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## EDITORIAL - Help

Some years ago during a somethingscopy I viewed the inside of my own stomach. It's amazing what can be done by shoving a hosepipe down one's neck. So impressed was I, it set me wondering what my insides looked like from the other end. Not being THAT interested I didn't pursue the matter further, despite suspiciously out of character encouragement, from friends training to be doctors.

To my amazement the other day I thought my curiosity was to be assuaged on a journey to Kineton. As instructed, I followed a Diversion sign, which lead to another Diversion sign, which lead to another Diversion sign. This lead to... Ever mindful of the traumatic effect on drivers the Milton Keynes Inner Ring Road has, I was alarmed, after an hour's motoring, to pick up signs for - Milton Keynes. Something was wrong; I should only have been three or four miles from where I had spent the majority of my life. I know the back roads here like the back of my hand and as a good citizen I was only following orders.

We are capable of sending spacecraft to Saturn's moons or buying items on line with little more than the squeeze of a mouse. The purchase of an Alpha Widget from Amazon runs the risk of bombardment with offers for Beta, Gamma or Delta widgets etc. Surely this technology can be applied to the simple task of co-ordinating Diversion signs to prevent dozy but law abiding motorists, unfamiliar with the local geography, disappearing up where the sun doesn't shine?

In similar vein, the number of Flood signs around Tysoe on dry roads suggests road sign manufacturers must be a sound investment. If anyone can do anything to resolve these problems, you will have my undying gratitude.

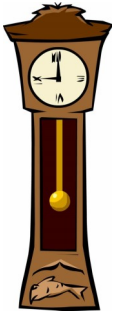
David Sewell  
Editor

## BUTTERFLIES OF TYSOE

On Wednesday 25 March we welcome Mike Slater from Butterfly Conservation Warwickshire who will be giving a talk on 'Butterflies of Tysoe' in the Village Hall. Please arrive by 7.00 for a 7.30 start.



Before you attend Mike Slater's talk why not take a look at [www.warwickshire-butterflies.org.uk](http://www.warwickshire-butterflies.org.uk) to see first butterfly and moth sightings for the year. You could also refresh yourself on the update Rosemary Collier gave us on the Big Butterfly Count 2019 back in our November issue.



### JOEY'S JOKE

I asked Joe for a joke about clocks this month in light of the clocks changing on the 29 March. He said he threw his clock out of the window this time last year. "Why did you do that", I asked. "Because I wanted to see time fly" he replied!

If you think you can do better (or worse)...let us know.

## WELCOMING OUR NEWEST RESIDENT

On Saturday 18 January at 20.12pm, Hayley & Stephen Tucker welcomed Daisy Elizabeth. Daisy was born at the Bluebell Birth Centre in Warwick and weighed in at a healthy 8lb 1oz. We are pleased to report that both Hayley and Daisy are both well.



Many best wishes from us all at The Record.

The Tuckers at Tysoe Village Tea Rooms.



## MID-WEEK MOVIE

Love romance, comedy and foot tapping, sing-along-music? Love the Beatles? Then you'll certainly love this film. A slightly improbable plot, adding to the enjoyment and intrigue revolving round some of the Beatles greatest hits. A star studded cast will ensure you leave the picture house singing those favourite songs with a smile on you face. A well rated film for that feel good factor - and we all need that, so definitely not to be missed.



Rotten Tomatoes Audience Score **89%**



<b>Title</b>	Yesterday (2019)
<b>Date</b>	18 March 2020
<b>Time</b>	19.15 for 19.30
<b>Run time</b>	116 minutes
<b>Where</b>	Tysoe Village Hall
<b>Cost</b>	£4 per person

### ARE YOU READY FOR DAYLIGHT SAVING?

On March 29 the clocks 'spring' forward an hour. Is this the 6-months of the year that your car or cooker clock will actually be correct?

David Bell, Tower Captain at St Mary's Church, has to think a little bit more loftily at this time of year as he is responsible for changing the time on the clock in St Mary's Church. We asked David what this involves? He told us,

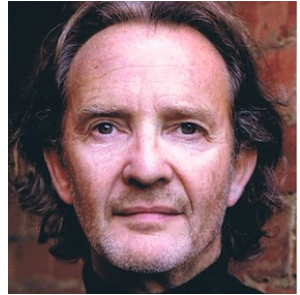
"When the clocks go forward one hour I have to stop the clock. simply by stopping the pendulum, then restart it eleven hours later. I will probably stop it just after nine on Saturday 28 March then restart it just after eight on the Sunday morning."



So now you know.

## AN INTERVIEW WITH ANTON LESSER, ACTOR

Anton Lesser lives in Tysoe. He is a versatile actor who has appeared on stage, film, TV and radio. He is known in particular for his roles in *Game of Thrones*, *Wolf Hall* and *Endeavour*.



While 'resting' he greatly enjoys gardening and walking. Shirley talked to him about his role in *Endeavour*, which was shown on ITV in February, the final series.

### **How long have you played the role of Chief Superintendent Bright?**

Series VII was the last one, so that means seven years as it's been one a year.

### **How has your character developed over that time?**

Bright started as the thorn in Endeavour's side. He's very strict, ex-Indian Military Police, who does everything right-by-the-book, a no-nonsense sort of character. At least that's where we began. Over the years we've come to see a bit more of him out-of-uniform. There was one flash-back when he saved the life of a friend in India and in another we got to meet his wife. I think the audience loves that.

### **So how does the chemistry of *Endeavour* work?**

Really, it's a threesome: there's the avuncular, older detective, *Thursday* played by Roger Allam, there's the young *Morse*, played by Sean Evans, and there's the old-school *Chief Superintendent*. Gradually it's become more about their relationship, not only to the plot and the crimes they solve, but to each other and how they rub off against one another, so you've seen them grow as human beings.

### **Do you have a laugh with the rest of the cast?**

I'm afraid it's mainly 'corpsing.' We've been together seven years. Every year when we reconvene for the read-through it's like being with family. We all love each other and take the mickey out of one another. Yeah, it's lovely and I feel very sad now that it's finished.

N.B. You can read the entire interview with Anton on the Tysoe District & Record Facebook Page. In Facebook search @tysoerecord

## THE GARDENER'S PRAYER

O Lord, grant that in some way it may rain every day; say from about midnight 'till three o'clock in the morning, But, you see, it must be gentle and warm, so that it can soak in.

Grant at the same time, that it would not rain on Campion, Alyssum, Helianthemum, Lavender and others, that you know in your infinite wisdom, are drought-loving plants – I will write their names on a slip of paper if you like.

And grant that the sun shines all day long, but not everywhere (not, for instance, on Spirea, or on Gentiann, Plantain-Lilly and Rhodendron), and not too much; so that there may be plenty of dew: and only a little wind please.

Oh yes! Enough worms, no plant-lice, no snails, no mildew. And that once a week, thin liquid manure may fall from heaven.

Amen.

**Brian Temple-Brown**



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## BIG BIRD WATCH 2020

A fantastic total of 57 adults and 7 children from 41 households took part in Tysoe's RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch between 25 - 27 January. In addition, 48 children from Tysoe School did their own counts. All of the results have been summarised and the recording sheets sent to the RSPB for the national count. The RSPB asked us to count the maximum number of birds that landed at any one time in our gardens, to avoid counting the same bird twice.



**Tysoe No 6 = Robin**

The results of the Tysoe residents' count are summarised in the chart on the right. The House Sparrow was the most abundant bird followed closely by the Blue Tit. The RSPB results for England in 2019 are shown for comparison showing the House Sparrow also took the top spot. In fact, House Sparrows have come in first place in the Big Garden Birdwatch for 16 years in succession but they are seen in much smaller numbers than when the Birdwatch started in 1979 - with a 56% decline. Fortunately, this trend has slowed in the past 10 years.

Last year's RSPB Big Birdwatch also highlighted the decline in numbers of Song Thrushes and Starlings, which have declined by around 77%. It is thought the decline in Song Thrushes is down to loss of habitats where they like to live and breed. In contrast, there was good news in 2019 for some of the smaller species. The numbers of Coal Tits were up by nearly 245% since 1979, and Goldfinches have increased by around 70% since the early 2000s. The results for the 2020 RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch should be out soon on the RSPB web site <https://www.rspb.org.uk/>.



**Tysoe No 1 = House Sparrow**

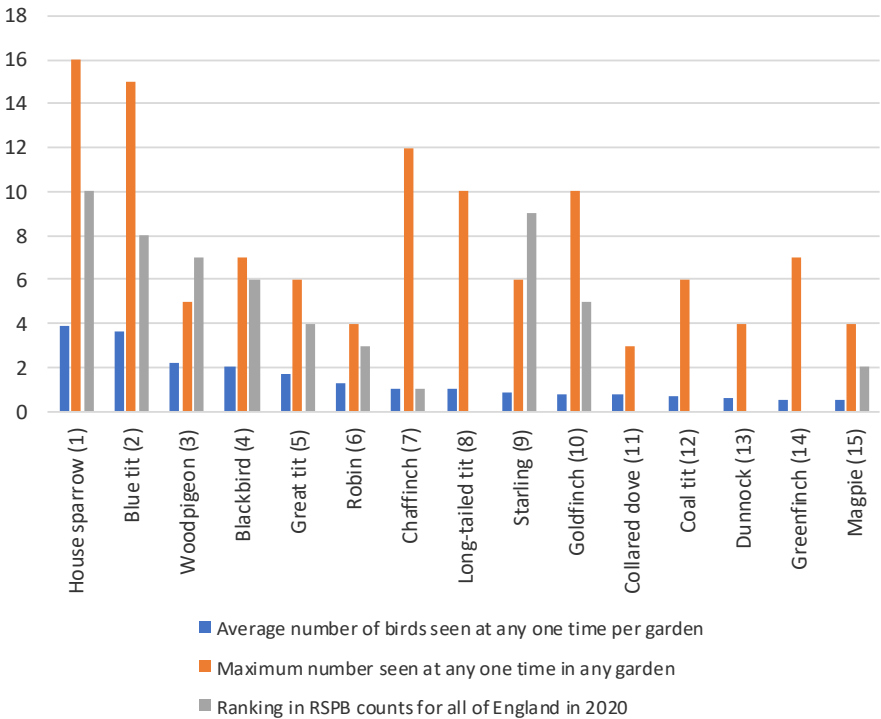
The schoolchildren's records covered a wider area as a good number of them live outside Tysoe. Their top bird species was the Wood Pigeon, closely followed by the Blackbird, House Sparrow and Starling.

**Original artwork by Shirley Cherry**



# BIG BIRD WATCH 2020

## Tysoe's Big Bird Watch 2020



**Tysoe No 2 = Blue Tit**

Tysoe residents also provided details of the other birds and animals that they have seen in their garden during the last year. This has helped us to start a list of species for Tysoe and we can add to that during the year. It includes 47 species of bird. Of the birds not on the RSPB list, woodpeckers (Great Spotted and Green) were seen quite often, as were Jackdaws. Birds of prey included the Buzzard, Sparrowhawk and Red Kite.

Unsurprisingly the Grey Squirrel is the most frequent furry visitor to our gardens – by far! Sadly only 3 households have seen hedgehogs in their gardens in the last year.

## **TYSOE WI**

We welcomed lots of visitors at last month's meeting 'What is Dementia' with Caroline Ward. It is always great to see new faces.



Our March meeting on the 4th will be Clic Sargent, UK's leading children's cancer charity, with speaker Elaine Griffin. Visitors welcome. £5 on the door including wine and refreshments. 19.30 start.

We have a busy year ahead with a number of trips planned, which space allowing, will be open to non-members. Trips include Bletchley Park on 20 April, Kew Gardens 7 July, Chatsworth House at Christmas including a market on 24 November. All travelling with Tysoe's Martins Coach. For more info contact Dee 07799584479 or email [tysoew.i.1917@icloud.com](mailto:tysoew.i.1917@icloud.com).

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## **TYSOE TRAD JAZZ**

### **George Huxley's Hot Five**

Saturday 4th April 2020 7.30 – 10.00 p.m.

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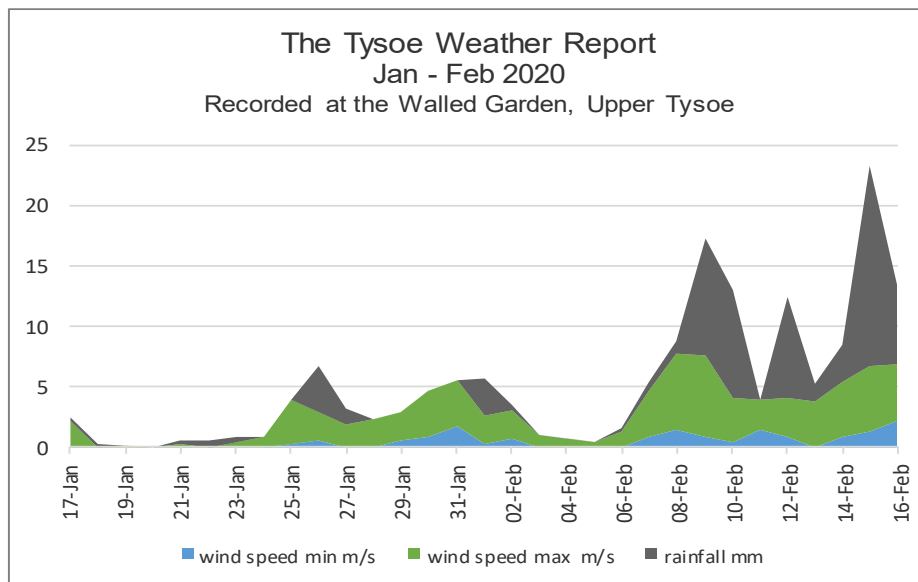
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## THE TYSOE WEATHER REPORT

The story of 2020 is rain. As you can see from the weather readings below (taken at the Walled Garden in Upper Tysoe) the 31 days up to the 16 February have seen plenty of rain brought by storms Dennis and Ciara. Since New Year's Day we have had 103.6mm (4.1inches). Even with all the rain, however, we have also had 20 dry days!

Although we haven't seen much evidence of flooding in Tysoe, compared to say 2007, the ground is pretty waterlogged. Whilst we don't have a supercomputer to predict weather, the impact on winter planted crops will be felt later on in the year.

**Sue and Mike Sanderson**



## STOP PRESS

Thanks to Tysoe resident Jude Canning for sharing the news that 12 new nest boxes and 2 feeders have been installed at the Sun Rising Natural Burial Ground and Nature Reserve. The new homes and feeders are specially designed to attract Tree Sparrows which are under threat in our area. Fingers crossed we get some new residents.

## LETTERS...voices from the village

### **Taking Political Correctness Too Far!**

In church the other day I was shocked to hear how the Gospel reading (Matthew 4: 12-23) had changed, when Jesus calls to two brothers out fishing: "Come, follow me." But instead of saying: "and I will make you fishers of men" - one of the great sayings of the bible, the Revised Common Lectionary had it down as "and I will make you fish for people." Too PC in my book!

**Shirley Cherry**

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### **Tysoe Swimming Pool**

It is with great urgency I suggest that the outdoor swimming pool by number 1 & 2 Park Row, Main Street, is either completed or filled in. I don't know if the water has been tested for quality or depth or temperature but feel sure that could soon be achieved if someone lost their footing as it is rather close to the public footpath and seems to get larger each time that I pass by.

**Joe Hopkins**

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### **Accident waiting to happen!**

I do hope that the headlines help to draw attention to the speeding

that is taking place in Sandpits Road on a daily basis, I am sure many people who use the footpath regularly are fully aware of the dangers. Recently I returned from Banbury driving down Sandpits Road in the Oxhill direction indicating to turn into my drive, as I pulled over a car came towards me with full headlights on followed by four other cars driving far too fast, (they) could not stop in time and had to mount the footpath on the other side of the road to pass!!

Luckily no one was on the footpath at the time. Surely this is not something that should be ignored?

As the children use this path to get to school, dog walkers, people visiting the shop and many others putting them all in danger. Perhaps a speed calming measure could be one thing to be considered (But please not bumps in the road ). The remaining verge adjoining the path is now pretty much non-existent so offers no protection from the traffic at all. A concerned resident of Sandpits Road who will be attending the next parish council meeting hoping to receive some helpful support

**Carroll Lymbery**

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## INTRO WORKSHOPS

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MONDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2020 9.30AM  
WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2020 7.30PM

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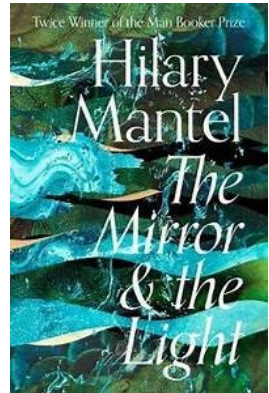
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### BOOK AT BEDTIME

Anton Lesser, who is interviewed in this issue, also records audio books: you can listen to his interpretation of Hilary Mantel's latest book: 'The Mirror and the Light'. It is being broadcast across fifteen episodes of fifteen-minutes on BBC Radio Four in early March. This coincides with the publication of the book on 5 March. The last of the Wolf Hall Trilogy, the Mirror and the Light traces the final years of Oliver Cromwell.

Anton says: "It's fantastic! With something like this I simply suggest the different characters as the power is in the narrative, the prose and her beautiful words. It's not about funny voices. You don't want to get too much between the material and the audience. Sometimes it will require a slight characterisation, just so the listener knows whose saying what." Be sure to listen!



To get you in the mood, Hilary Mantel is a guest on Start the Week with Andrew Marr on 2 March at 09.00 on BBC Radio 4.

## TYSOE PARISH CHURCH

The Sing Candlemas afternoon in St Mary's was a treat. The choir stalls were packed and the singers were able to throw their voices through the chancel arch during the evening service too – quite a feat. Thanks go to all those who generously provided refreshments for the large number of people who took part.

Lent lunches are all organised. Please email or call Drina with numbers if you would like to come along – this will help the hosts to plan the catering. We look forward to seeing you.

### Lent Lunches 2020

- Tuesday **10 March, 12.30** St Mary's Tysoe
- Wednesday **18 March, 12.30** Joyners Orchard, Sutton-u-Brailes
- Tuesday **24 March, 12.30** Free School, Brailes
- Tuesday **31 March, 12.30** The Old Chapel, Oxhill

### Dates for your Diary

- The first of the Deanery Lent services will be held in St Mary's on **3 March** with a speaker on Mental Health.
- Mothering Sunday Family Service is on **22 March** at 11.00.

We send best wishes to all those who have been under the weather recently or in hospital. As we go to press we hear Sheila Gaydon has sadly died and we send our sympathy to her family and friends.

### Services at St Mary's in March 2020

1 March	11.00	Parish Communion	GE
8 March	11.00	Parish Communion	JT
11 March	10.30	Midweek Holy Communion	GH
15 March	11.00	Family Service	GH
22 March	11.00	Parish Communion	to preach JR
		<b>Mothering Sunday Family</b>	GW
25 March	10.30	Midweek Holy Communion	GH
29 March	11.00	United Service of 5 churches at Sutton-under-Brailes (No morning service at St Mary's)	

At 08.30 every Saturday George invites you to Morning Prayer

**CHURCH ENQUIRIES:** Revd George Heighton 680201,  
Jill Longbottom 680236, Roland Cherry 680793

## **TYSOE METHODIST CHURCH**

Thank you to all who were able to come to the Joseph Sing along on the 2nd February, At times everyone had an instrument of some sort to accompany the singing, It was a very enjoyable occasion. The plate for donations raised £53-05 collected for the Motor Neurone Society, the South Warwickshire Circuit charity fund raiser this year. Performances continue every weekend in the churches until the end of March. Thank you to members who provided refreshments. Looking forward, the Good Friday Service will be at 10-00 am.

### **SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH IN MARCH**

- 1 March at 10.30, Mr Russell Blackwell
- 8 March at 10.30, Rev John Harris, Sacrament.
- 15 March at 10.30, Mr Michael Phipps.
- 22 March 11.00, Mary's Church
- 29 March at 10.30, Rev. Peter Powers, Rural Mission Service, Kineton Methodist Church

### **SERVICES AT THE METHODIST CHURCH IN APRIL**

- 5 April at 10.30, Reader Service with Mr Graham Hollowell
- 10 April at 10.00, Good Friday Service with Rev Peter Powers
- 12 April at 10.30, Communion with Rev Elizabeth Clark
- 19 April at 10.30, Easter Carol Service with Mrs Margaret Clarke, Fenny Compton Methodist Church
- 26 April at 10.30 with Mrs Jill Lloyd

**Tuesday Coffee shop** every Tuesday 10:30 -12 noon. All welcome. Stay as long as you like.

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## PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

The Parish Council held an Ordinary Meeting on 3 February at 7.15pm.

1. Councillors (Cllrs) were given an overview of *The Making of Tysoe* project by John Hunter, to be launched on 14 March 2020 at Tysoe Village Hall. A £1600 grant had previously been set aside by the Parish Council for the project. Cllrs asked Mr Hunter to provide a breakdown of costs to be discussed at the next meeting. Mr Hunter was also encouraged to speak to the PTA to discuss how the school can become involved.
2. Councillors received and noted 2 items of correspondence both relating to parking in the village. One was a request to remove the stones used to keep car drivers off the grass on School Lane and one raised concern over the parking on the grass on Park Row, Main Street. A member of the public also raised concern over threatening behaviour by a neighbour. Cllrs recommended reporting this to the Police. Parking restrictions will be investigated in both locations.
3. Cllr Roache, Chair of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee requested access to legal advice on how best to respond to the Examiners report. The request was approved.
4. Several planning applications were discussed and are available to view at [apps.stratford.gov.uk](https://apps.stratford.gov.uk).
5. Playground - favourable inspection report received from RoSPA. Gateway to playground has become waterlogged and muddy. Proposal: to improve the area - agreed.
6. Trees – 3 Green Beech and 2 Hornbeam have been sourced and will be planted by Michael Mann on the Playing Fields. Thomas Fox has been contracted to remove all deadwood from the Oak tree near the bench across from the village hall.
7. Playing Fields – Michael Mann Farmers have been awarded the mowing contract for the playing fields for 2020/21.
8. Tennis Club – lease has been agreed for 25 years.
9. Footpaths – a member of the public has written to Stratford DC regarding reinstatement of a footpath. SDC have refused. Cllr Millward will write to SDC and WCC supporting reinstatement. All to advise Cllr Millward of any other footpaths to include in the letter.
10. Street Lighting – quote accepted regarding street lighting repair on Main Street and Back Lane.

**Date of Next Meeting** Monday 2nd March 2020 at 19.15.

All are welcome.

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For more information please contact Gerald or Sue Hart on 01295 680710 or Jane Ridgway on 01295 680262.

## WHAT'S ON IN TYSOE - MARCH













<b>SUN</b>	<b>1</b>		St David's Day, Patron Saint of Wales
<b>MON</b>	<b>2</b>		Parish Council Meeting, 19.15, TVH
<b>TUE</b>	<b>3</b>	 	Blue & Green Bin refuse collection Depression and the Psalms Rev. Ben Dyson, 19.30, SMC
<b>SAT</b>	<b>7</b>	  	Tysoe United v Shottery United FC, 14.00.TSF Tapas and Quiz Night, 17.30 - 21.30 pm, TVH Guy Youngs tribute to Jeff Lyne's ELO, 21.00, TSC
<b>TUE</b>	<b>10</b>	  	Black Bin refuse collection Lent Lunch, 12.20, SMC Mobile Library 13.45-14.45, TVH
<b>WED</b>	<b>11</b>		Village Hall AGM, 19.30, TVH
<b>SAT</b>	<b>14</b>	 	The Making of Tysoe Project, 09.45, TVH Tysoe United v Shipston Excelsior, 14.00, TSF
<b>TUE</b>	<b>17</b>	  	St Patrick's Day, Patron Saint of Ireland Deadline for copy to Tysoe & District Record Blue & Green Bin refuse collection

If you have any events you would like to include on this page please email us by the 17th of the month at [tysoerecord@gmail.com](mailto:tysoerecord@gmail.com). Have fun.

### KEY TO VENUES

TVH	Tysoe Village Hall	MC	Methodist Church
TSP	Tysoe Sports Pavilion	SMC	St Mary's Church
TSF	Tysoe Sports Field	TSC	Tysoe Social Club

## WHAT'S ON IN TYSOE—MARCH

<b>WED</b>	<b>18</b>		Mid-week Movie - Yesterday, 19.15 for 19.30, TVH
<b>FRI</b>	<b>20</b>		WI - Creative Craft Show, NEC Mobile Library 14.30 - 15.00, Oxhill Village Hall
<b>SAT</b>	<b>21</b>		Croft Pie and Quiz evening TSC
<b>SUN</b>	<b>22</b>		Mothering Sunday
<b>TUE</b>	<b>24</b>		Black Bin refuse collection
<b>WED</b>	<b>25</b>		'Butterflies of Tysoe' by Mike Slater, 19.30 TVH
<b>FRI</b>	<b>27</b>		Mobile Library 14.30 - 15.00, Oxhill Village Hall
<b>SAT</b>	<b>28</b>	 	FISSC Reserves v Tysoe United, 14.00, NFU Easter Bingo, TSC
<b>SUN</b>	<b>29</b>		British Summer Time begins
<b>TUE</b>	<b>31</b>	 	Blue & Green Bin refuse collection Mobile Library 13.45-14.45, TVH

### KEVIN THE CAVEMAN



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## FUTURE WHAT'S ON

<b>APR</b>	<b>4</b>	George Huxley's Hot Five, 19.30, TVH
	<b>6</b>	Parish Assembly, TVH, 19:45
	<b>18</b>	<i>Queen</i> Tribute Show, 21.00, TSC
	<b>20</b>	WI - Bletchley Park 9.00am £25 (non members £30)
<b>MAY</b>	<b>1/2</b>	TADA presents 'Victory', TVH
	<b>9</b>	Live Band – <i>Pavilion</i> , 21.00, TSC
	<b>15</b>	Bat Night with Warwickshire Bat Group, SMC
	<b>23</b>	WI - Craig Revell Horwood, All Balls and Glitter, Warwick Arts Centre £32 (non members £35)
<b>JUN</b>	<b>6</b>	Tysoe Windmill Fun Run/Walk, Rose & Steph 680755
	<b>6/7</b>	NGS Tysoe Open Gardens, Julia Sewell 680234
	<b>13/14</b>	Tysoe United Junior Football Tournament, TSF
	<b>20</b>	Live Band – <i>Rhythm Street</i> , 21.00, TSC
	<b>21</b>	WI - Walking Tour around Oxford with Roger Bailey, a blue and green badge guide. £20 (£25 non members).
<b>JUL</b>	<b>7</b>	WI - Kew Gardens £30 (£35 non members)
	<b>11/12</b>	Flower Festival, SMC, Rev George Heighton 680201
	<b>18</b>	Live Band – <i>The encore</i> , TSC
<b>AUG</b>	<b>15</b>	Tysoe Flower Show, David Sewell, 680316
	<b>16</b>	Tribute to <i>Bon Jovi/Bryan Adams</i> , 21.00, TSC Grumpies Cricket Tysoe v Oxhill, Digby Norton, 688251
<b>SEP</b>	<b>5</b>	Live Singer <i>The Ska Fella</i> , 21.00, TSC
	<b>6</b>	WI - Friars Court, Clanfield. Tour of house and gardens by Charles Wilmer the owner. £16 (£20 non members)
<b>OCT</b>	<b>24</b>	Live Singer <i>Matti Fantasi</i> , 21.00, TSC
<b>NOV</b>	<b>8</b>	Remembrance Sunday, SMC, David Sewell, 680316
	<b>21</b>	Live Band – <i>The Jaguars</i> , 21.00, TSC
	<b>24</b>	WI - Chatsworth House at Christmas & Christmas Market £40 (non members £45)
	<b>TBC</b>	Christmas Quiz, TVH, Rose & Steph 680755
<b>DEC</b>	<b>5</b>	Live Duo <i>The Rockin Ratbags</i> , 21.00, TSC
	<b>6</b>	Santa Fun Run, Rose & Steph 680755
	<b>12</b>	Christmas Tree Lighting, Pete Randerson, 680330

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### KINETON VILLAGE HALL

**Friday 27th March 10.30 – 12 noon**

**Carers4Carers monthly meeting** at Kineton Village Hall. There will not be a speaker this month giving us more time for coffee, biscuits and chat. Do bring along any small art or craft projects to help you relax. Jasmin is bringing her harps to play with the Companionship Group.

Please let us know in advance if you would like us to look after your loved one in our Companionship Group. For more details, including help with transport, please phone Gillian on 01926 640203/07947 893504. 893504.

### RATLEY ST PETER AD VINCULA CHURCH

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### OXHILL VILLAGE HALL

Calling All Singers! The Swan Singers have started to rehearse for their next concert - Saturday June 6th - when they will perform Vivaldi's Gloria and Magnificat. New members are warmly welcomed at rehearsals at Kineton Methodist Hall, on Tuesdays at 19.30.

The choir takes its membership from a wide area, including Tysoe.

For more information, please contact Jennie Rake on 01295 688335.

## WOT2Grow COMMUNITY ORCHARD

January saw the annual Wassail event at the orchard where around sixty people, including lots of children, gathered to take part in this ancient ceremony to encourage good crops for the coming year. A lot of noise was made by banging pans etc, gun shot rang out and the torchlight procession went through the orchard to the Wassail tree where they sang and threw cider over the tree and ground! Pancakes courtesy of the scouts, hot drinks and mulled cider and apple juice warmed people as they gathered round the big bonfire.



Despite the high winds and heavy rain work at the orchard has continued with volunteers putting in hours of effort! The autumn raspberries are cut back to the ground ready for the new canes to emerge for this summer's fruit. The blackcurrants are pruned and fed and the old gooseberries which were not doing well have been removed! The blueberry beds have been weeded and the pruning started. The wind break hedges are still being cut back and need to be completed by March as that is the beginning of the bird nesting season and we can't disturb them.

We make our own liquid feeds so the essential comfrey bed has been weeded so the plants are ready to start vigorous growth that we can harvest for steeping in water!



We always need help with various tasks so why not volunteer. It is surprising how much can be done in a short session and what a difference it makes to this beautiful, tranquil green space. Contact us and see how to help and also learn new skills. The Community Orchard is just behind the allotments on the Shenington Road in Tysoe and is open 24/7. Contact Liz Atkinson (680045), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080) or see the website [www.wot2grow.co.uk](http://www.wot2grow.co.uk)



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## TENNIS CLUB UPDATE

The **Ladies A** had a very hard-fought match against Wildmoor Spa and managed a draw. The team then travelled to Ilmington where Jude and Julie played some inspiring tennis and, together with Liz and Jo, secured yet another draw.

The team are currently 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Division.

The **Ladies B** played at Snitterfield but, despite some sterling play from Veronika and Jane, came away with a defeat.

Tysoe **Mens B** fought hard in their home matches against Byfield and Kings Sutton in recent weeks, but came away with rather less than we deserved on the balance of play. It can be the smallest of margins that settles the result of a match and, on both days, we came desperately close, but just couldn't get over the line. The team put everything they had into it and, as a result, undaunted, we go into our next match against Towcester with confidence, having narrowly beaten them in the return fixture earlier this season.

### Tennis Membership Fees:

- Junior (under 16) £18
- Student (16+ in full-time education) £21
- Adult (over 18) £75
- Family (up to 2 adults plus children under 16) £150

### Contacts:

- Club Secretary – Carol Spencer  
07708 412767 or
- carolspen-  
cer234@hotmail.co.uk

[www.tysoetennisclub.co.uk](http://www.tysoetennisclub.co.uk)

## TYSOE UNITED FOOTBALL CLUB

Date	Home Team	Result	Away Team
29 Feb	Redditch Bourough	See Facebook*	Tysoe United
8 Feb	Tysoe United	1-4	Redditch Borough
1 Feb	FISCC Reserves	0-4	Tysoe United

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## TYSOE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

We were delighted to receive a letter from Nick Gibb, Minister of State for School Standards, congratulating the school on the high achievement of pupils in Maths. Tysoe is in the top 2% of Primary Schools in the country: a wonderful achievement! A special mention to Mrs Kathryn Smith, our amazing maths leader.



### ***Give and it will be given to you. Luke 6.38***

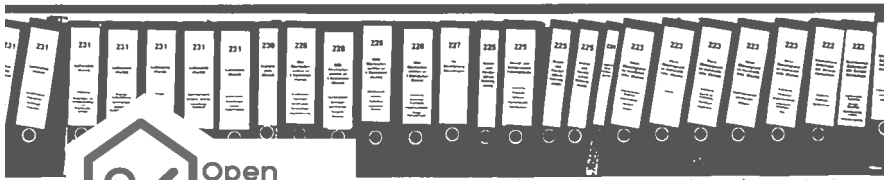
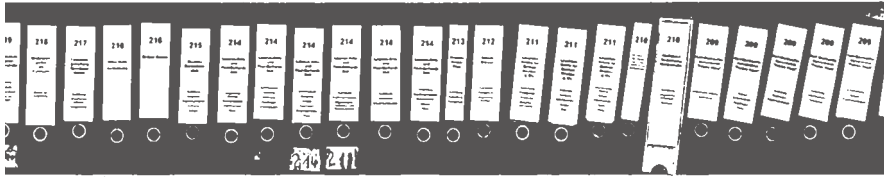
Our Collective Worship value this half term is Generosity. We have been thinking about ways we can be generous toward each other. We can give our time and effort to others or show care, concern and love. We have been reflecting on the reasons for giving and looking at ways to be generous at home and at school. It is lovely to see so many examples of generosity around our school.

As part of their History topic, Willow Class have had a Victorian day where they experienced what it would be like to go to school during the Victorian times. Children took part in activities such as reciting proverbs, handwriting and adding pounds, shillings and pence in Maths. During the afternoon, boys practised their technical drawing while the girls did some cross-stitch.

Oak Class have been learning about 'The Great Fire of London' and were visited by The Freshwater Theatre Company who 'took the children back in time' to 1666. The children discovered that life in London was very different to how it is now. They were asked to act as a Pitch Worker, Thomas Farriner and the flames of the fire. The most popular part was when they had to pretend to have the plague! Thank you to Tysoe Utilities Trust for subsidising this visit.

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At our Synod in January we were pleased to welcome Julie Bellamy, the Director of Finance, who was able to give us some practical advice and information on Parish Share and the principles behind it. Although we are naturally rooted in our local churches, the share system is one way in which we are connected to our brothers and sisters beyond our parish – and deanery – boundaries, and are able to be part of God's work in the wider kingdom.

Lent is upon us now, and we turn our thoughts to preparing for everything that Easter holds for us. I pray that in the middle of busy lives, we will all find some space to journey with Christ again on that final walk to Jerusalem and beyond.

Our Lent services this year are on the theme of mental health, recognising that Christ came to offer us life in all its fullness. Please do come along – we have a speakers who are experienced in a number of areas and all should be very interesting to hear.

### **Lent Services - Journey's in Mental Health - Tuesday's at 19.30.**

- 3 March **Depression and the Psalms** Rev. Ben Dyson, Tysoe
- 10 March **Making sense of our emotional responses to life's path'** Stephen Bushell, Tredington
- 17 March **Dementia – towards a spirituality** - Rev. Jean Fletcher, Shipston
- 24 March **The me God made me to be** - Rev. Ali Hogger, Butlers Marston
- 31 March **Young suicide** - Ged Flyn, CEO Papyrus, Ettington
- 7 April **Holy Week Eucharist** - Ven. Barry Dugmore, Long Compton

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## TYSOE BOWLS CLUB

On 22 January, Tysoe Bowls Club went to Snitterfield to play our return match. When we arrived we were told the hall had been double booked with a table tennis club from Birmingham, who were also playing a league game. Eventually matters were resolved, the table tennis club used the main hall and we ended up playing in the adjoining skittle alley. It was not the best arrangement, but we managed. After having one or two ping-pong balls landing on the mat, we battled on and lost the first game 17-11 and won the second 9-11. We gained 1 point for this match.

Our next match was away at Leamington Spa where we played the Royals. We won the first game 9-12 and lost the second game 13-9, but lost this match by only one shot. We again only had the one point for this match.

If anyone would like to come and watch us play during our normal Tuesday and Friday evening sessions 7.30 - 9.00, please feel free to come along. Also if anyone feels that they might like to join our Club, please contact Sue Baxter on 07425 174777.

**Janet Hopkins**

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