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babies and toddlers

Babies and Toddlers at St Mary's meet in the church on **Wednesday** mornings at **10.00 - 11.30am**. Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Carers and their pre-schoolers are very welcome.

There are toys, a craft linked to the story and of course snacks and drinks for children and adults. Please bring a 50p donation. The group runs weekly during term time and on a slightly more ad hoc basis in the school holidays. Please contact either Alice on **886833** or David on **881270**; or check out our Facebook page to find out more: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/958595840860028/>

This month: 25th May: - Jonah and the big fish
1st June: - Half term - ad hoc meeting
8th June: - Here comes Jesus
15th June: - Jesus in the desert
22nd June: - Jesus makes lots of people better
29th June: - So many fish!



Bible Fun Club 'BFC' is a group for parents, carers and primary school aged children who meet once a month for games, crafts and snacks with a Christian theme.

We meet on a Wednesday during term time, at the Village Hall from 3.30 - 4.30pm.
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11+ Hitchhikers meeting in Hanborough at 7pm on Sunday evening.

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Curate:
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01993 706469
Email: revsue@gst.org.uk

Licensed Lay Ministers:
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Janet Dalton
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All sorts of interesting information about St Mary's can be seen on the "A Church Near You" website: www.achurchnearyou.com/st-mary-the-virgin-freeland

If you have any interesting pictures that could be used on this site, please contact Roy Thomas on 01993 882866 or email: print@associatedagencies.co.uk

You can see a virtual tour of St Mary's on Google Street View at:
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FROM THE REGISTERS AT ST MARY THE VIRGIN

Renewal of Vows: Marie and Nigel Middleton - 29th April 2016

Letter from our Rector:

Dear friends,

I have been reminded again as to how God answers our prayers. I'm not sure we will ever be able to prove this empirically, but anecdotally I see this happening all of the time.

We have just recently said goodbye to our curate Rev. Phil Cooke. Phil has been brilliant and I am sure many of you will have met him over the last 4 years and warmed to him as a person and possibly been touched by something he has said.

Phil's curacy had to end this June and we have been praying for his, and his wife Kath's future as her curacy also finished in June and they were both potentially going to be jobless and homeless.

Phil and Kath are both ordained and both needed jobs before June and their daughter needed to stay in reach of her secondary school. Now jobs for ordained folk are normally few and far between and normally require you to live in a specific Vicarage or Rectory.

So the idea of them both getting jobs and being able to continue living in Cassington was I thought highly unlikely. But we prayed.

At just the right time a job came up for Phil with the Diocese using his teaching skills and a job came up for Kath helping a church in Abingdon and incredibly neither job required them to move. I would have put this up there with the probability of Leicester City winning the Premier League.

We prayed and the most incredibly answer emerged. Can I prove it was God answering our prayer - no - but it seems a huge coincidence ... as often it does when we pray.

So I invite us all to pray - pray watch to see if things happen - incredible answers can come when we pray.

With best wishes,

David

ps I wonder who was praying for Leicester City?



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

15th – 21st MAY 2016

Many thanks to everyone who donated to Christian Aid during the above week.

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	18.00 BCP Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	Christ Church
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	10.00 Worship Together	Manor School
	18.00 Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	Christ Church
19th	08.00 Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	St Peter & St Paul
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	10.00 United Morning Prayer	Christ Church
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May	29th	10.30	TBC
June	5th	10.00	Family Worship at St Mary's
	12th	10.00	Section service at Long Hanborough Methodist Church with Rev. Paul Weir (Communion)
	19th	10.30	TBC
	26th	10.30	Andrew Maisey
July	3rd	10.00	Family Worship at St Mary's



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THE PRIEST: Father Mark Lagorio is happy to receive enquiries by phone on **01865 881613** or on email **stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com**

The Retired Priest: Father Martin Flatman is available on **07719 646790** or email: **frmartinflatman@gmail.com**

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OUR NEW PRIEST Father Mark Lagorio has now arrived so please note the new details above.

Father Mark writes:- *My maternal and paternal grandfathers were Italian: The Lagorio and Picozzi families. They emigrated to Birmingham and Hamilton respectively in the late 19th Century. The two families eventually met during the Second World War. The Picozzi's made and sold ice cream in Scotland; my grandfather, John Lagorio, is recorded in 'A History of Birmingham' as the first in Birmingham to obtain a licence to sell ice cream publicly.*

I was born in the late fifties and grew up in my home parish of St. Wilfrid's, Castle Bromwich, just a stone's throw away from Oscott Seminary. I am one of five children: My parents were devout Catholics. I was accepted for the priesthood by Archbishop Dwyer and ordained at St Wilfrid's. I have served in different parishes in the North, Midlands, and South of the Archdiocese for the past twenty nine years.

I have been in my current parish of St Joseph's, Thame, for fifteen and a half years. Although very sad to say farewell to the people I have served and loved for so long, I am very much looking forward to getting to know the good people of Eynsham.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES are now on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.30am and on Thursdays at 7.00pm. On Fridays the Mass will be followed by Adoration for half an hour.

THE BIBLE SHARE will continue but will now take place on Wednesdays in the Tolkien Room at 10.30am. Anyone can drop in to this. You do not need to be there every week although there is a small group of regulars. We have a cup of tea/coffee and then read together the Bible Readings for the following Sunday and then share what we make of them. This is followed by a short instruction on their background and we finish with a few prayers and the Angelus.

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FREELAND PARISH COUNCIL - LISA'S NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 18th APRIL 2016

Parish Council Elections - Election of Parish Councillors

Following the elections on 5th May, the following Parish Councillors were elected to serve on the Council for the next 4 years (with the with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman elected to office for the coming year at the Annual Meeting held on 16th May:

Peter Newell, 42 Wroslyn Road (Chairman)
Robert Crocker, Glebe Farm, The Green (Vice-Chairman)
Mary Ann Canning, 2 Blenheim Lane
Peter Foster, 2A Blenheim Lane
Jane Linnell, 35 Pigeon House Lane
Bill Phillips, 12 Church View
Matthew Ruddle, 138 Wroslyn Road
Tim Webster, Freeland Gardens Cottage.

Their full contact details will be available on the website and on the parish notice boards.

A new District Councillor to serve Freeland and Hanborough was also elected: Carol Reynolds, the Conservative Party candidate. Carol replaces Toby Morris and will work with Colin Dingwall to represent our parish.

Farewell to Janet!

Councillors said goodbye to Janet Dalton at the April meeting, who has served on the Council for more than 30 years. Janet has worked extremely hard for the village and shown great dedication and commitment. The Councillors would like to pass on their thanks and appreciation for all her efforts over her many years of service. Some flowers were presented to Janet as a token of our appreciation.



Bonfires

The Council have received a complaint this month about bonfires in residents' gardens. Please can I ask you to show consideration to your neighbours if you are planning on having a bonfire (or smoky barbeque) in your garden – please be mindful of wind direction and check whether the smoke will end up on your neighbour's washing or in their house if their windows are open. Nobody wants to have their house or washing smelling of smoke! Thanks very much for your co-operation.

Play Park Development

I'm sure a lot of you will already know this by the time this goes to press, but I am delighted to report that the new play equipment has now been installed and looks fantastic. The Council have so far received extremely positive feedback from parents and children about the new equipment which will hopefully prove a great addition to the play park and provide many hours of play for the older children. The Councillors would like to offer their thanks to Mary Ann Canning for leading this project and we hope the new improved play park is enjoyed for many years to come.

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Best Kept Garden Competition

This competition will be held again this year. Witney Horticultural Society have asked again this year if I can give them a list of those properties wishing to enter this competition as many of their members now struggle to walk the distance of the whole village due to mobility problems. So, if you would like your garden to be judged this year for the Best Kept Garden, please can you let me know by dropping me an email, letter or phone-call. You don't need to do anything to enter, it's free of charge and no-one will enter your property. They just look from the entrance way to your property at your front garden. Dates for the judging will be **Wednesday 15th June** and **Wednesday 17th August**. Good luck to everyone and get those hedges pruned and flowers dead-headed if you want to be in with a chance of winning!

Hedges

Speaking of hedges, with all this recent wet weather and lovely bursts of sunshine, our gardens and hedges have grown like wild fire. Could I therefore take this opportunity to remind residents with trees/hedges/bushes/nettles against pavements to please cut back any growth that might be obstructing footpaths. Thank you very much.

Repair to utility trench on Wroslyn Road

The Council have been informed that the Oxfordshire Highways team will be carrying out some minor patchwork repairs to the utility trench on Wroslyn Road that stretches from the school right back to beyond Willoughby Fields. This work is due to start on **3rd June** and will last 11 days.

Planning Applications:

All planning applications can now be viewed on line from the Village Website at www.freelandoxon.co.uk (under Planning Applications) or via the WODC website at www.westoxon.gov.uk/planning. You can also contact the Planning Team at WODC on **01993 861420** and view the documents at Woodgreen Council Offices.

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16/01536/HHD 12 BLENHEIM LANE, FREELAND

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16/01311/HHD 83 BROADMARSH LANE, FREELAND

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16/01197/HHD 150 WROSLYN ROAD, FREELAND

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16/00679/FUL LAND EAST OF WILLOUGHBY FIELDS, WROSLYN RD

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16/00788/HHD HERITAGE COTTAGE, EYNHAM ROAD, FREELAND

Erection of detached replacement garage for Mr Lee Buckingham.

16/00678/HHD 3 BLENHEIM LANE, FREELAND

Single storey flat roof extension to rear for Mr & Mrs T. Harden.

Contacting the Council & Date of Next Meeting:

Next council meeting will be held on **Monday 20th June 2016 at 7.30pm** in the **Newell Room**

Please note this time and venue is subject to change; please check the village website and noticeboards for the final agenda up to five days before the meeting in case of alterations.

If you wish to contact the Parish Council about a particular matter and have access to the internet, please have a look at the village website where lots of useful information is held. The website can be accessed via www.freelandoxon.co.uk. Alternatively, please contact me between the hours of 9.00am – 5.00pm, Monday to Friday - Lisa Smith, Parish Clerk on **01993 880067** or email lisa.fpc@gmail.com

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The African Children's Fund will be hosting charity quiz nights at the Oxfordshire Yeoman, starting at around **8pm**, on **Monday 6th June** and **Monday 4th July**. Entry to the quiz is £2.50 per person and all proceeds will be donated to the Quentin Junior Academy in Tanzania. www.africanchildrensfund.org Charity No. 1114699

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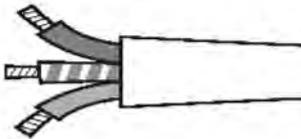
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FREELAND GARDENING CLUB

On a cold wet evening in late April a group of us went to Freeland Nursery to learn how to plant our own hanging baskets. After a chilly demonstration we thankfully went into the warm greenhouse where we could choose from a vast variety of plants to either take home to plant or do so at the Nursery. Watch out for the stunning displays throughout the village this summer!

The Gardening Club enjoyed a fantastic day visit to Exbury Gardens on Saturday 14th May. The garden is in the New Forest and renowned for its displays of beautiful rhododendrons, azaleas and acers. Set in 500 acres of vast majestic forest trees in meadows carpeted with bluebells. It was at its most spectacular with a riot of colour that was breathtaking. We look forward to sharing some beautiful photographic displays soon.

The meeting on **23rd May at 7.30pm** in Freeland Hall is a talk by Steve Brookes entitled 'The Greatest Gardening Tips'. Steve is evidently a well known speaker who we haven't had before but are looking forward to hearing. There could be tips about any aspect of gardening so bring a pencil and paper along to make note of some interesting ideas.

Rather a sombre topic for the meeting on **Monday 27th June at 7.30pm** also in Freeland Hall! 'Death in the Garden' is what Michael Brown is coming to talk about. All plants have a lifespan, some longer than others, but some die prematurely and maybe we will find out why!

The warm days we have had intermittently have put an end to the daffodils and tulips and rather a lull occurs in the garden till the summer bedding comes into flower, though there are still some flowers making a showing. It is all systems go in the vegetable garden with the prospect of lovely fresh veg later in the year.

The next day outing of the Club on **Saturday 16th July** is to a National Trust property called Packwood House. Those who have been there before say it is well worth a visit. For more information contact Brian Wildblood on **883968** or email brian.wildblood@gmail.com. Visitors very welcome.

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Janet Dalton - Publicity Secretary

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Whatever food you'd like to bring is fine, a simple dish or something more exotic. This isn't Bake Off, so don't panic!

Hopefully the weather will be warm and sunny so we'll spread out into the garden behind the village hall, and perhaps even onto the playing field. Bring along a picnic blanket if you like, or even some deck chairs! We're hoping to set up a couple of gazebos to provide shelter from the sun.

Thank you to those that have already volunteered to help with getting things ready and cleaning up afterwards. If you would like to lend a hand, please do let me know. Any help is much appreciated!

If you would like to join the picnic but are unable to walk to the village hall, please do get in touch and we'll arrange for someone to drive you there.

Finally, please feel free to contact me for more information, any questions or offers of help, and see you on 12th June!

Matthew Ruddle

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Freeland Baby and Toddler Group



This friendly group continues to meet in the village hall every Monday morning during term-time **10.00am** until **11.30am**. A wide variety of toys and play equipment is available every week along with a drink and snack for the children. Tea, coffee and biscuits/cake are available for parents/grandparents/carers.

We provide a craft table each week and the themes for June will be:

6th June - No session (due to inset day at school)

13th June - Paper cup musical shakers

20th June - Flower pictures

27th June - Feathered bird craft

We look forward to seeing you.

For more information please contact Helen on **(01993) 880469**.

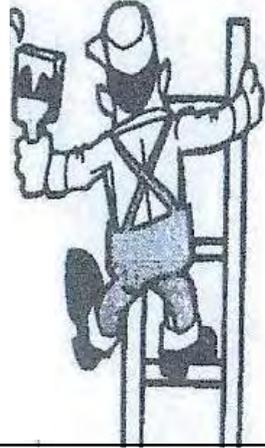
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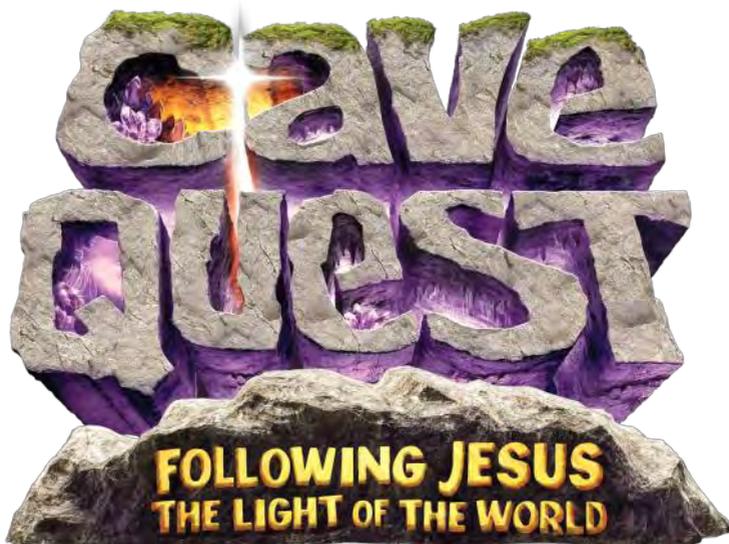
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- It's a free book exchange, where people swap used books.
- You're welcome to take as many books as you want.
- You don't have to return the books, you can keep them if you like, or pass them on to someone else.
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Matthew Ruddle **01993 359 543** ruddlem@gmail.com



Thank you everyone who took part, cycling, walking, sponsoring participants and welcoming visitors to the churches in 2015. The total amount raised was £137,382, including £20,000 gift aid tax rebate, which was an amazing achievement. Out of 809 people taking part, 90 were under 18 and 31 were over 80. About twice as many cycled as walked and some were sponsored for sitting and welcoming in the churches!

The full list of churches and the amounts they raised is available on Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust's (OHCT) website at www.ohct.org.uk. This helped OHCT award grants to 45 churches totalling £248,500. The list of grants made in 2014-2015 is also available on the website in the Annual Report. Long Hanborough Methodist Chapel has received £10,000 towards the cost of the present refurbishment.

This year's event will be on Saturday 10th September 2016. (It is the 31st Sponsored Ride & Stride). Please note the date in your diary and begin thinking about taking part, either visiting churches, welcoming visitors or sponsoring. If you intend walking or cycling, it is not too early to begin training.

If you are put off by the hassle of collecting sponsorship money, you can save the bother by using **www.justgiving.com**

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John Fox



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1st HANBOROUGH FREELAND SCOUT GROUP

The weather seems to have taken a significant improvement recently, and all sections of the Scout group are doing what scouts do best - making the most of the great outdoors! All sections are looking forward to a series of camps which will be coming up over the forthcoming weeks and months.



Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers have all been able to do many more activities, games and hikes this term in a really packed programme. The Scout section even have had their first camp of the year – an overnight at Youlbury.

Members of the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts attended the St. George Parade and Service in Witney on Sunday 24th April. The annual parade sees groups from all over the district come together for a parade of colours from the Leys up to Church Green where an open-air service is held. Well done to all those who attended and represented our Scout group.

Also a big congratulations go to all those Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers who attended the Queens Scouting Awards Day on Saturday 7th May to receive their Bronze, Silver and Gold awards. These are incredibly impressive awards to receive in recognition of the hard work you have all put in. Well done.

On Sunday 8th May, five of our Scouts and Explorers who will be attending the Jamboree in Iceland this summer, walked the 27 mile Thames path route from Kidlington to Banbury as part of their training and preparation. Well done guys – especially as it turned out to be one of the hottest days of the year!

30th Anniversary Family Fun Day

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you all to our Family Fun Day which will be on **Sunday 26th June** from **2pm** to **5pm** at Freeland Village Hall.

It is to commemorate 30 years of our Scout Group and is going to involve all sections of the group including activities, games, crafts and a BBQ.

We will also be holding our AGM as part of the day where the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers will be presenting to the audience, whether it be a camp fire skit or a demonstration of a scouting skill. The sections are preparing these presentations as I write this – so I don't know all the details as yet – but I'm sure they will be really interesting...or funny...or both!

It is shaping up to be a really fun afternoon for all the family – so please come and join us if you can.

Thank you for your continuing support of our Scout Group.

Steve Mellin, Publicity representative

TUESDAY CLUB UPDATE

Members from the Tuesday Club are now meeting informally at The Yeoman on the 1st Tuesday of the month at Noon for lunch and a chat.

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FREELAND CRICKET CLUB

The cricket season has been fragmented by bad weather including a snow storm, but we have started to play some matches.

Training continues on Tuesdays and we have about 40 children taking part.

The **Under 11's** have played one match against Stonesfield. This was a very close match, and was in the balance until the last couple of overs, with two very good Stonesfield batsman taking away the match from a very spirited young Freeland team.

The **Under 13's** have played three matches, we have lost all three but have had some great individual performances, notably Owain Cartwright scoring 31 against Charlbury and Tom Brown scoring 25 against Minster Lovell. The performances have improved over the 3 games and they are now looking competitive.

The **Under 15's** have played one match against Oxford, who are by far the best team in our group, with multiple county players. As you can imagine our team came second. This is a joint team between Freeland and Stonesfield, and the most pleasing thing has been the group coming together as a team.

Late update: Under 15 win against Minster Lovell with Ben Lloyd top scorer with 30 runs not out. Restricting Minster to 84 runs the under 15's reached their target for the loss of only 4 wickets.

Four of the players have also made their debut playing for Hanborough in the Oxfordshire Cricket Association adult league. Well done to Ashley Wells, Ben Lloyd, Josh Soanes and Tom Brown, they have performed very well.

The home games in June are;

Under 9's Friday 17th June 6pm start

Under 11's Sunday 5th June 10am start

Under 13's Thursday 16th and 23rd, 6pm start

Under 15's Monday 6th June at Stonesfield

There will be an **Under 13 Lads and Dads** match against Horspath on **Sunday 26th June**.

Adults

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Full details in advance can be obtained from the Evenlode DIY Shop in the village and on the day from the Scout Hut in Back Lane or from any of the gardens.

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After last month's shock resignation from El Presidento, the group were in high spirits preparing for this month's ramble. It was a slightly chilly but glorious May day in the shire and we set off with the sound of the church bells ringing to the tune of 'Walk like an Egyptian' by the Bangles.

15 people and 5 dogs were going in the direction of Red City.....within seconds a scuffle started between two of the dogs leading to one being retired with hurt feelings and soon after the Pogles wood section just off Lilliput Lane we lost another two people and their dog after it refused point blank to go any further!

Contrary to popular belief, Mrs Trellis is in fact on holiday with Bunnyfeather QC and Dento and she has assured us she will return in a much more vexed state of mind. So now with our numbers depleted down to 13 people and 3 dogs we carried on in a very slapdash way for the remainder of the 5 mile ramble taking in not one but two bluebell woods, a Boot and countless species of nettle.

Thanks go to Mr P P Anting for supplying this month's sustenance (at cost).

We look forward to a triumphant return for El P after he retracts his resignation and stops having daft thoughts of a sponsored something with white goods?

The next weekly AGM will be in a fortnight!

All are welcome to join us on the next exciting Ramble.

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Charity Summer Ball

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The Rotary Club welcomes applications for assistance from the local community. Support for approved applications can be provided in the form of a monetary grant to an individual or a group, or in the form of hands-on help. A recent example of our Community activities is our involvement in the improvement of access around the Fishponds where we provided a grant of **£3,000** and also joined with other volunteers in carrying out the hard labour involved.

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We do hope you'll be able to come along to one (or both) of these concerts and support our local musicians.

However, due to the restrictions on numbers at our hall, tickets (£3 each) will be required for both concerts, and will be available from The Oxfordshire Yeoman or Wendy Marks (Wendy@FreelandOrchestra.org)

FREELAND WI

Imagine the scene: Pimms, plants and umbrellas. This was certainly the case at our May meeting, although the umbrellas were not the pretty paper cocktail variety sometimes found in glasses of Pimms; they were heavy duty, torrential rain type umbrellas. Twenty-two members gathered at Freeland Gardens and were totally unphased by the downpour as we spent a very happy time planting up baskets and tubs, having been given free rein to choose whatever plants we wanted from Freeland Gardens' extensive stock. Tim Webster and Sue Hooper were on hand to advise on type and colour of plants to be used in our containers, for which many thanks. This is the second year we've held this event and it looks like becoming an annual event. Thanks also to Tim for the generous donation to WI funds.

Our next meeting will be a pamper evening on **Monday 13th June**, when Renaissance Beauty of Long Hanborough will be offering taster sessions. There will also be activities of various types on offer on the night for those who are pampered enough!

We welcome new members to the WI and further information is available on our website <http://freelandwi.weebly.com/> Alternatively contact Lorraine Pengilly on **01993 881129** or email lpengilly@btinternet.com

COMBE OPEN GARDENS and HOMEMADE CREAM TEAS

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FREELAND FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

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Due to other commitments this will be my last Grapevine report as I hand the Chairmanship baton over to somebody new.

It has been a challenging yet rewarding 3 years at the helm, with plenty of ups and downs. The first year saw the **Firsts** finish in their highest ever position but we also lost our **A** team during the season. The following year saw our **Sunday** side struggle after a stunning season previously and they eventually also had to fold.

Despite the setbacks the club has added two youth sides to the ranks, and are also in a better position off the field after the costs of the temporary changing facilities was cleared.

The two remaining men's sides both had decent seasons and will look to challenge even more in 2016/17. The **Reserves** blooded a number of the **Under 16s** side during the run in, with all of them impressing. The **Firsts** have impressed more often than not, and fingers crossed will have sealed Charity Cup qualification by the time this goes to print.

All that is left for me to say is a big thank you to all the managers and committee who work tirelessly behind the scenes to keep the club going. Special thanks to Ben and Jon for their work and of course to all the people who read this report.

The club is looking to host a 6-a-side again this year, with the **16th July** the most likely date. Please look out for the date of our AGM as well, we always welcome new members.

It's been a pleasure!! One love!

Matthew Hardy

NORTH LEIGH HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday 7th June There is a visit to the North Leigh Roman Villa at East End led by Stanley Jenkins, the former curator, on Tuesday 7th June. We meet in the Roman Villa car park in East End at 7pm. Cost £4 per person.

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MARIE CURIE QUIZ NIGHTS @ THE YEOMAN

Marie Curie Quiz Night **Wednesday 29th June, 7.30pm for 8.00pm** start at The Oxfordshire Yeoman, Wroslyn Road, Freeland.

Don't worry if there's only a couple of you as we can make up teams on the night! Entry is just £3 per person with all proceeds being donated to Marie Curie Cancer Care. Bar snacks available. Raffle prizes on the night will be very much appreciated.

For more information please contact Nicky CARGO at **oxfordshire.stars@gmail.com** or ring **07754 271831**

FREELAND CRAFT CLUB

Enjoy crafting? Enjoy Nattering? Come and Join Us.

This friendly group meets each Wednesday afternoon from **2.00 - 4.00pm** in Freeland Chapel.

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**NEXT MEETINGS: Freeland Methodist Chapel - 2pm to 4pm
Wednesdays: June 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th; July 6th & 13th**

It costs £1 per session to cover heating, lighting and refreshments.

Come and join us for an enjoyable time of friendship whilst crafting. It is a great chance to see what other people have made, to find some new patterns and along the way make some new friends. Don't be shy about coming along – we are a friendly group where you'll find a warm welcome.

For further information (or for someone to go with) please contact:
Helen Molden: **01993 882305** or Margaret Wright: **01993 881316**



Eynsham's 70th Carnival and Craft Fair

on Saturday 2nd July 2016

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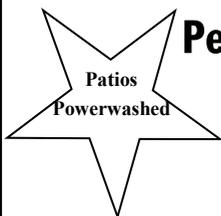
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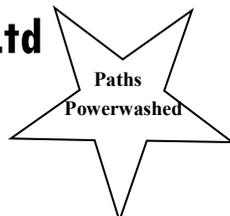


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MINI-MEETING

I felt privileged to meet you at last month's mini-meetings. For June, if anyone wishes to meet up, to chat, or just pass the time of day or flask of tea, call me to plan an open air mini-meeting. Otherwise, just stop when you see me on a Wroslyn Road bench. It will be easily recognisable. Jenny Wylie **01993 883245**.



**Freeland District covers:
Freeland, Long Hanborough & North Leigh**

In Freeland we currently run:
Brownies (7-10 year old girls) - Tuesday evenings
Guides (10-14 year old girls) - Thursday evenings
Senior section (14-18 year old girls) - Thursday evenings

The current Freeland Brownies Unit Leader Gay Suggitt is stepping down from this role after the May half term holiday. We would like to thank Gay very much for all her hard work over the last few years in running the Freeland Brownie Unit and I know both girls and parents will miss her.

From half term to July this unit will be run on a rota with mostly help from local Guiders Alison Faulkner and Jeanette Mason.

Come September we will not be able to continue running this Brownie unit without more adult help. If you can help or would like more information on Girlguiding and how you can be involved as a volunteer, we would love to hear from you.

Please contact Wendy Bayliss: **01993 883120** or wendy.bayliss@btinternet.com

A word cloud graphic with various activities and the text "Social Community Friendship Fun Meetings FREELAND WI". The words are arranged in a circular pattern around a central cup of tea. The words include: Learning, Baking, Projects, Craft, Tea, Games, Nights, Coffee, Events, Social, Community, Talk, Friendship, Cake, Fun, Wine, Trips, Walks, Meetings, and FREELAND WI.

We meet at the Village Hall on 2nd Monday of each month at 8pm.

For more information see <http://freelandwi.weebly.com/>.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 29 May Freeland Pre-school sponsored Zumba class, Freeland Village Hall, 8pm
2 June "Grey" week recycling + food + rubbish waste collection
4/5 June Combe Open Gardens and Homemade Cream Teas, 2-6pm - page **37**
5 June Unaccepted Freeland Ramblers, meet at Oxfordshire Yeoman 9.30am
6 June African Children's Fund Quiz, Oxfordshire Yeoman, 8pm, £2.50 each
7 June The Cake Café, Freeland Hall, 9.00-11.30am
7 June Former Tuesday Club members meeting at The Yeoman, Noon
7 June Mobile Library at Freeland Primary School (11.35am - 12.15pm)
7 June Woodstock U3A, Marlborough School, Shipton Road, Woodstock, 2pm
7 June North Leigh History Society visiting N. L. Roman Villa, 7pm
8 June "Green" week recycling + food + garden waste collection
11/12 June Eynsham Gardens Open, 2-6pm - page **33**
12 June Queen's Big Birthday Lunch, Village Hall, 11.30am - 2pm
12 June Last date for insertions in the July Grapevine
13 June Freeland Women's Institute meeting, Village Hall, 8pm
15 June "Grey" week recycling + food + rubbish waste collection
15 June Mobile Library at Freeland Primary School (11.35am - 12.15pm)
20 June Freeland Parish Council meeting, Newell Room, 7.30pm
22 June "Green" week recycling + food + garden waste collection
26 June Scout Group 30th Anniversary Family Fun Day, Village Hall, 2pm - 5pm
26 June Bridewell Organic Gardens Open Afternoon, Wilcote OX7 3EB, 2-5pm
26 June Freeland Pre-school sponsored Zumba class, Freeland Village Hall, 8pm
27 June Freeland Gardening Club, Freeland Village Hall, 7.30pm
28 June Freeland Photo Group, Newell Room, 7.30pm
29 June "Grey" week recycling + food + rubbish waste collection
29 June Marie Curie Quiz Night, Oxfordshire Yeoman, 7.30pm for 8pm, £3 each
1 July Freeland School Society: 'The Dirty Earth Band', Village Hall - page **27**
2 July An Evening of Music, Village Hall, concerts at 7pm & 8.30pm - page **37**
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Adverts: grapevineadverts@gmail.com

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