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Welcome to our Travel Issue where we:

- Discover different Travellers Tales
- Hear Tysoe Wildlife's plans for Spring and Summer
- Learn about the Traditional Craft of the Stonemason
- Share Your Letters and concerns about an EV Future
- . . and More!

#### WELCOME TO OUR TRAVEL ISSUE



#### **Hello evervone**

As we're coming out of Covid, it is likely that more Tysoe residents will want to travel this year. So we have put together some different travel stories to inspire you. Experience the joys of 'Slow Travel' with Richard Goode (p4), that's his canal barge on the front cover; or find your 'Mojo in a Moho' like Alison and Steve Randall (p5). For the more adventurous, then why not try a safari? See Jude's story (p6) but do try to avoid being sandwiched between scary wild animals!

Travel is a relatively recent luxury for some, as described in the Down Memory Lane piece (p7). Besides, you might decide there is enough happening in our village to keep you entertained. Certainly excitement is building around the Queen's Jubilee: Tysoe looks to be pulling out all the stops!

With a good pinch of imagination, you can even have adventures without setting foot outside your home. This snappy crocodile was made by folding towels. The tissues might just survive its bite! Why not get creative? Make some towel animals and send us the photos.

Team Record

#### WHY TRAVEL?

"To travel is to possess the world", or so said Burton Holmes, reputedly the greatest traveller of his time, 1892-1952. He made a



career of sharing his stories, colourful photographs and films with audiences across America.



We first went to Egypt forty years ago as students when we drove overland, staying in hostels humming with bedbugs. Our treat back then was to visit the breakfast buffet at the newly opened Ramses Hilton in Cairo where we gorged ourselves for a few pennies! We returned recently

and stayed in the same hotel with its equally bountiful breakfast bar, (though we were more restrained this time.)

Since 1982 Egypt's population has increased from 45 to 106 million. Cairo's population alone is 25-30 million. It is one of the most congested places on the planet. From our balcony we were greeted with a cacophony of sound, horns blaring from traffic jammed below and noise from 24/7 building sites. Even the mighty Nile must struggle to cope with such an explosion.

We saw sheep grazing beside the railway tracks, dogs, cats and people combing through rubbish, cattle loaded onto open-top trucks, vendors pedalling mountains of bananas, hawkers selling all manner of souvenirs. All humanity is here. It is no surprise that growing economies aspire to our standards of living.

Journeying down the Nile we visited famous temples built by the Pharaohs, some over 5,000 years ago. These monumental structures in stone must have taken armies to build. They show how civilisations come and go.



Rather than 'possess the world', my answer to 'Why travel?' is to gain different perspectives, to learn about other cultures, to better understand them, so that together we can learn to cherish our world.

The Editor

#### **IN PRAISE OF SLOW TRAVEL**



Four miles an hour. No, let's call it three. That's the pace of a leisurely walk. The kind that you can lay down an impressive number of miles or simply take your time to amble a lost trackway that catches your eye. The kind of walk that allows you to swing at a dandelion clock as if you were still young, and watch time float into a sky soft with summer. Or just simply to stop and relish the warmth of sunwarmed brickwork (the wall by the Post Office is wonderful for that!).

It's also the speed limit for cruising on the canals. It's the speed at which a dragonfly can sweep past, alight on the bow, and then fly off in a flash of electric blue and startled magic. It's the speed that the hunched figure of the clerical heron, having fixed your approach with jewelled eye, can strut. Stilt-legged, along the water's edge beside you, always keeping just ahead of the bow-wash. Herons know the water; the covert, carp-haunted, undercurrents that slowly slide beneath sedge, yellow flag, and bullrush brush. It's the speed a young mother with a push chair will pass you on the towpath. Their smiling waves warmer than sunshine.

But of course, it's slower than that. Threading through 'bridge holes', stopping for locks; caverns of green light and dripping brickwork; the glassy rush of water, the rich, trouty, earthiness when still waters are stirred. And then there's the stopping. Slow travel allows you to stop more easily. To watch dew fall, shadows growing long on a westering sun, the bite of hoar frost glittering on mooring lines, the darting loop of kingfisher. To let silence, laced with birdsong, pool softly around your soul. Slow travel allows you to realise that you have already arrived and were there all along. Richard Goode



#### **MOJO IN A MOHO**

We decided to get a 'previously loved' Motorhome in the summer of 2020 to have our own Covid-



safe accommodation to explore the British Isles. We named her Olwen after my mum who gave me my sense of adventure, and set out on our travels. Having travelled abroad for most of our adult lives it was time to explore home and a Motorhome gives you the freedom to move around and take a lot in. We've had a glorious time exploring geological marvels, wildlife, history and spectacular coasts and landscapes.

I'll admit I was a bit dubious about Scotland; haunted by a dismal school trip in the 70's, but now I'm a convert! We had a wonderful time visiting Mull and Iona (love the ferries), and the scenery of Loch Lomond and the Trossachs was simply breathtaking. We met up with our neighbours, Jackie & Graham Keyser, as a surprise for Graham who was having a birthday distillery touring holiday. We think he was happy to see us but he was probably just being polite!

For the most part our travels have been a delight. However, we both had a sense of humour failure (particularly Steve) when I managed to lock us out of the Motorhome. We were both in our PJ's and had been for our morning shower. Our mobile phones where locked in too and it was raining....of course. We managed to get a guy to come out to help us with a huge bucket of spare keys - "one of these is bound to fit". None did. Half an hour later he'd managed to get a small window open - there was nothing for it but for me to get on Steve's shoulders and to do a forward-roll through the window landing inside in a heap. What fun!

Motorhoming has its own learning curve but I think we're just about there now. Next stop the Outer Hebrides (yet more ferries - *yes!*). After that we're hoping to get to France and Italy; there nothing better than pulling over and within 10 minutes we're sat in the sun with a cold prosecco. Happy days!



#### **ADVENTUROUS TRAVEL WITH JUDE**



To travel is to appreciate what a wonderful world we live in.

In October 2000 three friends and I travelled from Botswana across Namibia to the Skeleton Coast in a customised Land Rover. It had a kitchen with fridge and freezer on one side,

cupboards on the other and we slept in tents on the top. This was my first big adventure. On the journey we stayed in camp sites to go on safaris, took a boat along the Okavango Delta and chewed on

Mopani worms in a tribal village. We had the most amazing night sleeping in bed rolls on the Makgadikgadi salt pans miles from anywhere where there are no animals, no birds, no insects and absolutely no light pollution just billions and billions of amazing stars. We



had a scary moment breaking down between a lion and a rhino in the boiling midday sun, fortunately being rescued after a couple of hours. We saw so many wonderful animals and birds. We saw the (allegedly) 5000-year-old baobab tree that Dr. Livingstone used to leave his post in to be collected. We visited a San Bushman village and we climbed the magnificent sand dunes at Sossusvlei. It was 3000 miles of African joy and since then I have travelled to many countries in each of the continents. Travel is definitely to be recommended. Jude Canning



Photo: Roland Cherry

#### **DOWN MEMORY LANE - HOLIDAYS**

Most people who lived in Tysoe did not have holidays and many children never travelled anywhere outside of the local area until their teens. Several people said that their first holiday had been to Wales at around 14 or 15



years of age. It would take a whole day to travel there by steam train. One resident recalled going to Porthmadog for a family holiday. His parents and four younger siblings went in a van while the three older ones went by train. He remembered leaning out of the window and, by the time they got to Porthmadog, his face was black with soot.

Some families went on day trips to Weston-super-Mare, Michael Gibbs told tales of going there each year with his parents, brother and grandmother. He remembered playing on the beach all day and being exhausted by the time the family returned to Tysoe in the





late evening, stopping for fish and chips at Moreton-in-Marsh.



Another resident recalled travelling to Frickley, in Derbyshire, in a car with three adults and three children and a tin bath on the roof. He described how his father was a very slow driver. It was said that he had once, while driving a motorcycle, been overtaken by a pedal cyclist.

Tysoe holidays extract from *'Memories of Tysoe: An Oral History circa* 1930-1960' by Margaret Hunter.



#### THANK YOU

I would like to thank friends, neighbours and so many in this wonderful village for all your support since Clark left us suddenly and unexpectedly. So much kindness, love and care. I can't begin to express how much it means to myself and Nik and Sarah. You are all amazing and I count myself lucky to live amongst you.

Dee Spencer

#### TYSOE W.I. NEWS





Our February meeting was exceptionally well attended and we were also happy to welcome guests who came to listen to **Alexandra Messervy** (pictured left) answer our questions about Her Majesty the Queen, in this her Platinum Jubilee year. Alexandra

was a member of the Royal Household for many years. She was a mine of information on a number of subjects ,from what her Majesty eats for breakfast to what happens to her outfits on the rare occasions when she chooses to 'recycle' them. Time passed all too quickly, as it always seems to at our meetings. The raffle (to raise monies for our local charities) was drawn and the competition judged.

Our next meeting on the **2nd of March** will feature as our speaker, **Paul Dowler from the Dementia Café**.

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Doing our bit to keep you safe - locally!

#### Tysoe Wildlife Activity Week & Drama Workshop St Mary's Church, Tysoe 8-12th August 2022 9.30-12.30 Mon-Fri



RECYCLING is the main theme for the week ENVIRONMENT we will also learn about the importance of the environment for wildlife

PRECIOUS THINGS the children will make, shape, and deliver a play with a dragon, which they will perform at the end of the week



The workshop is FREE for 5-11 year old children who live in the Tysoe District. To book - email tysoewildlife@gmail.com or call Shirley on 01295 680793



#### MAKING SPACE FOR NATURE



After our successful wildflower seed sowing activity in School Lane and along the edges of the playing fields, we are now making plans for the rest of the year. As a follow-on to the wildflower sowing, the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust have offered us some native hedging plants. The Parish Council has

agreed that we can use the plants to complete the existing hedgerow behind the tennis pavilion and fill in any gaps in the hedgerow that goes from the football pavilion to the top of the football field. The plants will be available in the autumn. The Parish Council has also agreed that most of the verges in the village can take part in 'No Mow May' – as they did last year. This will be good news for the local bees and other important flower visitors.

As a result of a very generous donation from a Tysoe resident we were able to apply for additional matched funding from the Cotswolds National Landscape (AONB) and our application has been successful. This will enable us to plan a number of events and activities for the coming year. So far this includes:

- A **Bat Night** in St Mary's Churchyard on Saturday, 28th May, led by the Warwickshire Bat Group,
- A Talk on Butterflies by Mike Slater from Butterfly Conservation Warwickshire on Thursday evening 8th September,



Sun Rising Natural Burial Ground monthly evening visits to see the development of the wildflower meadows.

We are also planning a **Tysoe Wildlife Activity Week and Drama Workshop** for local children from Monday 8th August to Friday 12th August (9.30 to 12.30), in and around St Mary's Church (see poster opposite). The main theme for the week will be recycling and we will also cover the importance of the environment for wildlife. The children will work on a play (which will include a dragon) and perform it at the end of the week. The workshop is free for children aged 5-11 who live in the Tysoe district. To book: email TysoeWildlife@gmail.com or phone Shirley on 01295 680793.

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#### **SPACE FOR NATURE Continued**

As well as being affiliated to the Wildlife Friendly Communities (a national network), we've also become members of a new network



- the South Warwickshire Villages Wildlife Network - and have been asked to chair the group. At present there are representatives from 7 villages (Cherington, Stourton, Stretton-on-Fosse, Ilmington, Newbold, Preston-on-Stour, Tysoe) and Shipston-on-Stour and the idea is to learn from each other, visit each other and collaborate on projects. It looks like some interesting opportunities will arise from it and we hope to arrange visits to some of the villages this summer.

There is also a **Survey planned for Radway Meadows**, another nature reserve in the Parish and some adjacent fields, probably sometime in June, after the Jubilee weekend. Everyone is welcome. We are hoping to enlist help from some experts i.e. grass specialists.



Finally, it would be interesting to hear about any unusual bird sightings in the last few weeks, including any seen during the Big Garden Birdwatch, organised by the RSPB - https://www.rspb.org.uk/ The final date for submitting records was 20th February and the results should be out soon after that. I saw 15 species during my hour's bird watch in Lower Tysoe.

**Rosemary Collier** 





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#### WOT2Grow COMMUNITY ORCHARD

At last some wintery weather mixed in with

very mild temperatures! Although the gardens are looking very springlike the orchard is still in winter mode, apart from the apricots which always get ahead of themselves. Such early blossom is beautiful but doomed to succumb to frosts and possibly snow.

The autumn raspberry canes have been cut-down and burnt as we don't want any diseases lingering around the orchard. A good working party of members did this in record time!

The rest of the work is very weather dependent so is hit and miss between the wet and the frosts, but pruning trees will continue over the coming months.

If you would like to enjoy the harvest of fruits, then why not join us – just use the contact numbers below or message us via the web site. The Community Orchard is just behind the allotments on the Shenington Road in Tysoe.

Contacts: Liz Atkinson (680045), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080)

www.wot2grow.co.uk



## PUT YOUR DOG ON A LEAD WHEN NEAR SHEEP

Get out your running shoes and start training. IT'S BACK! TYSOE WINDMILL RUN - JUBILEE SPECIAL!



#### SATURDAY 4th JUNE

10.00am start, Tysoe Sports Field, CV35 0SR

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Enjoy stunning views across the Cotswolds

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TO REGISTER VISIT www.tysoewindmill10k.com

Registration opens at 8.30am and closes at 9.40am. Don't be late!

#### YOUR LETTERS

#### Dear Editor

Following on from February's electric car feature, I wish to highlight some concerns about the wholesale conversion to battery vehicles, not least the high carbon footprint of their manufacture:

- Volvo recently admitted that battery vehicle production has a carbon footprint 70% higher than its internal combustion equivalent, (although this is offset over its lifetime emissions).
- Serious concerns surround the mining of the precious metals and other minerals used to make batteries, while the record for recycling Lithium, a major component, is exceedingly poor.
- If a short-circuit happens, batteries burn uncontrollably and cannot be extinguished, as no oxygen is needed for the fire.

Another issue that urgently needs fixing is the recharge time and power generation / transmission. The UK's current power generating capacity has dropped from 385Twh in 2005 to 323Twh in 2019, and that's before another million electric vehicles join the traffic on the roads, each needing regular charging.

The charging time is a hard nut to crack. An internal combustion engine can be refuelled with 50L of petrol / diesel in about 5 minutes, that's about 500Kwh of energy. Most pure battery cars have a battery capacity of about 80Kwh. From my experience with 3-phase 400 volt power, simply to transfer this amount of electric energy in a short space of time, means massive cabling to the charging. I simply do not think there is sufficient power carrying capacity to cope.

JCB, of construction industry fame, has made a battery mini digger but for 5 hours work it takes 8 hours to recharge. They are going down the hydrogen route and certain vehicle manufacturers are looking into synthetic fuels. A hybrid system using battery and hydrogen or synthetic fuel seems to have greater potential for the future, so long as the re-fuelling issues can be resolved.

> Ian Thornhill I&M Thornhill, Orchard Farm Nursery

#### Dear Editor



HRH Queen Elizabeth II

'We few, we happy few, we band of brothers.' We have been called to witness the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The best thing we could all do to mark this event and thank HM would be to try to emulate her 70 years of devoted service to others. Duty is a word frequently used in the royal lexicon, but not found so frequently in her subjects' ones.

David Sewell

#### Dear Editor

Hats off and long service medals to everyone involved, particularly the current Parish Council, for getting the Tysoe Neighbourhood Plan accepted. The process started back in 2013 and it has been a long and bumpy road. Tysoe has done its bit and the plan has legal status but it is also up to central government and Stratford District Council to honour this example of localism.

Simon Forrester

#### **TYSOE METHODISTS—IMPORTANT DATE!**

Date for your diaries: On 3rd April at 3pm there will be a final service at Tysoe Methodist Church. Although tinged with sadness, the service is to celebrate all that has happened over the years. All our members and supporters are invited. After this final service the keys will be handed over and the church will come under the charge of the South Warwickshire Circuit.

On a happier note, the days are showing signs of getting longer. Snowdrops, aconites and daffodils are appearing. Twelve months ago I remember icicles hanging from the roof. Each season is slightly different, each shows the power of nature.

I am writing this on Valentines Day: Love is Patient, Love is always kind. There are families who have been bereaved in the village, we think of each and everyone of them. Local Methodists will remember Mr D Brazier who has passed away, a former tutor at Warwickshire College Moreton Morrell, an organist, local preacher, a country man. We remember his family.

Chris Gibbs

#### A MESSAGE FROM ST MARY'S CHURCH, TYSOE



March 1st is Shrove Tuesday so I hope you've got the ingredients for your pancakes ready. In mediaeval times this was the day when Christians went to confession and were "shriven", that is forgiven for their sins. It was the last opportunity to use up eggs and fats before embarking on the Lenten fast and as pancakes are the perfect way

of using these up it is also known as "pancake day". In some countries they have great "Mardi Gras" parades and celebrations. It doesn't sound so attractive when you realise the words literally mean "Fat Tuesday".

The following day is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. In St Mary's we will have a Holy Communion Service at 7.30pm where people may optionally have a cross marked on their forehead with ashes. These ashes are made from last year's palm crosses and signify the beginning of the penitential period of Lent. Each year, Christians take the opportunity to reflect on their faith and take stock of their lives. Many people either give something up or do something extra for six weeks, an exercise in self-discipline which they hope will help them focus more on God. It is up to each person to decide what they will do; it is not for 'show', but a private matter between the individual and God. Lent is an echo and reminder of the time when, the Bible says, Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness. He fasted and prayed for forty days to prepare Himself for His public ministry. The mid point of Lent, 27th March, is known as Refreshment Sunday. Traditionally in England apprentice boys, and girls 'in service', got the day off to visit their mothers, hence the more popular name of "Mothering Sunday". We will have a special service in church on this day and hope you can all come and join us.

God bless

Our services are at 11.00 each Sunday at St Mary's. Do come and join us. All are welcome.

### George

Revd George Heighton Email revgeorgeh@outlook.com Shipston Deanery Lent Services 2022



## Conversations on Mental Health & Wellbeing

8th March Ettington Church
Papyrus UK Prevention of Young Suicide

15th March Tysoe Church The Well Christian Healing Centre

22nd March St Peter's Whatcote BEAT The UK's leading Eating Disorder charity

29th March St Edmund's Shipston
Rev Ricarda Witcombe Lead Chaplain SWFT

5th April St Gregory's Tredington
Dr Shirley Evans Association of Dementia Studies

12th April St Peter & St Paul Long Compton Holy Week Communion with April Gold, Diocesan Director of Education

Services all start at 7.30pm with refreshments afterwards and a chance for questions and discussion



Everyone Welcome

AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH TUESDAY MORNING 15TH MARCH 9.00AM – 12 NOON

Please call in after dropping-off children at school!

#### **CELEBRATING TRADITIONAL CRAFTS**



We are fortunate to have a range of traditional crafts practised on our doorstep: namely thatchers thatching, stonemasons carving and blacksmiths smithing, but these skills are on the wane. Concern for them has prompted The Prince of Wales to embark on a television project that he hopes will inspire a new generation of experts to learn these skills. 'The Prince's Master Crafters,' for Sky Arts, to

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#### STONEMASONS

The Record spoke to stonemasons, Dave and Matt Kaye (father and son) from Boden and Ward, to gain some insider knowledge about this ancient craft.

What sort of projects do you do? Most of our work involves maintaining churches, so we know all about church architecture from jams to window moulding, arches to string-courses. There is a high level of craftsmanship involved, having to match the work of previous stonemasons, including replacing intricate tracery: "I'm given the specifications for the job, then take the sizes of the stone, make the patterns, go back to the yard, work them and then go and fit them," said Matt.



**Do you enjoy being a stonemason?** "Yes, every job is different" says Dave. "We've worked on historic buildings like Windsor Castle, York Minster, Woburn Abbey, plus a whole range of churches. There's no shortage of work! The quality of our work speaks for itself. The last time the church tower had scaffolding up was 100 years ago. When the scaffolding comes down, you'll be able to see what we've done."

How do you become a stonemason? Dave learnt sawing blocks in the yard, while Matt did



an apprenticeship: 3 days on-the-job training and 2 days at Moulton College, Northampton for 3 years, gaining him an Advanced NVQ Level 3 in stonemasonry. It included learning to work different types of stone – Portland and Great Tew limestones and Clipsham limestone from Lincolnshire, as well as handling the tools of the trade i.e. chisels, grinders, CNC machines and lathes.

Are you the last of a dying breed? "Nobody

wants to become an apprentice. Young people today don't like the weather, don't like the cold, don't like the dust, so they usually leave after a couple of weeks. The money needs to change to attract them away from Tesco and Amazon."

The prospects look bleak. Let's hope Prince Charles's programme can inspire a new generation to learn the art and craft of stonemasonry, this time-honoured skill.

#### Next month we will take a close look at thatching.

#### **CHURCH RESTORATION - PROJECT REPORT**

With a 900 year old Grade 1 listed building there is always something else that needs doing! And so it has proved during our current restoration project. We have restored / repaired / replaced stonework across the full height of the tower, restored all four clock faces, and repaired the rot on the roof of the tower. The stonework around the pinnacles and bellcote tower also needed urgent repairs.

Now that the tower work is finished, the scaffolding can start to come down. We cannot wait to see the tower in all its full glory, freshly restored with newly painted clock faces. Amazingly the work, even with the added extras, has come in under budget.

Our Stonemasons, Boden & Ward, have been a delight to have on site. Led by site foreman Ben Richards, along with Dave & Matt Kaye (interviewed above), they have done a brilliant job. Tysoe should feel justly proud of its newly restored church.

Roland Cherry, Project Manager

MARCH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY					
	Tuesday	1, 15, 29	Blue & green bin collection (remember to subscribe for green bins)		
	Every Friday	4+	10am-12 noon <b>TYSOE DEMENTIA</b> <b>CAFE</b> , Village Hall. <b>No need to book.</b>		
	Tuesday	8, 22	Black bin collection		
BOOK	Tuesday	8, 29	Mobile library 1.45pm, parks up outside the Village Hall.		
V	Sunday	13	Mothering Sunday		
	Monday	14	Parish Council Ordinary Meeting, 7.15 Tysoe Village Hall		
Corers 4 Garers	Friday	25	10.30-12 noon Carer for Carers, Kineton Village Hall		
-5-	Sunday	27	British Summertime Starts		



#### TWO DAY INTRODUCTION TO BEEKEEPING COURSE

Run by Shipston Beekeepers -a branch of Warwickshire Beekeeping Association.

**Saturday 23/04/22 09.30 - 16.00 Brailes Village Hall OX15 5AS** Theory - How a honeybee colony works; the beekeeping year; essential equipment; harvesting your honey and wax; how to get started with your own bees.

**Sunday 24/04/22 10.30 - 14.30** Practical at club apiary Lower Brailes - Siting an apiary; assembling hive parts; apiary safety; inspecting a honeybee colony (weather permitting). Beesuits provided.

Light lunch and refreshments provided both days.

**Enrolment:-** https://www.sbka.org.uk/introduction-to-beekeeping-enrolment/

Enquiries:- secretary@sbka.org.uk

#### DEMENTIA CAFÉ NEWS

#### "Our dementia friendly cafes offer tea & coffee, a chat, friendship & support for people living with dementia, carers, family & friends"

The weekly café now has a small number of regulars who enjoy a selection of table games and activities or just the opportunity to chat over a cup of tea or coffee. However there are many more people who live within the surgery catchment area who have a dementia diagnosis. We know that it is not easy coming to terms with this for the person concerned, or for close family and friends who often don't know how best to help. Having both had previous partners with dementia we now use our experiences to help others. If you feel worried about coming to the café, or would like some help in getting information and support please give us a ring.

One of the benefits of coming to the café is the opportunity to meet other people who are living with dementia and family carers. Four couples who have made friends now enjoy meeting up and going for coffee and lunch together. They have become a good support network for each other.

Shipston Lodge CV36 4QG - Every Tuesday 10.30am - 12.30pm Wellesbourne Village Hall CV35 9NH - Every wednesday 2pm - 4pm

Tysoe Village Hall CV35 0SE - Every Friday 10am - 12 noon Compton Verney CV35 9HZ - 1st Tuesday of month 10.30am - 12.30pm

Heather and Paul Dowler - Dementia Carer Experiences Shared T: 01295 688376, Email: talkdementia@mail.com www.talkdementia.uk

Carers4Carers monthly meeting Friday 25th March 10.30–12 noon Kineton Village Hall. Join us for coffee, biscuits and friendly chat. This month Chiltern Music will be working with us to look at how music can help with our wellbeing. Your loved ones can attend our Companionship Group. Pre-booking is essential.

For help with transport or volunteering with us, phone Gillian on 07947 893504, email kcarers4carers@gmail.com



HAPPY HEREFORDS



The Burger Barn is open for sit down food 6-8pm every Friday, book a table or just wander down.

B.Y.O.B. (please take your cans and bottles home) or grab a beer from The Peacock and bring it round. Sit down or take-away, cash and contactless.

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Natinum Jupilee Celebration

Planning is now underway for the celebrations, a rough outline is as follows:



- Thursday 2nd June beacon to be lit as part of the national event, subject to the Marquis of Northampton's approval
- Friday 3rd June St Mary's Church Open Day to see the completed restoration work and an exhibition of children's art.
- Saturday 4th June Jubilee Windmill Run in the morning, followed by a packed schedule of events at the Recreation Ground from 12 noon to 6pm.
- Sunday 5th June Street parties organised throughout Tysoe..

We would like to work with all adult and junior organisations in the village, please get in touch if you would like to be involved.

ets make it an occasion to remember

#### WELCOMING NEW ARRIVAL - ELLIE ROSE TUCKER



Introducing Ellie Rose Tucker born on Wednesday 2nd February (2/2/22!) at 3.14am. She was born at the Bluebell Birth Centre in Warwick and weighed 8lb 6oz. Lucky she wasn't late!

Both mum and Ellie are doing well and Daisy is besotted by her little sister.

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### TYSOE PARISH CLERK'S UPDATE

#### Hi Tysoe!

Wow, it has been a busy time this past few months, with some really exciting things going on in the village:



**Tysoe Wildlife** *Caring for the Cotswolds Scheme* has awarded more funding to support environmental work in the village and run more workshops – which is great news! Look out for notices of these events. Last year it sponsored the wonderful new Nature Map which shows all of the wildlife areas, copies at Post Office. Parish Councillors again voted to support **No Mow May** to encourage more wildflowers in our verges.

**Traffic and Parking:** We have been contacted about people driving dangerously through the village and parking in a way that can put others at risk. A working group has been set up, Chris Bell has been co-opted to assist. A recent traffic survey indicated that speeding is not such an issue but congestion at busy times, together with bad parking, is! While the Parish Council does not have any legal powers, you can report incidents, upload pictures and short videos to Warwickshire Police via OPERATION SNAP - see Tysoe website.

Playground, Streetlights and Energy: Repair work is due to be carried out on the playground (details to follow). Cllr Cross is working replace missing streetlights with new lamps which to are attractive, meet the latest regulations and save electricity. On the subject of energy bills, if anyone in the village is having difficulty and needs advice or help, please get in touch with ACT ON Energy, see https://.org.uk/project/warwickshire-household-support-fund/. Other sources of advice and help will be added to the Tysoe website.

Affordable Homes Some further news for anyone in Tysoe who may be looking for housing. Assuming planning permission is granted for the new homes to be built on Sandpits Road, this will incorporate 11 affordable homes. Anyone wishing to be considered for an affordable home needs to be on the Council Housing Waiting List. Information about how to sign up will be coming out shortly and will be also posted on the website at www.tysoe.org.uk.

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#### **TYSOE C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL - EXPERIMENTAL HISTORY**

#### THE GREAT FIRE OF TYSOE

Oak Class have been learning about the Great Fire of London in 1666. It started on Sunday, 2 September at a bakers on Pudding Lane and lasted for four whole days. Pudding Lane is still there today. The place where the fire started is also marked by a monument.



The children recreated their own Pudding Lane on the playground. They made model buildings at home. The care and attention to detail in their models was impressive.



Their model Pudding Lane was then set on

fire. The children were enthralled as the fire spread quickly from building to building. Oak Class have made fantastic historians and are looking forward to their next History topic!

Mrs K. Lindsay and Ms. P. Neale

#### TYSOE CHILDREN'S GROUP - EASTER PLANS

Easter Holiday Club at Tysoe Children's Group offers many eggciting Easter themed activities for children to enjoy!



Forest School at Badgers' Wood will be run once a week over the Easter Holidays (probably on a Thursday).

Who is it for? Our Forest School is for children 3 years and above who are toilet trained (to comply with terms stated by our insurance company and health and safety policy). Children are required to bring their

own nut-free packed lunch. Sessions run from 9.00am – 4pm with drop off and collection from The Old Fire Station.

**Our Regular Holiday Club.** This will operate at The Old Fire Station and will cater for children from 18 months old (for our nursery children attending all year round) through to 11 years. Activities will include Easter Scavenger Hunt, Easter crafts and Card Making, cooking activity, best decorated hard boiled egg and more .....

The Holiday Club will operate:

## Monday 11th – Thursday 14th and Tuesday 19th – Friday 22nd April.

For more information and/or to book spaces, please email: holidayclub@tysoechildrensgroup.co.uk or call 01295 680624

#### Fundraising

Over the last couple of years our fundraising, like everyone's, has suffered due to the Covid Pandemic. However, along with some generous donations, we have still managed to raise nearly £3,000 which has allowed us to purchase some fantastic sensory equipment for all children to explore and enjoy (see right).



Yvonne Dillon, Centre Manager

#### **TYSOE TENNIS CLUB NEWS**

Adults – Mixed A Team continues to have an excellent Winter season in the Banbury League and have now won all the matches so far and head up Division 3. They have just 3 matches left. The next match is against Tysoe Mixed B and so should again be a hard fought match with B's hoping to upset the A's. Time will tell.

Ladies A-Team Having beaten Claverdon 4 - 0 at Tysoe the away match for the ladies A team proved a little more difficult but Julie Smart and Lou Kramer had easy wins with Liz Finlyson and Nicki Campbell fighting hard to win the vital rubber enabling the team to come back with a 3 - 1 win. A draw was achieved against Kenilworth who are top of the league and were their next challengers. Julie and Lou were in brilliant form again winning both rubbers whilst Irene Beever and Elaine Thorne playing in the team for the first time had some really competitive play.

Our **Mixed B Team** had an impressive win against Towcester with Liz and Julie in the team, ably supported by Philip Marshall and Robin Oliver.

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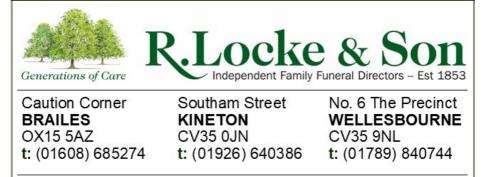
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