

# **The Baldons and Nuneham Courtenay Newsletter**



**September 2015**



**venue**

**Marsh  
Baldon  
Village Hall**

**date**

**Wednesday  
7<sup>th</sup> October**

**time**

**7.30pm**

**Come and See!**

Marsh Baldon village hall will be hosting the first South Oxford Filling Station on **7th October 2015** and all are welcome.

The Filling Station is a new informal way of expressing the Christian faith in a community setting. The mid-week monthly celebration meeting is an opportunity to worship informally with contemporary Christian music, share our stories with one another and enjoy some home cooked food.

Any volunteers who would like to help host are especially welcome! Please do not hesitate to contact Liam McCormick for more information on 01865 341 204 or email [liamandchris@gmail.com](mailto:liamandchris@gmail.com).

To find out more visit [www.thefillingstation.org.uk](http://www.thefillingstation.org.uk).

## BALDON FEAST 2015

I am sure all villagers will wish to join me in thanking the Slaney family and the rest of the Baldon Feast Organising Committee for organising such a great event: here are a few photos, courtesy of Emma Timms and Fiona Ardern.



Cover Photo: RAF Falcons Display Team land on the Green, with thanks to Terry Trinder

## CLIFTON HAMPDEN SURGERY PATIENT GROUP REPORT: SUMMER 2015

The overall response to a patient questionnaire sent out last Autumn was extremely positive with well over 80% of respondents rating their experience of the surgery and their GP as good.

Following some generous local donations, a defibrillator is available for emergency use at the entrance to the Surgery as well as a 24 hour heart monitor to pick up infrequent but potentially serious arrhythmias. Additional meningitis vaccinations are being made available for children and infants; patients with raised blood sugar levels are being invited for further diabetes tests; 20% of patients per year in the 40-74 age range are being offered general health checks.

The Group needs more participation from patients and those that are interested are welcome to attend meetings and register for information emails including the full bi-annual newsletter at the Surgery, or by contacting Roger Mitchell (Group Secretary) at [rogermmmit@aol.com](mailto:rogermmmit@aol.com). The next meeting will be held at the Surgery at 7.30pm on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

### FREE E-BOOKS from MARCUS BRAYBROOKE

*Peace in Our Heart: Peace in Our World - A meditation for everyday by Marcus Braybrooke* has just been published.

The book suggests that if we wish for a more peaceful world, the first step is to become more peaceful ourself. This book will help us do this. There is for every day: an inspiring quotation, a story or reflection, and a suggestion for prayer or practical action.

In the words of Mairead Maguire, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, 'This beautiful book will inspire readers to travel the path of prayer to inner peace and to work for a more peaceful world. Marcus Braybrooke draws on his knowledge of world religions, his personal friendship with people of many faiths, and his pastoral experience as a priest to help us grow in compassion and hope.'

The book is on sale at Clifton Hampden Post Office - price £12.95. It is also Available from [marcus.braybk@btinternet.com](mailto:marcus.braybk@btinternet.com) £12.95 post free or <http://www.lulu.com/shop/marcus-braybrooke/peace-in-our-hearts-peace-in-our-world-a-practical-interfaith-daily-guide-to-a-spiritual-way-of-life/ebook/product-18845031.html>. It is a revised edition of *365 Meditations for a Peaceful Heart and a Peaceful World*, Godsfield

***Beacons of Light; Widening Vision; and One Thousand World Prayers*** also by Marcus Braybrooke are available as e-books on Amazon Kindle and from 17-21 September, as a special offer, you can download them free.

# Coffee Morning At Berinsfield Library

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> November

at

10.30-12.00pm

Join us for a cup of coffee and meet Matthew  
from the  
British Legion  
Offering advice and support



## Junior Book Club for 6-10 year olds At Berinsfield Library

Starting Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am

Come and tell us about a book you have enjoyed, play  
quizzes, design book covers and lots more

Come and join in the fun

# AIR CRASH MEMORIAL SERVICE

The 50th memorial of the Baldons' Air Crash was held on 5th July. A record number of people attended the service, some from as far away as Perth and Auckland. We think we had around 300 people at the service.



At 12 noon a Hercules flew over the crash site, and at 2pm the RAF Falcons came over from Silverstone and performed a fabulous low drop display, landing just in time to avoid a brief rain storm! The Sea King helicopter that the Falcons jumped from then landed on the Green.



It was a truly special occasion, and enough thanks cannot be expressed to all those that helped make it so. To those who cleaned and decorated and de-cobwebbed the church, mowed and strimmed the churchyard, prepared sound systems, put up marquees, took them down, made sandwiches and cakes, prepared and then tidied away the village hall, marshalled car parking, made tea, made coffee, washed mugs and plates, dried them, then washed them again (twice..), thank you all. It was a wonderful village commemorative occasion.

*Photos: Terry Trinder, Chris Nichols, Laura Cifton*

*Many thanks to all the residents of The Baldons ... It has been so wonderful...  
And we as a family so appreciate all you have done and continue to do.  
I feel you are a big family.... And that I have found a new one.  
Laura Cifton*

# **From the Interim Governing Body, Marsh Baldon School**

Dear All,

As some of you may be aware there have been a number of important changes at Marsh Baldon C.E Primary School recently - we therefore wanted to update you on these in order to strengthen the link between school and the wider community.

The Local Authority recently appointed an Interim Governing Body following the resignation of the previous Governing Body. The Chair of the Interim Governing Body is currently the Chair of Governors at St Blaise C.E Primary School. St Blaise C.E Primary School in many ways is similar to Marsh Baldon C.E Primary School; it is a small Church of England village primary school, with 60 pupils, it is at the heart of the community, it embodies Christian Values and is a much loved and cherished place by all who are involved with it. In addition, St Blaise C.E Primary School recently had an OFSTED inspection where it was rated as Good in all areas (compared to the previous “Requires Improvement” rating just 18 months prior to this).

The other governors on the Interim Governing body are:

- Rachel Caseby - who has a wide range of educational experience and has worked as an Interim Head Teacher, Head Teacher, Teacher, School Governor, Parent Admission Advisor and Governor Tutor.
- Judith Bennett – who has had wide educational experience, having been a secondary English teacher, in senior management, a governor trainer, a primary governor for 25 years and is currently the Vice Chair of Chalgrove Primary School and Secretary of the Oxfordshire Governors’ Association.
- The recently appointed permanent Head Teacher, Sarah Herring. Sarah joins us from Horspath C.E Primary School where she was the Deputy Head Teacher and comes with a wealth of previous experience to equip her for her important role.

The Governing Body and Head Teacher are also receiving additional dedicated support from Fiona Craig (Deputy Director for Education at the Oxfordshire Diocese) and Margaret Wolf (School Improvement Officer).

As you can imagine we have been extremely busy since July ensuring that we are ready for September and the challenges ahead. The role of the governing body is to work closely with the head teacher and the school community, to provide adequate help, support and robust challenge to the school’s leadership team. Governors have a role as strategic decision makers and vision setters for the school. Governors are a key part of the overall system for school accountability and as such will ensure that the leadership of the school is held to account for the outcomes of all pupils. Governors play a key role in driving up school and pupil performance and ensuring that resources are used effectively to give every pupil

the best possible education, as well as ensuring that they are well rounded citizens. In short, the governing body at Marsh Baldon C.E Primary School will be solely forward looking, will ensure that the school is the best it can be and that we are achieving the best possible outcomes for all pupils.

After many visits to school we can fully appreciate why it is such a special place and the key role it has to play at the heart of the community. One thing which is also clear to us is that the key to school success is working in close partnership with the whole community. We are therefore extremely keen to ensure that there is an open and two-way communication process going forward and that the school remains at the heart of the community.

This communication therefore acts as the starting point to our journey together. We are also meeting with Dorothy Tonge (Chair of Marsh Baldon Parish Council) and the team from St Peter's Church in the new term to discuss how we can effectively work together with the community.

We will share regular updates with you through this newsletter as we progress and this will include sharing our draft Community Cohesion Plan - once this is ready we will invite your comments, feedback and ideas. We will keep you updated on future events and opportunities for you to engage with our school.

In the meantime please do continue to view our website: <http://www.marshbaldonschool.co.uk/welcome.asp> If you would like to contact us to share any comments, thoughts or to ask any questions at this stage then please do e-mail the Chair of Governors on: **kprm1982@hotmail.com** or call the school on **(01865) 343249** to arrange a call.

Best Wishes,

*Sarah Herring*

**Head teacher**

*Kevin Moyes*

**Chair of Governors**

## BALDONS VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

The AGM of the Village Hall Committee will take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September, in the village hall.  
All are welcome.

## PUMP HUNT FOR SEWAGE STATION OWNERS

- **Thames Water to take on the responsibility of 4,000 sewage pumping stations from property owners and managers**
- **Utility will take over electricity and maintenance costs under new legislation, potentially saving customers thousands of pounds**
- **Firm appeals for help tracking 1,800 ‘missing’ stations**

Thames Water is appealing to customers to help identify privately owned sewage pumping stations.

The utility, which serves 15 million customers across London and the Thames Valley, will take responsibility for around 4,000 pumping stations in October 2016, but needs to track down 1,800 currently off its radar.

New legislation means sewage pumping stations, which power wastewater away from properties and out into the public sewer pipe network, currently owned and maintained by customers will become legally owned and operated by the local water company.

The pumping stations are found in all shapes and sizes, and can be in places where there are a number of properties needing to connect to the public sewer network. Customers will know they have one as they'll be paying to maintain and power them.

**Jerry White, of Thames Water, said:** “This is really good news for customers. We'd urge anyone who thinks they may have one to get in touch so we can check they are eligible for the transfer of ownership. In some cases, as well as electricity savings, maintaining and replacing pumps can cost thousands of pounds so it's an excellent deal for them.”

“We believe we know where approximately half of the stations we need to take over are, but really need help to find the other 1,800. Please get in touch if you think this applies to you and we can take on the responsibility forever.”

Anyone with a private pumping station can make Thames Water aware at [thameswater.co.uk/pumphunt](http://thameswater.co.uk/pumphunt)

## CITIZENS ADVICE OFFERS PENSION WISE APPOINTMENTS

Citizens Advice is providing Pension Wise appointments at Henley and other bureaux in South Oxfordshire, giving people access to free and impartial pension guidance in their local area.

Following pension reforms on April 6, people approaching retirement have greater freedom over ways they can use their pension savings. People will be able to take a lump sum, take out an annuity or a mixture of the two.

Pension Wise is a new government service designed to help people understand their pension options and empower them to make the right choices for themselves.

Free face to face Pension Wise appointments are available to book now at Henley bureau. The 45-minute appointments will be tailored to individuals, taking into account the value of their pensions and their plans for retirement.

A Pension Wise appointment could help you if:

- You are approaching retirement or are aged 50 or over;
- You have a defined contribution pension.

Guidance appointments are also available on the telephone, provided by the Pensions Advisory Service. Information and general guidance is also obtainable online at [www.pensionwise.gov.uk](http://www.pensionwise.gov.uk).

To book an appointment either on the telephone or face to face, call 0300 330 1001.

## WALLINGFORD GARDENING CLUB GARDEN VISIT

Wallingford Gardening Club are reaching the end of an inspiring summer programme of evening garden visits. For our last garden visit this year the Club is meeting at:-

**'Home Close', Southend, Garsington, Oxford OX44 9DH.**

This is a two acre garden with unusual trees, shrubs, and terraces. The planting reflects a Mediterranean style. The visit will take place on **3 September at 6pm.**

Visitors are very welcome to join us. Further details from: 01491 836867

Monthly talks at Ridgeway Community Centre will resume in October.

Isabelle Darby



# NUNEHAM COURtenay PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Following our Parish Council meeting on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015, the main points were as follows:

## **Water for All Saints Church**

- This is all now functioning, and a letter of thanks has been sent to the church.

## **County Councillors Report**

- Cllr Lindsey-Gale's report was circulated, and discussed at the meeting. It was agreed that a letter to local land owners, asking them to clear the ditches, will be actioned.

## **Community Defibrillator**

- Having agreed the locations of the two defibrillators, we now need to raise the funds.

## **Good Neighbourhood Scheme**

- The council is looking into redirection services from the phone in the hall, rather than the use of a mobile phone, as reception is challenging.

## **Super-fast Broadband for the village**

- Oxfordshire County Council is awaiting a new set of modelling figures, which were due in July. We await confirmation as to whether the two remaining cabinets (Nuneham 3 and Cowley 15) will be included in the additional funding for the programme.

## **Internal Audit Report**

- It was reported that this has been completed, and no problems had been raised.

## **Parish Council Website**

- The Clerk reported that no further information had been forthcoming from the developers, and they had not responded to emails and telephone requests for an update. We will therefore be pursuing another developer.

## **Planning Items**

- **P15/S1682/FUL – Notcutts Garden Centre – Removal of Planning Condition 2 from a previously approved application (P65/M0263).** The Parish Council had considered this application and voted via email. The response was agreed as No Strong Views.
- **P15/S2135/PDO – Change of use from office to residential use at Notcutts Garden Centre.** This application is for a discharge of conditions and is for information only. No action required.

## **Neighbourhood Plan**

- Two of our councillors will be attending a conference on how to conduct a neighbourhood plan for our parish.

## **Estate Items:**

### **- Signage**

- Cllr Love reported that Hannah Seton from Savills had prompted the signage company for a response on when the signs will be ready.

### **- Peace in the Park**

- This annual event that took place on 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> July was a great success, enjoyed by many locals and surrounding villagers. Despite the rain a total

of 8,000 plus were recorded as attending. The traffic management was excellent.

## Village Plan Steering Group Update

- The group has now a draft questionnaire. This will now go to South Oxfordshire District Council (SODC) for a final review, before being circulated to all parishioners. This is an important questionnaire for everyone to fill out, as it becomes a plan for the next five years, and we would like everyone to have the opportunity to have their say.

## Working Groups Updates

- **Village Hall Committee** – is seeking new members. Please contact Pete Brookes through the Parish Council Clerk if you are interested in joining.
- **Nuneham Courtenay Sports & Playing Fields Association (NCSPFA)** – Due to holidays and illness, the NCSPFA's meeting has been reorganised to meet in August. At the time of going to print, all parishioners will have been informed of two consultation meetings to see the proposed children's playing fields design. This will be reported back in the next magazine.

## Winter Preparedness

- The Parish Council agreed to obtain one of the salt bags offered by SODC and to review at the next meeting, the purchase of salt bins.

## Grass Cuttings on Verges

- It was reported that when grass verges were cut this year, they were not swept and the cuttings have blown into the drains on the main road. There were concerns at potential blocking or flooding. The council has written to the appropriate bodies regarding this.

We hope you all had a lovely summer break. We welcome you to our next meeting on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2015 1pm at the Nuneham Courtenay Village Hall.

Cllr Love (Chair)

For items and photos to be sent, please contact the Clerk:  
Julia Evans | 01235 833 466 | [nunehamcourtenay.clerk@gmail.com](mailto:nunehamcourtenay.clerk@gmail.com)

### ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Items for the October 2015 newsletter  
**by 16<sup>th</sup> September please**

Any villager is welcome to send items for publication in the newsletter - this can be anything from articles, poems or pictures, to publicising your event. In addition, if you have an image you would like us to consider for the cover, do send it in!

If you would like to receive a reminder e-mail each month for newsletter contributions please let me know.

Natasha Eliot: [tashaandjames@btopenworld.com](mailto:tashaandjames@btopenworld.com). Alternatively I can be contacted on 343478 or at Baldon House East, Marsh Baldon.

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# BALDONS PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

## Subsidised Bus services

As part of their plans for saving money Oxfordshire County Council are currently consulting on proposals to save money on its subsidised transport services. The Council proposes to save £2.56m by reducing subsidies to commercial bus operators, while prioritising services used by older people and people with disabilities. There is a public consultation on the OCC web site which closes on September 14<sup>th</sup> and the Baldons service is on the list at a lower priority for saving.

For the Baldons the risk is the loss of our only bus services which runs one return journey 3 mornings a week from the Baldons to Cowley Centre for shoppers. Because of its limitation the service is not well used by Baldons residents but is used more regularly by residents of the mobile home park on the B380. In the past the Parish Council have argued strongly for a better and more frequent service but naturally with very low usage it hasn't been a priority for the County Council. However, if we lose our limited bus service this time it will be almost impossible to get it restored in the future.

When the village undertook its Parish Plan, over 200 villagers supported a bus service. The Parish Council have asked Ralph Slaney to help us look again at the issues and help us to argue again for a more regular service which we believe could be provided if adjustment could be made to allow the T2 /T3 bus to be routed through the Baldons from Nuneham Courtenay en route to Sandford on Thames and Oxford. We argued for this previously but it was refused and we believe we should argue for it again. However if we were to succeed it would need villagers to demonstrate their commitment and use the service.

Is this something you want? Councillors need to know your views. Whether we should argue to retain our existing service or argue as above for an improvement or whether we should accept the potential loss.

It should be noted that village children have already lost their subsidised school transport to Wheatley Park.

All the information is on the OCC web site under consultations headed 'Supported Transport (subsidised transport and Dial a Ride) Consultation'  
<https://consultations.oxfordshire.gov.uk/consult.ti/stconsultation/consultation>  
Ralph has distributed a questionnaire, please complete it if you haven't already done so and let him or parish councillors have your views. Or come to the council meeting and tell us. **We will be discussing our response at the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September.**

## Neighbourhood Planning - A Baldons Neighbourhood Plan.

Since the introduction of the Localism Act the development of Neighbourhood Plan has been an important feature of planning policy and parishes in South Oxfordshire are being actively encouraged to consider developing one. A Neighbourhood Plan allows communities to have more influence over developments, such as land use and housing and infrastructure etc that are being considered as part of the local

authority overall development plans for the area. And local authorities and planning inspectors are required to take notice of local opinion.

An increasing number of parish councils in South Oxfordshire are now starting to develop plans in order to be able to have more influence, and following a preliminary discussion with SODC, parish councillors feel that is in our interests to consider going ahead with one.

Whilst SODC has no major development plans for the Baldons and development is restricted by our protected status in the Green Belt, the Local Plan allows housing development on sites which are considered suitable for infilling as we have seen with the development near the Seven Stars and councillors feel it will be to our advantage to have a plan that is able to influence the size, scale and style of any future applications, and that allows us looks again at the need for affordable homes and also at our conservation areas.

Developing a Neighbourhood Plan has to have the support of the community and will need a small team of villagers to work on it. Elizabeth Gillespie, Stephen Dance and Lawrence Attewill will be taking the lead for the Parish Council but will need help.

More information will be circulated to villagers for consultation before a formal application is made to SODC for agreement to go ahead.

### Baldons Feast 15<sup>th</sup> August

This time last year there was uncertainty about whether Baldon Feast would continue but despite the unsettled weather last week we had a lovely day on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> and this year's Feast appears to have been bigger and better than ever.

***This again is thanks to the commitment and effort of Ralph and Phylis Slaney and their family and the team of volunteers from the village to whom we owe a very big thanks.***

The music, the entertainment .and the displays were good, the bar and tea tent were always busy. Everyone seemed to have a good time and hopefully those raising money for local projects did well.

Organising the Feast take a great deal of work and needs the support of villagers as well as visitors from elsewhere to make it a success. The village picnic on the green on Sunday was a new innovation and was very enjoyable for those who came. Hopefully if its repeated next year more families will make the effort to join in. Those who did come had a special ride on the fairground horses thanks to Mr Meach!

### Planning applications

46 The Green: The council has supported an application for a revision of the roofscape on a previously approved plan for an extension and this has now been agreed by SODC. Planning ref P15/S1951/HH

Hillcroft Farm Toot Baldon: The council has received information on an application for a change of use of a farm barn to a domestic dwelling. New planning laws about the use of redundant farm buildings are relevant to the application which will be granted by SODC providing it meets the planning regulation requirements. Planning ref P15/S2480/PAR

Land off Baldon Lane: An agricultural application to create a hard driveway off Baldon Lane to access Nineveh Farm land has been received and the council is considering its response. Planning ref P15/S2464/AG

#### District Councillor

We have been advised that John Woodley Shead who was elected our District Councillor in May has now stood down from the position. SODC will be arranging a by election.

#### Household Waste and Recycling Centre strategy.

OCC are also holding a public consultation during August and September on the future of the current recycling centres. To save over £350,000 it is proposed that the current 7 centres are reduced to 3 or possibly 4 with also a possible reduction in opening of 18 hours per week. The views of the public are needed by 5<sup>th</sup> October. Relevant to local views is that Redbridge would be retained and expanded or relocated to serve central Oxford. All the information is on OCC website [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/waste](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/waste) and follow link.

Date of next meeting 8th September 7.30 pm Village Hall.

#### **Do You Need A Babysitter or Dog Walker?**

I'm very responsible and energetic and would be happy to babysit or walk your dog in the evenings and during the weekends. I love dogs and have experience of walking them.

Please call me any time on 01865 341605  
or e-mail me at: [rosie@moore-shaw.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:rosie@moore-shaw.fsnet.co.uk)

#### **Defibrillator update**

Many thanks to all those people that have given so generously to the defibrillator fund. We now have just over £1,300. I am waiting for the capital grants scheme for small projects to open up via SODC and then will be applying for the remainder of the money that we need.

Meanwhile, we hope to get the box restored to its former glory in the near future - any offers of help most gratefully received!

Thank you all again, Sara



RECYCLING  
**SORT  
IT OUT!**

# Free compost giveaway!

Come and join us to fill your box, bag, or container with top-quality compost for free – and don't forget your shovel!

**Saturday 3 October 9.00am – 11.00am**

Rye Farm car park, Culham Road, Abingdon OX14 3NN

**Sunday 4 October 9.00am – 11.00am**

Old South Oxfordshire District Council car park,  
Benson Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford OX10 8ED



Free recycling goodies



Pick up kitchen caddies  
and liners



50% off compost bins,  
now only £10 (cash)

All while stocks last



## 'CELEBRATING AGATHA CHRISTIE' WEEKEND

A 'Celebrating Agatha Christie Weekend' throughout Wallingford and Cholsey will be held from Friday 18 to Sunday 20 September.



Your weekend could start at Wallingford Museum on Friday afternoon, viewing the '**At Home with the Queen of Crime**' exhibition. Your Museum ticket (half-price this weekend only) includes this special Agatha Christie exhibition. This exhibition looks at Agatha Christie's home - Winterbrook House, and puts her quiet life in the town into perspective.

Friday evening at the Corn Exchange will feature a short talk '**An interview with Agatha Christie - a Wallingford exclusive**' by local historian Judy Dewey, which will contain material gathered about Agatha Christie in Wallingford, including questions she answered in a local interview in 1970, followed by a showing of the **1979 film 'Agatha'** - a fictional account of the real life, eleven day, never explained 1926 disappearance of the famed murder mystery writer. The cast of this film includes Dustin Hoffman, Vanessa Redgrave, Timothy West, Alan Badel. Tickets are £8, obtainable direct from the Corn Exchange, <http://www.cornexchange.org.uk>

On Saturday morning there will be a '**Guided Agatha Christie Walk - Wallingford to Cholsey**'. Your guides will be Judy Dewey and Tony Rayner (local historians / authors). You will walk to Cholsey churchyard where Agatha Christie is buried, and can then view the special exhibition of '**Agatha Christie and Cholsey**' (11am to 4pm) including photographs and documents, and take refreshments at the Old School, Cholsey. Your return to Wallingford will be by train on the Cholsey & Wallingford Railway. Tickets £10 from Wallingford Museum.

For Saturday evening there is a very special event at St Mary's Church, Cholsey with a musical presentation '**Blue Murder at St Mary's**' - a concert with a touch of Agatha Christie! - featuring music from Three Pressed Men. Tickets £8 from Ray Park Butchers, and Wallingford Museum.

On Sunday morning the 'Guided Agatha Christie walk' and the '**Agatha Christie and Cholsey**' exhibition will be repeated. In addition, there will be an opportunity to walk from Cholsey to Wallingford instead (£8), returning to Cholsey by train. Additionally, cream teas will be available on The Forty, provided by the Cholsey Women's Institute celebrating 100 years of the WI. Cholsey & Wallingford Railway will be running heritage trains between Wallingford and Cholsey throughout Saturday and Sunday.

For full information, visit Wallingford Museum, or the Town Information Centre, or [www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk](http://www.wallingfordmuseum.org.uk)

## WOMEN IN VICTORIAN TIMES

September's talk to The Wallingford Historical and Archaeological Society (TWHAS) will be given by Jane Stubbs. She will present '**Women in Victorian Times**'.



What do you know about your great-great-grandmother? What was life like for her? Find out in this light-hearted look at the changes and improvement in the lives of women during the reign of Queen Victoria (1837-1901). The talk is digitally illustrated with slides together with a reproduction costume of the period.

Living locally, Jane is author of the novel 'Thornfield Hall' - a revelatory retelling of Charlotte Bronte's *Jane Eyre*, exposing the hidden story that Jane Eyre never knew.

This talk will be held on **Friday 11th Sept, 7.45 for 8pm, at Wallingford Town Hall**. Visitors (£3) are most welcome. [www.twhas.org.uk](http://www.twhas.org.uk)

## SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2015

6 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am	Holy Communion	Toot Baldon
13 <sup>th</sup> September	6.00pm	Evening Worship	Toot Baldon
20 <sup>th</sup> September	9.30am	Holy Communion <i>including Sunday School</i>	Marsh Baldon
27 <sup>th</sup> September	8.30am	Said Holy Communion	Marsh Baldon
	9.30am	Family Worship <i>with Pets</i>	Marsh Baldon
4 <sup>th</sup> October	9.30am	Holy Communion	Toot Baldon

**Fellowship Group: normally 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 7.30pm.**

*Venues and further details from:*

Jennifer Morton 343302; or email: [jennifer@morton8.co.uk](mailto:jennifer@morton8.co.uk)

## FLOWERS

	Marsh	Toot
6 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	C Attewill	A Druce
20 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	I Wright & L Martin	M Trinder
4 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	F Ardern	V Bowler

## SIDESDUTY

	Marsh	Toot
6 <sup>th</sup> Sept		9.30am Graham Hobbins
13 <sup>th</sup> Sept		6.00pm Ann Druce
20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30am Stephen Dance	
27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30am Liam McCormick	

*The Revd Paul Cawthorne is Team vicar for The Baldons with Nuneham Courtenay, Berinsfield and Drayton St Leonard.*

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