS SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLAN PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT SURVEY**

### **Have your say on bus service improvements in Warwickshire:**

This public engagement exercise will run until Sunday 19th September 2021.

Warwickshire County Council (WCC) is working closely with bus operators to develop an ambitious Warwickshire Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) aimed at encouraging more people to travel by bus.

The Government has earmarked £3 billion towards improving bus services throughout England. The BSIP will set out Warwickshire's ambitions for bus service improvements and help secure a proportion of the funding to benefit people living, working and travelling in Warwickshire.

Your input is needed to help us develop the Plan.

We want to find out what improvements are needed for local bus services and what would make you use local buses more. We'd like to hear from you whether you travel by bus or not. We welcome the views of all residents, public sector, private sector and voluntary organisations.

### **How to take part**

- Click on the link below to complete the survey online.  
<https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/insights-service/bus-service-improvement-plan>
- If you would like a paper copy of the survey or need it in an alternative format, please contact us by phone on 01926 412395 or email [contactcommunitiesgrp@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:contactcommunitiesgrp@warwickshire.gov.uk)
- If you need an Easy Read version of the survey, please also contact us by phone on 01926 412395 or email [contactcommunitiesgrp@warwickshire.gov.uk](mailto:contactcommunitiesgrp@warwickshire.gov.uk)

2021 has not been the best season for cricket at Norton Lindsey. The league 1st XI has had a very poor season, with only one victory to their name and, to add salt to the wound, lost to the club at the bottom of the table in August. The main problem has been the batting performance - we lack quality in depth and if the top of the order fails, there is little to back it up. Sounds a lot like the England test match situation! The result is that, unless a miracle occurs, the Club will be relegated from the Premier Division of the Cotswold Hills League.

Meanwhile the 2nd and 3rd XIs are safely ensconced in mid-table, alternating regularly between wins and losses.

On 29 July the Club hosted a match between representative teams from the Cotswold Hills League and the Warwickshire League. In excellent weather, the Cotswold team chased down a total of over 300 in 40 overs - a real exhibition of top quality amateur cricket. The Club received several accolades for the quality of the ground and Mary Butler's magnificent tea.

On a similar note, on 11 August the Club provided facilities for Warwickshire girls U13s training squad and were impressed by the quality of the track provided by Jerry Ashley and Simon Hathaway - apparently, the best they had played on all season.

And on an entirely different subject, can I wonder aloud what possesses dog owners to think it is acceptable to leave bagged dog faeces in the Cricket Club bottle recycling boxes or dumped on the pavilion veranda? Is it just too much trouble to walk as far as the waste bin at the entrance to the car park to deposit what they have taken the trouble to bag up in the first place? Judging by the increased number of dog owners and an exercise facility that seems to attract owners from far and wide to arrive by car as well as on foot, this is a problem that is fast getting to pandemic proportions! Strangely, this does not seem to happen when anyone is around to witness it and I doubt that the offenders are likely to read this rant.

**Martin Neale**



## HISTORY IN THE FIELDS!!

The history in the fields around us is really quite fascinating!

On our July Friendship Walk we were intrigued to walk past an Iron Age Hill Fort just to the west of Claverdon. We walked northwards, following the Monach's Way, from The View (a café, just south of Wootton Wawen) along the canal until bridge 49 then turned eastwards on the footpath towards Kington Grange. As we walked towards Kington we passed on the left Barnmoor Wood Camp. The camp can clearly be seen as a wooded hill and dates from around 800BC to 500BC. It is fascinating to know that this part of Warwickshire was populated so long ago.



Barnmoor Wood Camp has a plateau area of about 3.5 acres which is surrounded by a bank of 11 feet and a ditch about 25 feet wide. Historic England believes that it is univallate which means it only had one ring of defensive earthworks. Univallate forts are actually quite rare so this could be one of only about 150 in the country! Hillforts were an important part of the Iron Age British landscape. They had varying uses ranging from defensive areas where small communities could muster and



stand their ground when attacked by other local tribes, to communal gathering places or even strongholds of elites within the groups. Some may even have simply been enclosures for domesticated animals such as cows. The forts were used for about 150 to 200 years before being abandoned or rebuilt.

Having become more aware of small hill forts, Pete and I were walking close to Edgehill and found ourselves walking next to another Iron Age hill fort - Nadbury Camp at Arlescote. Closer to us, there is also a small hill fort at Oakley Wood and the more significant hill fort at Meon Hill.

On a lighter note, I sincerely hope that our editor's other half, being an esteemed archaeologist, has not found too many glaring errors and faults in this brief piece which has been written out of pure fascination! ["esteemed", I think not, his career was always in ruins! Ed.]

**Julie Howard**

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# **NORTON LINDSEY - SCARECROW COMPETITION**

## **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

- **All Norton Lindsey residents invited to enter. Entry is FREE!**
- **The theme is SPORTING HEROES. This might be any of the wonderful sporting heroes in the Olympics, in Euro 2020 or from any other sport. The choice is yours!**
- **No age categories, but judges will take into consideration the ages of the makers.**
- **Include some straw somewhere – it wouldn't be a scarecrow otherwise!**
- **Reduce, re-use and recycle – wherever possible.**
- **Scarecrows should be displayed at the front of your property. Judging will be between 10am and 6pm.**

**Full details now available on the Norton Lindsey  
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**[www.nlvillagehall.org/events](http://www.nlvillagehall.org/events)**

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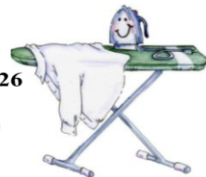
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for more details.



As I write this report there is coverage of the release of the UN Report on Climate Change detailing the progress, or not, that countries are making towards reducing greenhouse emissions. As UK is hosting COP26 in Glasgow this autumn I expect we shall see several climate change initiatives trickling down into Warwickshire over the coming months.

It was announced that the Women's Tour (a cycling event for professional women riders) will hold one of its legs in North Warwickshire. Cycling also features in Warwickshire's support for the Birmingham Commonwealth Games next summer. The road race is to be run over several circuits of a course that will start and finish at St. Nicholas Park in Warwick. The actual route is not confirmed yet, but spectators can stand by the side of road and watch the cyclist pass by on each circuit.

There is a regional ballot, before the main ballot opens in September, and anyone can create their ticket account and select tickets at: [www.birmingham2022.com/tickets](http://www.birmingham2022.com/tickets). The Games' organizers are also looking for an army of 13, 000 volunteers to join the Commonwealth Collective of essential volunteers. Anyone interested in being involved in making history, can find out more here: <https://www.birmingham2022.com/get-involved/volunteering/>.

Beyond volunteering, there are a number of open vacancies in various areas that will be essential in making the Games an enjoyable spectacle for all. Find out what jobs are available: <https://birmingham2022.gigroup.com/>. For local businesses, there are a range of contracting opportunities with the Birmingham 2022 Games and more information about these can be found on the tendering portal: <https://www.birmingham2022.com/business/tender-opportunities/>.

Smokers should be cautious when being offered cheap cigarettes, as rather than falling off the back of a lorry, they might have come instead from a sewer. Trading Standards Officers recently found a cache of illegal cigarettes in a sewer in Leamington.

Trading Standards are also warning people against using chain saw angle grinders. These machines have not passed safety checks and there have been a number of very serious injuries due to the chain flying off the disc and hitting the operator.

Warwickshire is supporting an initiative to help older drivers drive safely for as long as possible. The County has continued its partnership with IAM RoadSmart, the UK's largest independent road safety charity, to provide local residents with the opportunity to update their driving skills, increase confidence and safety by taking



part in a Mature Drivers Review Initiative. To book a free assessment, drivers, or people calling on their behalf, should call: 0300 303 1134 during office hours and quote reference: "WCC".

Improvements and updates have been made to an online resource for parents and carers in Warwickshire that provides information and support for children and young people with special educational needs and disability (SEND). This resource is called a SEND Local Offer and Warwickshire County Council has been working hard to improve its SEND Local Offer to ensure that families with SEND can find the information they need. This resource can be found at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/send>.

The first phase of the discretionary community grants scheme has now closed and Arden Clerks and Chairs meeting will be determining the grants for Arden Division. A second phase will be opening shortly for decision sometime in October.

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## **THE NEW INN BOOK CLUB**

Join The New Inn Book Club and read one of the selected books.

We are currently reading **Once Upon a River** by **Diane Setterfield** for the September meeting and then **The Song of Achilles** by **Madeline Miller** which will be discussed at the October meeting. Look out for more details on The New Inn website.



Informal discussions take place in The New Inn at Norton Lindsey on the first Tuesday of the month and start at 7:00 pm. So, 7 September and 5 October are the dates of the next two meetings.

Come and join us, discover new books, have fun over a glass of wine or a coffee. If you have any queries please contact Pippa Brook at [pippa@brookfamily.net](mailto:pippa@brookfamily.net).



### **Food for thought!**

It's harvest season and this month's **GROW\*** focus is on food. We all need to eat but how can we help save the planet while we do it?

Agriculture in the UK accounts for about 10% of emissions. The NFU has set a goal of reaching net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2040 but what can we, as consumers, do? Here are a few facts and suggestions.

**AVOID WASTE:** around 14% of food purchased in the UK is thrown away. The average household throws away £730 worth of food a year. This not only wastes the energy used in production but as food rots down it creates greenhouse gases including methane which is 25 times more potent than CO<sub>2</sub>. We need to avoid over buying and use left overs when possible. If you really have to throw food away, compost it!

**BUY LOCAL and SEASONAL:** this is the best way to minimise 'food miles' which produce emissions as food is transported around the globe. However 'food miles' is not a straight forward issue; out of season some foods will be more energy efficient grown in a naturally sunny climate & transported than grown in a hothouse nearer home. Bananas come by boat so have much less carbon footprint than air freighted produce. Enjoying what's grown seasonally and locally can still give a varied diet for most of the year and avoid unnecessarily adding to climate change.

**EAT WONKY!:** misshapen fruit and vegetables can taste just as good, many supermarkets now sell them, don't let them go to waste, eat ugly!

**EAT LESS MEAT and DAIRY:** Red meat and dairy produce have the highest carbon footprint but cutting down does not mean you have to cut out completely. We live in a mixed farming area so many of us will want to support this. An Oxford University study suggested that if every family removed meat from one meal a week this would be equivalent to taking 16 million cars off the road or cutting the UK's carbon footprint by 50 million tonnes. Going vegetarian or vegan takes things much further but is not for everyone. Could your family cut out meat for one or more meals per week?

**SUPPORT SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE:** Food production globally is responsible for 60% of biodiversity loss with large areas of land including the rainforests being cleared for animal feed. When buying meat do you know where it has come from?

**COOK & STORE EFFICIENTLY:** Although cooking is usually less significant in energy consumption than production and transport we can still help by increasing our

efficiency. For example when cooking, where possible, combine dishes in the oven or one pan and don't pre-heat the oven for more than 5 minutes or leave it on for too long. Use a lid on pans to conserve heat. Don't overfill your fridge, but your freezer is more efficient full.

**AVOID PLASTIC BOTTLES & EXCESS PACKAGING:** Some foods need to be protected in packaging during transport and storage to avoid damage and waste but many do not. Where possible try and buy loose fruit and veg, perhaps take your own reusable bags (some supermarkets such as Sainsbury's sell these).

These may all seem small things in themselves but they are things we can all do and together this can make a difference!

Other GROW news: we are hoping to take delivery of a planter for the crossroads soon, watch this space. We would like to hear of any suggestions for how we can make our village greener so please send them to the **GROW team \*(GREEN Our Wolverton)** by emailing [barbaraharland@gmail.com](mailto:barbaraharland@gmail.com).

**Barbara Harland**

## SCOTTISH DANCING IN WOLVERTON VILLAGE HALL

Dancing will start again on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7.30 – 9.00pm. Anybody wishing to join us will be very welcome. It is good exercise for your body and your mind and is a fun way to keep fit. No partner or previous experience required, just a soft pair of shoes and enthusiasm.

I have been doing Scottish country dancing since a young child and I qualified as a RSCDS teacher in St Andrews in 2018. I started the class in Wolverton in 2016 and since we have had a long break due to Covid-19 this would be an ideal time for new people to join us.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [graham-lewis1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:graham-lewis1@hotmail.co.uk).

**Jane Lewis**

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## **‘Velvet Glove’ talk by Margot McCleary** **WI Members Meeting** **In Norton Lindsey Village Hall** **on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at 7.30pm**

Congratulations to Evelyn Buchan and Wynne Burn who have both achieved over 50 years of WI membership and have plenty of stories to tell of the friendships they have enjoyed and the fun WI events over the years. We presented Evelyn with her Loyalty certificate and some flowers at our annual Garden Party in July.



On 26 July the Barford Group of WI's met at Norton Lindsey Village Hall playing field, along with our Warwickshire Federation Chairman, Anne Bufton McCoy and our WI Link Trustee, Julia Baker for a delicious picnic. The sun shined for us and we



kindled some lovely new friendships and enjoyed joyous reunions. We also took the opportunity to thank Anne, Julia and all the

Warwickshire Federation WI Trustees for all their hard work and support. Their energy and enthusiasm are admirable.



On 11 August we held our ‘Wish you were here?’ Ladies Lunch at the Durham Ox in Shrewley, which was a tremendous success



and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone who came along.

We continued the Travel theme, decorating the room with beach scenes and Turkish artifacts and selecting a delicious international menu including a Moroccan tagine with couscous followed by Key Lime Pie or French Lemon Tart. We awarded travel kit prizes for the best holiday destinations in our competition won by Karen, Rosemarie and Julie and we awarded a gift to Sue Danks for the best holiday outfit on the day. A good time was had by all.

Julie is planning a great friendship walk on Wednesday 25 August, starting from the church in Clifford Chambers and stopping for coffee at Preston on Stour during a beautiful scenic circular walk.

**Don't miss out on the fun ladies.**

**Our next WI meeting will be held in Norton Lindsey Village Hall on 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm. Margot**

**McCleary will be entertaining us with her 'Velvet Glove' talk, so if you haven't been to WI for a while or are new to the delights of the WI, why not come along and join us and see if the WI provides the local fun**

**and friendship you are looking for. If you would like further information about Norton Lindsey WI, please check out our website, Facebook page or contact us, email: [secretary@nlwi.org.uk](mailto:secretary@nlwi.org.uk). We look forward to meeting you soon.**



**Sue Steel, President, Norton Lindsey WI**

# The Norton Lindsey **Stilton Sniffers**

Our focus over August has been putting finishing touches to the Norton Lindsey's Got Talent event on 4th September in the Park.

If you are available on Friday 3rd, Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th to help setting up and taking down the various tents and staging arrangements we would be very grateful.

It's been a mammoth task to get it this far and all support is welcomed.

Many of you have already bought or committed to tickets, they are still available from the Pub and the Sniffers.

Please, please, please support the event and buy your tickets as soon as possible and register your talents by calling me on 07775 882936.

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More good news this month, as we cleared our statutory six-monthly TB test with all the herd testing clear. With the great amount of publicity of the case of the alpaca, Geronimo, the testing process has been a hot topic in the national press. We know from our experience that the test is only about 70% accurate, but DEFRA seem to have muddled the water by insisting that alpacas are injected with tuberculin about 30 days prior to the normal test, which is bound to raise questions about the accuracy of results. DEFRA seem to have backed themselves into a corner over this problem and can't seem to find a sensible solution. To my mind, if the animal was supposed to have TB five years ago, why hasn't it succumbed to the disease by now?

Once again, the cattle have caught up with the grass growth on their grazing fields, so we are supplementing their diet by feeding this new season's hay to keep them well and happy. They soon get bored and tend to eat their way into the hedge bottoms and uncover any weaknesses in the fences.

The cereal harvest is in full swing, with yields so far about average, which is not bad considering the mixture of growing conditions in the last year. There is a good yield of straw, which is the remains of the crop once the grain has been thrashed out by the combine harvester. This is very welcome as most reserves of straw were depleted by the late spring turnout of sheep and cattle across the country.

More news on the harvest next month as, having both winter and spring crops again this year, our harvest is spread over a long period.

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## SEPTEMBER SERVICES

Services are now being held in our churches. The details are below along with the sideman's duties.

5 September Langley	14 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity 9.30 am	Holy Communion	Mrs Cleverley
12 September Norton Lindsey	15 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity 11.00 am	Holy Communion	Mr A Hopkinson
19 September Snitterfield	16 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity 11.00 am	Harvest Service	
29 September Wolverton	17 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity 6.00 pm	Evensong	Mr D Mann
3 October Langley Bearley	18 <sup>th</sup> after Trinity 9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion & Harvest Service Holy Communion	Mr S Lever

All services will also be available via **Zoom**. To 'attend' these services contact Celia Spiers 07710 198009.

For the time being, it would be good to continue with social distancing and mask wearing where possible, so we would be grateful if you could be so kind and let Dorothy Mann (Wolverton), Marion Austin (Norton Lindsey) and John Cohen (Langley) know in advance if you wish to attend a service.

## COMMENCEMENT OF PRAYER GROUP

We are going to hold the first prayer meeting since Covid-19 restrictions were lifted, on Monday 13 September at 2 pm, at Marion's home, Random, Snitterfield Lane, Norton Lindsey.

If you would like to join us for a quiet time of prayer please ring Marion on 01926 842661.