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CHARLTON VILLAGE FÊTE

The village Fete and Tennis Tournament was held on a gloriously sunny Saturday, 14 July, in a curiously green The Cottage garden - an oasis in an otherwise parched Charlton.



Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to make it a success, enjoyed by over 300 adults and countless children. The total raised for Newbottle church was nearly £4000, and £250 for the School's PTFA who provided the excellent teas.

Winners of prizes in the raffle were Sheila Robbins, Chester King, Linda Hulls, Jamey Allday, Edwina Woods, Andy Green, Max Garratt, Val Allen, and Frederica Hillemann; and the lucky Programme winner was Wendy Cone.

Notes of the Newbottle Parish Council Meeting - Monday 16 July at 7.30pm www.newbottleparishcouncil.co.uk

Present – Chairman, Councillor Andrew Woods; Councillors Linda Baker, Adrian Kelly and Diana Sheasby, Theresa Goss (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer) and Lisa Scanlon, Editor of the village web site.

Apologies – Councillor Michael Loggin.

Minutes - The minutes of the meeting held on 18 June 2018 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Village Web Site – Lisa Scanlon attended the Parish Council and she discussed with Councillors, a number of new ideas for the village web site. The Parish Council thanked Lisa for all her hard work on the site.

Playing Field Lease and Pavilion Project – Fundraising was continuing and Councillor Andrew Woods assured the Parish Council that the new lease for the playing field was acceptable.

VAS on Farthinghoe Road – The Clerk would be submitting the application for the Section 50 licence to the County Council which would allow the poles to be installed.

Poors Allotment Charity – Councillor Linda Baker gave an update on the work of the Charity and the criteria for those who are eligible to receive its benefits.

Bus Service – The 499 bus service would be ceasing on 21 July 2018. If anybody was interested in car sharing, would provide lifts to Banbury/Brackley or needed a lift into Banbury/Brackley, please contact the Parish Council. You will be required to give your name, address and contact number and give permission for this to be shared with others residents of the village who also make contact about these arrangements.

Meeting Dates - Future meetings, all starting at 7.30pm at the Memorial Hall, Charlton were as follows:

17 September 2018
15 October 2018
19 November 2018

All welcome to attend!

A copy of the draft minutes for the whole meeting are available at www.newbottleparishcouncil.co.uk or please contact the Clerk, Theresa Goss, at newbottleparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk or ring 01295 710965 during normal office hours

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SERVICES AT NEWBOTTLE

5th August Trinity 10 Sung Eucharist 9.30am
12th August Trinity 11 Matins 9.30am
19th August Trinity 12 Sung Eucharist 9.30am
26th August Trinity 13 Matins 9.30am
2nd September Trinity 14 Sung Eucharist 9.30am

A well-know playwright once said that “Life can only be lived in the present tense”. At the time he was dying but there was no self pity, just an urge to live each day as it came and to achieve all he could in the time he had left.

Today is what counts. Take that with you when you wake in the morning. If you need to do something, say something to someone, do it today. If you want to achieve something, start now.

In Moscow, during the days of the Soviet Union, churches met in secret. In one Baptist Church, the place was full and the choir and singing were superb. The leader was asked how he got the singers so full of life and joy. “Every time we sing,” he said, “it’s with the thought that this may be the last time we’ll ever be able to sing.”

It wasn’t a morbid thought, just a stimulus to use every minute to the full. I reckon that if we lived life in the same way, we’d make the world sparkle more than it does.

David Morgan

Memorial Hall AGM

The Charlton Memorial Hall AGM took place on Tuesday 3rd July, thanks to everyone who attended. The trustees discussed the ongoing interior improvements planned for the hall in the coming year, including the installation of a new, fully insulated ceiling in the main hall.

The checked accounts were presented and are in good order. An acceptable number of hall bookings were taken and the very reasonable booking rate will not be increased again this year. A reminder that the Memorial Hall can offer support to groups wanting to start new activities in the village and that there is table tennis equipment available to use at no extra cost.

If you would like to join the team that meets a few times a year to look after the Memorial Hall, please get in touch with the Chairperson Della Wolfe on della@thecurvegroup.co.uk

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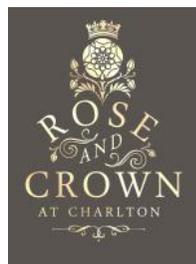
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NEWBOTTLE & CHARLTON SCHOOL UPDATE

We had an incredibly busy July, ending the school year on a real high. The whole school took part in many activities during our Russia topic. As well as our very own football tournament, they learnt Russian dancing, made Russian crafts, sampled Russian food and had a 'virtual' trip to the Russian ballet!



The whole school walked to St James church and was joined by parents, ex-pupils and village supporters for Father Roger's Memorial Service which was a wonderful celebration of all Father Roger has done for the school community. The children shared their memories and we sang some very moving songs.



Birch class (Yrs 5&6) put on a superb performance of 'The Tempest' as their end of year play - the singing and acting was phenomenal. Our Sports Day was a hot and sticky day again but was enjoyed by all, especially the ice lolly reward at the end!

We took two Year 5/6 Rounders teams to Magdalen for the annual competition. After some fantastic play, one team finished in 7th position and the other team were the overall WINNERS!



We finished off the term with a lovely Community Tea where children entertained and served cakes and drinks for our visitors. We also enjoyed our Summer Concert on a warm evening. All children performed football-related songs in their classes and choirs during the first half and children played their instruments in the second half.

After a tearful Leaver's Assembly for our Year 6 pupils who are moving on to a variety of secondary schools, we are all going to enjoy a well-earned summer break. I'd like to say a big thank you to the community for all your support, we are looking forward to a fantastic year, starting back on 5th September!

Mrs Smith, Head Teacher

FESTIVAL OF OPEN GARDENS – MAY - SEPTEMBER 2017

Our Festival of Open Gardens is back this summer with over 30 gardens open. This year we also have some fantastic garden talks from renowned local gardeners, as well as a flower festival, not to mention teas and home-made cakes at many of the gardens. More information at www.khh.org.uk/gardens, or call us on 01295 816 484.



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6 August - Heyford Park. 5, 7 & 9 September - Broughton Grange. 17 September – Bloxham

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Nature Notes

Perhaps by the time that you read this the heavens will have opened, all the grass will be green again, and we will have forgotten the gorgeousness of a hot English summer. But at the time of writing it has not rained since May and it seems as if it will never rain again. Lawns have forgotten that they're meant to be green and those of us with large gardens are having to decide each day what we will keep alive.

The grass in the fields is also parched and dusty and hidden archaeology is coming to light, where the foundations of forgotten walls are showing through. Lost boundary ditches show up green in drought conditions as the grass or other crops has a greater depth of topsoil to keep it going, and the walls of such things as Roman villas, deserted medieval villages, and even prehistoric monuments, normally hidden and unsuspected, show up as pale lines as the plants have little topsoil over stone foundations.

Last month we wrote about deer in the garden and we have seen one just recently in full daylight. Not welcome! It was a muntjac, not much bigger than a large dog and with small antlers. We have also had nightly incursions from the badgers which aren't welcome either. They took a fancy to our broad beans and ate the whole crop, knocking down the plants and nipping off each pod close to the stalk. We are rather fond of broad beans so this was disappointing. And then this week we found a serious hole dug in a flower bed and were appalled at the thought that the badgers were starting a new sett on our premises. We actually think it may have been a fox trying out a new territory so have filled it in with stone hoping to deter it.

The hot weather has been good for butterflies, except for the fact that some of the food plants will have been completely parched. We have seen a marbled white butterfly for the first time in the garden this month and the regular butterfly survey in Ardley Quarry produced over a hundred butterflies on the regular transect walked every fortnight.

We were visited by a large and handsome dragonfly this week which spent a good ten minutes flying round and round us in one section of the garden. It is rather difficult to identify these without catching them and having a close look but we think it was a Four-spotted chaser with a wing span of about 3 inches. Dragonflies eat smaller flying insects so this was presumably what it was after. We have also seen Common blue damselflies which are much more delicate with a slim blue body and a wing-span of 1 ½ inches.

Deborah and Paul Hayter

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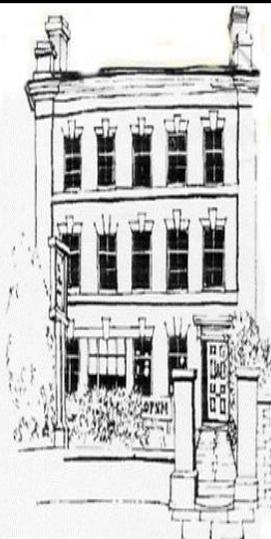
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