

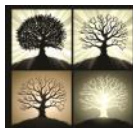


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Services for March 2019

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6th **Ash Wednesday**

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10th 08.00 Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)

17th 10.00 Holy Communion with Junior Church (Rev. David Tyler)

24th 08.00 Holy Communion (Rev David Tyler)

31st **Mothering Sunday**

10.00 Morning Prayer (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)

Services for April 2019

7th 10.00 Family Service (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)

St Mary's Junior Church

St. Mary's Junior Church meets at 10 - 11am on the third Sunday of every term-time month. The leaders and children leave the service during the first hymn and walk through the churchyard to the quiet Convent Chapel. There, using crafts, games, DVD, and drama we explore the same passage as the adult congregation. We have the chance to be slightly noisier in our study!

We then walk back to church to join our families for a blessing or communion.

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 or activity and, of course, snacks and drinks for children and adults. Please bring a 50p donation.

The group runs weekly during term time and on an ad hoc basis in the school holidays. Please contact either Alice on **886833** or David on **881270**; or see our Facebook page to find out more: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/958595840860028/>

11+ Hitchhikers meeting in Hanborough at 7pm on Sunday evening.

For further information on all these groups or services phone David on 881270 or visit www.achurchnearyou.com/st-mary-the-virgin-freeland or www.hanboroughparish.org.uk

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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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ST MARY'S CHURCH BELLS RINGING REPORT

The bells will be rung at the following services:

Sunday 3rd March: 9.15am - 10.00am

Sunday 17th March: 9.15am - 10.00am

Sunday 31st March: 9.15am - 10.00am

Sunday 7th April: 9.15am - 10.00am

Usual practice every **Monday** from **7.30pm until 9pm.**

FF6 takes place on **Fridays** from **6pm to 7pm**, except where a practice falls immediately before a Saturday practice.

Please contact the Tower Captain, Neil Ephgrave (**883850**) or Michael Probert (**882687**) should you wish to discuss any bell ringing matters.

You can see more about Freeland Bell Ringers under the "Clubs and Groups" section of the village website www.freelandoxon.co.uk

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Letter from our Rector:

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You might think taking one day off, that they would not achieve as much as their neighbours but in fact as a nation they flourished.

As a Christian (or indeed as a Jew or Muslim might also say) I am convinced that they thrived because they were made to take a day off and because God asked them to do so.

When I was an accountant I worked on a fraud investigation and we had to work through the night to photocopy a complete office. In our naivety we decided to work on 8 hours and then off 8 hours through the whole day. We managed a couple of days! Very quickly we were completely shattered. Our bodies were not made to work like this - getting up at 2am, having just clocked off at 6pm.

God made us to work 6 days out of 7 and to rest properly. If we rest then we flourish - if we do as God suggests then we flourish.

When God created everything even he took the 7th day off - it stands to reason that we might need to do so to.

So do work hard, by all means, but do find a way to rest properly too.

With best wishes for a restful filled and fruitful life.

David

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Feb 24th 10.00 Mr Ian Gray

March 3rd 10.00 Mrs Jeanie Taylor

10th 10.00 Rev. Rose Westwood - Café Church - Holy Communion

17th 10.00 Mr Geoff Reeve

24th 10.00 Rev. Nigel Knights Johnson

31st 10.00 Rev. Hilary Ewing

April 7th 10.00 Rev. Rose Westwood - Baptism

VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

We would like to express our sincere thanks to Colin James, who has recently resigned from the committee, for his contributions to our work over many years.

His resignation creates a vacancy and we are seeking a new member to take his place.

We meet monthly on the evening of the second Monday of the month, the meetings usually last a little over an hour. For more information please contact James at

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	10.00	Morning Worship (Rev. Sue Spankie)	Manor School
	18.00	Evening Prayer (Rev. David Tyler)	Christ Church

Services in Hanborough for March 2019

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	18.00	BCP Holy Communion (Rev. Sue Spankie)	Christ Church
6th	Ash Wednesday		
	20.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Sue Spankie)	St Mary's Freeland
10th	10.00	Holy Communion with Baptism (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	Manor School
	18.00	Evening Prayer (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	Christ Church
17th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Worship Together	Manor School
	10.00	Morning Prayer (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	Christ Church
	18.00	Compline (Rev. David Tyler)	Christ Church
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	18.00	Evening Prayer (Rev. Sue Spankie)	Christ Church
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	10.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	Manor School

Services in Hanborough for April 2019

7th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Morning Worship (Rev. David Tyler)	Manor School
	18.00	BCP Holy Communion (Rev. Sue Spankie)	Christ Church

This information is correct at the date published. Should any changes be necessary, the up-to-date information can be found at www.hanboroughparish.co.uk

WITNEY MUSIC SOCIETY

The final concert of Witney Music Society's 2018-19 season will be given by Elena Urioste (violin) and Tom Poster (piano) who'll be playing sonatas for violin and piano by Richard Strauss, Ravel and Grieg plus four shorter works.

The concert is at **7.30pm on Friday 8th March** at High Street Methodist Church, Witney. Tickets (£12, under 19 £1) will be available at the door from **7pm**.

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Mass also on Mondays, Tuesdays & Fridays at 9.30am, Wednesdays & Thursdays at 10.00am. (As these times change occasionally, please consult the Weekly Newsletter online)

THE PARISH 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**

BIBLE STUDY after Mass on Wednesdays

ADORATION after Mass on Fridays.

THE HALL (The Tolkien Room) is available for hire with a lovely outside area where people can sit or walk, and children can play. To book contact the Parish Priest as above.

LENT AND EASTER begins on **ASH WEDNESDAY** which is the **6th March** this year. Catholics, and some other Christians, mark this day by coming to Mass and receiving Ashes on their heads as a sign of our realization that without God we are but dust and ashes, and thus we determine to be more open to God in various ways during Lent and in preparation for Easter Mass at St Peter's is at **10.00am** and **7.00pm**.

ONE OF THE WAYS that you might keep Lent is by coming to our Wednesday Morning Bible study at **10.30am**. We have a cup of tea, or glass of water together and then read aloud the Bible Readings for the coming Sunday and then after a short time of silent prayer, we share together what each of us feels is being said to us through these Readings. We finish with a Hymn and a Prayer and are leaving Church by **11.45am**.

ANOTHER WAY of KEEPING LENT would be to choose another weekday Mass to come to either at St Peter's or another Church nearer where you work. On Fridays at St Peter's the Mass at **9.30am** is followed by half an hour of silent prayer.

ST PETER'S PANCAKE FEAST is always on the Saturday before Lent begins so do pop in for a Pancake or two on **Saturday 2nd March** in our Hall from **10.30am** till **1.30pm**. Delicious pancakes with various different fillings are served to you at your table. Just turn up for a late breakfast, brunch or lunch and enjoy. Many non-Catholics come to this and love it!

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Holy Communion for Ash Wednesday

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Thursday 16th May, 2019

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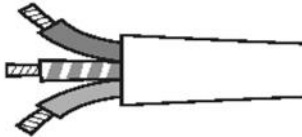
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FREELAND PARISH COUNCIL

LISA'S NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 21st JANUARY 2018

Annual Parish Meeting

As advised last month, the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on **Friday 26th April at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall. A number of topics are being considered, including:

- Village Hub update – (to include update on Freeland Methodist Church) – Village Hub Group to give an update
- A40 Park and Ride Scheme – update on progress
- West Oxfordshire Cotswolds Garden Village - update
- Garden of Remembrance – sculpture ideas
- Wildlife corridors – Robert to give a brief presentation about wildlife corridors
- Christmas lunch update – Julie Stuart-Thompson to give an update on the Christmas lunch event held in the Village Hall on Christmas Day 2018

Garden of Remembrance

Two local artists specialising in sculpture and carving attended the January meeting to provide some ideas of possible sculpture pieces that may be suitable for the Garden of Remembrance. Various suggestions were put forward, and some beautiful sculpted pieces were shown and considered. The Council hope to use S106 funds towards a sculpture, should this go ahead. This is being given further consideration once a quote has been received for the work.

Daffodils

As advised last month, the lovely daffodil bulbs are now starting to push through ready to display their beautiful bright cheery yellow flowers. These bulbs have been lovingly planted by members of the Gardening Club and every year the flowers make a fantastic display throughout the village. Please be mindful that the bulbs are particularly vulnerable whilst they are coming through, so please keep off the grass verges where they have been planted. Thanks very much.

Planning Applications:

Applications can be seen via Freeland Website (**www.freelandoxon.co.uk**) under Parish Council/Planning Tracker as well as 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.

Applications Received:

18/03598/HHD 9 CHURCH VIEW, FREELAND.

Retrospective application for a garage/workshop for Mr Kenneth Jeddere-Fisher.

19/00086/HHD 13 CHURCH VIEW, FREELAND.

Erection of single storey front and rear extensions for Mr Mark Gaul.

19/00163/HHD WITSEND, 130 WROSLYN ROAD, FREELAND.

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Applications Approved:

18/03053/HHD 117 WROSLYN ROAD, FREELAND.

Erection of single storey front and rear extensions and conversion of loft for Mr Max Everson.

Contacting the Council & Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on:

Monday 18th March 2019, 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

THE UNACCEPTED FREELAND RAMBLERS 3rd February 2019

Another unprecedented event! Even more people attended than last month and two doggies who tolerated each other very well (the dogs, not the people).

The picturesque snowy landscape lay untrampled (until we got there) and although it was still freezing, there were no complaints of the weather being cold. We trudged some 6 magical miles with the fields being covered in sparkling snow. The more feeble-minded of our committee suggested we postpone this ramble until next week because of icy conditions but as only one of our party suffered a fall with a broken cuticle and we all managed to avoid her, no harm was done. Apart from that, the whole adventure passed off comparatively peacefully until Mr P. P. Anting insisted on taking a splinter group of troublemakers off in a southerly direction in order to avoid the five course meal that the rest of us enjoyed. We never saw them again.

The tune of the month, 'Walking In A Winter Wonderland', has caused some consternation, should it be by Mr Buble, Mr Stewart or The Smurfs?

The next Brexit-avoiding ramble will

leave from **The Oxfordshire Yeoman, 9.30am on Sunday 3rd March 2019.**

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Morning Prayer for Mothering Sunday

Please join us at Morning Prayer for Mothering Sunday at St Mary's, Freeland on Sunday 31st March at 10am.

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FREELAND CRICKET CLUB

Women's Cricket

We had a great turn out for the Women's Cricket Information Session, with 16 women attending and expressing a wish to play. After the meeting another 4 women have contacted me and will be coming along to the first coaching session. The coaching will focus upon core skills, catching, throwing, batting and bowling, and will start with using soft cricket balls, we will move onto hard cricket balls when the squad are comfortable to do so. The first coaching session will take place on **Saturday 6th April at 11am**, please come along. Women's membership is **£10** for the season, and there will be NO more fees to pay, you will also get a Freeland CC training shirt.

Adult Training

All adult players, along with the under 17s and under 15s started training in the indoor nets on **Sunday 17th February**. These sessions will continue until **31st March**. They are being held at Windrush Leisure Centre between **8pm and 9pm**, cost is **£3** per session. Please come along if you are interested.

Our first league game is **Saturday 4th May**, so we are gearing up for a competitive second season back in the League, and challenging ourselves to still be in with a chance of winning the League in September.

Junior Cricket

Junior coaching, for girls and boys, starts at the beginning of April, these are the sessions for different squads for April:

Mondays 6.30 to 7.30- Under 15s and Under 17s (this is for children aged between 13 and 17)

Tuesdays 6.30 to 7.30- Under 11s and Under 13s (this is for children aged between 9 and 12)

Saturdays 10 to 11- Under 9s (this is for children aged between 5 and 8)

There will be further details next month with regards to girl's training, which will be on Wednesdays at **5.30pm**. The girls' team have an additional training session run by Kim and Paul Salway.

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St Mary's Church, Freeland

Sunday 31st March - 3pm

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To reserve a ticket email revdavidtyler@gmail.com or phone **01993 881270**.

FREELAND VILLAGE HUB

In the past month work has continued on various documents that will be needed in the future such as the Business Plan and the Share Prospectus.

A decision on the Planning Application for change of use by the Methodist Church will be known shortly, after which we hope that a way forward will be found to progress our community initiative.



Our next Musical offering is the concert to be given by Hannah Laurens, Violin, and Tom McCoy, Piano on **Sunday 7th April 2019 at 3pm in St Mary the Virgin Church**. A programme of enjoyable classical music featuring Mozart's sunny Sonata in B flat, this is contrasted by Röntgen's dark and foreboding Sonata in F sharp minor and a virtuoso show piece in the gypsy style. A programme to please most people, so do make a note of the date in your diary. There are no tickets to purchase but a suggested donation of **£10** per adult would be most acceptable. Poster on **page 35**.

Continuing our fund raising activities there will be something for the children to enjoy during the Easter holidays – so watch out for next month's Grapevine to learn more!

As always if you wish to make contact with the Committee, the website address is www.freelandcbs.community email: freelandvillagehub@gmail.com or

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Jane Duff - Freeland CBS Management Committee

February 2019

EXERCISE GROUP

Come and join our friendly exercise group run by an Age UK tutor at the Village Hall, Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am First taster session is free. To suit all abilities (seated or standing). These classes are to build muscle strength & help prevent falls.

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I have constructed a can crusher so please do not crush the cans yourself.

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FREELAND GARDENING CLUB

What a fascinating evening we had with Malcolm Moody on 28th January. His talk and photos of Orchids in Thailand was amazing to those of us who had not been there. He showed forests where practically every tree had Orchids growing wild in their branches. He had travelled far into the forest to find rare Orchids in secret locations. Each flower was so perfectly formed and different, in a great variety of colours.

The talk on 'Dahlias' on **Monday 25th February at 7.30pm** in Freeland Hall is far more locally based. Most gardeners have grown Dahlias at some point but don't always know how to get the best out of these beautiful flowers. Maybe his talk will encourage us to have another go!

A future date for your diary is our day visit to Boward House and Gardens on **Saturday 18th May**. There is a Walled Garden, a spring woodland walk where many spring flowers will be at their best, and one of the best examples of parkland designed by Capability Brown. It is also possible to go around the house.

For further information and booking please contact Brian Wildblood on **883968** or email brian.wildblood@gmail.com Visitors very welcome.

The members of the Gardening Club will be given the opportunity to be at the planting on the edge of the Playing Field of one of the Hornbeam trees, which they have contributed towards. This is to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the Club.

Bring and Buy Gardening Items and Plant Sale at all Hall meetings.

For any further information about the Gardening Club please contact Ray and Jill Evans on jillandray@btinternet.com

Janet Dalton (Publicity Secretary)

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY NEWS

1st March is World Book Day, so why not grab some books to share with your family and friends? The books you take from the Little Free Library don't have to be returned, so feel free to keep them or pass them on to someone else.

You will remember that The Teddy Girls raised money back in September to fund a new Little Free Library to replace the current one. A design for the replacement Little Free Library has been agreed, but we have come across issues with planning permission. The Parish Council is working to resolve this, and we'll let you know as and when things progress. Do read the Parish Council notes in the Grapevine to keep up to speed with developments, and I will continue to update you here.

As always the Little Free Library is full of surprises. This past month I've read *Villa America* by Liza Klausmann, *Days of Grace* by Catherine Hall and *SS-GB* by Len Deighton. These are all books that I would never have read otherwise, so thank you to whomever donated them!



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1st HANBOROUGH FREELAND SCOUT GROUP



First of all, thank you to everyone that attended our Race Night last month. We had a fun night at the Yeoman raising money for the group.

Recently we said farewell to Tracy, otherwise known as Otter, who had been a wonderful volunteer with Beavers. She said: *"It's been an absolute pleasure spending time with the Beavers over the last 2 years once again and meeting all the lovely mums and dads and of course the lovely leaders."*

Thank you for all your time and energy that you devoted to the group, Tracy, your years of service were greatly appreciated!

We need more helpers like Tracy for the Beavers group, who meet on Wednesdays during term time, from **5.30pm** until **6.45pm** at Freeland Village Hall. So if you would like to embark on a fun and rewarding journey with Scouts, please do get in touch by sending an email to Adam gsl@hfscouting.org.uk or by chatting to one of the leaders.

Our groups have all had a very active time recently. **Beavers** spent an evening making pancakes, **Cubs** have been doing martial arts and building spaghetti towers, **Scouts** made pinhole cameras and cooked pheasants (not at the same time!) and **Explorers** have been getting to know their new leaders Adrian and Jane.

A lot of energy goes into planning the programme of activities for each of our groups, so a massive thank you to all the leaders and volunteers for making it all possible. We're already planning camping trips for later in the year!

Matthew Ruddle (Publicity Rep)

FREELAND CRAFT CLUB

This month we have concentrated on learning some different knitting stitches - double moss stitch, basket weaving stitch, fisherman's rib, cabling (double cable, bobble cable, 6- and 4- stitch cable) - some 16 varieties of stitching using all sorts of coloured yarns. We are making 4" squares samples which are then being joined together into lap blankets for a local residential home.

We hope you might come and join us sometimes - perhaps to learn new skills or show us some of your skills or maybe just for a chat.

Whatever the reason, you will be made very welcome.

**NEXT MEETINGS: In the Newell Room, Village Hall - 2pm to 4pm:
Wednesdays: March 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th; April 3rd & 10th**

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Our 90 minute archery taster also makes a fun whole family activity.

If you're an artist, with some experience of painting or drawing in any medium, John Somerscales will help you develop your *Picture Making Skills*, considering things like composition, tonal range, colour and movement.

Classic cookery, stained glass and sewing workshops are all full for March, but we do have places on **18th May**.

The following weekly courses have space and you can join part-way through the term, paying pro-rata: Monday badminton, Thursday *Zumba Gold*, our Wednesday evening singing group, and yoga classes on Monday and Thursday mornings, and Monday evenings.

Our tutors are very friendly and look forward to welcoming you. Please check availability on our website or call the office to book.

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FREELAND FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

200 Club Draw

1st prize:	£ 20	No. 144	R. Lay
2nd prize:	£ 10	No. 12	P. Salter
3rd prize:	£ 5	No. 53	D. Hopkins

This month has seen the **First** team win three and draw one out of their four games. The wins coming against Bicester and a great win against title rivals Marston in the League and then a convincing **9-1** victory in the Cup against Eynsham. The defence will have been pleased to only concede 3 goals in these games, giving keeper Adam Lonsdale some much needed confidence; whilst the forward line of McCudden and Morton look brighter than Sean Bunting's Hi-Viz hoodie, bagging 7 between them in 2 games. The Cup win sees them through to the Semi Final, which will be played at Freeland on **Saturday 2nd March (13.30 KO)**.



The **Reserves** are also unbeaten this month thanks to a 0-0 draw at Summertown and two good wins against Heyford and Long Crendon. Their fixtures this month include two tasty back to back League games against Hanborough 1st team. Details of their Clarendon Cup Final have been announced – **Saturday 4th May 17.30 KO at North Leigh**.

The **Under 15s** have only played two games this month, suffering defeats in both to some of the stronger sides in the League.

The **Under 12s** continue to progress well and are doing well in their League.

We would also like to thank Trevor in the Yeoman for his donation from the Christmas draw.

Ben Symonds - Secretary Freeland FC

FREELAND WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We were pleased to welcome Bruce Hammersley to our February meeting. Bruce gave an entertaining account of the Sea to Sea adventure, which saw him supporting charity cyclists for 3 months on a gruelling 4300 mile ride across the United States. Whilst driving the RV support vehicle, Bruce photographed the faces and places of small town America. In an hour we were taken from Washington State on the Pacific coast, across the Rockies, through the prairies, eventually arriving at the Atlantic Ocean, before heading north to Washington D.C. Bruce's stunning photographs captured the big scenery of the United States, but also gave an insight into beliefs, attitudes and social issues. It was a fascinating snapshot of an America that is not often seen.

Our next meeting is on **Monday 11th March 2019**, when we will be holding our AGM and celebrating our **5th Birthday**.

Freeland WI normally meets on the second Monday of the month in the Village Hall, starting at **8pm** and finishing around **10pm**. We welcome visitors and new members. Further information is available on our website:

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Please see the timetable on **page 38** of this issue.

Please use and support your Community Bus which is run by local volunteers. We would love to hear from more volunteers to drive the minibus or to assist passengers to embark and disembark. You can do it, so please contact me for further details.

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BEFSA QUIZ – Freeland Hall - January 2019

The annual BEFSA quiz saw a packed hall, all competing to be the winning team, whilst supporting a small Oxfordshire based charity. BEFSA links schools in Oxfordshire with schools in the Eastern Cape, South Africa. 87 people in 13 teams battled with links, musical themes, pictures and other cunning brain teasing rounds. A lovely chilli con carne fired the teams for the second half of the quiz. 4 teams of villagers took on teams from Oxfordshire schools, the council and BEFSA trustees. It would be fair to say that there were mixed results and finishing positions at the end of the last round with the highest scoring Freeland village team, “The Naughty Corner”, coming a creditable 3rd. With all the donations on the night, an amazing **£2200** was raised, a huge target to aim at next year!

If you would like to know more about the work of BEFSA you can check out the website ([**befsa.org**](http://befsa.org)) or contact Julie Stuart-Thompson [**julie.st@btinternet.com**](mailto:julie.st@btinternet.com).

Our next fundraiser “Curry Night” is being held on **Saturday 27th April** at Ready Steady Spice in Eynsham.

Many thanks to all those who have supported us over the last few years.

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FREELAND PHOTO GROUP

The March meetings will be on **Tuesday 5th and 19th at 7.30pm**. Meetings are usually held in the Newell Room on the first and third Tuesday of the month starting at **7.30pm**. Everyone is welcome at all levels of experience. We are a friendly group who provide mutual support and encouragement. Refreshments provided.

We are on Flickr at [**https://www.flickr.com/groups/freelandgroup/**](https://www.flickr.com/groups/freelandgroup/)

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What's on?

Monday 25th Feb – sorry no group - INSET at school

Monday 4th March – Messy Play

Monday 11th March – Swap Shop / Story Time

Monday 18th March – Cooking

Monday 25th March – Mothers' Day Craft

Monday 1st April – Easter Painting

Can you help? We would love some more volunteers! Even if you don't have a baby or toddler, could you spare a couple of hours on a Monday morning every now and again? Contact us for more information.

Contact Victoria on 07771 938357 for more information,
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FREELAND COMMUNITY BUS TIMETABLE

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AVAILABILITY

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Combe Mill is dusting off winter and preparing for the first steaming Sunday of 2019, on **March 17th**, between **10am and 5pm**.

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If you have never visited, Combe Mill is the historic sawmill adjacent to the River Evenlode and close to Combe railway station, between the villages of Combe and Long Hanborough. A Grade II* listed building, it was restored in the early 1970s and is kept running by a team of volunteers. Would you like to come and join us??



Currently the water wheel is in need of a new set of teeth - and it has lots of them - so please do come to the Easter and Christmas markets, steaming days on the third Sunday of the month between March and October or enjoy a personal tour on the first Sunday or Wednesdays, when the team is always working hard.

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Julie Stuart-Thompson Stalls/Events Organiser

BURFORD ORCHESTRA

Burford Orchestra will be welcoming in spring on **Saturday 16th March** with a programme featuring well-known works from the classical era at St Mary's Church, Witney. The concert, which starts at **7.30pm**, opens with Mendelssohn's *Hebrides Overture*, popularly known as *Fingal's Cave* and written following his trip to the remote Scottish island. This is followed by Hummel's lively *trumpet concerto*, featuring Richard Colquhoun as soloist, and the second half sees the orchestra take on one of Beethoven's most celebrated works: the *Eroica Symphony*.

Tickets cost **£9** with **£1** entry for under 16s and are available online from TicketSource. Contact info@burfordorchestra.org.uk or Sarah on **01993 883490** for information. Doors open **7pm**, refreshments available.

NORTH LEIGH HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday 5th March: Researching Family History - Jessica Feinstein

Tuesday 2nd April: Pagans and Puritans - a talk about the May Day celebrations in Oxford by Tim Healey

Tuesday 7th May: Archaeological Finds in Oxfordshire - a talk by Michael Hodges (a detectorist)

Do come and join us in the Turner Hall, Church Road, North Leigh **OX29 6TX** at **7.30pm**. Everyone is welcome. Visitors **£4**, members free.

Further details from Diana Power **01993 882301**

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Tuesday 5th March: *Cole Porter and his Music* - Nick Gill

Tuesday 2nd April: *Environmental Law* - Richard Macrory

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EYNSHAM MEDICAL GROUP - PPG UPDATE

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Some patients have been asking for clarification on these services.

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The way we walk may well be due to a physiotherapy issue.

Local Healthshare services are based at the Deer Park premises.

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What do you do if no-one contacts you? You can call the MATT Physiotherapy & Podiatry Service on **01865 238108** and one of their advisors will be able to help you.

How long will this take? That depends on what you were referred for. The waiting times for different types of treatment options vary.

Healthshare state that "It is important to note that waiting times are subject to location and there may be appointments available sooner at other locations if you are able / prepared to travel to another clinic (eg Chipping Norton or Bicester) to attend an appointment.

Further information is at **<https://healthshareoxfordshire.org.uk/visit>**

MARIE CURIE QUIZ NIGHT @ THE YEOMAN

Wednesday, 27th March 2019, 7.30pm. for 8.00pm start at

The Oxfordshire Yeoman, 172 Wroslyn Road, Freeland, Witney, Oxon **OX29 8AQ**

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 info: Nicky Clargo at **oxfordshire.stars@gmail.com** or **07754 271831**

Raising money for the Marie Curie Cancer Charity - registration no. 207994

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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| 25 Feb | Freeland Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.30pm |
| 27 Feb | Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection |
| 28 Feb | Community Bus Freeland - Witney - Freeland see page 38 |
| 3 Mar | Unaccepted Freeland Ramblers, meet at Oxfordshire Yeoman 9.30am |
| 5 Mar | The Cake Café, Freeland Village Hall, 9.00 - 11.30am (bacon rolls 9-10am) |
| 5 Mar | Woodstock U3A, Community Centre, New Road, Woodstock, 2pm |
| 5 Mar | North Leigh History Society, Turner Hall, Church Rd, N. Leigh, 7.30pm |
| 5 Mar | Freeland Photo Group, Newell Room, 7.30pm |
| 6 Mar | Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection |
| 7 Mar | Community Bus Freeland - Witney - Freeland see page 38 |
| 8 Mar | Witney Music Society, High Street Methodist Church, Witney, 7.30pm |
| 11 Mar | Freeland Women's Institute, Freeland Hall, 8pm |
| 12 Mar | Last date for insertions in the April Grapevine |
| 13 Mar | Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection |
| 14 Mar | Community Bus Freeland - Witney - Freeland see page 38 |
| 16 Mar | Burford Orchestra Concert, St Mary's Church, Witney. Doors 7pm, £9 |
| 16 Mar | Eynsham Rotary's Barn Dance, Eynsham Village Hall, 7.30pm, £12.50 |
| 18 Mar | Freeland Parish Council meeting, Newell Room, 7.30pm |
| 19 Mar | Freeland Photo Group, Newell Room, 7.30pm |
| 20 Mar | Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection |
| 21 Mar | Community Bus Freeland - Witney - Freeland see page 38 |
| 25 Mar | Freeland Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.30pm |
| 27 Mar | Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection |
| 27 Mar | Marie Curie Quiz Night, Oxfordshire Yeoman, 8pm, £3 |
| 28 Mar | Community Bus Freeland - Witney - Freeland see page 38 |
| 2 Apr | The Cake Café, Freeland Village Hall, 9.00 - 11.30am |
| 2 Apr | Woodstock U3A, Community Centre, New Road, Woodstock, 2pm |
| 2 Apr | North Leigh History Society, Turner Hall, Church Rd, N. Leigh, 7.30pm |
| 3 Apr | Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection |
| 4 Apr | Community Bus Freeland - Witney - Freeland see page 38 |
| 7 Apr | Unaccepted Freeland Ramblers, meet at Oxfordshire Yeoman 9.30am |
| 7 Apr | Village Hub Piano & Violin Recital, St Mary's Church, 3pm see page 35 |
| 8 Apr | Freeland Women's Institute, Freeland Hall, 8pm |
| 10 Apr | Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection |

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If submitting electronically please use Word or Publisher, **not PDFs** as they are incompatible with Microsoft Publisher which we use for the Grapevine.
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Saturday 2nd March: Emma's Charity Pub Quiz-starts 8ish

Sunday 3rd March: Craft Fair - starts 6ish

Wednesday 6th March: ** BINGO ** - starts 8ish

Sat 9th Mar: Six Nations Rugby England v Italy 4.45pm

Thursday 14th March: Steak Night - booking essential

Sat 16th Mar: Six Nations Rugby England v Scotland 5pm

Wednesday 27th March: Marie Curie Quiz - starts 8ish

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