

NEWSLETTER

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HUNNINGHAM



DECEMBER 2016

Sunday 11th December
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Tuesday 13th December
Sunday 18th December
Tuesday 20th December
Saturday 24th December
Saturday 24th December
Sunday 25th December

Cubbington Christmas Lights 5-7pm
Carols by Candlelight Hunningham 6pm
Eathorpe Coffee Morning 10.30-12
Carol Service Weston Church 11am
Carols round Hunningham 6pm
Crib Service Weston Church 4pm
Holy Communion Weston Church 10pm
Christmas Day Service Hunningham 10am

JANUARY 2017

Saturday 14th January

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Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year!

from the Newsletter team:

Katie Alcock
Robert Birkmyre
Moira Rawlings



VILLAGE NEWS - WESTON

SEND IN YOUR PHOTOS

The **Weston Under Wetherley Parish Council** have a new website holding agenda & minutes of Parish Council business and information about supported projects and activities. Please visit us at:

www.westonunderwetherleypc.org

The website is hosted free of charge with BT Community Web Kit. We don't have any really good digital photographs to use on the website. If you have any digital photos that we could include in our header and other sections of the website we would really like to hear from you. If you would like any content or section added to the website, please contact Jane Chatterton by email to westonpclerk@gmail.com.

Nick Harrington 07768 192486

Weston Under Wetherley Parish Council

Christmas Eve
Saturday 24th December at 4pm
St Michael's Weston-under-Wetherley

Crib service with the Pilgrim Puppets

A lovely start to Christmas
suitable for all the family

ALSO:

Christmas Eve 10pm

Candlelit Holy Communion at Weston

Christmas Day 10am

Family Worship at Hunningham

VILLAGE NEWS - EATHORPE

WELCOME.....

A very warm welcome to Clare and Leo, Amy and Lucy Gibbon who have recently moved in to Harvest House. We hope you will be very happy in Eathorpe, and we look forward to seeing you at our various events.



The next **coffee morning** will be Tuesday December 13th. Everyone welcome!



Jill Wheeler

VILLAGE NEWS - WESTON

WESTON CAROL SERVICE

St Michael's Church

SUNDAY 18TH DECEMBER at 11am

The Rt Revd John Stroyan (Bishop of Warwick)

Holy Communion with Carols

Coffee and mince pies

Everybody welcome



MONDAY CLUB

We had a lovely time when we visited the Offchurch Afternoon Club in November. Jules of Jules' Jewellery gave a most interesting description of how she designs and creates her own brand of jewellery and she brought many very tempting examples with her.



Our Christmas Lunch at Wethele Manor is on Monday 12th December.

Valerie Evans

VILLAGE NEWS - HUNNINGHAM

Hunningham Church

CAROLS by CANDLELIGHT on Sunday 11th December at 6pm. Followed by mince pies and mulled wine!



CAROL SINGING

Carol Singing round Hunningham Village on Tuesday 20th December starting at 6.30pm outside Hunningham Church. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS DAY Sunday 25th December 10am join us for a short Family service in Hunningham Church – bring the family and any presents from Father Christmas.

JANUARY 2017

HUNNINGHAM VILLAGE PARTY – 6.30pm Saturday 28th January in Hunningham Parish Room. We hope to see you there.

FEBRUARY

PUPPETS and PANCAKES - 4pm Sunday 26th February 2017 in Hunningham Parish Room. Do bring the Family.

Hazel Taylor

Hunningham is holding the annual **Carol Singing** around the village on Tuesday 20th December. We will meet at the church at 6pm and eventually finish singing around the fires at the Red Lion. If you would like to join us then just turn up (with a torch or two) and bright clothing. There will be some hi-vis jackets available. If we are fortunate there will be a few “pit stops” en route.



Any Hunningham villagers who are willing to host us for a quick “pit stop” during our evening would be warmly appreciated and we will drop by and sing for our treats. **Please give Mark a call on 632197 if you would like further details or would like to contribute.** Proceeds will go towards Hunningham church’s building fund and our nominated charity.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Unfortunately, my last report for 2016 contains a few more incidents than we would wish. In addition to the Police incidents below, I have received information about another attempted burglary up on the Fosse in Hunningham, although at the time of writing, I'm not sure if anything was actually stolen.

I have also included this month details of a crime in Offchurch, when money was stolen from inside the church. This is the second church related crime in our neighbourhood in the past two months, so it behoves us to keep an eye open for any suspicious activity around our church buildings.

Offchurch - Theft - Crime Ref: 23S5/40360U/16

Between 1200hrs Sunday 06-NOV-2016 and 1300hrs Tuesday 08-NOV-2016 unknown offender(s) stole a money tin from inside St. Gregory's Church, Offchurch. At approximately 1145hrs Tuesday 08-NOV-2016 a suspicious white male was seen in and around St. Gregory's. The male had short hair, was wearing dark trousers and a grey hooded top with the hood down. The male was seen to leave in a vehicle parked on School Hill, Offchurch.

Do you have any relevant information?

Did you see or hear anything?

Please dial 101 to report any information relating to this offence.

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Hunningham Burglary

Between 1900hrs Friday 28-OCT-2016 and 0830hrs Saturday 29-OCT-2016 unknown offender(s) entered an insecure porch at a residential rural property on School Lane, Hunningham. Offender(s) took a set of keys which were in the porch and proceeded to steal a silver '55' plate Land Rover Freelander"

The majority of other crimes reported by the Police in our neighbouring communities referred, as nearly always, to vehicle related thefts.

To report an incident/crime, dial 101 for non-emergencies and 999 in an emergency.

Paddy Taylor 632428

CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 4th December	11am Wappenbury	3 Parishes Holy Communion Service
Sunday 11th December	10am Offchurch 6pm Weston 6pm Hunningham	Holy Communion Evensong Carols by Candlelight
Sunday 18th December	11am Weston	Holy Communion with Carols led by Bishop of Warwick
Saturday 24th December	4pm Weston 10pm Weston	Crib Service with the Pilgrim Puppets Christmas Eve Holy Communion Bishop David Evans
Sunday 25th December	10am Hunningham	Come2Worship with Junior Church and the Pilgrim Puppets

THE PILGRIM PUPPETS

Tuesday 6th December - Dale Street Rainbows 5.15pm

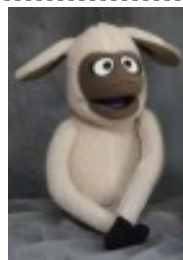
Friday 9th December - Weston Toddlers 10am

Thursday 15th December - Cubbington Mill 2pm

Sunday 18th December - Christingle Service at Offchurch
10am

Wednesday 21st December - Royal Leamington Spa Care
Home and at the James Hirons Care Home 3.15pm

Saturday 24th December - The Crib Service Weston Church 4pm



JANUARY

Sunday 22nd January - Come 2 Worship Hunningham Church 11am

GREEN MATTERS



“Green” issues can cover a wide range of topics from energy policy to vegetable growing and of course conservation and wildlife. The common factor in all green issues is the goal of preserving our planet not just for the next few years but for future generations.

This goal has, in the past, been associated with Idealistic and perhaps impractical people. However, it is an irony that environmental campaigners are disproportionately scientists and science has progressed throughout history by peer reviewed collection of data through which we have learnt to better understand the world – facts not just opinions.

Most of the time there is no conflict between science and public opinion. Lay people may not understand the science but there is no dispute about how a mobile phone or car works or about the technology that holds together our modern world. It is only when vested interests are threatened by science that it becomes contentious – so the link between cancer and smoking was disputed for years because tobacco companies stood to lose and in the 17th century Galileo risked his life by observing that the earth was not at the centre of the universe or even the solar system. This discovery threatened the authority of the church at the time.

And so to climate change which has the vast majority of the world’s scientists in agreement about the cause of global warming and the scale of risks we face. The problems are solvable given concerted action on a global scale so what stands in the way? Once again there are huge vested interests - businesses currently dependent on the continued use of fossil fuels from coal to oil and airlines. The tactics being deployed are similar to those used in the past to defend tobacco. The aim is to discredit the science and big companies can spend big money on PR to sow doubts in the minds of the public. Also no-one likes the idea that they may need to change their lifestyle. This column has argued that there is often a “win-win” in environmentally friendly actions: saving energy also saves money and protects our countryside. However in our heavily consumer based world the idea that buying less is what we need to do is not an easy message.

GREEN MATTERS

The world is facing many challenges and seems to be heading for dangerous waters. Politics, we are told is in a “post truth” era in which facts are less important than sound bites. This goes against centuries of scientific progress in which knowledge was seen as the key to human development. We now have a US president who has promised to pull out of the hard won Paris accord on the climate - seen by many as the last serious chance to coordinate action to avoid runaway global warming.

In the meantime we can push for our own politicians to play their part in protecting the earth for the future and listening to the science – surely that is what most people would want.

Owen Bishop - Eathorpe



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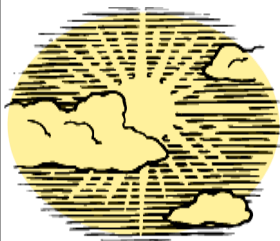
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WEATHER

OCTOBER



It was a damp start to the month with low pressure dominating although this changed to Easterly winds which gave plenty of sun. There were generally normal temperatures but it did get warmer towards the end of the month. Temperatures were above average and it was also sunnier than usual. Overall we cannot moan about the weather during the month.

Rainfall was very low. It was the driest October that I have recorded. There were only 4 days with measureable rainfall and the wettest day was the 16th with 5mm (half of the month's total).

Maximum temperatures were well above average. The maximum temperature that was reached was 18C on the 4th and 16th whilst the lowest maximum was on the 23rd with 13C.

Overnight temperatures were near average with the warmest nights on the 29th and the 14th at 12.5C. The coldest night occurred on October 11th when it fell to 3C. There were no frosts all month.

Mark Hancock 01926 632197 / 07801424003

	October 2016	Long term average	Highest recorded	Lowest recorded
Rainfall	10.5mm	69.48mm	123mm (1998/2006)	10.5mm (2016)
Average max Daily temp	15.823C	14.37C	17.29C (2001)	10.63C (1992)
Average min Daily temp	6.935C	7.05C	10.597C (2005)	3.61C (1992)
Monthly Average temp	11.379C	10.71C	13.879C (2001)	7.12C (1992)

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Mark Swaby Chairman

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As the Mistle thrush eyes up an early Christmas lunch on our berry laden holly bush, I have an ominous feeling the gigantic diggers of HS2 are preparing to attack Cubbington Wood, because an ecologist has been to visit us with regard

to early "environmental mitigation". Although befuddled and bearded, he was considering moving the famous pear tree to save it along with mycorrhizal fungi, bluebells and bugs from the soil along the route. Not to mention protecting Great Crested Newts, bats, badgers and assorted reptiles and amphibians.

I am still certain this money would be better spent planting trees on high marginal land to prevent flooding the Somerset Levels, Cumbria and elsewhere, rather than take fertile arable land.

As I write, the winter storms are queuing up to the west and we are happy the cover crops are slowing the run off to the River Leam. It remains to be seen whether the new administration at DEFRA will see this practice as useful and offer a little encouragement.

What the New Year brings politically, particularly in Europe and the U.S.A, is of great significance to the farming community. The U.S.A has also genetically modified plants to make their photosynthesis more efficient, increasing yield by 20% or more. Change is afoot. Perhaps we should consider having debates about controversial subjects in the village hall, or would we all fall out?

I had time to stand and stare outside a spinney in Norfolk recently when a barn owl flew to the spinney where a kestrel hovered and a harrier flew out soon followed by a laborious sleepy short-eared owl. All this was accompanied by two American F15s having a thunderous dog fight right above the extraordinary predatory scene. It was bizarre!
A very happy Christmas to you all from all at Weston Hall Farm.

Andrew McGregor

CHRISTMAS QUIZ

1. What's the name of the period leading up to Christmas?
2. How many Wise Men brought gifts to Jesus?
3. How does Good King Wenceslas like his pizzas?
4. What was the name of John the Baptist's Mother?
5. Who brings presents to children in Holland on the 5-6th December?
6. How many letters are in the angelic alphabet?
7. In what town was Jesus born?
8. How many presents were given in total in the 12 Days of Christmas?
9. In what decade was the first Christmas Card sent in the UK?
10. How many of Rudolph's eight companions names start with 'D'?
11. What country did Christmas Trees originate from?
12. What's the second line of "I'm dreaming of a white Christmas"?
13. What was Joseph's job?
14. Who started the custom of Wassailing?
15. Who were first people to visit the baby Jesus?
16. What's lucky to find in your Christmas Pudding?
17. What Angel visited Mary?
18. Where did the baby Jesus sleep?



ANSWERS

1. Advent
2. More than one, the Bible doesn't say how many!
3. Deep pan, crisp and even!
4. Elizabeth
5. St. Nicholas
6. 25; 'no el'ii
7. Bethlehem
8. 364
9. 1840s - 1843 by Sir Henry Cole
10. Three - Dasher, Dancer and Donner
11. Germany - it was Latvia but it was part of Germany then!
12. Just like the ones I used to know
13. Carpenter
14. The Anglo Saxons - it means 'good health'
15. Shepherds
16. A six pence
17. Gabriel
18. In a manger



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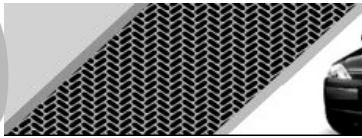




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