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Northern Lights over St Mary's Church, 10.37pm Thursday 10th October Photograph by Roland Cherry

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Tysoe Village Noticeboard

Janet Sylvia · 11 May · 🖪

So lucky to have seen The Northern Lights last night . Taken from my bedroom window ! Some people did, whereas some people . .







... "didn't get to see the Northern Lights, but I just like to be included!"

Were you one of the lucky ones?

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"When You Go Home, Tell Them Of Us And Say, For Your Tomorrow, We Gave Our Today."

These poignant words, this year, mean more than ever. 2024 marks the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings on 6th June - the largest seaborne invasion in history – which marked the beginning of the liberation of western Europe. As many of us witnessed at the services televised in June, the numbers of survivors of that changing point in the war are now dwindling.

Unprecedented coordination between Allied nations and the intensive planning of engineers, meteorologists, logisticians and countless more, led to a force from 13 countries approaching Normandy in a 5000-vessel armada.

In the early hours of D-Day, 24,000 paratroopers and glider-borne troops landed behind German lines to provide tactical support. Massive naval and aerial bombardments attempted to supress the German defences and weaponry. Then a ground force of more than 130,000 troops came ashore on five beaches across a 50-mile stretch of Normandy coast, with the first waves often facing intact defences.

By the end of D-Day there had been 10,000 allied casualties. Yet this was only the beginning. The ensuing Battle of Normandy was to last into August and cost tens of thousands of lives as it defeated and repulsed the occupying German forces eastwards.

Elsewhere around the globe exceptionally hard-fought battles were also turning the tide of the war. The Battle of Monte Cassino was the bloodiest of the Italian Campaign and in India outnumbered British and Indian forces withstood weeks of siege and brutal fighting at the Battles of Kohima and Imphal.

Remembrance is an opportunity to pause and reflect on giving thanks and honouring the memory of those who gave their lives to defend our democratic freedoms. Were it not for the bravery of so many, our daily lives today might be very different.

Royal British Legion



Tysoe's own Dancing Queens!

ABBA Night saw a wonderful array of colourful costumes, including 'Super Troupers' complete with silver backpacks. Colin Hirons might have discovered more than he bargained for if he had tried to 'Take A Chance on Me.' Everyone joined in with the movements to 'Money, Money, Money', while the air-guitar playing on stage by Ben and Steve showed great promise. Definitely a night to remember!

HIPPO MAN UPDATE



Well what a crazy couple of weeks! The media whirlwind around the Hippo Man story and our fundraising for Mtendere Mission Hospital has been extraordinary- BBC Midlands Today, then BBC News, BBC Radio 5live (twice), BBC Breakfast TV, Channel 5 News with Dan Walker, ITV's Good Morning Britain, Radio 2's Jeremy Vine show, not to mention the story being in every national newspaper and syndicated around the world!

The upshot is thanks to the huge generosity of the public the Just Giving campaign went from £6700 to £27,000 in just over a week! That means that the 4x4 ambulance is now within reach but ideally we need to raise another £15,000 for its maintenance and running costs.

We had our first successful fundraising talk at Tysoe Village Hall on Saturday 5th October which raised a remarkable \pounds 1,100, with further talks held locally in Shipston and Oxhill on the 20th & 24th October

respectively. Thanks to everyone for supporting us. Shirley and I are available for further fundraising events if you have any opportunities. Our Gala online auction finished on 25/10/24, we'll let you know the final amount it raised.

Roland Cherry https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/





In readiness for Halloween , Tysoe W.I. Invited "Graham the Gravedigger" aka "The Man in Black" to come and scare us with his ghost stories. Fresh from digging graves (hard work in this weather he told us) Graham settled in the half light to relate some of his own ghost stories.

Apart from the spine chilling tales, we also felt the hairs on the backs of our necks raise when the hall lights, dimmed for the occasion, decided to brighten on their own. Was there a ghost in the Hall?

At the end of his tales two of our members were able to relate their own ghostly experiences which were every bit as frightening as Grave -digger Graham's. Suitably scared out of our wits we calmed down with tea and cake ...always a comfort!

Graham's real name is Graham Sutherland and he is a retired police inspector and former Warwick Town Crier. Graham writes both nonfiction and novels, the latter being crime/whodunnits set in late C19th early C20th based in and around Warwick. He also gives numerous talks each year on a wide variety of topics, many with a social, historic or criminal background. Graham currently holds the much sought after position of being the official Ale Taster for Warwick Court Leet. We didn't have any ale for him but he accepted a good glass of red wine.

Our next meeting on November 6th features Andrew Hamilton with his "Remembrance and Commemoration of the Great War", in readiness for Remembrance Sunday. For those going to the Remembrance afternoon at the Village Hall on Sunday 10th the cakes and scones will be donated and baked to the usual high standard, by the WI.

Eileen Mann, WI President

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TYSOE TEA ROOMS





Congratulations to Charlotte and her team for reaching their First Year Anniversary!

We feel very fortunate to have Charlotte (pictured above right) running the Tysoe Tea Rooms for us. Her warm and welcoming personality has created a lovely environment for people to come and socialise. We will miss the café when it is closed for a week or so, as part of the shop refurbishment. Just like our wonderful village shop, the Tea Rooms have become a valued and much loved Tysoe asset. Her helper, Debbie (above left), joined at the beginning of September to help share the catering and sandwich making.

HALLOWEEN SPECIAL

A celebratory Halloween 'Trick or Treat' event will be on **Thursday 31st October, from 4pm - 7pm** with hot mulled cider for adults, hot chocolate and sweets or fruit for the kids.





Remembrance Sunday - 10th November 2024

THE CONNECTION WITH TYSOE

Every year, on Remembrance Sunday, many of us meet at the War Memorial and in St Mary's, not only to pay our respects to the Fallen, but to keep alive an enduring memory of the horrors of war and to remember those that continue to suffer its consequences. There are still Tysoe men and women alive who participated in World War II.

For over 20 years David Sewell has been running the Poppy Appeal to raise funds for the Royal British Legion. As a former soldier, he knows well the value of the Service Family and how they support each other in times of conflict and in peace.

On the 10th November 2024 Tysoe villagers will meet at the hall to add further support to David's annual fundraising efforts. Your Hall Management Committee are delighted to have assembled a truly wonderful cast of presenters, performers and supporters to provide not only an interesting and enjoyable afternoon, but also to help raise an additional donation to David's tireless work for the Royal British Legion.

During an event of respectful entertainment you will hear from:

- Welcome Ben Viollet, Chair of Trustees, Tysoe Village Hall
- Kevin Wyles sharing the role his father played at RAF Shenington / Edgehill
- Anton Lesser reading from passages of wartime poetry
- Benjamin Keyser reciting moving prose

And expect to enjoy:

- The CCOTS Choir bringing back musical memories
- Tysoe's WI serving you a delicious Afternoon Tea
- Raffle make sure you have purchased PLENTY of tickets
- The National Anthem

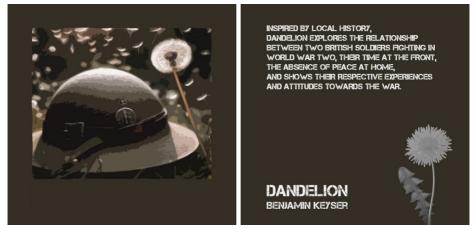
- The Exhortation
- The Kohima Epitaph

Doors open : 2:00pm

Running time : approximately two hours

Tickets online: *www.tysoevillagehall.org.uk* or from Jacqui and the team at Tysoe Post Office

Ben Viollet



Dandelion is a new play written by young Tysoe actor and aspiring playwright, Ben Keyser. It is a cleverly constructed, thought-provoking piece which opens with letters home to Kineton. It features the pull of home, separation from love ones and highlights the horror and suffering of war and misconceptions from those not there; how it can change people irrevocably even those not directly at the frontline but who still suffer from the loss of loves ones.

The Editor



REMEMBRANCE-TIDE

If anyone needs a wreath to lay on **10 Nov 24** at the war memorial, please contact me (01295-680316). There will be a gathering at the Memorial Cairn in the Natural Burial Ground to mark the 'Eleventh Hour' on **Mon 11 Nov 24.** All welcome.

David Sewell

Tysoe Village Stores

Opening hours: Mon-Sat: 09.00 – 19.00 Sun: 09.30 – 17.00 Tel: 01295 688333

We stock a wide variety of locally sourced products, including fresh bread and pastries, fruit and vegetables, Mabel's Milk, Fowlers cheeses, meat pies and ready meals, Gluten-free and vegetarian ranges. We now have a regular delivery from Barry the Butcher - ring us for any special orders by Wednesday and we'll have them ready for the weekend. Now offering a home delivery service for groceries, simply email us on

mytysoeshop@gmail.com

Tea Room



We offer a wide range of hot teas and coffees, soft drinks, delicious homemade sandwiches, a variety of cakes, toasted teacakes, scones and other sweet treats. We look forward to welcoming you!

Opening times: Tuesday - Saturday 9am-3pm Email: tysoetearoom@gmail.com for any enquires

TYSOE VILLAGE STORES MAKEOVER

The Tysoe Record would like to wish Bart and the team at Tysoe Village Stores every success with their in-store makeover, happening mid-October.

Apparently a new floor is due to be installed and various bits replaced. It is a real bonus to have a village shop that offers



such a range of merchandise, from fresh fruit and vegetables, to bread, newspapers and cakes, not forgetting Barry the Butcher. Not sure how we will manage when you shut your doors for the refurb! Maybe, as a consequence, we will appreciate having you all the more. Tysoe is very fortunate to be served by you.

Best wishes and good luck to all the team. We hope the building work runs without a hitch!

P.S We can't wait to see the 'new improved' version!

IN MEMORIAM

Paulette Brisker - 1947 to 2024

Paulette lived at Pear Tree Cottage in Upper Tysoe for nearly 45 years before moving in 2020 to Longhorsley in Northumberland to be near to one of her sons. She died on Monday, 7th October, in Rothbury Community Hospital after suffering from cancer for the last two years. She was the much-loved mother of Edward and Charles and grandmother to two granddaughters and two grandsons. Many of you will remember her as a bright, happy, friendly and caring lady who will be much missed by her family and many friends.



The Editor

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We welcome all parents and carers of children due to start **Reception in September 2025.**

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TYSOE FIREWORKD DISPLAY Saturday 26th October

Gate opens at 5pm, bonfire lit at 6pm, fireworks 7pm. ENTRY FREE - thanks to the Tysoe Flower Show.

FUN AUTUMN CRAFT ACTIVITIES





Foxy little cool craft for kids using autumn leaves. Facebook: Life DIY & Paper Craft Ideas



Loving these creative Halloween toast ideas soooo spooky!





Facebook: Hello, Yummy

THE ALTERNATIVE 'FLYING SQUAD'

Robert Mahoney moved to Badgers Lane, Lower Tysoe from Shutford about 11 months ago with his partner Julie Holloway and dog Barney. He took these wonderful photos of Barn Owls from his garden, by setting up some camouflage netting around the apple tree overlooking the field and waiting for the perfect moment.

He first showed an interest in birds as a youngster growing up in Merthyr Tydfil, Wales when he used to jump on his bike after school and cycle up to the Brecon Beacons to watch them. He used to draw and paint birds. Naturally talented, he won several competitions and was awarded top art student for this GCSE for the whole of Wales. But rather than pursue art as a career, he left school on the Friday and joined the Metropolitan Police Service on the Monday, working in homicide and the Flying Squad.

He is happy to have left all that behind and now enjoys living in leafy Warwickshire, indulging his interest in wildlife photography. He took these images on a Canon camera 5D Mark 2. We are thrilled and delighted he is sharing them with the Tysoe Record.

The Editor



WHAT SEES THE OWL?

His velvet wing sweeps through the night; With magic of his wondrous sight He oversees his vast domain, And king supreme of night doth reign.

(Poem by Elizabeth Sears Bates Gerberding) Photography - Robert Mahoney, Lower Tysoe



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TYSOE TOTS

A free stay and play session for parents, grandparents or carers and their little charges!

Every Wednesday during school term time

9:30am -11:30am

@ Tysoe Primary School

Enter via the side gate, come down to the The Hive.

Call: Rowena 0782 460902



HEDGEROW HEROES

On November 19th, 20th and 21st the hedge in the Playing Field will be laid. This is a project promoted by CPRE (the Countryside Charity) and Tysoe Parish Council and involving local environmental and

ecological groups.

Hedgerows are a vital source of biodiversity in our community and their preservation and the creation of new hedges is something that we should all encourage. For more information see Rosemary's article in the October Record.

CPRE will be looking for volunteers to help with this work so look out for posts on the Tysoe Facebook page and on notice boards. Please come along to learn and support the project. If you'd like to join in call Rosemary Collier on 01295 680127 or David Roache on 01295 680309.

David Roache, Chair, Tysoe Parish Council



Five species of owl occur in the UK. In Tysoe we have better chances of seeing some species than others and the best source of information on local abundance is from the Banbury Ornithological Society. According to their records, the Barn Owl is becoming scarcer, Tawny Owls are fairly numerous residents, Little Owls are around, but not numerous, and Long-eared and Short-eared Owls are rare and occasional winter visitors respectively.

Of the species we're likely to see, the Barn Owl lives in open country, favouring habitats such as farmland and the Tawny Owl prefers woodland but may also breed in larger gardens. The Little Owl was introduced from the Continent at the end of the 19th century and likes open country. Unfortunately, its numbers are declining throughout Europe.

As with all wild animals, owls need a good food supply and places to breed. Barn Owls feed mainly on small mammals; Field Voles are preferred prey, caught in rough grassland. Tawny Owls consume small rodents, but may take other birds, mammals and also earthworms when times are hard. Being small, Little Owls feed mainly on invertebrates, with insects and earthworms making up a large proportion of their diet.

Barn Owls often nest inside farm buildings and tree cavities. They readily take to artificial nest boxes and it's thought that 80% of UK Barn Owls now breed in nest boxes. Tawny Owls nest in holes, most usually in trees. They will use specially designed nest boxes. Little Owls nest in cavities, in tree holes, buildings and walls and will also use nest boxes, both external or internal to buildings. If anyone is interested in installing nest boxes for owls, I would be happy to help explore options. I'm sure we can do more in the parish to support these wonderful birds.

Words: Rosemary Collier. Photo: Robert Mahoney





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For families there's Aesop's Fables Cheeky Creature Christmas Quest, £3 per child We're open daily 11am - 4pm

nationaltrust.org.uk/uptonhouse



WOT2GROW OCTOBER

Community or of the Orchard! Lots of apples and pears have been picked and we celebrated our annual Apple Day.

Apple Day was a great success this year and luckily the rain had stopped by the afternoon. Lots of apples were chopped and then crushed, and children loved helping to turn the apple presses and see the delicious juice come out. Loads of juice was made, drunk and taken home, as well as delicious home-made cakes and refreshments.

Also this month one of the members has kindly repaired the big Orchard sign (pictured on the right) and it is now on the fence beside the gate.

The membership fee of £25 until March next year includes fruit for the rest of the year. This is fantastic value for local organic fruit, and while it is not a requirement of membership to volunteer in the orchard, more help is always welcomed!

The orchard is next to the allotments on the Shenington Road in Tysoe. Find out more from the contacts below or message us via the website:

Miranda (680265), Paul (680451), Sue and Mike (688080)



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TYSOE VILLAGE HALL

Wednesday 30th October - doors open 7pm

Join local author and intrepid traveller Mary E. Wheildon for an enjoyable and mind-opening trip around the world - with profits from the evening being donated to the Mary's Meals charity. Mary will be signing copies of her book, To Beach or Not to Beach? during the event.





Saturday 9th November - Food Festival - 10am to 2pm - FREE ENTRY Come and join us at our first Food Festival at the Hall on the 9th November. We have gathered together a wide variety of delicious locally sourced suppliers, from pickles & cheeses, to meat, pies, drinks and more. There will be items for your Sunday roast, stocking up for midweek meals and getting ready for the Christmas festivities.

Saturday 9th November - 7.30 onwards - ticket only

We couldn't afford the REAL Michael Bublé - but we have come a VERY close second with Jamie Flanagan who started singing at an early age when he was introduced to Sinatra's songs. Join us at the hall for an evening of swing, jazz and pop - as influenced by Dean Martin, Sammy Davis Jr, Michael Bublé, Elvis Presley and many others.





Sunday 10th November 2024 - 2pm onwards - ticket only

Tysoe villagers will meet at the hall to add further support to David Sewell's annual fundraising efforts for The Royal British Legion. Your Hall Management Committee are delighted to have assembled a truly wonderful cast of presenters, performers and supporters to provide not only an interesting and enjoyable afternoon, but also to help raise an additional donation to David's enduring and tireless work.

Wednesday 20th November - 5pm onwards

We are delighted to welcome Kan's Kitchen to the hall. Enjoy delicious homemade Thai cuisine freshly made by their Thai chef. Experience authentic homemade flavour - cooked with fresh ingredients locally sourced. Pre-order on 07789 630551 and either take home or enjoy your meal in the newly refurbished McNulty Room, complete with lovely wines served by your Hall Committee - with no washing up afterwards!





Sunday 24th November - 7pm onwards

Avoid the train to the West End, the time and the cost! Watch The Royal Ballet and Orchestra back catalogue of world-class opera productions. Enjoy Richard Eyre's elegant 2022 production of La traviata, conducted by Giacomo Sagripanti and starring Pretty Yende as Violetta, Stephen Costello as Alfredo and Vladimir Stoyanov as Giorgio Germont. Recorded in very high definition video and audio.

Sunday 29th December - 2pm onwards - ticket only

Oh yes we did! Enjoy an afternoon of pantomime fun with the Caramaba Players and their rendition of Robin Hood. Take a trip through Sherwood Forest, boo at the wicked Sheriff of Nottingham and swoon at Maid Marian as the outlaw Robin Hood and his band of Merry Men save the day. Fun for all the family, young and not so young!



Tickets available at www.tysoevillagehall.org.uk or at the Post Office

BIN COLLECTION AND RECYCLING NOVEMBER					
Every Friday	Food caddies waste collection				
8	Blue & Green bin collection				
15		Black bin collection			
22	Blue & Green bin collection				

NOVEMBER - WHAT'S ON WHAT'S ON WHAT'S ON

	Every week	Friday	Tysoe Dementia Café, Village Hall. 10am-12 noon Tel: 688376	
<u></u>	1	Friday	Friday Lunch Club, Tysoe Village Hall	
	5	Tuesday	Guy Fawkes Night—(ANIMALS BE- WARE!)	
the WI	6	Wednesday Tysoe WI Meeting, Village Hall 7.30pm		
•••	Every week	Wednesday Tysoe Tots– Tysoe Primary School Rowena 0782 460902		
Ĩ	Every week	Wednesday Craft & Laugh—Village Hall McNulty Room (2-4pm)		
\	Every week	Thursday	Dance & exercise Class (Free) 10.30– 11.30 Eileen Mann (01295 680921)	
	Every week	Thursday	Pickle Ball at the Village Hall 7.15-9.15pm - give it a try!	
	11	MondayParish Council Meeting, McNulty Room , Village Hall 7.30pm		
BOOK	12	Tuesday	Mobile library 2pm outside Village Hall	
	19	Tuesday	St Mary's Coffee morning 9am -12 noon—it's FREE!	

NOVEMBER - WHAT'S ON WHAT'S ON WHAT'S ON





Christmas at Blenheim Palace 15th November 2024 - 1st January 2025 the magical light trail returns. Don't miss Neverland® in the Palace and new for this year the Great Skate

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A FARCE BY RAY COONEY

NOV 20TH-23RD 2024 - 8PM KINETON VILLAGE HALL

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REV HEATHER WRITES...

" The days are passing so quickly just now with sorting, packing and clearing up that it's hard to believe I've been retired for a month already. Thank you so much to everyone who came and made the last service I led

in South Feldon Churches in September such a happy, as well as sad, occasion. And 'Thank you' to everyone who contributed to buying the huge bunch of beautiful flowers I was given that day. Since my retirement I have received a sum of money collected as a parting gift. We are busy restoring our house in order to move in, which requires a replacement bath, rewiring and new flooring but I promise that your gift will go towards a break away somewhere relaxing when all this is done!

By the time you read this we expect to have moved out of Brailes vicarage and perhaps the restoration work will begin in Friars Lane too ready for the next residents. I am very grateful to all who have shown us generosity and kindness in our four years here and thank you too for the loving personal messages we have received as we move on.

We will keep you all in our thoughts, with prayers for the future mission, ministry and membership of the village churches in the beautiful South of Warwickshire."



Donations of basic items can be left in the St Mary's church which is open every day.

There's also a collection point in both the Co-ops and Tesco in Shipston Upon Stour

For information about the Food Bank's current needs please check on Facebookpage @<u>ShipstonFoodBank</u> or visit: www.shipstonfoodbank.org.uk

MESSAGE FROM ST MARY'S CHURCH

November sees the conclusion of the church's year on the last Sunday before Advent, which is also known as the Festival of Christ the King. November is the season for remembering, and for seeking the God who promises faithful and constant support and guidance to each and every one of us in times of suffering, sorrow and loss.

This year we will be holding a **United Service of Remembering and Comfort at 3pm on 3rd November at St Mary's Church** for those who have lost loved ones. This will be a combined service for All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day. We hope you will come along. There will be a form in each of the churches for you to write the names of loved ones to be read out at the service, and there will also be an opportunity to light candles for them during the service. We will come together not only to remember those known to us personally who have died, but also to support those amongst us who have been affected by bereavement and grief.

On **Sunday 10th at 10:50am** we gather at the War Memorial to begin our observance of **Remembrance Sunday**, which leads into the Remembrance Service in church. We think particularly of those who died in both world wars and in more recent conflicts. We recall the sacrifice they made and pray that peace may rule in the hearts of all as we face the challenges which lie ahead of us. It was hoped that the first World War would be "The War to End All Wars", but we are very conscious as we look at the wars raging in the world today that this hope has not been fulfilled.

Formed in 1921 the Royal British Legion is this country's largest Armed Forces charity, with 180,000 members and 110,000 volunteers. It gives support wherever and whenever it's needed. It needs our support too, both financial and the support of our prayers for those suffering long-term scars, both physical and mental, and for the families of those who fought and gave up their lives for our freedom. *"We will remember them."*

God Bless

George, Revd George Heighton

Email revgeorgeh@outlook.com, telephone 01295 680201

THE TYSOE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND (TCRF)

Fondly known as 'the Church 200 Club'; the TCRF helps to maintain and restore the fabric of our beautiful Grade 1 listed Church, (not its day-to-day running costs).

For 200 Club members, half your £15 annual subscription is used for priority repairs, while the rest gets paid out in monthly prizes. Each Christmas we hold a 'thank you' party (covered by the raffle).

Projects: In 2021 TCRF contributed £21,000 to the tower renovation, summer 2024 - £1,536 for the church clock repair, a welcome relief after months of mis-bongs and crazy quarter hour chimes! Just recently an emergency vestry roof repair of £950 was covered.

In November we start collecting subscriptions for next year's 200 Club. Open to anyone, including non-church goers. Most tickets are taken by our regular subscribers, but there are a few left. If you would like to join, please contact Percy Sewell on 01294 680210.



Don't miss the Holly Tree Fayre St Mary's Church Saturday 14th December 10am – 1pm *Unique gifts from local crafters *Derk baps & soup lunches *Musical Entertainment *Raffle & Refreshments *Fun for all the family *Free admission

& St Mary's Church



CHILDREN'S SOCIETY 'NEW TO YOU' EVENT

Society Thank you to everyone who supported this event last Saturday. From those who made cakes and

soup to all who helped on the day, selling raffle tickets and manning stalls. Of course, it wouldn't have happened without the generosity of those who donated goods to be sold, thank you to you. Thanks also to those people who couldn't attend but gave a cash donation. All in all, a brilliant result.

We raised £1060 which will support the Children Society in their work helping disadvantaged and troubled young people.

Gill Roache

PLEASE DON'T CONFUSE US WITH A NATIONAL CHARITY – WE ARE



We are separate to Dementia UK, the national charity. Instead we run five dementia cafes on a purely voluntary basis. We offer practical and emotional support to family carers of those living with dementia. Typically, we support about sixty families living in South Warwickshire.

Our Tysoe Café has space to help more people. Come and see. Thank you for your support. Paul and Heather Dowler Tysoe 688376

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Hi Tysoe

Yet another busy month for Tysoe's Parish Council. Work is still going ahead with trees and hedgerows in the village. The CPRE are carrying out some fantastic Hedge Laying on 19/20/21st November and are looking for volunteers to help on the 21st. If you are interested in helping and learning how this is done, please contact Rosemary Collier on 01295 680127.

The Parish Council is still working hard to find land to build around 10 affordable homes in Tysoe for villagers. Unfortunately we have not been able to move forward with the two sites already identified, so if anyone has any ideas please let David Roache or myself know - david.roache@tysoe.org.uk, my email is at the end of this piece.

Defibrillators have been purchased. Shipston First Responders will assist with their installation and then carry out monthly checks, putting them back on-line. Julian Johnson, from the First Responders Team came along to the Parish Council meeting to speak to everyone and received our thanks for his help. TPC made a donation of £300 to the First Responders Charity on behalf of the village.

Planning applications can be seen in full on the Parish Website found at www.tysoe.org.uk

Some road closure notifications are not getting to us either at all or in time to notify residents, our apologies for this – it is being looked into. TPC have put together an Emergency Plan and are preparing items to be available when needed. Councillors have adopted a Biodiversity Plan to ensure that Tysoe continues to support the local environment. Finally, Councillors are looking to provide some multi-sport facilities for young people in Tysoe.

I shall give further news as it comes. Charmaine TPC Clerk/RFO parish.clerk@tysoe.org.uk

NOTE FROM SUN RISING NATURAL BURIAL

Creating a thriving wildflower meadow is hard work. Success comes from a careful maintenance programme that keeps the soil fertility low. Higher fertility means more grass, which competes out the wildflowers, most of which require a very poor soil.



Shortly after a local Tysoe resident was laid to rest in the wildflower meadow at the Natural Burial Ground, a broad circle of cremated ash was spread on the plot. Cremated remains are an intensely strong mix, adding a huge dose of fertility to the soil which will contribute to the growth of heavy grasses, killing the wildflowers on the plot.

Our noticeboards emphasise that scattering ash is not permitted. We work hard to look after the Natural Burial Ground, managing the nature reserve and its natural beauty. We appreciate the vast majority of our visitors and users recognise this. Please help us protect this natural haven. If anyone has questions, please call David or Emma on 01295 688488, email: office@sunrising.co.uk



THE CHALLENGES OF MODERN FARMING

The Record caught up with Tom Paton, 3rd generation farmer who works on the family farms at Brixfield Farm, Lower Tysoe and at Knightcote. We asked him what he considers the key challenges facing farmers today:

1. Weather due to a changing climate

We've had 24 months of wet, horrible weather. His guess is that we've had a third more rain than average which has made life very challenging throughout the year. The national harvest is down 20% against the average, costs are up but prices remain static so farmers are seeing a drastic reduction in income.

2. Government policy

Brexit meant Britain exited the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) and those subsidies have been replaced with initiatives like Sustainable Farming Incentives (SFI) which is a step in the right direction. SFIs pay farmers to grow flower mixes and other wildlife friendly practices that they use as a banker in uncertain times by reducing risk on other crops such as oil seed rape. Using natural nitrogen-fixing legumes which are designed to naturally support healthy soils theoretically, thus reducing reliance on expensive artificial fertilisers.

3. Mental health

Modern farming is a lonely business with massive uncertainty on an annual basis. Tom is luckier insomuch he shares that burden with his parents and brother, but many farmers find the worry and financial burden intolerable. Jeremy Clarkson has set up a free farming helpline through his Hawkstone brewing company for farmers in crisis. Farmers often feel they are left to shoulder the burden of risk, at the bottom of the value chain, with supermarkets calling the shots at the top. Farmers are encouraged to sell direct to the public rather than wholesale, but that's not really practical for arable farmers.

Tom sums up by saying he hopes that future policy will be clarified with some consistency on how farming can become more sustainable both economically and environmentally, what the food requirements of a growing population are and how environmental stewardship will work for the benefit of biodiversity. In the meantime, farmers will just have to *keep ploughing on*, literally. Roland Cherry



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David Sewell

GREGREEN TIPS THE CARBON FOOTPRINT OF FOOD

We hear the term carbon footprint quite frequently these days, but what does it actually mean. It is a measure of the amount of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases which are emitted over the full life cycle of a product, service or event. Every item of food we con-



sume has a carbon footprint as does the clothing we buy or journeys we take. Let us consider the carbon footprint of the food we eat. Food production is responsible for a quarter of all greenhouse gas emissions and it is affected by many factors. We may think that transportation is responsible for the majority of food's carbon footprint, but there are many factors which have an influence. How food is farmed and produced has a massive impact on its carbon footprint. You might think that the footprint of a banana will be huge given the distance it has to travel but it was grown in natural sunlight, it keeps well, is transported in bulk by sea and has minimal packaging. On average the carbon footprint of the banana is 0.7 kg CO2 per kilogram of food produced compared with 0.4 for an apple or 4.5 for an egg. It is a very complex subject and perhaps the best we can do is to be responsible consumers by buying, where possible, local products which have been sustainably produced and most important of all not to waste what we do buy.

Kineton & District Local History Group Meeting on Friday 15th November 7.30pm at Kineton Village Hall William James - Stratford's Pioneering Railway Engineeer by Roger Butler

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ANAEROBIC DIGESTOR - APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

With regards to the Anaerobic Digester planning application to Stratford on Avon District Council that was withdrawn at the end of September by the Applicant, I would like to make clear the position as it now stands. The reason for the company to withdraw the application was that it became clear it would not succeed for a number of reasons.

The applicant can of course submit a new/revised application but for this location I believe that it too will have little chance of success. This is not the best result that we could have hoped for, but it is one that we can be grateful for.

Finally huge thanks to Tysoe Parish Council and the Leadership of David Roache (Chair TPC) for two years of hard work. Also huge thanks to neighbouring Parish and District Councils for their support and the support of some 1,400 other people who took the time to write their own objections.

This technology may well have a place when it consumes food waste rather than it going to landfill, and especially when it provides local heat and power close to gas injection points. This application however offered none of these benefits, neither would it have consumed food waste. Indeed, it would have taken land out of animal and human food production. Wrong technology in the wrong place.

> Councillor Malcolm Littlewood, Ward Member, Stratford-on-Avon District Council

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