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THE CUBLINGTON CRIER

Keeping you up to date on village life, news and events since 1984



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WHAT'S ON • CHURCH • LETTERS • PARISH NEWS • SPORTS & CLUBS • VILLAGE LIFE





**Dates for the North Field working groups,
Saturdays 9.30am until 12.00 noon
3rd and 17th October
and 7th and 21st November.**

*If you can spare an hour or so on any of these days,
that would be fantastic! 9.30am - approx 12 noon;*



Please contact Martyn Waters for any further
information:
martyn.waters@icloud.com. M: 07973754356

NORTH FIELD - BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMMUNITY PROJECT AWARD WINNER 2023

WEEKLY BIN COLLECTIONS



Richard Burford
has kindly agreed to
publish weekly Bin
collection data on
the Cublington Life
WhatsApp Group.
Watch out for it every
Tuesday evening...

Thanks Richard

*Remember to put your
bins out by 6.30am on
the collection day, pref-
erably the night before!
Wednesdays is
our day, Thursday if it
follows a Bank Holiday*

*Batteries and ink
cartridges can be left
out in a separate bag
every week.*

CUBLINGTON
THE ART EXHIBITION
10-11TH OCT 10AM - 4PM

**BIGGS PAVILION,
ORCHARD GROUND,
STEWKLEY RD.
CUBLINGTON LU7 0LR**
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FREE ENTRY
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
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NEW TO THE
VILLAGE?

YOUR
Fascinating
**VILLAGE'S HISTORY...
IN PICTURES**

Cublington in Pictures Old and New

Priced at £20 (a contribution from sales will go to the upkeep of St Nicholas Church)

Contact gary@cublington.com for your very own copy.

So far over £330 has been donated to the church from sales.





Welcome to the October edition of the The Crier.

October has arrived, bringing with it that unmistakable feeling that autumn is now well and truly upon us.

After what has been a long and hopefully enjoyable summer, the cooler mornings, darker evenings and changing colours of the countryside remind us that the seasons are turning once again. It is a lovely time to pause, enjoy our beautiful village and appreciate the community spirit that makes Cublington so special.

With Halloween around the corner, pumpkins will soon appear on doorsteps and perhaps a few scary visitors will be knocking for treats! As we settle into Autumn, let's make the most of our lovely village, support local events and enjoy catching up with friends and neighbours. Wishing everyone a happy, cosy and slightly spooky October!

Dawn and Peter Spinks

Anyone new to the village?

I can't be everywhere or know everything, so please make yourself known to the village and me by emailing the Crier with all your details and get an official welcome!

Nov edition

EDITORS:

Miranda and

James

**Next Crier
deadline
is 15th Oct.
please.**



Nativity Trail volunteers wanted,

Every December Cublington hosts a nativity Trail where windows are illuminated around the village, culminating in a walk and carols on Christmas Eve. If anyone would like to take part this year please contact Jane Alexander.

New booking system for the Biggs Pavilion

<https://hallbookingonline.com/orchardground/>

Congratulations to the Cricket and Tennis Clubs

The Cricket 1st XI won promotion in their first season back in the Cherwell League. The tennis club have won three trophies this year... Ladies 1, Mixed and Vets all winning their leagues. Well done Cublington!

Some great things going on in the village this month...

Read inside for all the ads and articles.

Art Show

Started during Covid, the Art Show has blossomed into an annual event showcasing the amazing talent we have in the village. Do try and get along... October 10th and 11th 10am-4pm at the Biggs Pavilion.

As soon as an event is organised, please let the Crier know so we can include it in our What's On Diary listings and you can pop it in your diary!

Thank you.

CRIER RATES

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The monthly magazine of the Buckinghamshire village of Cublington - the village that moved.



The Crier
online...

is now on
Cublington.com

COMMENT

Please advise any readers of
the Crier online you may
know of. **Thank you.**

Some people think that by posting something on Cublington Life WhatsApp group that instantly, everyone knows about it. For some maybe that is how they get their news, but generally, that couldn't be further from the truth. Many villagers aren't even on there so how do they get their news?

Take the burst water main the other night. I didn't know about it until it was mentioned by someone. Some may read the Cublington Crier from cover to cover. Others glance through and only read the bits interesting to them. Some don't read it at all in spite of our best efforts. People get their information from a whole variety of sources.

It's the same with Planning Notices. Some pick them up in Parish Council minutes, but often that's too late to do anything about it, being published weeks after the notice is first published. Some people may pass by the building site and see one, others may never pass that way and miss out on vital information regarding what might be going to happen down their road. They are vital to public knowledge so everyone can make informed decisions. In the old days everyone in an area possibly affected got a letter. Due to cost cutting that is now not the case.

Publicise them if you see one - someone might very well thank you for it. ED



AI is in the news a lot at the moment. So much so some experts are predicting the end of the human race. I'm not sure it'll go that far but it's even reaching the Crier. In the summer issue we had a beautiful front cover "illustration" made by AI... this issue it seems like nearly every ad is made by AI.

I'm convinced it WILL one day soon put designers out of a job, but it sure makes my job easier! ED



The Crier Guest Editorial Rota

2026... Dec - Graham & Judy Dunn

2027... Jan Gates family

Feb - Morgan's

March - Alison Head

April - Trish Bundock

May - Vanessa Taylor

June - Robertson's

Summer ?

Sept ?

Oct Toby & Tom

2028...

Nov Mary Richardson
Dec?

Jan - ?

Feb ?

March - ?

April ?

May - ?

June ?

Summer ?

Please book your slot! Now booking 2028 and 2028 (yes really!) - so absolutely plenty of time to think about your content! Many Thanks.

To be a guest editor:

You only have to design or find a front cover image, write an intro editorial of your choice and provide a few, or as many pages of content of your choice as you want. It's really not that bad or that hard. **Go on please give it a go The more who do it - the less we have to ask.**

Thanks.

Contact: Sandie Joy
01296 682446



Crier Contact details

PLEASE DROP ARTICLES TO 18 RIDINGS WAY OR EMAIL AS BELOW

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**DON'T
FORGET!
EVERY
WEDNESDAY!**

**+ OCCASIONAL
FOOD VANS**

SEE CRIER WHAT'S ON DIARY



You are invited to the Community

Weekly Wine Down

Bring your own drinks!

£3 donation appreciated

**Wednesday Evenings
5.30pm - 7.30pm**



A shout out for the Village Hall as an amazing facility to hire for any occasion. We had a family gathering and used the village hall, it was a great space inside and out with a lovely atmosphere, very comfortable and so well equipped with everything we needed and more.

We would highly recommend it. *Sandie & Mike*



Current Rental Rates

Village Residents and fully paid up members of **Cublington clubs** and organisations. *£10 per hour*

Outside Cublington Clubs and organisations regularly using the facilities. *£12 per hour*

Discounts for block bookings

Dances, discos & parties

(There should be at least one adult present for teenage parties)

Cublington residents £90 Non Villagers £120

Weddings etc. (Whole day - 9.00am - midnight)

Cublington residents £300 Outside of village £400

A refundable deposit of £25 is required at time of booking. Deposit will be returned if no costs are incurred with regard to cleanliness or damage to property, fixtures or fittings.

**Available for clubs, parties
and any special events
Booking now!**

Online booking diary:

[https://hallbookingonline.com/
orchardground/](https://hallbookingonline.com/orchardground/)

Find a date you want and contact

Bob Paine on 01296 680483

bobpaine2002@hotmail.com

to book it!

**Contact Bob on 01296 680483 or
bobpaine2002@hotmail.com**



PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THESE DATES

October

2nd, Gurkha food van

16th, Pha Thai/ food van
Food vans to be confirmed

Please contact Jackie 07968 672707 for more information.

Further details including menus will be sent out on Cublington Life Whatsapp but if any queries please contact Jackie



Cublington Open Gardens, revisited?

It has been a few years since we last had Open Gardens in Cublington which, under the auspices of the National Garden Scheme raised £26,587 for various charities between 1998 and 2022. We have many talented gardeners and beautiful gardens in this village so perhaps we could dip our collective toe back in the water with something a little more low- key.

A tentative plan is to open village gardens for an afternoon, very informally, in June next year, with a little local advertising in neighbouring villages. Everyone who opens could nominate a village institution for a share of the proceeds.

Please let me know if you would be interested or would like to discuss how it might work. Any suggestions also welcome.

Tom Gadsby 07527 989639



THE CUBLINGTON CALENDAR

You'll always find something to do in Cublington!

October

Friday 2nd - Orchard pop up pub -Gurkha food van TThe Biggs Pavilion 6pm
Sunday 4th Harvest Festival St Nicholas Church 9am
Monday 5th Chatty Cafe Biggs Pavilion 10am-11.30am
Monday 5th Art Group Village Hall 1.45pm-3.45pm
Monday 5th Chess Club Village Hall 4pm-6pm
Monday 5th Harvest Supper & Auction St Nicholas Church 6pm
Monday 5th Book Club Village Hall 7.30pm-9.30pm
Tuesday 6th Sound Bath Village Hall 7pm-9pm
Wednesday 7th Tai Chi Village Hall 9.45am-10.45am
Wednesday 7th Tai Chi Village Hall 11am-12pm
Wednesday 7th October Cublington Winos Biggs Pavilion 7pm
Saturday 10th Cublington Art Exhibition Biggs Pavilion 10am-4pm
Sunday 11th Cublington Art Exhibition Biggs Pavilion 10am-4pm
Monday 12th Art Group Village Hall 1.45pm-3.45pm
Wednesday 14th Tai Chi Hall 9.45am-10.45am
Wednesday 14th Tai Chi Village Hall 11am-12pm
Wednesday 14th Wine Down Village Hall 5.30-7.30
Friday 16th - Orchard pop up pub Pha Thai/ either food van or/using the kitchen The Biggs Pavilion 6pm
Monday 19th Art Group Village Hall 1.45pm-3.45pm
Monday 19th Chess Club Village Hall 4pm-6pm
Tuesday 20th Cubbers Bookworms Village Hall 7.30pm-9.30pm
Wednesday 21st Tai Chi Village Hall 9.45am-10.45am
Wednesday 21st Tai Chi Village Hall 11am-12pm
Wednesday 21st Curry Night Village Hall 5.30pm-7.30pm
Monday 26th Art Group Village Hall 1.45pm-3.45pm
Wednesday 28th Tai Chi Village Hall 9.45am-10.45am
Wednesday 28th Tai Chi Village Hall 11am-12pm
Wednesday 28th Wine Down Village Hall 5.30pm-7.30pm
Thursday 29th Panto Get Together Village Hall 8pm-10pm
Friday 30th Family Halloween Pumpkin Carving & Activities Village Hall 10.30am-12pm
Friday 30th- Orchard pop up pub cancelled due to a wedding

November

Monday 2nd Chatty Cafe Biggs Pavilion 10am-11.30am
Friday 6th Orchard pop up pub tbc)
Friday 20th Orchard pop up pub tbc) **Depending on pub re-opening**

December

Wednesday 2nd Cublington Winos Biggs Pavilion 7pm
Friday 4th Orchard pop up pub tbc.) **Depending on pub re-opening**
Friday 18th Orchard pop up pub Xmas pot luck party

February 27 Friday 12th Trivia quiz Biggs Pavilion 7pm

Times and dates may vary from those published above. We try and publish correct information.



PLEASE
let us know of any event in the village
you are running. If we don't know
about it we can't help publicise it.
By the 15th of every month before.

The Cublington Life WhatsApp group

Now has 155 members!

Originally set up to provide help during the pandemic, this group has changed into a very strong village forum with useful information shared on road closures/fuel costs/power cuts/ broadband issues/chimney sweeps/ window cleaners/electricians/ recommended kitchen fitters and the like all get posted on here.

Cublington Life WhatsApp Group is intended for sharing useful local information, events, recommendations, help for the community and updates related to the village.

There are currently 155 villagers on this WhatsApp group and we'd just ask that posts stay relevant to the local community and respectful of others so the group remains helpful for everyone.

Please think carefully before posting anything that can be taken as critical or in the wrong way.

Thank you for your understanding.

Let me know if you'd like to be on the Cublington Life group WhatsApp, send me your telephone number and I can make sure an administrator knows and adds you.

Admins are: Martyn Waters, Catherine & Charlie Toosey, Liz Smith and Miranda Mercado Gregory





Where's my Specs?

What did I come into the kitchen for?

Where did I hide my pills out of reach of the children?

Strolling across the field on Fete day with two of my friends Chris J and Honour V, I moaned about the above and proposed a lateral solution

Tell them

Tell them you've told them

Tell them again

That's the rule of three. Something to do with Aristotle and oration.

How about a bit of lateral thinking.

Say to yourself three times I will only put my specs on a SHELF a TABLE or a WINDOWSILL. You must say it 3 times to yourself as it means you are concentrating.

Then later when you need those specs you simply go into a room and check the shelves tables and windowsills. It is only as good as you are at programming your memory

I forgot and put my specs on the arm of a chair where they fell down.

It took me half an hour to find them

I will now give an answer to where did I hide my pills? Take them into the highest cupboard you can put them in, lock them if possible then stand and stare at the cupboard saying 3 times the pills are in the cupboard, the pills are in the cupboard, the pills are in the cupboard.

What have I come into the kitchen for? Well you know, mutter to yourself; kitchen toast, kitchen coffee, kitchen fan, whatever it is, just concentrate and do not get diverted on the way by giraffes goats or gorillas

June 'Fifi' Barrowclough

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IN COLOUR



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**COME ALONG
AND HAVE A GO.**

**NEW MEMBERS
ALWAYS WELCOMED.**

Tennis is a game for life.

If you start early it gives you social opportunities for life.

Tennis is also recognised as the perfect sport for the over 50's for all round fitness, cardio health and mental well-being. Come on - give it a go! Even if you're younger than that!



- LTA affiliated club
- Many categories of membership - single/couple/family/junior/oap
- Coaching organised see below.
- 2 great all weather courts
 - Free floodlights for members
 - Free use of ball machine (weather permitting)
- This Summer 4 league teams in ADTL
- Fun Club Sessions and Tournaments

**AND WHY NOT SIGN UP for the next term of
tennis coaching with Paul Hobday?** LTA level 4 coach

Paul Hobday will be again offering coaching sessions on Friday evenings starting on 18th September for 12 weeks 5.30-6.30pm beginner/intermediate 6.30-7.30pm Intermediate/Advanced £84 member £108 Non member

Junior Coaching starting 18th September 4.30-5.30pm for 6 weeks
£36 member £42 non member

Contact: nmsheridan1@hotmail.com to book your slot .

JOIN IN OUR CLUB SOCIAL SESSIONS via the relevant Club WhatsApp group **Contact:** gary@cublington.com and he'll add you.

Mixed Tuesday Evenings, 7-8.30pm Club Saturday 3-5pm, Club Sunday 3-5pm
(All Members only).

NOTE: Club matches take priority - check the calendar and the relevant WhatsApp group to see who might be attending.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND
NON-MEMBER COURT BOOKINGS**

(£12 PER HOUR) :

Gary 01296 688548 or 07713 723788
or email at gary@cublington.com

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Caroline Lane 01296 681373
carolinelane@btinternet.com

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Jean Barnett 01296 392471
To be contacted if you have any concerns about safeguarding.

WHY NOT TRY YOUR SKILL AT THE CUBLINGTON CHESS CLUB?!



Well I never!

the fable about the grain of rice on a chess board. We find it hard to comprehend that if you put one grain of rice on the first square of a chess board, and double it for the next square, making two grains, and double it again on the third square, and so on, by the time you reach the final 64th square you have 18,446,744,073,709,551,615 grains of rice, which would make a solid cube of rice more than 40-miles high.

We meet bi-weekly on a Monday from 4-6pm in the village hall and a small charge is requested to cover the hire.

***Next Chess Club meetings:
5th and 19th October***

♟ CHESS CLUB ♟

Meets at
Cublington Village Hall

**on alternate Mondays
from 4pm – 6pm**

New members & beginners welcome!



Good company



Great games



All are welcome

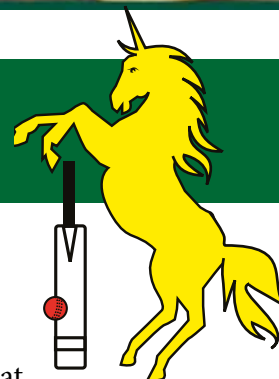




For more information contact:
cublingtonvillagehall@gmail.com



Cublington Cricket Club



The sun has set on a terrific season for all at Cublington Cricket Club.

Our senior men's teams both tasted a lot of success in our first season back in the Cherwell League and both teams were in contention for promotion right up to the last match. The 2nd XI won their final game but results elsewhere meant that the team missed out by just twopoints. The 1st XI had a great run in to the end of the season and excitingly clinched promotion at the first time of asking by a solitary point, just edging past Stewkley. Well played all.

Our Walking Cricket section had a very enjoyable first season with 14 attending our sessions through the summer. Our seniors and Walking Cricketers brought the curtain down on the season with a well-attended awards dinner at the Biggs Pavilion at the end of September.

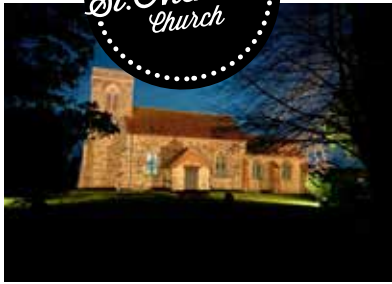
Many thanks to Sunny, Nikhil, Tony and team for providing a delicious curry supper. Game Changers Cricket, Cublington CC's disability cricket programme moves inside for the autumn and winter with training sessions held at Cottesloe School. These run from October through to March 2027 with two weeks off over Christmas. If you know of anyone who might like to attend Game Changers do please get in touch.

Our junior numbers were significantly up this year with very well-attended training on Friday evenings. Our youngest players start at 5 years old with age groups up to U15. At this stage we encourage the youngsters to join in senior cricket, initially in very friendly milieu of the Sunday XI. It doesn't take long before the youngsters are ready to move up to the 2nd XI and beyond, making meaningful contributions to the teams. We also reintroduced girls' cricket after an absence of a few years and will look to grow this further next year.

If you know of anyone interested in joining the club as a player, a non-playing member or would like to help out please contact **Tom Gadsby on 07527 989639**



When the floodlights are off, villagers may notice a glow from within the church...no, not on fire, but we are leaving the tower light on, it makes the building look alive and loved. Sponsored by the Alexanders



WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR THE CHURCH FLOODLIGHTS? IN MEMORIAM • IN REMEMBRANCE • IN CELEBRATION

A SMALL DONATION OF £12 - COVERS A WHOLE WEEKS LIGHTING!

Main Contact: Penny Allen 01296 682006

If you would like to, please contact Penny direct on 682006 or djandpallen@gmail.com or to The Crier with a dedication. *Floodlighting now available in many colours. Please indicate a colour choice if required which will be used to light the church on the date or weekend of your sponsorship. The lights will then return to normal for the remainder of the sponsorship.*

Thank you

ST NICHOLAS CHURCH LIGHTS SPONSORS

"The church lights are sponsored by Penny Allen in memory of her Dad, Alan Lindfield who passed away in September aged 95 years after a long and happy life"



Church Services for October

3	Theo Breakfast		Rectory cottage	All welcome, 9amish start	
4	First Sunday	Annie	Linda	Gillian	Jane or Penny
10	HC		Lucy	Martyn	
18	Layled	Needs leader	Gillian	Sally	
25	HC		Diane	Julie	

Harvest Festival Service 9am Sunday October 4th - families especially invited.
Harvest Supper and Harvest Auction 6pm Monday October 5th



From the Vicar



Halloween: A Christian Festival?

Happy Halloween...?

Autumn is now in full swing – and if we hadn't felt it in the change of weather, one would only need to visit the shops to see all the seasonal gifts and decorations now in stock.

Before we know it, our attention will be turned to Christmas – and our Ministry Team have already been busy planning our many special Services for the season!

But as well as all the sprightly santas, excited elves, ruddy reindeer and delightful decorations we now see on the shelves... there are also some scary skeletons, glaring ghouls and ghosts, plump pumpkins, and wicked wizards and witches joining them.

Because there's another significant festival just around the corner: Halloween.

Halloween is a feast observed by many people. A feast of all things orange, with pumpkins as orange as the leaves, and where many little ones enjoy dressing up in all kinds of spooky costumes as they go trick and treating. But it is also a festival which divides opinions – especially Christians, who are often wary of the Pagan connotations it has. But does that tell the whole story?

Halloween actually finds its origins in Christianity – and it can still be thought of as a Christian festival. The name “Halloween” is a shortening of “All Hallows' Eve”, and is observed the night before All Hallows' Day – today usually known as All Saints' Day. On this major Christian Festival, and on All Souls' Day which follows the day after, the Church formally commemorates the saints, martyrs, and all the faithful departed.

How might we approach Halloween today? Well, it presents us with a healthy opportunity to remember those who have gone before us, and to reflect on their good examples to inspire us in our own lives and practices today. What's more, the Church believes in the Communion of Saints: The belief that Christians today are in communion with those who have gone before us, all of us being united in our Lord Jesus Christ. This reminds us of a spiritual connection we still have with our departed loved ones – something we might treasure as we remember them, in addition to our special memories.

I wish you all a blessed season this Autumn. And for those who choose to celebrate...

Happy Halloween!

Rev'd Will Lyon Tupman, Team Vicar

WHERE IN THE WORLD?
TIM'S FIENDISH FLYING PHOTOS

Hopefully restarting soon as events in the Middle East recede.

**STILL
GROUNDED**



Halloween Word Search



Word list:
COSTUME
GHOST
GRAVE
HALLOWEEN
HAUNTED
MASK
PUMPKINS
TRICK
SCARE
SKELETON
SPIDER
WITCH





(The Cublington Wine Appreciation Society)

We held our annual Winos BBQ in August and were extremely lucky to be treated to entertainment as well. It was the evening of the eclipse and although none of us had the required glasses, Andy had bought a box made up with the relevant hole to try to see the eclipse, and a kitchen sieve was also extremely useful! As we would expect this year, the sun shone. We tasted wine from various wine boxes which went down very well. Bob took on the BBQing duties so we had perfectly cooked burgers and sausages and everyone attending bought various salads and desserts. So together with the very enjoyable company it was an exceptional evening.



Jackie



The next Cublington Wine Appreciation Society (aka The Winos) meeting is on **Wednesday 7th October** in the Biggs Pavilion. Contact Jackie 07968 672707 for more information.

The Wine Appreciation Society meet usually on the first Wednesday of every other month. New members always welcome

What people say:

"What a fabulous evening! Thank you for an entertaining and enjoyably social evening with some excellent wines and interesting labels"

"Thank you for a lovely evening. Excellent wines. Great topic. Will look at labels now in a different light"

"A really enjoyable evening. Great wines and presentation. Loved the hand-made screen and other tailor-made illustrations"

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Cublington Oil Syndicate

Main Contact: Alison Head
cublingtonoil@gmail.com

Lovell Fuels - 01844 202777
YourNRG 01525 643019
Certas Energy - 01296 561150
Watson Fuels 01438 721594

And if you want to... why not join the new WhatsApp group!

Let me know if you'd like to be on the Cublington Sociable group WhatsApp, send me your telephone number and I can make sure we add you. **Admin is: Di Grace**



We are aware that Alison now doesn't even have an oil fired boiler.... is there anyone willing to take on the Oil Syndicate in her place?
Ed



Please join us at the next Chatty Cafe,
Monday, 5th October at the Biggs Pavilion
between 10.00 and 11.30am

“Chatty Café”

What
they
say..

"Great Chatty Cafe today - thanks to
everyone who made cakes".

It's a highlight of the month!

"It's great that so many want to come".

"It's a lovely get together so thanks to all
who make it happen".



We hope to see you there.... Maggie and Sally

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October Birthdays

Aida Dean 11 on the 24th

Lottie Harris 8 on the 26th



SOULBURY FIREWORKS

LOW NOISE



SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

AT THE MILLENNIUM GREEN WITH

BBO & BAR

GATES OPEN AT 18:00

ADULTS £8 IN ADVANCE
£10 AT THE GATE

KIDS £3 (U5's go FREE)



Advanced tickets available at:
www.ticketsource.com/soulbury-millennium-green

Orchard Ground & North Field

Cublington Orchard Ground Association (COGA)

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Charity Registration Number 1215172

LATEST UPDATES

North Field Update

It's great to welcome two new volunteers to our North Field team, with a possible 'maybe' from another resident who moved into the village at the turn of the year. We have 20 volunteers who give their time as and when their time permits. We recognise that we all have calls on our time and other responsibilities. We're a friendly sociable bunch with various tasks shared around, you don't even need to know the difference between a silver birch and an apple tree to join us, (there is more to learn other than one has apples and the other doesn't!).

We were very grateful to receive the donation of a chainsaw and a box of PPE, (a chainsaw is not something that most of our volunteers would be expected to use but is a useful occasional tool around North Field.) We also received another delivery of wood chip following work recently undertaken at The Walled Gardens, we've paid £85 a ton for chipped wood, so such contributions are greatfully received. We not able to receive chipped holly, or yew or laurel which are poisonous to varying degrees.

Our maintenance work has continued over the past month. As you walk North Field you will see that the base of the hedge between the cricket pitch and North Field has been cleared out of grass and other debris that was growing there. This hedge was planted about four years ago, as you walk the path next to this new hedge, look at the different species growing there : : hawthorn, elder, dog rose, wild cherry, crab apple, with some black thorn, all of which will provide food for birds and other wildlife as the hedge matures. The hedge should receive its first cut later this year, this will help thicken up the growth; more hedging whips will also be planted into the hedge line.

**Dates for the North Field working mornings,
Saturdays 9.30am until 11.30ish**

**3rd and 17th October
and 7th and 21st November.**

Our volunteers have hot rolls and tea/coffee after their work on North Field. Do please come along and share in our refreshments on the dates set out above.

Please contact Martyn Waters for any information about the North Field project:

Martyn.Waters@icloud.com

M: 07973 754356



Spotted

Miss Piggy on the North Field?!



OrchardGround Update

Work has recently started on replacing and extending the patio area outside the pavilion, thanks to a grant obtained by the Cricket club. This will enhance and extend the facilities we can offer at the Biggs Pavilion.

New Orchard Ground committee members & North Field volunteers always wanted.

Please volunteer to help on this committee if you can spare the odd hour or two every month.



It's never too late to enter...



"100" CLUB 2026/7

£1800 in prize money this year*

Please continue your support of Orchard Ground via the 100 Club - it really is appreciated.

Thank you.

If you want to buy a ticket online for the next set of ten draws starting in May 2026 please contact me direct at bobpaine2002@hotmail.com or call me on 01296 680483 and we will organise it.

Your continued support is very much appreciated.

Bob & the Orchard Ground Committee.

Oct 2026 Winners

- 1st Prize - £60 - Maggie McKenzie.**
2nd Prize - £50 - Lexi Geal.
3rd Prize - £40 - Gordan Clark.
4th Prize - £20 - John Gregory.

What could be easier?...



www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/orchardground

Please help us fundraise for Orchard Ground and the North Field Project anytime you shop online - it really doesn't cost you anything and is so easy!!

Please don't think about it, just do it...

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THANK YOU

49 village supporters have now raise a brilliant £3159.05 for the benefit of Orchard Ground - many, many thanks to you all.

Please join in for your village - it costs you absolutely nothing and helps us a lot!

Thank you.

Current league is as follows;

- 1st - Sarah George - £705.02.**
2nd - Martyn Waters - £404.36.
3rd - Gwyneira Waters - £397.16.

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Hire Charges
2025/26

Cublington Village Hall

	Residents	Non Residents
Meetings/Classes (per hour)	£10	£12
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Check availability and book online at
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Ask on
Cublington Life

Need a plumber, a carpenter, a builder, a decorator or electrician?

I hold a directory of tradesmen who have been recommended by someone using them in the village.

The Crier says - "Ask them if they want to advertise in the Crier."

You can pass on recommendations in confidence or even better if you are happy to show off their excellent handiwork to others or be called to provide a reference, please let me know that as well.

Contact Tom Gadsby on 07527 989639.

Tom is also on Cublington Life WhatsApp group.



Fete Gazebos available for use by villagers.

For a small donation...

The Fete Committee has available several heavy duty Gazebos. We have seven (six white, one blue) measuring 3m x 4,5m which can be arranged in a long line or as a larger oblong - or, of course, individually.

We would like to offer these to villagers for personal use (kids parties, family gatherings etc) in return for a small donation of £10 for each one.

We have five long sidewalls and four short sidewalls available, with gutter strips to join them. All we ask is that they are treated with respect, dried before being put away and any damage is paid for (replacement parts are apparently available).

Contact gary@cublington.com 07713 723788 in the first instance if you would like to use them.



PARISH NEWS



The Parish Council have agreed to put this information about Waze in the Crier. Make sure you download this app.



USING WAZE TO HELP REDUCE RAT-RUNNING

Cublington life is often affected by concerns about the speed and volume of traffic passing through our rural village. Since the Bierton traffic calming scheme was introduced, residents have reported a significant increase in rat-running along the High Street, including lorries being directed by satellite navigation systems onto what appear to be quieter roads.

Why SatNavs Can Be a Problem

SatNav algorithms do not always take account of the realities of country lanes, including narrow roads, pinch points, parked cars, limited visibility at junctions and other local obstacles. As a result, drivers may be sent through Cublington as a shortcut, only to become frustrated by delays once they encounter these difficulties.

To reduce this problem, the information used by navigation apps needs to reflect the true conditions on our village roads, so that Cublington becomes a less attractive route for through traffic.

How Waze Can Help

Waze is a free SatNav app that relies on community input. Its route information is updated by users who report traffic conditions, hazards and delays. These updates can also feed into Google Maps, which is widely used by commercial and private drivers.

Our Speedwatch teams have noticed that traffic often slows when speed cameras or police activity are reported on Waze. Regular, accurate reporting of local road conditions may therefore help discourage drivers from using Cublington as a shortcut.

If you would like to help reduce the volume and speed of traffic through the village, please consider downloading Waze to your Apple or Android phone and reporting road conditions in Cublington, e.g.

- Lane closures or narrow sections
- Standstill or slow-moving traffic
- Potholes or roadworks
- Stopped vehicles or other hazards
- Visible police or speed monitoring activity

The more residents who take part, the more useful and accurate the information becomes. By sharing real-time local conditions, we can help navigation systems better reflect the challenges of our village roads and encourage traffic to use more suitable routes.

Harvest Festival service

9am Sunday October 4th - families especially invited.

Harvest Supper and Harvest Auction

6pm Monday October 5th



At the Village Hall, Cublington

Please come along with your paints, pencils, easels etc and join us working side by side for a couple of hours. Tea/coffee cake and biscuits to sustain us! Small donation for hire of hall appreciated.

We would like to encourage you to join us... trying out new techniques and most of all, having fun creating art!

All abilities welcome

Monday Art Group

1.45pm – 3.45pm
Cublington Village Hall

We work in:

- Watercolours
- Acrylic
- Graphite
- Pastels

Friendly and supportive

Refreshments included

Regular tutored sessions with Ruby Lewis

For more information contact:
cublingtonvillagehall@gmail.com

All very welcome! We know there are more of you out there so don't be shy come and say hello!

CALLING ALL YOUNG ARTISTS

ENTER THE ART COMPETITION

EXHIBITED AT THE ART EXHIBITION 10TH/11TH OCTOBER
(UP TO 16 YEARS OF AGE, OPEN TO CUBLINGTON RESIDENTS AND THEIR GRANDCHILDREN)

Any subject, any medium, up to A4 in size. Prizes for age groups.

PLEASE JOIN FOR NEXT YEAR



Help us to keep the Church lawn looking beautiful

The year was interesting. As the dry summer progressed it became unnecessary to cut the grass. So some of you will have been disappointed to have missed your turn. Never fear, if you want to step forward for an extra cut next year please don't hesitate to contact me.

07748525145 or email djandpallen@gmail.com

To try and keep days between mowing more equal volunteers are allocated a weekend as a target but can work either side of it depending on other commitments or inclement weather.

Cheers

Weekend	Name
Oct 3rd - 4th	James Francis
Oct 10th - 11th	Harry Gadsby
Oct 17th - 18th	Chris and Ali Mountfield
Oct 24th - 25th	<i>Vacant</i>

Contact Dennis if you can help in any way.

*Still vacant dates in the rota.
More new volunteers
wanted for Spring please!*




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LU7 0NN

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Operated by a dedicated team of volunteers, we provide full access to the Buckinghamshire Libraries service. A friendly and welcoming atmosphere awaits you, and we invite you to visit and explore the resources and support available. We are conveniently located next to the Village Hall with plenty of free parking outside and nearby.
* Look out for our special events *

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LEGO + GAMES WE COLLECT: Used stamps and small coins.

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St Nicholas Church

HARVEST Festival



SUNDAY
4TH OCTOBER
AT 9AM

Family service
with harvest gifts brought



MONDAY
5TH OCTOBER
HARVEST SUPPER
and
AUCTION
Traffic Light Soups

6.30PM IN CHURCH



COLOUR ME IN

*Halloween -
31st October*



*World Food Day held on
October 16th
to raise awareness about global
hunger and promote action for
sustainable food security.*





CHEERS!

The Unicorn — An Update

We are pleased to confirm that good progress continues to be made towards purchase of the freehold. The key elements were the survey, which has been conducted with no major flags, and a tax relief application (EIS) — a process that takes time. We're pleased to say advanced assurance has been received. As part of the sale, an overage clause is also being included, which protects the pub's future use, which given the EIS approval can now be fully drafted and added.

We are hopeful of exchanging contracts early in October. This has been a genuinely collaborative process, and we are looking forward to the next chapter for the pub. A further update will be shared once contracts have been exchanged, with more detail on plans for reopening

Thank you, as ever, for your patience and support.

Sam & Andy on behalf of all parties



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The Cubbers Bookworms

**Meets in the Cublington Village Hall
7.30-9.30pm**

Refreshments provided, tea Coffee and Biscuits
£5 per month

*Anyone interested in joining us
please let me know.
Di Grace 07866 370330*

NEXT MEETINGS

Tue 20 Oct 2026 19:30-21:30

Tue 17 Nov 2026 19:30-21:30

Tue 15 Dec 2026 19:30-21:30

This one may be cancelled as possibly too close to Christmas.

WEDS 25 - SAT 28 NOV 26

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Following our 2025 triumph in winning the Gurney Cup and being awarded "Best Kept Village", we of course entered again for 2026. In this case the Tindall Cup as we could not compete again for the Gurney Cup. Cublington did very well indeed scoring 192 points out of a maximum for 200. The winner this year was Seer Green with 199 points. Once again, well done to all the residents and volunteers of Cublington who through their efforts made Cublington deliver a commendable performance. Full adjudication is inserted below.

Cllr Michael Reilly

On behalf of Cublington Parish Council

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION 2026 – TINDALL CUP				
VILLAGE/TOWN CUBLINGTON			Score	Possible Marks
1	Quality of Competition Entry- to include up to date and detailed map with features highlighted plus any additional useful information	Good map with keys to features and accompanying notes. Informative notes for residents on how to make a meaningful contribution to the village's success in the competition	20	20
2	Evidence of community engagement and involvement in the Competition (eg social media, website, newsletter, magazine, posters etc)	Best Kept Village poster displayed on the PC Notice Board. Strong evidence of a very active community, the Cublington Crier is packed full of events and other useful information. The May Issue covers the Competition in detail	19	20
3	Cemetery, graveyard, war memorial, (separate or attached to a place of worship)	Very well kept with wildlife area. Photograph of the war memorial provided. It was noted that grass cutting is carried out on a rota basis.	24	25
4	Green, playing field, children's play area, outdoor recreation facilities, designated conservation area (appropriately signed)	Excellent playing field with fantastic sports facilities. Children's play is well fenced with a good selection of equipment. The green area where the Best Kept Village is sited has some wilded areas. It would be good to have a sign to indicate this.	35	35
5	Floral displays (hanging baskets, tubs, planters, flower beds etc)	Good, planters on entry points to the village.	18	20
6	Community facilities (Village Hall, Community Centre, Church Hall, Shops, Pubs)	The Briggs Pavillion is neat, tidy and well cared for, the Village Hall also. Although the pub is temporarily closed the area to the front of the pub is well looked after	28	30
7	General environmental features (hedges, verges, ditches, pond, stream pump etc)	Good, well managed	24	25
8	Bus stops, bus shelters, public seating, dog bins, notice boards, information signs, absence of litter and dog fouling	Best Kept Village poster on the notice board which is in good condition. Minimal litter	24	25
Additional notes			192	200



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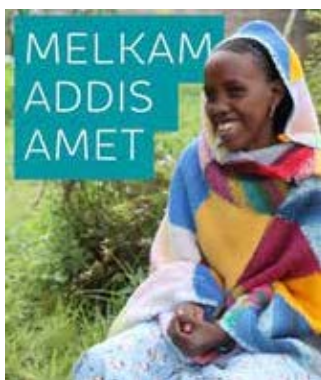
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9.4 Donation from the Village Fete - A donation has been received from the Fete Committee. It was agreed to put this towards the restoration of the village pump which has already been suggested.

9.5 The Unicorn - The application to renew the status of the Unicorn as an Asset of Community Value is underway.

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It was noted that the hedge bordering the High Street between Chapel Alley and the crossroads was overgrown and encroaching on the footpath. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Mainly Mowing to enquire if they would undertake this additional task as well as the routine mowing.

There are also seriously overgrown hedges along the Stewkley Road to Double Dairy farm. Councillor Vale agreed to obtain a quote for cutting these back from a contractor.

Meeting closed 8.45pm.

Next meeting: At 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th September in Cublington Village Hall

St Nicholas Church October Newsletter

We are celebrating our Harvest Festival this month and would love you to come and join in. We will be giving thanks for the success of all food crops grown on the land by our farming community along with produce grown on allotments and in our gardens. It has been rather a challenge this year but as was seen at the Horticultural show a wonderful crop was gathered. Thanks will be given at the 9am Sunday service on 4th October and we would be very appreciative for donations of produce, bakes and flowers during Saturday morning 3rd October when the church will be open from 10.00am. This will be followed the next day on Monday 5th

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The Bucks Historic Churches Trust (BHCT) ran its annual Ride and Stride fundraising event on 12th September. Doug Merriman and Dennis Allen took part cycling 27 miles and visiting 9 of the local churches. Rev Dom walked from Soulbury to Wing visiting all his parish churches along the way. He arrived at Cublington with a large group of people who had joined him for all or part of the journey and was happy to find that there were a selection of refreshments for them to enjoy. Michael Alexander joined the walking group for the next lap of their route. Many thanks to all who donated bakes and manned the church during the day. Thank you also to anyone who sponsored the people who took part in the event.

The BHCT supports historic churches and we have been able to benefit in the past from a grant from them for repairs.



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9.2 War Memorial - Councillor Reilly informed the council that he had met with representatives of Quartz Worktop Company to discuss the design and materials which were to be donated. He also highlighted the significant installation costs that would be associated with

the project; and noted that funds for this would need to be raised prior to the project's commencement.

9.3 Village Pump – the residents at Pump Cottage have kindly offered to renovate the village pump located at the front of the cottages.

9.4 Donation from the Village Fete - A donation has been received from the Fete Committee. It was agreed to put this towards the restoration of the village pump which has already been suggested.

9.5 The Unicorn - The application to renew the status of the Unicorn as an Asset of Community Value is underway.

9.6 Best Kept Village - No update has been received regarding our entry for the best kept village.

It was noted that the hedge bordering the High Street between Chapel Alley and the crossroads was overgrown and encroaching on the footpath. It was agreed that the Clerk should contact Mainly Mowing to enquire if they would undertake this additional task as well as the routine mowing.

There are also seriously overgrown hedges along the Stewkley Road to Double Dairy farm. Councillor Vale agreed to obtain a quote for cutting these back from a contractor.

Meeting closed 8.45pm.

Next meeting: At 7.30pm on Tuesday 8th September in Cublington Village Hall

St Nicholas Church October Newsletter

We are celebrating our Harvest Festival this month and would love you to come and join in. We will be giving thanks for the success of all food crops grown on the land by our farming community along with produce grown on allotments and in our gardens. It has been rather a challenge this year but as was seen at the Horticultural show a wonderful crop was gathered. Thanks will be given at the 9am Sunday service on 4th October and we would be very appreciative for donations of produce, bakes and flowers during Saturday morning 3rd October when the church will be open from 10.00am. This will be followed the next day on Monday 5th

October by the Harvest Supper and Auction of produce and bakes. The supper will be held at 6pm and a range of delicious soups will be served before our auctioneer opens the bids. Please pop dates in your diary and come and support us ...it is always a great social event.

The Bucks Historic Churches Trust (BHCT) ran its annual Ride and Stride fundraising event on 12th September. Doug Merriman and Dennis Allen took part cycling 27 miles and visiting 9 of the local churches. Rev Dom walked from Soulbury to Wing visiting all his parish churches along the way. He arrived at Cublington with a large group of people who had joined him for all or part of the journey and was happy to find that there were a selection of refreshments for them to enjoy. Michael Alexander joined the walking group for the next lap of their route. Many thanks to all who donated bakes and manned the church during the day. Thank you also to anyone who sponsored the people who took part in the event.

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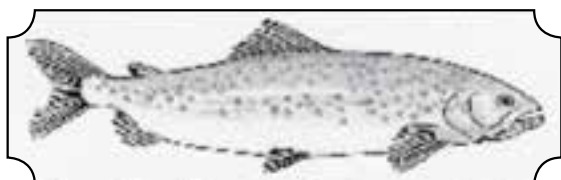
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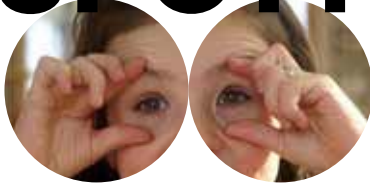
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Spotted

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Spotted

Clearly didn't down Ridings Way... Someone went to the trouble of bagging it and then left it - presumably to take home after the walk... BUT THEN FORGOT IT! Come on dog walkers, you're better than that!!



Spotted

The new pond - this time down Ridings Way!



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Spotted

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