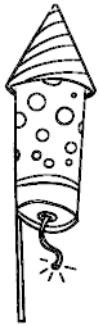
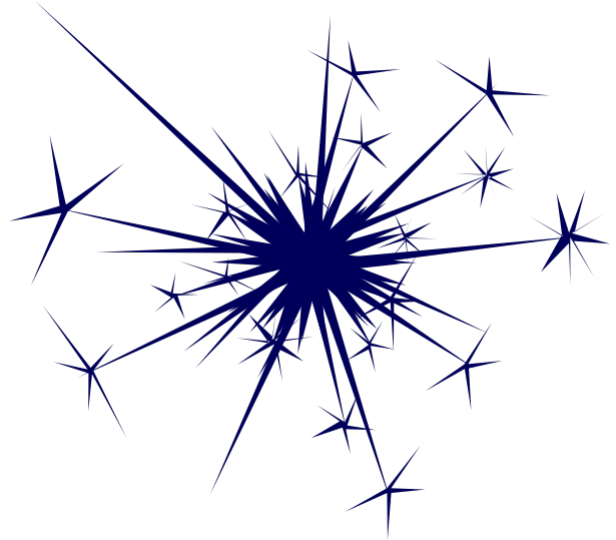


# The Ovington Oracle

November, 2022



With *Bonfire Night* events imminent, please consider that animals and pets can be scared by the noise and flashes; be considerate with fire and smoke; have fun and stay safe.



The clocks go back at 2:00am Sunday 30 October. Depending on when I get the Oracle out that might have already happened, so if you are up and about and no one else is, check the time!

## NEWS FLASH:

With thanks to Mr and Mrs Sykes from Yorkshire who have presented a gift to the village, the original prototype village sign. The wooden template was used to make the final exterior version, it would not normally have been kept, but many years ago made its way north. It looks splendid and needs a home ...



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### Village events this month:

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VH:Village Hall, PC:Parish Council, C:Church, (p):see page p

COVID-19 (it hasn't gone away!) : [www.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

Village Information: [ovington-village.org.uk](http://ovington-village.org.uk)

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## Village Hall (VH)

*Christine Reilly*

### **Curry Night**

After a last minute rush for tickets, the village hall was almost full on Friday night. Thirty-six happy diners enjoyed a variety of curries and accompaniments, followed by a choice of yummy desserts. What was supposed to be a brief game afterwards turned into quite a marathon – who knew there could be so many blue flowers?! It was all good fun and the evening raised £271.93 for village hall funds.

### **Festive Crafts Fayre**

Our next event is the Festive Crafts Fayre on Saturday 19 November, 12:00–3:00pm. At time of going to press, there are still 3 tables available for crafters to hire at £10 per table. Admission on the day is free and a variety of home-made soups will be on offer for lunch at only £3.

We will also be doing refreshments, for which donations of cakes will be very welcome. Please also provide a list of ingredients to include known allergens (nuts, dairy, gluten, etc.). We hope to have a cake stall if sufficient goods are donated. These can include cakes, scones, biscuits, mince pies, sausage rolls, cheese straws, jams and chutneys.

Prizes are also needed for the Raffola stall – anything suitable for a raffle or tombola can be left with committee members or brought to the hall any Monday morning. If you would like your donation to be collected, let me know on 07724085949 or 01953 885848. Many thanks in advance for your generosity, which is much appreciated in these difficult economic times.

All profits on the day will be split between the village hall and the church.

### **Bowjangles – Dracula in Space**

Tickets for 'Dracula in Space' on Sunday 27 November at 4:00pm are selling fast, so don't miss out! We are very lucky to have the incredibly talented Bowjangles performing in Ovington. They have won awards and regularly tour in the UK and abroad, such is their reputation. Ring me to reserve your tickets at only £10 each. This price includes coffee or tea and a mince pie after the show.

## **£5 Film Nights in Ovington?**

With regard to entertainment in the village hall next year, we are investigating the possibility of having a few film nights. This would incur some cost to the village hall so, before going ahead, we would appreciate YOUR views on whether you would like to view films in Ovington, probably at £5 per ticket. With sufficient interest and the assistance of Creative Arts East, this could happen by about April, if not sooner. Please let us know if you are interested.

## **Regular Coffee Morning**

The Village Hall is open every Monday morning for coffee, tea, cakes. From around 10:30am to 12:00 noon, for only £1, you can partake of refreshments and catch up with friends and neighbours.

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## **Messages**

*Editor*

### **Congratulations Ovington, Congratulations Big C**

Ovington should be proud of itself and congratulated on a magnificent recent achievement.

Last month's Oracle gave credit to the Celebrating Friends concert in the church on September 3rd which under played the contributions of so many people. Quality Corner, The Harmonettes and selected performers along with partners and friends provided entertainment, refreshments and a wonderful atmosphere.

Special thanks for the masterminding of this concert should go to Linda Murray who encouraged everyone to be involved in many ways. Also huge thanks to Jane Lambert who helped Linda and put together some exceptional hamper and auction prizes. Everyone's efforts and generosity have taken the monies raised to just over £4,000.00

One in two of us will be affected by cancer, thank you for supporting a wonderful cause close to many people's hearts

John Hardy. (Auctioneer)

## STOP PRESS!

I am proud to announce that the final total raised for Big-C from our concert on Saturday 3 September is ...

An amazing, unbelievable ... **£4057.69**

I would like to thank all those fantastic village people ( how apt! if you saw last month's review of the concert) and those from outside our village, who not only gave their time and generous support but donated fantastic prizes and auction items.

Too many to name individually, the event would not have happened without their help. Thanks particularly to Quality Corner and the other girls in The Harmonettes for their hard work and for putting up with my whacky ideas!

Also, to Jane, Neil, Christine and John and all those wonderful 'catering/decorating' ladies, without whom the event would never have raised this incredible amount of money for the charity.

Thank you all.

Linda Murray

## What It means to live in Ovington

Last week I just knew I had to face my 40ft ditch I had put it off for long enough. I had been in there for less than a day when two friends(neighbours) came along, before I knew it these three women were working away at tackling this problem. I would like to say a HUGE thank you to Sam and Gill. Proves to me that when you work together things can be achieved. Makes you wonder why people don't already understand that. I wouldn't live anywhere else.

Lyndia Lewis

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## Parish Council (PC)

*Heidi Frary (Clerk)*

**Councillors:** Karen Weir (KW, chair), Pete Bate (PB), Timothy Birt (TB), Dave Welsted (DW) and Jeremy Woods (JW).

**Next Meeting: 16 Nov 7:30pm** in the village hall.

PC Documents at: [ovingtonclerk.wixsite.com/home](http://ovingtonclerk.wixsite.com/home)

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## Remembrance Coffee Morning

*Jane Lambert & Gill Welsted*

Please join us at St Johns Church for a special Remembrance coffee morning on Saturday 12 November from 10:30am until 3:00pm.

We will be serving tea & Coffee with biscuits and home-made cakes. You will also be able to view the WWII memorabilia, display and decorations in the church; all set up in readiness for the Remembrance Sunday service which is on 13 November at 10:30am.

All proceeds made on the day go to The Royal British Legion and Ovington Church.

PS: Raffle tickets will also be sold on the day for one super prize.

Hope to see you there,

Jane and Gill

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## Church News

*Jean Rockett-Woods (JR-W), Lay Minister*

### Services:

30 Oct – 10:30am

All Saints Day – Benefice Service  
(Neil Crawford-Jones)



At our All Saints Day Service we will be remembering our loved ones who have gone before us and are now with our Lord. If you would like them to be mentioned and prayed for we will be making a list of names personal to you as you enter the church.

6 Nov – 10:30am

Holy Communion (Adrian Bell)

13 Nov – 10:30am

Remembrance Service (JR-W)

20 Nov – 10:30am

Family Service & Baptism (Christening)  
(Adrian Bell)

27 Nov – 10:30am

Family Service (JR-W)

During October we had our annual Pet Service. We were joined by some very well behaved dogs, including a royal representative. We

finished the service with tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits.

Once again our lovely Churchyard helpers have been busy mowing the grass and caring for the graveyards keeping the the graves looking neat and tidy for which I give my utmost thanks.

I would like to thank those who has brightened up the graves by adding silk or fresh flowers to the graves which are no longer tended by relatives If you would like to add a bit of colour to brighten them up then please feel free to do so.

Morning services are all at the usual time of 10:30am. If you hear the church bell ringing at around 10:15am, don't worry, it is not ringing to warn of a fire in the village, it is rung to welcome you to meet with us and I look forward to meeting you. I would like to thank Dave and Jeremy for fixing our church bell as it couldn't be rung due to a lack of oil. Maybe I should take some oil to fix my joints!

I carry my phone with me everywhere so that if you need a chat I will be able to answer your call.

### **Social Events:**

Saturday 5 Nov      Coffee Morning / Book & DVD Sale (church)

The Allotment Group are holding coffee mornings every Tuesday morning from 10:30am in the Allotment. However if the weather is inclement they will hold their coffee mornings in our Village Church until the warmer weather comes again in the spring. If you fancy a coffee, tea or home-made cake I am sure that they will make you feel very welcome.

May God's blessing be with you all.

With love in Christ,

Jean – 07749 870485

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## **Rainfall**

*Rod Rumsby*



September amounted to 62mm (2½"), a bit of an increase on previous months, this included one heavy downpour of 18mm (nearly ¾").

Up until 21 October we had 25.5mm (1") and the forecast is for more.

## Boy Sid's point of view:

'Anon'

Well har yew gittin on tergitha, this is my fust time fer writin a bit fer tha loocal newsletter, so jist in case I might upset sum o' yew peeples I shan't run on about Horry's brewin saga nor goo on about tha ole Parish Chairmawtha, that'll cum learta, if boy Tim hent gi me my marchin orda's.

### Brody's on the Ball

So I'm gooin tew tell about a young bor in tha willage was mearkin a name fer hisself on the football fild. He may be oonly ate an a quarta, but hees playin a propa gearm of football an scoors plenty of goals fer his side, (by tha way thas Watton under tens team). I'd heard he was a soola, so I hev bin tew watch him play, cor blarst kin thet boy shift, he git on tha wing wi tha ball an heeze up tha otha end afore yew kin cownt tew five. If tha otha side kin git in his way he jist pass tha ball strate tew anotha of his side, whoos got a betta shot at goal. Pity sum o' tha city players dint play like thet.

Suffin else he dun wot I'd niva sin afore, he took a corna kick and an scored strate away, well I woont hev bleeved it if I hent sin it fer meself. Heeze also gittin trainin from sum of tha city coaches oova tew Dereham wunce a wik. So he shood be in the eye of boy Smithy, if heeze sharp enuff tew spot tha yung bor play. We mite git sum more of the yunguns tew git a team tergitha, we hent hed a football team in tha willage fer many years, so thet'll be suffin tew write hoom aboutt iffen we git a team.

I're bin told we hent got a lot of room fer more squit, so I shell hafta wish yew all farewell an dew yew kip a troshin.

Boy Sid

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