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The TADA choir singing at the Coronation Concert. Photo credit: Ben Keyser.

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- **We consider how volunteering helps our community**
- **We highlight some of the Big Green Week events**
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We are very grateful to them for collecting this year's subs and to all our subscribers for paying them!

TYSOE'S CORONATION LUNCH CLUB



On Friday 5th May the Lunch Club met for a two course meal with bubbly followed by coffee and tea. It was enjoyed by 32 guests with entertainment from Tommo and Dave. All-in-all a great afternoon to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III.



LEND A HAND. MAKE A CHANGE.

To mark His Majesty The King's Coronation, organisations across the country came together on the 8th May to encourage people to help out in their local communities. While we didn't organise anything formally in Tysoe, you only have to look around to see how people readily volunteer to support our village and so enrich our lives.

The list of volunteer opportunities in Tysoe is a long one: from becoming a Parish Councillor to helping with Rainbows, church coffee mornings to sports clubs, serving on the Flower Show committee to putting on productions with TADA, from community catering to helping out at the Dementia Café, from running the Village Hall to managing the Village Facebook page, or driving the Shipston Link Bus . . . and not forgetting the Tysoe & District Record!

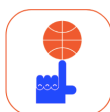
Some people are serial volunteers, filling their diaries and giving up a day a week to support local charities. It can be tempting to leave them to it, but it is so much better when the responsibility is shared, even if it is just for an hour here and there. It helps to get fresh ideas and avoid people who always put their hands up from becoming over committed and burnt out, plus it's an opportunity to meet new people.

Sue Baxter, in her poem, posed the question what she would do as 'King for a Day'. What changes would she make and what would be her lasting legacy? Perhaps we should all take a moment to ask ourselves the same question: how can we be a force for change in our community? According to research by the NCVO (National Council for Voluntary Organisations) 73% of volunteers said getting involved gave them more confidence, so don't be shy in coming forward, use the phone book at the back of the Record and lend a hand!

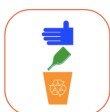
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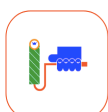
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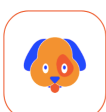
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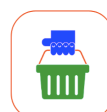
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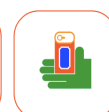
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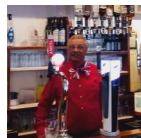
TYSOE CELEBRATES THE CORONATION

Once again Tysoe rose to the occasion in celebrating the coronation of King Charles. Whilst the weather refused to play ball Tysoe's talent shone through.



Following the magnificent once in a lifetime event of the ceremony, residents were treated to a fabulous hog roast prepared by Catering Angel accompanied by Ridgway Ice Cream. For those sheltering from the rain in the village hall there was entertainment in the form of Jazz 59, Paul

Dowler's jazz group, who played throughout the afternoon. There were also the poems, all entertaining, some amusing, submitted by residents young and old, to celebrate the Coronation.



Photos: Gayle Tomkins, Jenny Warwick, other.

I must also mention the superb piece of embroidery and craft-work that the ladies of Tysoe WI created in celebration of the Coronation. Work of this quality must find a suitable, permanent place where future generations can admire it (see page 10).

In the evening Tysoe's talent was truly on display with the newly crowned King being interviewed in Tysoe's own version of Desert Island Discs. It was remarkable how the TADA choir and soloists were on hand to provide renditions of the King's favourite discs, who'd have thought! The sell-out crowd were astonished – *Tysoe really does have talent.*

Finally, on Sunday, the sun shone and the street parties were blessed with the best day's weather we could have wished for. Tysoe welcomed the new Carolean age with gusto.

Huge thanks to all involved in making the weekend so memorable.

David Roache
Chair, Tysoe Parish Council

TYSOE SCHOOL'S CORONATION CELEBRATIONS



It was a delight to welcome parents, carers, grandparents and family to school for a Coronation picnic afternoon tea. We were incredibly lucky to miss the rain and it was wonderful to see so many of you at school. The children dressed in red, white and blue and wore their best crowns and tiaras for the occasion.

Thank you to the Friends of Tysoe School for the lovely cakes and pastries and organising the tea and coffee. A big thank you also to Year 6 for organising the Coronation Treasure Hunt. Great fun was had by all!

The children were busy all week working on different Coronation activities including researching, making crowns, cooking Coronation biscuits and designing their own flags.





Photo credit: Ben Keyser

C3R CORONATION POETRY CHALLENGE 2023

Thank you to everyone who took part in our Tysoe & District Record Coronation Poetry Competition. We were delighted by the overall standard. Two of the poems: 'The Naked Coronation' and 'King for a Day' were read out at the Coronation Concert, while all of the entries were displayed in the Village Hall and then at St Mary's.



We are very grateful to our judges: Nicki Campbell, Karen MacRae, Wendy Freeman (who hosted the Open Mike for the Stratford upon Avon Poetry Festival for many years) and Helen Keayes, part of the Tysoe Record Team. Thanks also to our display team: Diane McHardy, Jackie Keyser and Helen Keayes, also to St Mary's Church for loaning us the display boards.

AND THE WINNERS ARE:

Age 0 to 4	NITS by Aurelia Williams (age 4)
Age 5 to 7	THE NAKED CORONATION by Elina Williams (age 6)
Age 8 to 11	UPON THE THRONE by Romilly Wragg (age 10)
Age 12 to 15	YOUR MAJESTY by Martha Pearson (age 13)
ADULTS	KING FOR A DAY by Sue Baxter

TYSOE WI COMMEMORATIVE CORONATION BUNTING



The WI Craft and Laugh Group discussed ways to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. After a couple of cold, rainy January meetings, and a lively WhatsApp discussion, we decided to create bunting pennants for our new monarch to show his life, responsibilities, ethics and values. Each pennant would also demonstrate the skills and expertise of the individual Craft Group members.

Special recognition and thanks go to:

- 👑 Janice Meacham for the King's Cypher
- 👑 Patricia Carter for King Charles Coat of Arms,
- 👑 Gillian Hood for both Union Flags,
- 👑 Gayle Tompkins for King Charles' Silhouette and Playing Polo,
- 👑 Tiggy Day for Highgrove,
- 👑 Gill Marshall for the Thistle,
- 👑 June Gibbs for the Daffodil,
- 👑 Chris Harrop for the Shamrock,
- 👑 Dee Spencer for the Red Rose,
- 👑 Ruth Cooke Floral piece representing the King's love of nature,
- 👑 Carol Clark for Australia
- 👑 Linda Johnson the Commonwealth Flag
- 👑 Wendy Smith donated the beautiful backing material featuring the fleur de lys and rose which was highly appropriate.

Linda Johnson



TYSOE STREET PARTIES
 TOP: OXHILL ROAD
 LEFT: BACK LANE, RIGHT: DINSDALES





2023

TYSOE WINDMILL 10K RUN

SATURDAY 3rd JUNE

10.00am start, Tysoe Sports Field, CV35 0SR

Climb Tysoe's pretty Windmill Hill

Enjoy stunning views across the Cotswolds

Races for all ages and abilities

ENTRY FEES

10km run £17

5km fun run £6

TO REGISTER VISIT

www.tysoewindmill10k.com

Registration is online only. Check-in on the day 8.30am — 9.40am

Run for Katie

This year, we're raising money for cancer treatment for Katie Pritchard — scan the code to learn more and join us!



THE EDITOR'S FUNDRAISING SKIPPING CHALLENGE!

I'm going to be completing 100 skips a day in June to raise money for Cancer Research UK to try to end the pain and heartache for people like Katie (mentioned above) and Jane Kaye, also to get me fitter! Please support me by donating to my page, every little help! <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/shirleys-giving-page-252>

FATHERS' DAY FOOD &

Treat your daddio to a great start for the day and bring him along for a Fathers' Day Breakfast, thanks to our very own Catering Angel and her helpers.

Let's be honest, who doesn't like a full English? The smell of sizzling bangers and bacon, with luscious eggs sunny-side up. It's enough to make anyone's mouth water. Rest assured, vegetarians are also catered for. **Make Sunday 18th June a date for your diary! ALL WELCOME -**

FATHERS DAY COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

SUNDAY 18TH JUNE

9AM -11AM

TYSOE VILLAGE HALL

**COOKED BREAKFAST, KIDS
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Cupcakes in any flavour (one flavour per 4 cups minimum)

Box of 4: was £9.60 now **£8**, Box of 6 : was £14.40 now **£12**,

Box of 12: was £28.80 now **£24**.



CHOCOLATE DRIP CAKE OR TOPPERS CAKE



The drip cake can be topped with chocolates of your choice, while the toppers may vary slightly. Cake 6": was £49 now **£41.60**, Cake 8": was £68 now **£58**, 10" Cake was £82 now **£70**.

Offers available for all orders delivered or collected during June

To order: Call/text Debra 07964 339739/ 01295 596583.

Email: debra@whitehyacinthcakes.co.uk

www.etsy.com/uk/shop/WhiteHyacinthToppers.

Collection from Church Lane, Whatcote CV36 5EF



COMMUNITY TOGETHERNESS



Following the excellent Coronation Concert, performed by TADA, some of the cast, and a few of their supporters, got together to enjoy the Eurovision song contest.

Organiser Kate allocated everyone a country, and we were asked to wear something appropriate and produce snacks representative of each specific region. The standard of 'national dress' was very high –

our hosts were Jackie (aka Sandy Shaw) and Alan who looked magnificent in his Scottish kilt, with sporran and tam o' shanter; the Ukraine wore and waved the now familiar blue and yellow flag; Portugal was represented by an alarmingly attractive 'Ronaldo'; France was recognisable by Breton stripes, berets, an 'Allo Allo' moustache and a string of onions; whilst Germany's representative could have been Bavarian in her dirndl skirt, apron and white socks; Bjorn Borg came out of retirement for Sweden; and cyclists arrived from Italy; whilst Aussie £10 poms came from 'down under' with the stereotypical corks bobbing around their hats!

There was lots of good food and drink and although we didn't watch many of the actual Eurovision songs, it certainly was a good excuse for fun and fellowship.

Helen Keayes



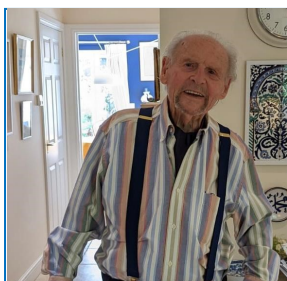
MY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Churches were built for singing. As a nation we love singing; be it out of tune solos in the bath or grand opera. Last month, at a different sort of birthday party, St Mary's Tysoe played host to Belle Voci. Belle Voci were one of the 2018 finalists on The Voice. Whilst St Mary's may have lacked some of the special effects associated with TV, her acoustics complemented the girls' almost divine voices too beautifully. It was sublime hearing St Mary's echo to the sound of a pair of glorious sopranos on a warm spring evening. Hopefully those present will realise how our churches make wonderful venues.



But singing wasn't the only superlative on parade that night. White Hyacinth Cakes produced an amazing cake with Verdi's score for Brindisi from La Traviata as the icing. Delicious to eat but even more delicious to hear!

David



BOB'S 96TH BIRTHDAY PARTY 🎉

Bob Ashby, local artist and long-time resident of Tysoe, celebrated his 96th birthday on 11th May. As he commented recently, he had watched three coronations, remembering the coronation of George VI in 1937 (which actually took place the day after Bob's 10th birthday), as well as the coronations of Elizabeth II and, more recently, Charles III.

He spent his birthday this year with his wife, Joy, and grandson Lewis. The day became quite a party as friends and neighbours dropped in to raise a glass and wish him well with many happy returns. Bob would like to thank everyone who came to mark his special day with him.

He is already planning next year's celebrations!

Jo Ashby (daughter)





TYSOE HERITAGE RESEARCH GROUP (THRG)

Launch of new website

The Village Hall SATURDAY JUNE 17th from 10.30 – 11.30

Enjoy a short demonstration of the Group's work and how to find out about Tysoe's past from deepest prehistory to late 20th century - all from the comfort of your own home on a continually updated website.

Current themes on the new website include

Which Tysoe buildings are listed and why

Recording the state of the church tower from scaffolding

Interviews by the Rev David Knight in 1999

560 Tysoe field names and what they might mean

Guides to the geology of churchyard memorials and the lichen that grows there

A guide to stone sculpture in the church

What the Churchwardens said about the Vicars in the 17th and 18th centuries

How the Village Hall was promoted in 1925 and who paid for it

Prehistoric, Iron Age and Roman settlements along the Straight Mile

Scale plans of the graveyards and a detailed index of some 750 memorials

Scanned images of old photographs of Tysoe

Digitised books about Tysoe

The website will only go live on the day

Admission free, any donations gratefully accepted



A KNIGHT TO REMEMBER



Tysoe WI is becoming used to entertaining Time Travellers...at May's meeting we met Sir Francis Tresham, a Medieval Knight and supporter of the Lancastrian cause who was assisted by his long suffering Squire.

Sir Francis was well aware that nearby Warwick was a Yorkist stronghold held by the kingmaker, Sir Richard Neville ...but we assured him that Tysoe WI would keep him safe for the duration of his visit.

Sir Francis took us through the steps of getting ready to go into battle. This involved removing his everyday outfit so that he could don his armour. He was kind enough to pass round examples of his clothing for us to examine including his linen underwear (not the ones he was wearing at the time).

His Squire clothed Sir Francis in his suit of mail which included separate mail "shorts" worn on top of woollen hose. Altogether 70lbs of steel armour were attached to Sir Francis' body with leather straps.

It was a perfect fit as the armour had been made to his exact measurements...again we were invited to try on his gauntlets (surprisingly flexible) and several of the helmets he had with him, (unsurprisingly heavy).

Many questions were asked from the obvious "how do you go to the toilet in armour" to "why was a knight's sword blunt not razor sharp"?

It felt appropriate to have had a visit from a knight of the Realm only days before the Coronation of King Charles III.

Eileen Mann, WI President

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SWIFTS and the Story of Life on Earth

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It takes a whole universe to make one small black bird.

In this fascinating talk, two of UK's foremost nature writers **Mark Cocker** (One Midsummer's Day) and **Charles Foster** (The Screaming Sky), will tell us why they are captivated by these magical birds, and how they are an almost perfect symbol for the connections underlying all life on Earth. They will be joined by two eminent wildlife artists **Alison Ingram** and **Jonathan Pomroy** who will share how they use art to celebrate their love of this extraordinary bird.



Saturday 17th June 2023 at 7:30pm

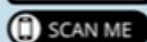
KING EDWARD VI SCHOOL

Chapel Lane, Stratford-upon-Avon.

Tickets £10.00 - Licensed Bar

TICKETS

[Eventbrite.co.uk/swifts and the story of life on earth](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/swifts-and-the-story-of-life-on-earth)



For more details about wildlife events in and around Tysoe visit: Facebook @ Tysoe Wildlife (part of SWAN for Wildlife).

BIG GREEN WEEK HAPPENINGS—JUNE 10th -18th

STOURVALE ACTION FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Saturday 10th 9.30am Walk around Stretton on Fosse	Investigate moth traps and community environmental projects in Stretton, ending with refreshments.
Sunday 11th 2-4pm Visit to Cornmill Meadows. Meet opposite Shipston Cemetery 4.30pm Film: 'Wild Isles Review' by David Attenborough	Shipston's new wildlife site. email: hilarykelly169@btinternet.com Back room White Bear, Shipston.
Monday 12th 7-9pm online event. Heart of England Forest and Warwickshire Wildlife Trust	A ticketed event, book your place go to: https://heartofenglandforest.org/great-big-green-week
Tuesday 13th 7.30-8.00pm Talk: 'Mitigations linked to climate change'. Back room White Bear, Shipston	Talk by Linda Aspey Environment and Climate Change Campaigner
Wednesday 14th 11.00- 12.30pm Foraging walk led by Katie Beswick 'Meet the medicinal and nutritional wild plants'.	Meet at Little Bird Herbalist, Telegraph St. car park, Shipston. Appropriate footwear and clothing needed. Contact 07792423105
Thursday 15th 4.00-5.30pm online event Stratford and Warwick District Council –'Responding to the climate emergency'.	Ticketed event, visit: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/responding-to-the-climate-emergency-in-warwick-and-stratford-tickets-619117225287
Friday 16 Stratford Solar Farm Visit	See Stratford-upon-Avon local green week! - Great Big Green Week Numbers limited. Booking essential.
Saturday 17th 10.30 -12.00 Stall outside Shipston Co-op 2.00-4.00pm Another chance to visit Cornmill Meadows. Meet opposite Shipston Cemetery	Meet the team and make a 'Pledge for action'. Email: hilarykelly169@btinternet.com



NEWS FROM THE ORCHARD

The main apple blossom is over so quickly but the later varieties and the cider apples are still flowering well with masses of blossom! The set appears to be excellent this year with all but the damsons and a few other prunus varieties suffering from aphid damage which has reduced their crop.



Cider Apple Tom Putt

There was plenty to show the Year 1 children from Tysoe School on their visit!! As always a wonderful session with them and a privilege to be able to show them another stage in the growing of fruit. Many people do not have time to grow their own so the orchard provides a wonderful resource for education for all ages but especially for the little ones.

The Orchard is behind the allotments on the Shenington Road in Tysoe. Contact: Liz Atkinson (680045), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080) www.wot2grow.co.uk



Elephant Hawk
Moth
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Tysoe Wildlife

Moth Night – Saturday, 17th June, 2023

**Radway Meadows Nature Reserve and
Westcote Farm, 8.30 pm start.**

Join the Warwickshire moth group to discover what lives at this nature reserve, managed by the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust, below the wooded slope of Edge Hill.

Parking at Applecross Fields Campsite – on the right before you reach King John's Lane, driving from Tysoe.

For further information
call 01295 680127 or email
tysoewildlife@gmail.com



MAKING SPACE FOR NATURE



There is a continuing worrying decline in biodiversity, most recently highlighted for birds - the British Trust for Ornithology estimates that Britain has lost 73 million birds over the last 50 years. The decline is attributed to habitat loss and also to fragmentation, where particular habitats are broken up into smaller isolated blocks, making it difficult for species to move around, breed and survive. In the context of the protection and re-creation of habitats, people talk about habitat networks, which are intended to link and expand habitats to increase 'connectivity' and sustain greater biodiversity. We're doing this on a small scale in Tysoe, by not mowing verges and practicing 'No Mow May', making more wildlife habitats available and increasing the connectivity between habitats.

There is however, the opportunity to do more, and on a greater scale, and this is where 'human networks' come in. These can facilitate the exchange of information and good practice and underpin projects to support biodiversity at a landscape scale. Currently in south Warwickshire there are three such networks. Firstly, an expanding group of wildlife friendly communities, including Tysoe, have developed a network called SWAN (South Warwickshire Area Network for Wildlife). We meet regularly, exchange ideas and share events. SWAN is complementary to the developing South Feldon Eco Church network led by Reverend Parbury, itself part of a larger network in the Diocese. Finally, the Warwickshire Rural Hub, Warwickshire Wildlife Trust and Severn Rivers Trust have launched three sustainable farming groups, including a new group for south Warwickshire. These bring together like-minded farmers to share best practice on how to improve their farm for wildlife whilst maintaining a productive farm. The changes implemented by the Government's new Environment Bill mean that these networks are likely to have an increasing role locally and may have more opportunities to collaborate.

For further information about any of these networks please email tysoe.wildlife@gmail.com.

Rosemary Collier

JUNE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

	Every Friday	Food waste collection 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
	9, 30	Black bin collection
	9, 23	Blue & Green bin collection
	Every Friday	Tysoe Dementia Café, 10am -12 noon, Tysoe Village Hall
	Friday 2	Friday Lunch Club in the Village Hall - contact Marion 680584 / Nicola 680058
	Monday 12	Tysoe Parish Council Ordinary meeting 7.15pm, Tysoe Village Hall
	Sunday 18	Fathers' Day - Breakfast 9 -11am Tysoe Village Hall
	Tuesday 20	Mobile library 1.45pm, parks up outside the Village Hall
	Tuesday 20	Free coffee morning, St Mary's 9am -12 noon



Tickets: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/stratfordplayhouse2/e-oxlquey>



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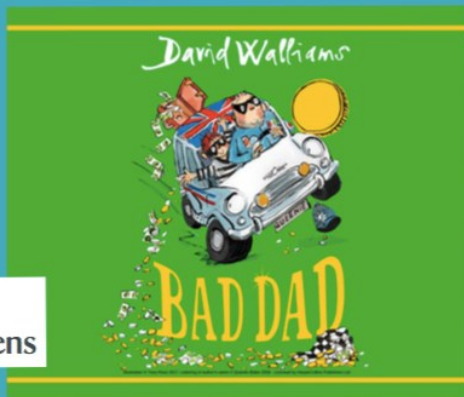
Pack your picnic

and pop along to
Upton House and Gardens

17 June 2023
18.30am–20.30pm

Gates open from 17:30
For full details and to book:
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Digbeth Dining Club.

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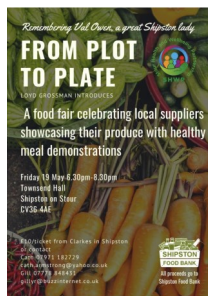
Sat 10 June, 12.00pm – 6.00pm. A mixture of award-winning and all-star street food. Visit: comptonverney.org.uk/events



DANCING OUT

Sun 4 June, 10.30am –

3.30pm Celebrating Folk and Morris Customs. Celebration, movement and joy, join us for our 'Dancing Out' day. <https://www.comptonverney.org.uk/event/dancing-out/>



'From Plot to Plate' on Friday 19th May was a fundraiser run by the SHWP (Shipston Health and Well-being Partnership) and the Shipston Food Bank. Visitors were each given a Recipe Booklet, while cultural campaigner Lloyd Grossman (also known for his tomato sauces) opened proceedings. There were cookery demonstrations, including one using an air-fryer, and food tastings. Various local food producers were represented. It was an enjoyable evening and a successful money generator for a very worthy cause.

The Editor



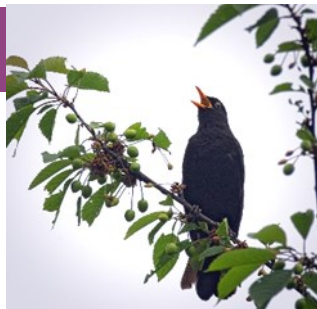
Save your empty blister packs / pill packets and drop off at Beverley's, 6 Middleton Close. (No bags please!)



For details of all the events: <https://greatbiggreenweek.com/green-week-events/stratford-upon-avon-local-green-week/>

MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCH

Have you heard the dawn chorus recently? I hope you sleep well and are not often awake in the early hours but just once in a while it is worth being up to listen to the birds singing praises first thing in the morning, and I recommend teaching your children about the dawn chorus too. It is one of the many blessings of living surrounded by nature in this beautiful countryside.



June 5th is World Environment Day the international environment day. Led by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), and held annually since 1973, it has grown to be the largest global platform for environmental outreach. It is celebrated by millions of people across the world. You can find out more at www.unep.org/events/un-day/world-environment-day-2023 where you can read : **Actions for Faith Actors this World Environment Day #BeatPlasticPollution.**

This year, we celebrate the 50th [World Environment Day](#). Our goal is simple:

- 1. Increase public awareness of the effective action pathways to reduce and overcome plastic pollution.*
- 2. Encourage transformative action on plastic pollution by governments, cities and towns, business, faith actors, and finance because they can effect change at scale.*
- 3. Build and nurture effective coalitions for future global environmental campaigns.*

Join us under the theme 'solutions to plastic pollution' to [#BeatPlasticPollution](#).

A small group of South Feldon Church members met in May to discuss ways to help each other Care for Creation in our beautiful part of the world. If you are interested please join us. You do not have to be an early bird to join in, just be able to sing God's praises!

Heather

From Rev Heather with love.
Telephone 01608 685575

DOWN ON THE FARM - HERBERTS FARM



Always busy, busy at Herberts Farm but May to December gets truly hectic. The last cow calved mid May, while just two stragglers are due in July, both old girls so they should be OK going solo. After a handy dry spell in February where we got ahead on the ploughing, a very wet cold spring hampered fodder beet drilling. However, come April 1st evaporation starts to exceed *transpiration, and sure enough the ground did start to dry out, evaporation averaged approximately 1-1.5mm/day as it slowly warmed up. At the time of writing, 19th May, the beet seed finally left the dining room floor and was drilled into a not-too-bad seedbed in the end. Fingers crossed for a few warm showers, no slugs and no flea beetle so it gets a good start! I've gone 100% Blaze variety this year. It's an older variety but it does well on this ground and the cattle prefer it to the white skinned varieties.

As I sit in my van in the dark on Hadleigh showground at the end of a very long day typing this, I would urge you all to try to support small independent businesses and events in the local area. *Every little helps* as they say. Show season is gearing up proper, with us out and about most weekends now cooking and selling our Hereford burgers, steaks and sausages all over the country. We will do our best to keep the Burger Barn open every Friday 6-8pm, come and try if you haven't already!

Monica

*Transpiration - a plant's loss of water, mainly through the stomata of leaves.

Sitting Atop The Hill

Puddles of yellow, spread across the view,
Mountainous clouds or... just a few,
Pillars of light and competing greens,
Listen to the calls, what can be seen?

Riding the wind, or ridge and furrow,
Buzzards, Lambs or something that burrows!
Chasing the horizon are billows of smoke,
1..2..3... a fire has been poked!

Hugging a tree whilst I choose my spot,
Lines of oaks, did you hear that shot?
Surrounded by blooms, nestled by gorse,
Here comes a big bee, he's busy of course!!

Poem by Lily Locke and Sam Read, inspired by an evening walk up Sunrising Hill.

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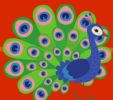
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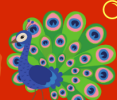


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I should first pay my thanks to those Councillors who have stood down from the Council:

Jane Millward stood down a few months ago. She served for many years as the Parish Clerk and then as a Councillor. Jane put many hours in looking after the playground and village infrastructure and serving on the Planning Group.

Alison Cross was, among other things, the Council's street lighting "tsar", modernising, rationalising and generally maintaining our lighting in the village. She also helped maintain the village infrastructure.

Matt Jarvis-Cleaver was our youngest Councillor (by some years) and was instrumental in keeping the interests of younger residents on the Council's agenda.

Finally, Jacqui Sinclair who served for over 25 years on the Council including many years as Chair and Vice Chair. Huge thanks to her for her dedicated service to the village.

The new Council comprises:

John Tongue, James Bardey, Malcolm Littlewood and myself, David Roache, who have all served on the Council for a number of years. New Councillors are Amanda Venables, Adam Wyatt and Rebecca Billings, all Tysoe residents looking forward to serving our village residents. This leaves one position available which we intend to fill soon by co-opting an additional Councillor.

I should also add that our Clerk, Charmaine Swift will be continuing to provide the Council with excellent advice and management.

Council meetings take place, usually on the second Monday of the month, in the village hall with business starting at 7.30pm.

David Roache

Chair, Tysoe Parish Council
david.roache@tysoe.org.uk

Congratulations to Malcolm Littlewood for being elected as our new District Councillor, taking over from John Feilding. His email address is: Malcolm.Littlewood@STRATFORD-dc.gov.uk Mob: 075 14951174

COTSWOLDS AONB PATHS UPDATE

Another month, another bridge! Many of you may have noticed the new footpath bridge on the Oxhill road, just this side of the turning to Thomas Fox and Kirby Farm. Warwickshire County Council wanted to reinstate a long-lost footpath SS36b across three fields, over to the little bridge across the stream near Oxhill church; the working party from Cotswolds National Landscape, the organising body for the Cotswolds AONB, carried out the work in April.

We also replaced a series of yellow-topped footpath posts on the path SS35 near Oxhill. This means the walk across the fields from Lower Tysoe to Oxhill is much easier to follow, although some of the older waymark signs still need replacing. Both works were carried out in conjunction with the landowner, Mr Percy Sewell of Burland House, to encourage walkers to stay on the official path into his farmyard.

If you see waymark signs that might benefit from being replaced, or if you are a landowner who would like guidance on how to access funding to help you repair stiles and gates please get in touch.

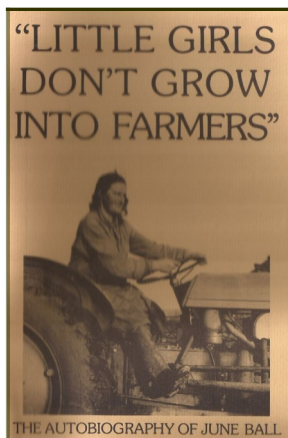
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TYSOE FOLK - MISS JUNE BALL

The Tysoe Record is launching a new feature about local characters. There are some wonderful stories to tell. We are very grateful to Phil Walker for writing about these individuals who each had their own outlook on life and ways of living. The first in the series is about Miss June Ball whom some of the older residents may remember.



Leaving Lower Tysoe towards Kineton the road passes Tysoe Vale Farm on the left just before the crossroads.

As a small boy (60 odd years ago) I accompanied my father to buy young chickens (pullets) from the lady who lived there. On ringing a bell, a figure (Miss June Ball) would appear from a barn. She was almost doubled up as she walked and was dressed in a long brown smock tied with string. Her two grey pigtails almost reached her waist. Straw festooned her hair and smock.

Born into a wealthy family, as a child she was given a pony which fuelled her love of the countryside and her desire to run her own farm. Her father owned Ball Bros Engineers in Stratford and the family moved to a huge Tudor style residence on the Banbury Road in Stratford.

Well educated and well spoken but immensely practical she relinquished her luxurious childhood upbringing to live a hard rustic life, purchasing and developing Tysoe Vale. She had a house built which she sometimes rented out. She preferred to sleep in a small caravan or a barn. She avoided solid food, and is said to have existed on milk, honey and sugar.

She regularly drove to Stratford Market on her tractor and on one occasion after having seriously cut her finger drove to A & E again on her tractor. She had a pony and trap in which she'd travel to local shows and exhibitions – it was probably the only time she dressed up!

Hard working and devoted to Tysoe Vale, she was a real character in the village and it is reported that in her will, she left her smallholding to a charity for under privileged children so that they too could experience the country life that she so treasured.

Phil Walker



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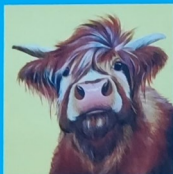


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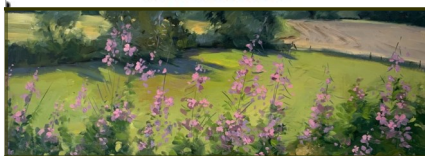
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Recent Results

A fantastic start to the season from the mixed doubles team in the Banbury league -Tysoe are top after two great performances - a 7-3 victory over Banbury B was followed up by another strong result away at Deddington, winning 6-3 . The Deddington result was particularly pleasing after having been beaten there 9-0 12 months ago!!

The men's team have made a solid start in the South Warwickshire Summer League , currently sitting 4th after two draws, a win and a defeat. The defeat by Warwickshire County Council was no disgrace given they had barely lost a single set so far this season!

The fixtures come thick and fast now and a report on the ladies progress will be in the next edition

Junior Members -Annual Tournament



The Annual Tournament for Junior members will take place on Sunday afternoon, the 16th July. This is a great opportunity for our younger members to show off their skills- with junior membership priced at £21 for the year, it's not too late for those interested in taking up tennis to join at a well priced fee.

Club Secretary - Carol Spencer

Email: carol.spencer234@hotmail.co.uk

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A BRILLIANT FOOTBALL SEASON!

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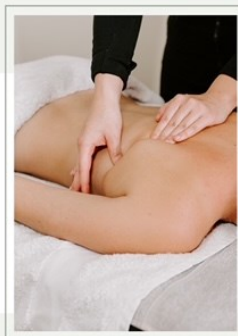
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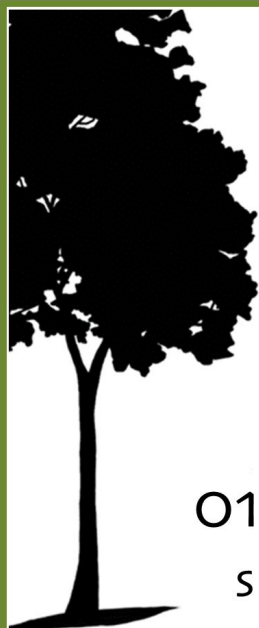
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