

The Ovington Oracle

November, 2018



With 5th of November events imminent, please remember animals & pets: be considerate with smoke and noise, have fun and stay safe.

If anyone would like a festive message printed in the December issue please let me know, details on back cover.

For those who receive their Oracle before Sunday, remember the clocks go back, enjoy your 'extra' hour.

Diary Dates

All at Village Hall unless indicated

Mondays, 10:30am	Coffee morning, until 11:30am
Mondays, 1:30pm	Bowls
27 Oct, 11:00am	Craft Fair until 3:00pm
3 Nov, 7:30pm	Show: John Peel's Shed (doors open 7:00pm)
4 Nov, 9:30am	Holy Communion (Church)
8 Nov, 7:30pm	Parish Council
11 Nov, 10:30am	Remembrance Service (Church)
17 Nov, noon	Soup Lunch
18 Nov, 10:30am	All Saints Service (Church)
20 Nov, 7:45pm	Ladies Group – 40th Anniversary

To book the village hall contact Christine Reilly 885848

Village web-site: www.ovington-village.org.uk

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Ladies Group

Ann Johnson



15 members attended the AGM on Tuesday 16 October. Christine gave her secretary's report detailing the year's activities and Ann presented the audited accounts. The Chairman, Angela, thanked all the committee for their hard work through the year, especially Christine who is standing down as secretary and Ann, who is standing down as Treasurer, having completed their three years on the committee. We welcome two new members on to the committee, Rose and Gill. This still means we are one short on the committee so, if anyone would like to join this fun committee, they would be most welcome.

After the business members enjoyed a hilarious game of bingo.

Hilda won the competition with her lovely picture of Richard and Jane.

Next month, on Tuesday, 20 November, we shall be celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Ladies Group. This will be a very special meeting and there will be no competition. Members are asked to bring a treasured possession and just say a few words why it means so much to them, but only if they wish to.

Thank You

Sheila Johnson

A very heartfelt thank you to everyone who either visited, sent flowers, cards and words of comfort to me and my family at the sudden loss of Peter. To all ladies and men who made such wonderful food for us in the village hall. We can not thank you enough for all the kindness shown to us at this difficult time.

Sheila & family

Parish Council (PC)

Heidi Frary

Next meeting

8 November at 7:30pm at the Village Hall committee room.

Legal documents at: ovingtonclerk.wixsite.com/home

Wheelie bin stickers

Karen Weir

Thanks everyone for your fantastic support on Saturday when I brought round a sticker for your bins. It was so lovely to speak to so many of you, to meet a few new people and enjoy the beautiful weather.

We have a few spare stickers so if I've missed you then let me know and I'll drop one round. Or come and get one from me.

The Parish Council always appreciates your input. The bin sticker initiative was prompted by one of our residents losing their kitten tragically.

We cannot say that it will make a major difference but hopefully will remind village visitors/passers by to mind their speed.

If there is something you would like us to look into, to deal with on your behalf or think we should know about then please tell us.

Our final Parish Council meeting of the year is 8 November and is open to the public, so perhaps seeing some of you there.

Rainfall

Rod Rumsby

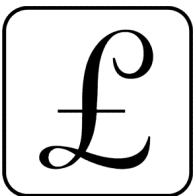


The total rainfall for September was 27mm or just a fraction over 1". This amount was spread over the whole month, the maximum on only two occasions was 6mm.

So far October hasn't been much different with only 17mm (0.67") falling up to date (20 Oct).

Village Lottery

Adrian Malton



The October draw produced the following prize winners:

First prize (£10)	Rod Rumsby;
Second prize (£5)	Rosemary Philpot

Village Hall

Sue Horton

We weren't exactly sure what to expect when we bought tickets to see the 'Giants of Science' on Friday 12 October. But none of the village hall events have disappointed and this was no exception. And always good value for money. So we'd encourage everyone to give future events a try. For £10 per person we certainly did enjoy an entertaining evening – a theatrical duo, with jarring jokes, pitiful puppetry and silly scientific songs!

Future Events for your diary

Craft Fair – Saturday 27 October 11:00am-3:00pm

Not to be missed. Plenty of hand crafted items at reasonable prices. Ideal timing for you to buy some Christmas gifts! Lots of home-made cake, light lunches and refreshments etc. Stalls will include the WI Country market, Linden Crafts (with some lovely wood turning products), a water colour artist, handmade cards and small gifts and Independence Matters with items made from wood and much more.

John Peel's Shed – Saturday 3 November 7:30pm

One man's story about winning a competition on John Peel's Radio1 show. His prize, a box of records that took eight years to listen to! An ode to radio, with music from the famous record collection. The show was first performed at the Edinburgh festival where it was a complete sell out, receiving five star review. It then went on National tour including Glastonbury festival and Latitude. An event not to be missed. Tickets £8 available Mondays at VH or ring 885848. Doors open 7:00pm. There will be a bar open all evening.

Soup Lunch – Saturday 17 November 12-noon

Come and meet your friends and neighbours for a home-made soup lunch.

Boudicca, "Rebel Queen" – Saturday 1 December 7:30

Brought to us by the Storyteller Liam Carroll of Norfolk. The storyteller spins the wild tale of Boudicca's challenge to Rome in a dramatic and enthralling show.

This show received very good reviews in North Norfolk. We will be serving mulled wine and nibbles in the interval. Tickets £7.50 available from Christine as above.

Hall Booking

The village hall is looking very smart, now that the wood panelling has been finished. The renovation project will be complete when the ceiling and walls are repainted by the end of November. Even more reason to consider hiring the hall if you have an event coming up (max 50).

Hiring rates for the main hall are £6 per hour for residents and £12 per hour for non residents.

www.ovington-village.org.uk/ovington-village-hall

Contact Christine to book on 885848

St John's Church

Ann Johnson



Sunday, 4 Nov

9:30am Holy Communion

Sunday, 11 Nov

10:30am Remembrance Service

Sunday, 18 Nov

10:30am All Saints Service

Monday 26 Nov

1:30pm Church Cleaning

What a wonderful tribute to Peter that over 100 people attended his funeral service. Peter has worked cheerfully both in the church and, particularly in the churchyard, for a large number of years and will be sorely missed. Our best wishes go to Sheila and all the family.

Future Special Services:

6:00pm Sun, 23 Dec Carol Service

10:30am Tues, 25 Dec Christmas Service

Shipdham Surgery Flu Vaccinations

Melissa Greeves

We are now booking appointments for the Flu Vaccination for adults and children

Please contact the Surgery to book your slot.

Saturday 3 November (adults over 18 only)

Many child clinic appointments available through Oct & Nov

Please support your Practice – have your vaccination with us

Every flu jab you have elsewhere means fewer resources for your GP practice.

The Flu vaccination provides the best protection against an unpredictable virus which infects many people and can cause serious illness and death each year.

The vaccination is free and recommended yearly for those most at risk of flu. This includes:

- Children who are aged 2 to 9 years old on 31st August 2018 *
- Pregnant women
- Anyone living with a long term medical condition
- Everyone over 65
- People with caring responsibilities

If there is someone you rely on to care for you, please ask them to contact their own GP Practice as they may be eligible for a free flu vaccination.

*Preschool children aged 2 to 3 years will be vaccinated at their general practice. Children aged 4 to 9 years will usually be vaccinated at school.

What's on nearby:

via Watton Town Council

Grand Firework Display – 27 Oct

Wayland Showground, Brandon Road, Watton 4:00 – 8:00pm
Free entry, free parking

Fairground rides – food stalls – main display @ 7:00pm

Watton Festival Christmas Market – 25 Nov

Watton High Street 1:00 – 5:00pm
Christmas lights switch on @ 4:00pm

Bands – Funfair rides – festive stalls – Santa – Food – Carols – Donkey

Fiona Roat



On Wednesday 10 October, we were entertained by Rob Spray from Seasearch East, Marine Conservation. Rob is very enthusiastic about his subject and introduced us to many of the amazing creatures which live in our local seas, proving that you don't need tropical waters to see wonderful animals.

This month on Wednesday 14 Nov, 7:30pm, we have NWT Living Landscape Project Officer Gemma Walker. Gemma will be talking about this 2 year project, aiming to reconnect people and their heritage of common lands and the wildlife living on them.

Watton Christian Community Centre, High Street, Watton. IP25 6AB
£2 members, £3 non-members, cost includes refreshments.

Joanne Head – The Friends of Parkers PTA

Parker's Primary School Christmas Fair

Pound Hill, Saham Toney
Friday 30 November, 6:00 – 8:00pm

Crafts – Stalls – Raffles – Fun & Games – Refreshments

For a stall call the school 881601

What's on elsewhere

A selection of events across Breckland:

Bar Pritchard

Swaffham Jazz

*Ed Read guitar & Laura vocals
George King, sax & Mike Smith, bass*

£7 – Tuesday 13 Nov 7:30pm

Swaffham Conservative Social Club, 23 London Rd PE37 7DD
Details from Norman 01760 722384 / Geoff: 01366 328730



Tim Cara

Friends of
Dereham
Memorial
Hall



Film Night – The Bookshop

Tue 27 November, 7:30pm. £6

It is 1959, widowed Florence Green (Emily Mortimer) risks everything to open up a bookshop in the sleepy seaside town of Hardborough. She exposes the narrow-

minded townsfolk to the best literature of the day including Nabokov's scandalizing "Lolita" and Ray Bradbury's "Fahrenheit 451" ...

Coffee Plus!

Thurs 22 Nov, 10:30am – 2:00pm. FREE (please buy a tea/coffee)

Memorial Hall Gallery Café – Every 4th Thursday of the month

November has extend opening time with Festive Miscellany of Music & Words

Details at: www.derehammemorialhall.co.uk

And finally ...

Rod (& Tim)



- Light travels faster than sound.
This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
- People who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
- A fine is a tax for for doing wrong.
A tax is a fine for doing well!
- Life is like a box of chocolates.
If you're fat it doesn't last so long.
- If we start telling people the brain is an app
maybe they'll start using it.
- Retirement kills more people than hard work does.

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