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- **TYSOE THEN AND NOW** sharing some photos and stories, seeing our village through the eyes of a newcomer
- **Tysoe School's** overwhelmingly positive Ofsted report
- **The amazing work of the Air Ambulance - Helimed 53**
- **Marking the end of an era for Tysoe's Bell Ringers**
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## TYSOE THEN AND NOW

In this issue we welcome newcomers to Tysoe and new subscribers to the Tysoe & District Record, but at the same time we thought we'd share a bit of village history with a look at TYSOE THEN & NOW. There are some wonderful old photos of different aspects of the village, some easily recognisable, others less so. Together they make a fascinating study of old Tysoe, our own version of 'Lark Rise to Candleford' especially when contrasted with views from today.

There are tales from an old Tysonian about the changes he's seen during his lifetime, while a new resident tells us why she chose Tysoe above all other locations.

If you have any thoughts on what you think makes 'Tysoe Special' or some historical nuggets about this wonderful village where we live, then we'd love to hear them.

The Editor

### WELCOME PACKS

Unless you are new to the village, you may not be aware that the Record delivers *Tysoe Welcome Packs* to recent arrivals. This practice has been going on for the past 18 months or so.

Jude, our distribution coordi-

nator, along with her team, keep a look out for any For Sale or Rental signs and drop off a pack. It includes: welcome letters from the Parish Council and St Mary's Church, a Tysoe Nature Map and flyers from local groups - WOT2Grow, Tysoe Tennis Club, Brailes Gardening Club and Kinton Art Group, together with the latest copy of the Tysoe & District Record, of course!

We wish to offer a warm welcome to: Lauren Hancox who has moved back to Tysoe to Back Lane, Tom Watts and Ella Reynolds also in Back Lane; Emma Tompkins and Peter Bridgewater in Badgers Farmhouse, Lower Tysoe and Michelle and Andrew in Sandpits Road. We hope you will be very happy living here.





## TYSOE THEN AND NOW

Michael Gibbs posted the painting featured on the front cover of the Village Facebook page back in February. It provoked a tsunami of comments, all trying to identify its whereabouts. The verdict, given

by Carol Clark, was it's that 'definitely the bottom of Peacock Lane (you can see the blue painted gates to what was then the vicarage). The cottage on the left of the photo was the end dwelling on Vicarage Row.' Pamela Wise then added, 'that was before they straightened the corner and knocked the house down.' While Kay Brooks added, 'My Granny Rainbow lived in one of those cottages.'

Some people expressed regret at the demise of the beautiful thatched cottages but the reality was they were tumbling down and beyond repair. Bryan Nockalls said the residents of the cottages were 'all rehoused en-bloc



in the same order, in the "then" new builds of Middleton Close.' Sue Haines added: 'I lived at no 2 Vicarage Row from birth until 1952 age 4, when Middleton Close was built. The cottages were in a bad state with tarpaulins on the rooftops, problems

with rats. There was no running water so residents had to fetch water from the taps outside the Old Vicarage. My mum must have thought she had died and gone to heaven when she moved us to Middleton Close with all the mod cons.' **Photos: Vicarage Row cottages from the 1930s, these and the other photos are from Kevin Wyles book 'From Thatch to Fire'. Copies available to purchase - Tysoe 680786.**

## DID YOU KNOW?

The bend at the top of Main Street and the Shipston Road used to be called **Wrighton Corner** (see right) as Compton Wheelwright's Shop used to be there.



Then there was **Faggot Alley** in old Tree Lane, but we're not talking meat rissoles. Apparently faggots was the term for bundles of kindling wood. According to Kevin Wyles's nan, about 50 yards from where the old tree used to be, there was a communal bread oven where they kept faggots for people to use as fuel for the bread oven.

Badgers Lane in Lower Tysoe, was also known as **Pudding Bag Lane** as it was in the shape of an old fashioned pudding, presumably one which used to be boiled in a cloth.

Lane End, also in Lower Tysoe, used to be called **Fountain Lane** as there used to be a wellhead at the top of the lane.

The track going up from Kevin Welsby's to Old Lodge Farm used to be called **Cow Lane** where the cattle used to walk to be milked.

## QUIZ - WHERE IN TYSOE?

### MYSTERY PHOTO

Can you identify where and when this photo was taken?

You can find the answer at the bottom of page 37.



**What did our green landscape look like in the last century?**

**Do you have any photos or paintings of the fields, hedges, trees, lanes, ponds, streams etc. surrounding Tysoe, not forgetting St Mary's churchyard? The older the better!**

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## TYSOE THEN

The Record asked Michael Gibbs how the village has changed during his lifetime. Born in 1951, he has lived in Tysoe all his life:

**Tysoe dialect or brogue** He recalls a distinctive way of speaking in Tysoe which was different from neighbouring Kineton and Brailes. It is mentioned in Joseph Ashby's book.

**A farming community** Tysoe had over 20 farms when he was a lad. Most had 8-10 cows, some up to 20 which was a fair-sized herd. Blakes Dairy used to collect the churns. He remembers cows being walked through the village and how they made the lanes muddy.

**Elm trees** used to be called 'The Warwickshire weed'. You could find elm saplings in hedgerows and all over. In the 1970s Dutch elm disease hit and in just 10 years, c. 900,000 elm trees died in Warwickshire transforming the landscape.

**Peewits (or lapwings)** Michael remembers how flocks of these birds used to follow the ploughs. Sadly, with the changes in farming practices, their numbers have dwindled.

**Shops and Services** Heritages was the main bakers and shop, Jacksons another. Mr Boycott was the butcher, Arthur Frost the coal merchant in Lower Tysoe, while Fred and Matty Parker ran the Post Office. Michael remembers buying four chews for 1d from Jackson's shop. There were two petrol pumps in Tysoe, one by the Methodist Chapel. Plastics were not widespread, so people used to recycle glass bottles.

**School** Michael started infants at the Village Hall, before moving to Tysoe School. He was milk monitor and stoker – putting coke in the fires in the classrooms. There was also an ink monitor. Some children gardened in the afternoons.

**Fire station and policeman** Both were features of Tysoe back in the day, but no more.

**A vibrant community** The Young Farmers Club (Calf Club) met weekly in the Village Hall. There was also a Youth Club and Sunday School at the Methodist Chapel. Michael reflected that Tysoe's sense of community has still survived notwithstanding the above changes.

## TYSOE NOW

The Record invited Jane Fellows, a relative newcomer to Tysoe, to contribute to this edition as she had commented on Michael's original Facebook post. We asked her what brought her here and how she finds living here. This is what she wrote:



After travelling, living and working abroad most of my adult life, I was a little unsure where to call home in the UK, to settle down to old age! Then, out of the blue, Tysoe landed in my lap! Having no idea where Tysoe was and having never seen the property or the village, I Googled its location and knew I would love the village for the wonderful countryside that surrounded it.

How right I was!

When asked why I like living here I reflected on this question whilst walking through the fields on my daily dog walk. In the early spring sunshine the sound of the church clock chiming, looking around me at my beautiful surroundings, popping into the shop and Post Office for a few essentials to be greeted with a warm welcome by the staff, cutting through the churchyard with its rich history, passing the school where some children were playing football with a stone, stopping to chat to people I have come to know as friends, buying some fresh eggs from Michael Gibbs' farm, what's not to love?

The great community spirit that reaches out to give a helping hand and support when needed; a community that comes together for local events, like the Flower Show and bonfire night; a community that is hard to find in these trying times. And one that I am very proud to be able to call home now. We should treasure our wonderful community and through our actions, endeavour to strengthen it and count our blessings that we live in this village. Its beauty, tranquillity in many ways, its simplicity in a very troubled world.

Thank you TYSOE for giving me the chance to become part of this wonderful village, and hopefully be part of its future history.

Jane Fellows



On Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March we celebrated World Book Day. All the children had a lovely time dressing up as their favourite characters and reading various books. A fantastic effort from the children (and parents). We think they all look brilliant! During term time we offer a lending library for all Nursery and Preschool children. The children choose a book to take home and read. When they return it they can choose another. We have a large selection. We encourage everyone to take part in this using their purple book bags to carry them in.

### Fundraising News

**Tesco's Community Grants** - We wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who visited the local Tesco Express in Shipston and donated their blue tokens to us. We are very excited to share the news that we came second. All the money will go towards teaching the children how the water-cycle works by harvesting water then growing flowers and vegetables within the Tysoe Children's Group garden.

**SAVE THE DATE: 7<sup>th</sup> July 2024: This year we celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Further details of celebrations to follow.**

**Bags 2 School** - Please bring any bags of unwanted clothing, bags, shoes, curtains etc for collection on Monday 15th April at 9am. Money raised will go to support us. Bags of clothing need to be kept dry, so if you are dropping off outside of our opening hours please ensure the forecast is sunny.



As always we appreciate your support.  
Team TCG



## NEWS FROM TYSOE C OF E SCHOOL

The staff and children at Tysoe CE Primary School were pleased to welcome two Ofsted inspectors earlier this term for a two-day graded inspection.

The feedback we received in school from the inspectors was overwhelmingly positive. The inspectors praised the curriculum offer and provision for the children as ambitious and inclusive. They were impressed that our curriculum is well thought out, encouraging achievement from all. Both inspectors were impressed not only by the children's behaviour around school and in the playground, but also their attitudes toward their learning. Our children show a genuine curiosity for learning and a desire to improve. It was moving to hear how the children talked about their learning, the care they receive at Tysoe and how much they enjoy school. They spoke articulately, honestly and openly and both inspectors noted that the children viewed talking about their learning and our school as a privilege. We are incredibly proud of the children and their continued effort to strive towards their own personal best.

A huge thank you to the staff and governors at Tysoe. The staff are a fantastic team of dedicated professionals who strive to continually improve their practice and provide the very best for our children. Likewise, our governors are a dedicated group of volunteers who give their time and expertise diligently to ensure the school continues to meet its statutory obligations and continuous improvement targets. Thank you to the many parents and carers who responded to the Parent View survey and spoke to the inspectors during the inspection. The report is now published on the Ofsted website.

### **The Hive**

We have been finding ways to accommodate wraparound care at school. The children will soon be enjoying Breakfast Club and After School Club in The Hive. We are also looking forward to welcoming Tysoe Tots on a Wednesday morning from 9:30am to 11:30am also in The Hive.

*Paige Allister*, Headteacher

## KEEP LEARNING!

### **Is it just the young who learn? No, us old ‘uns like to as well!**

One way to do this is through the University of the Third Age (u3a) - a collection of charities that provide learning and social opportunities for retired people (their so-called “Third Age”). It allows retirees to embark on new adventures, expand their horizons, and continue to learn as individuals.

u3a offers a remarkable range of interests, events, visits, and activities that encourage members to enjoy later life through learning. This gives all members a great opportunity to explore new interests, gain personal growth, and connect with other people.

There are over 1,000 u3as with more than 430,000 members throughout the UK. Our nearest one is the Shipston on Stour Area u3a which started 10 years ago and now has over 350 members in an area roughly bounded by Moreton in Marsh, Ettington, Broadway, and Brailes. Currently, about a dozen of its members live in Tysoe.

Members are encouraged to follow a very broad range of interests. At Shipston, we have almost 40 ‘Interest Groups’, each one with a leader to help learning by sharing knowledge, skills, and experience, and some Groups also learn from outside experts. Typically, individual groups attract around a dozen members.

As well as a monthly meeting for all members, which usually receives an external presentation, the Interest Groups range alphabetically from ‘Allotment’ to ‘Wine Appreciation’. Groups include outdoor activities such as Walking, Gardening, and Nature, while many others are around indoor activities such as music (the Ukulele Group leader lives in Tysoe), languages, games, arts, crafts and literature.

Reading is such a popular activity that there are two Book Groups that meet monthly to discuss and critique the books chosen from a Book Group list at the local library.

The u3a is a wonderful way for people to embrace the joy of lifelong learning and you can see how and what they do on its website [www.u3asites.org.uk/shipston-on-stour/welcome](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/shipston-on-stour/welcome).

John Keayes



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Tysoe Heritage



Research Group

**TYSOE THEN AND NOW** There's a wealth of information about Tysoe to be found on the THRG website from images of Old Tysoe to field names, oral history recordings to a Guide to Churchyard Lichens. Take a look: <https://tysoehistory.org.uk/>

This month Tysoe WI were visited by Dr Scott Castell, an emergency Doctor working with the Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance. Dr Castell told us that the Air Ambulance can expect to fly 1,800 missions per annum at a cost of £2,500 per mission flying two Augusta Westland 109 SP Helicopters that fly only during the hours of daylight.



The two regional air ambulances fly across the counties of Warwickshire, Northamptonshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland providing a rapid response to trauma and medical emergencies over an area of 3,850 square miles covering many of the UK's major road networks including the M1, M6, M69 and M42. With an average response of just 13 minutes, between them they attend on average six missions a day.

Like the helicopters, the Critical Care Cars, previously known as Night Cars, have highly trained medics on board who effectively bring emergency hospital care to the patient. Dr Castell told us that he can expect to attend a major trauma once every two days where he might have to perform open heart surgery, amputations etc. at the roadside or wherever the incident is.

Tysoe WI have been raising money for the Air Ambulance through the craft sales by our talented craft group and by our monthly raffles. We were delighted to be able to present two cheques totalling £2,000 to Dr Castell.

Eileen Mann, WI President

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**THEN AND NOW:** Tysoe WI was first Women's Institute in Warwickshire, formed in April 1917. The original title was "Compton Wynyates in association with Tysoe", as the Marchioness of Northampton was involved with its formation and was the first President. The present Marchioness is also a member



## CARERS FOR CARERS

St Patrick's Night saw a lively quiz in our Village Hall raising funds for local carers charity, Carers4Carers. Midway through the



brainteasers, we were treated to a musical interlude from talented local CCOTS lead Anna Harcourt. The money raised from the event will go towards furthering the work of the charity. Special thanks to Quizmaster Extraordinaire Ben Violet, Tysoe Social Club and local businesses for their very generous prizes.

**Next meeting Friday 26th April 10:30 - 12 noon Kineton Village Hall.** David Howe will give an amusing talk about his school days called "Willingly to School?" Your loved ones can join our Companionship Group while you attend the meeting. For more information, including help with transport, phone Gillian on **07947 893504**, email [kcarers4carers@gmail.com](mailto:kcarers4carers@gmail.com) or visit:

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## RAISING FUNDS FOR THE HOMELESS

In 2021 an estimated 227,000 households across Britain experienced homelessness. There are many causes. Social factors include a lack of affordable housing, poverty, and unemployment. People are forced into homelessness when they leave prison or care with no home to go to. Many women have escaped a violent or abusive relationship.



Tragically, the average age of death for homeless individuals is 46 for men and 42 for women.

This is why I spent a night sleeping outside, to raise money for LandAid, a charity that seeks to end youth homelessness. I was very fortunate to do this in my back garden, and that it didn't rain. Any donations most gratefully received.

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<https://join.landaid.org/fundraisers/TomWillcock3902>





# Tysoe Social Club

## Events in April 2024

- ☺ **Saturday 6** - Local legend Pete Watkins provides live music
- ☺ **Saturday 13** - Join us for a night of family fun as Josh Welsby hosts a Game Show themed night - you've got to be in it to win it!
- ☺ **Saturday 20** - New to the club, live music from 'Mississippi Mama'
- ☺ **Saturday 27** - After numerous requests .. Karaoke is back! Come along and belt out your favourite tune.

Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 7.00pm - 11.00pm.

Membership is £10 for the year and includes benefits such as use of our Pool, Snooker and Darts facilities plus a wealth of other perks. We do offer hire of the venue for a £50 charge as a contribution to cover our costs - members may hire the venue at no charge. Please contact [tsc.secretary@hotmail.com](mailto:tsc.secretary@hotmail.com) for any hiring queries.

### GREEN TIPS - Energy Saving Laundry

Every Monday my mother would do our laundry. The kitchen was filled with steam and smelled of detergent. With today's washing machines, laundry is no longer the chore it once was, but beware the water and energy our machines use are considerable. 90% of the energy consumed is used to heat the water. Sometimes hot water is necessary, but with modern detergents cool or even cold water will do just as well, so try turning the temperature down and ensure you have a full load. It will save you money and be kinder on the environment.



Liz Layfield-Bell

## END OF AN ERA FOR TYSOE'S BELL CAPTAIN

It is part of the natural rhythm of village life that people come and go but few leave their mark on a community to quite the same



extent as David Bell, who last month set off for a new life in Ripon with his wife Jackie.

David and Jackie had lived in Tysoe for 15 years, having arrived from Cumbria via London in 2009. Many will know him as the former head of Tysoe School and he has all the qualities you would wish in a teacher: a natural sense of justice, patience, a refusal to accept second best and a pride in everyone's achievements. They came in handy because David had another role in Tysoe, as tower captain of St Mary's Church.

Tower captains are responsible for promoting bellringing in their communities. David, a lifelong bellringer, quickly turned his attention to continuing the overhaul of the St Mary's bell tower and the standard of ringing. He introduced the same rigour into teaching a new cohort of learners as he would have in his classrooms. This continued even during the pandemic, when everyone met weekly online to practise using a bellringing app.

His name is a byword for excellence in bellringing circles but David's enduring legacy will be that he has managed to instil his passion in so many of us, inspiring us to stretch ourselves every time we step in the tower. It was an enormous privilege to have had him as a guide. Our wonderful bells are in good health and will continue to provide the soundtrack of village life, bringing us together at times of rejoicing or solemnity, as they have done for centuries. Thank you David. Tysoe was lucky to have you and we wish you and Jackie every happiness in the future.

The Tysoe Bell Ringers



## TYSOE TOTS

A free mums and tots\* stay and play session.

Every Wednesday, starting from 10th April

9:30am – 11:30am

@ Tysoe Primary School

\*We would like to be inclusive so there is no upper age limit but please be mindful of the needs of small babies



This is a friendly and informal drop in session for our local community, a place for mums to meet and relax and little ones to play. No need to book, just sign in at the school office. Parking is available on site.

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## MAKING SPACE FOR NATURE - HEDGEROW HIGHLIGHTS



As they come alive this spring, our hedgerows have been in the news. These important habitats provide homes and highways for wildlife. In January, the UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology (CEH) announced that they had mapped England's 390,000 km of field boundary hedgerows using aerial laser scanning (LIDAR). The map identifies sites for planting and restoration, linking up habitats and improving the hedgerow network. It can also help estimate the amount of carbon that hedgerows could store.

More recently, the government announced that regulations to continue to protect English hedgerows will be brought into law. Following BREXIT, the EU's land-based subsidies are being replaced with new farming schemes and this has left a potential 'gap' with regard to protection of hedgerows. Last summer, almost 9,000 people and organisations responded to a Defra consultation on hedgerows, and confirmed overwhelmingly how much hedgerows are valued. As before, the proposed regulations will require a 2-metre buffer strip, from the centre of the hedge, where no cultivation or application of pesticides or fertilisers must take place. The cutting of hedges between 1 March and 31 August will continue to be banned, protecting birds nesting during that period. Hedgerows are a dynamic habitat and ideally, they should be managed in a way that maintains their thick dense structure and allows them to produce blossom and fruit on second year wood. The People's Trust for Endangered Species (PTES) has some great resources on hedgerow management, including an App to assess their condition.

Roadside verges also provide excellent resources for wildlife. Regular mowing reduces their value in terms of habitat and food. Now is the time to consider whether a more relaxed approach to mowing would be feasible in areas where good visibility is not essential. There will be more about this in the next issue – with a focus on 'No Mow May'.

Rosemary Collier

## TYSOE & DISTRICT RECORD - NEWS



For visitors to Tysoe, as well as those who don't wish to subscribe to The Record, copies can now be purchased from Tysoe Village Stores and the Post Office.



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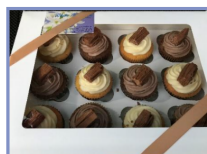


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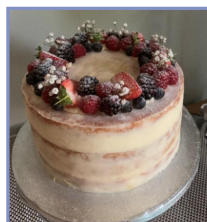
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## EASTER SERVICES 2024

**Thursday 28th:** Maundy Thursday. 7.00pm Holy Communion followed by vigil

**Friday 29th: Good Friday** 7.30pm Tenebrae – a service of light and dark with readings and music

**Sunday 31st: Easter Day** 11.00am Holy Communion with an Easter egg hunt in the church and churchyard after the service.



## FROM THE VICARAGE...

**Low Sunday.** What a depressing name for the first Sunday of April 2024! Where does it come from? Perhaps it's Low Sunday because the number of people attending church on the Sunday after Easter is traditionally low. Or perhaps the name indicates that everyone's spirits are generally lower at the end of a week of Easter festivities. Despite it being called Low Sunday, there will be a joyful Family Service at St Mary's, at 11am on 7th April for people from all the churches in the South Feldon Group. Please come and welcome our friends from the group.

On 16th April we will have our monthly coffee morning including Stay and Play for parents and carers, as well as an opportunity for all to meet new or old friends for a cup of coffee or tea and some cake. Then, on 21st April following a short communion service we shall be holding our Annual Church meeting. Everyone is invited. The election of churchwardens for the coming year will be held and reports about all aspects of life at St Mary's Church presented. This is an opportunity to find out more about the church in your community and maybe even get involved yourselves.

God Bless

*George*

Rev. George Heighton

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### **Saturday mornings 10.30-12.00**

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More collection points in the Co-ops and Tesco.

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## APRIL DATES - WHAT'S ON

	<b>Every Friday</b>	Food caddies waste collection
	<b>12, 26</b>	<b>Blue &amp; Green</b> bin collection
	<b>19</b>	<b>Black</b> bin collection

	<b>1, 8, 15, 22, 29</b>	<b>Friday</b> <b>10am-12 noon</b>	Tysoe Dementia Café, Village Hall. Tel: 688376
	<b>1</b>	<b>Monday</b>	EASTER MONDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
	<b>2, 30</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>2pm</b> mobile library outside Village Hall.
	<b>5</b>	<b>Friday</b>	Friday Lunch Club, Tysoe Village Hall
	<b>8</b>	<b>Monday</b>	Tysoe Parish Council Ordinary Meet-
	<b>16</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	FREE coffee morning, St Mary's 9am - 12 noon. Includes Mums & tots.
	<b>23</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	St George's Day



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For details of April's showing see the advance publicity on Facebook, posters and the website.

## WOT2GROW UPDATE



Our trees produced a huge crop last year but unfortunately a number split under the weight of the fruit. We decided to get an expert to help us work out how to prune them so Chris Lanczak from Waterperry joined us on Saturday 2nd March at the orchard. Twelve members turned out on a bitterly cold (but not raining) day, armed to the teeth with saws and secateurs! We spent four hours tackling each of the tree types and we all enjoyed some wonderful rock cakes and a hot drink halfway through. The session was captured on video as a record for training purposes and will be on the WOT2Grow website in due course.

Whilst we were there a number of villagers walked through the orchard with their dogs; just showing what a wonderful community space the orchard is.

The orchard is next to the allotments on the Shenington Road in Tysoe. Find out more by calling Miranda Forrester (680265), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080) or message us via the website:

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## **An invitation to attend Tysoe's Parish Assembly Held in the Village Hall, Main Street, Tysoe June 4th from 7pm**

The Parish Council would like to extend an invitation to all groups in the village to attend this annual event and offer a short report on their work in the past year. This will be an opportunity to advertise what you do, update residents on your work and attract new followers. Please contact Charmaine, the Parish Clerk, via email [parish.clerk@tysoe.org.uk](mailto:parish.clerk@tysoe.org.uk) for further details and to book your seat at the event. Residents of Tysoe are also encouraged to attend to hear the news!

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**Charmaine  
On behalf of the Parish Council**





Hi Tysoe,

At March's Parish Council meeting both County and District Councillors presented important and interesting reports which can be read on Tysoe's Parish website [www.tysoe.org.uk](http://www.tysoe.org.uk)

The Annual Tractor Run will take place on May 19th on the Recreation Ground. Councillors are looking at ways to prevent the grass verges from turning into areas of mud from vehicles parking on them. They are also awaiting data from the Traffic Group so that further discussions can go ahead to look at traffic calming measures.

The value of Tysoe's Neighbourhood Plan was also discussed as part of its relevancy to planning applications. It is now part of the County's Core Strategy and therefore, when a planning application is considered, not only by the Parish Council but also the Planning Officer, great consideration is given to what Tysoe residents said in their plan.

Councillors are looking to carry out remedial work on the car park at the Recreation Ground, in order to allow emergency vehicles to have greater access to the playing field. We are also contacting the County Council again to raise awareness of the blocked drains and potholes in and around the village.

As I hope you are all aware, the defibrillator on the wall of Tysoe's Children's Group has been replaced and is up and running. Tysoe's School Council have written to the Parish Council in support of their project to buy more defibs for the Village. Once delivered, we hope the children will help us to advertise their whereabouts to all residents.

With Helen Sayers as lead, Councillors have been working on an Emergency Plan, which, when completed, will be sent to all residents.

Looking forward to Spring.

Charmaine

TPC Clerk/RFO

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Pat, his wife writes: "We moved to Tysoe in 1987 and have enjoyed our time here. I miss him so much as do many of the villagers (including Martyn the postman!) who would visit him and wave to him as they passed by our bungalow on their daily walks." She would like to make a special mention of Shipston Home Nursing who gave so much help to the family over his final weeks.

Pat Marland



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The WI Craft and Laugh Group ran their second successful workshop on the 2nd March very much with Easter and spring in mind. One of our members designed the theme of Easter Eggs and Bunnies using a felt base and an embroidery hoop, creating an applique felt design of the participant's choice, with guidance from our very own experts. The afternoon workshop was enjoyed by all those attending, not just due to the plentiful refreshments! Everyone left with a unique Easter creation to decorate their home or gift to a loved one, plus they learnt a few new skills and had plenty of laughter to boot! We also raised £140 for our charity, the Warwickshire Air Ambulance.

The Craft group will be running more workshops throughout the year so keep a look out for further dates and come and join us! We meet Wednesday afternoons in Tysoe Village Hall 2pm-4pm (except the first Wednesday of the month). All welcome!

Linda Johnson

# 200

### **TYSOE 200 CLUB 2023**

St Mary's restoration funds need topping up, following the recent work on the church. Join the 200 Club to make a contribution and you could win prizes!! Recent prize winners:

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**The new season beckons!**

As we move into Spring, the new season looms large on the horizon, Our top two British players, Cameron Norrie and Katie Boulter are rising up the world rankings, and before you know it, Wimbledon will be here!

Why not come along and give tennis a go for the first time or look out your rusty racket? We are a very friendly club welcoming beginners and established players alike. You don't have to be a member to try. Visit us a couple of times to make up your mind. Have a look at our website for details of club sessions, and give us a ring. A club player will happily meet you for a knock on the courts or you can come along to one of our "mix ins."

**Committee matters**

Your tennis club committee consists of members who volunteer their time to try and ensure the smooth running of the Club. The committee is led by our Chairman Colin Locke, who guides us with a good control of the tiller, and other roles include Treasurer, Club Captains, Welfare Officer and PR.

All of these roles exist to ensure we run the club in the best way, meeting our financial, compliance and safeguarding obligations. We have our annual AGM in the next few days where we will look to confirm new volunteers to take over the roles of Welfare officer, Treasurer and Club Captains to replace Liz Finlyson, Jane Smith, Sylvia Wilcox and Julian Gardner who have put so much work into creating the club as we see it today.

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Colin Wilson

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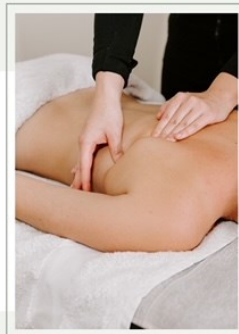
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