

Peppard News

A community newspaper for the parish of Rotherfield Peppard

Winter 2005

Trafalgar Weekend Lighting the Beacon

Friday 21st October, the 200th anniversary of Nelson's victory over the French and Spanish fleets off Cape Trafalgar, dawned wet and windy but as the day wore on the showers abated and, as Tony Saunders' tent was being erected, the wind mercifully died away and our prayers were answered with a dry and pleasant evening. This brought out some 200 people of Peppard to witness the lighting of the beacon to spread the good news of the victory across the land.



An hour earlier The Queen had lit the national beacon on the hard at Portsmouth in front of HMS Victory. Now, while we waited for ours to be lit and enjoyed the delicious soup cooked up for us by Moira Bradley and Lindsay Hasler, with fresh rolls and mulled red wine, we were able to watch a video recording of the broadcast of that occasion. Above us fluttered the flags of Nelson's famous signal, 'England expects that every man will do his duty', lit up by the flames as the beacon was set alight. The All Saints' choir, vigorously conducted by Nigel Wallington, then led us in rousing sea shanties, culminating in Rule Britannia led solo by Rebecca Bell, clad this time in some-



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thing warmer than the Union flag in which she had wrapped herself at the Revels in the summer.

Now it was the turn of Guy and Tess Ferguson to entertain us with a re-run of the audio-visual enactment of the Battle, which many of us had enjoyed at the Revels dinner/dance but this gave others who had not been there the chance to see and hear it for the first time and to join in with Rebecca and the choir in the final reprise of Rule Britannia. But that was not all; Tess had put together a wonderful DVD of the June Revels, which was watched with rapt attention as everyone tried to spot themselves and their friends.

By 9 o'clock all but a few stragglers had made their way home and by 10 o'clock everything, including the beacon and the tent, had been cleared away and the common was left to prepare itself for winter in that peace for which Admiral Lord Nelson had given his life.

David Money-Coutts

Unidentified Graves

In the 'new' All Saints' churchyard, across the drive which leads to Henley House, there are quite a number of graves with no identification of who is buried there. Can you identify any of them? If you can help, please ring David Silsoe on 01491 680258/01491 682360 (Ans m/c).

Editorial

Welcome to the new Team's first issue. You probably will think it looks much as it did before – you are right, it does! As all the Team are new to producing a paper and therefore have a lot to learn, we wanted to 'get the feel' of it by following Peter's well established format before making changes. With this first issue now produced, the Team will be looking to update Peppard News for the Spring issue, in which we will introduce ourselves to you!

There are, however, two changes: one is that the Diary is on the back page and the second is a new e-mail address for you to send us your contributions and comments. This is now:

PeppardNews@aol.com

If you have any suggestions, contributions or comments, do please send them to us. We hope that you will enjoy this issue.

The Peppard News Team send you their good wishes for Christmas and the New Year.

Susan Carter
Acting Editor

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School Matters

Peppard C of E Primary School

We had many additions to the normal intake of new children in September. We welcome Catherine Garner who teaches Years 1 and 2, and Sara Palmer teaching Years 5 and 6. Mrs Willis joined us to teach French across the school. Melanie Quincey is now responsible for Foundation pupils with Wrap-around shared by Georgina Saunders and Lisa Alston.

This term also saw the election of a new Chair and Vice-Chair of Governors at the school. Elizabeth Bielby was elected as Chair and Rev. Hugh Warwick was elected as Vice-Chair. Elizabeth has recently moved to the village and although her children are past school age she is delighted to have this opportunity to get involved with her local community.

We also have a new committee for FOPS (Friends of Peppard School). Kelly Chapman and Helen Saunders have jointly taken over the role of Chair. With their new committee and Year Reps they have plans in place for many new fund-raising events, as well as continuing with some old favourites. They hope to run a race night in the spring (see local boards for details).

On behalf of FOPS we would like to take the opportunity of highlighting a couple of ways that *every reader* can help the school raise

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Chairman of the Governors

much needed funds. If you have any old, unbroken ink cartridges please bring them to the school office, where there is a collection box. We can recy-

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Peppard,
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GOVERNOR

We are looking for an enthusiastic person to volunteer to become a Governor at our small and friendly school. The ideal candidate will have an enquiring mind and wish to contribute in an effective way to the community.

A Governor's duties average around 6 hours of spare time each month, usually in the evenings, and training will be given.

If you have an interest in the role of Primary schools in society and wish to make a positive contribution, please contact the Chair of Governors via the school office on 01491 628354, or write to her at the above address.

Sonning Common Pre-School gets a Facelift

Sonning Common Pre-School would like to thank parents, children, staff and sponsors in raising the £15,000 needed for the refurbishment of the pre-school building. Generous donations were also received from the Lottery and from South Oxfordshire District Council Community Foundation, respectively. This refurbishment work is now complete and the area where the children play and work has been re-decorated.

The Pre-School continues to provide new learning initiatives for the children; using books donated by parents and Vicki Matthews (Usborne Books), it has launched its own library which is proving very popular with the children. The Pre-School has also been raising money through its Bags2school campaign; children were given bags to fill with unwanted clothes, towels and bed linen. The Pre-School is then paid by Bags2school, based on the weight of the bags.

Sophie Underwood, Chair of the Pre-School Committee, said, "The refurbishment of the pre-school building has made a real improvement. Like many community based organisations, we rely on local support. Many thanks to all our contributors, without whom this work would not have been possible. Our next goal is to install a children's kitchen, where the children can learn about the importance of healthy eating and cooking skills. We hope to raise enough money through the Christmas Fayre and the Bags2school campaign to begin building a new kitchen for the children to use".

The Sonning Common Pre-School Christmas Fayre is on Saturday, 10 December in the Sonning Common Village Hall, from 10am to 12 noon. For more information, please contact **Kate Luckett** on 0118 972 4760, or visit our website, scplaygroup@btinternet.com

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Crime is never far from our doorstep as the recent robberies at Sonning Common Garage and Peppard Stores have highlighted. What may not be clear to many people are the various means citizens have available to report actual or suspected crime to the police. The emergency 999 number should always be used to report, for example, if a crime is in progress. However there are many other circumstances where a person has information about crime or criminals and this is where Crimestoppers comes in.

Basically Crimestoppers is a partnership between the community, the media and the police. The community provides funding, the media provides publicity and the police take action on calls. A national charity, Crimestoppers Trust is the body behind Thames Valley Crimestoppers. Since it was set up in April 1999 calls to Thames Valley Crimestoppers have led to almost 10000 investigations. As a result nearly 1200 people have been arrested and charged with all sorts of offences. **The number to call Crimestoppers is 0800 555 111.** Calls to this number are anonymous and cannot be traced as they do not show up on phone bills, unless made from some mobile phones. The call will be answered by a specially trained person who will take down all the information given and pass it on to the police for investigation. Because it is anonymous there is no fear of reprisal, retribution or revenge.

The information given does make a difference, because the police cannot solve crime on their own but need help from everyone. Sometimes the police know who the criminals are, but do not have enough evidence to make an arrest. Sometimes, though it tells the police something entirely new. Frequent publicity campaigns are run to raise awareness within the community and

spread the message.

To find out more about Crimestoppers contact Thames Valley Crimestoppers, PO Box 4818, Earley, Berkshire RG10 0FT or email

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Parish Council

Chairman: Geoff Pitcher

Contact details for Chairman, Parish Clerk: and Parish Councillors are on the Council's website www.rppc.org.uk

SODC Councillors: Don Naish -0118 972 3828 & Paul Harrison - 0118 972 2665

OCC Councillor: Carol Viney - 01491 680887

Rotherfield Peppard Parish Council usually meets on 2nd Monday of the month at 7.30 pm in the Pavilion, though there is no meeting in August. Parishioners may attend and observe, and may raise briefly issues of concern to them. All may attend intermediate planning meetings, as well - see Diary, back page, for dates and times.

Thames Crossing Still Under Debate

Peppard Parish Council hosted a meeting of the Thames Crossing Council Group in September. This group, under the Chairmanship of Carol Viney, co-ordinates the views of the parishes, including Peppard, potentially impacted by any possible change to Thames crossing capacity. The group feeds into the Joint Working Party tasked with undertaking the study to produce a recommendation. Within the scope of the study are the crossings at Whitchurch, Caversham, Sonning and Reading. The view of the TCCG is that there needs to be a solution to the traffic problems besetting Sonning and environs however, it has a number of concerns particularly relating to the potential for releasing latent traffic demand through a Northern Link road and the environmental impact this would have on our local area, and also the potential impact of creating through routes from the M40 to the M4.

Enquiries of the Department for Transport suggest that, if a consensus

can be reached it could be included in the Local Transport Plans for 2006 – 2011, with a likely build year of 2016 being achievable. The view of the TCCG is that progress is being made but there are still a lot of complex issues to be resolved. These have been articulated back to the Joint Working Party for further consideration.

Affordable Housing In Peppard Not Resolved

The proposal to allocate affordable housing within the planned development on the old municipal site on Shiplake Bottom remains unresolved with further objections raised due to the forward building line relative to the other properties on the road. Currently SODC Housing is in communication with Millgate Homes and South Oxfordshire Housing Association to try to get some affordable housing on this site. The Parish Council is currently awaiting a response from SODC.

Bus Shelter Near Peppard Cross Roads

A special vote of thanks to Mr Colin Davis of Gallowstree Road for kindly volunteering to keep the bus shelter clean, tidy and free of litter. It is apparent that the shelter is falling into a state of disrepair and the Parish Council have committed to seek funding for repairs, or ideally a replacement. In the meantime Mr Davis' initiative is most welcome.

Planning

The number of planning applications received by the Parish Council seems to be slightly down on last year - with far fewer conservatories, but nevertheless applications for extensions continues. One of the main areas of focus is the former County Council depot in Shiplake Bottom and we now have received the fourth application for the construction of new dwellings on this site. Understandably, this has stirred up a considerable amount of local

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Village Matters

Peppard War Memorial Hall

The latest news is that the Peppard and District Lunch Club have moved to the Hall from Chiltern Edge and provided us with a cooker, Brownies, and two sets of Pilates groups have also become mid-week regulars. This is increasing our community service and the income necessary to sustain it. Good news! We must now hope that the Grants Authorities feel the same way as we approach them once more for financial aid. Peppard Parish Council produced £3000 over the past two years which has enabled us to complete the ramp and bay. We understand from the new users that the WC improvements, the kitchen upgrades and a new store are urgently required. Our funds remain adequate for running repairs but we now want to know if the village wants any other work considered when we apply for Grant assistance. Please phone **John** (0118 972 3452) or e-mail: jepumf@waitrose.com

Meanwhile we report that local fund-raising continues with recent successes being a Bluegrass music evening bringing in £700 and a Quiz night, a further £300. In the New Year John's January Jazz sees the return of Reedy Fusion with "Mood Swings" - a concert showing the versatility of the Saxophone to express all human emotion through Jazz!!! We usually sell out so book your tickets for **January 28th** from John Pumfrey soon.

Commons

We have advised on the grazing project in past editions - recently, good progress has been made and we are now at the stage where a Management Plan has been prepared by an outside consultant - this has been funded in part by SOD and the Chilterns Conservation Board. Further funding applications have now been submitted to cover the costs of a project officer for a two year period, who will be based at the Warburg Reserve, and who will drive the implementation of the Nettlebed Project (which includes the grazing) forward to implementation. Consultation will be the first main activity when the officer is appointed.

In the next few weeks, a bank on the western side of Church Lane will be



Members of the Green Gym scraping back turf on Kingwood Common in preparation for heather re-seeding. If you are interested in joining contact Robin Hawles 0118 972 3528

constructed to protect the eroding common edge. The bank will be seeded to reinstate the grass edge. A small ditch will be created on the common side of the bank to provide the material for the bank. Numerous crossing points will be provided - particularly for the school who use part of the common for its sports field. The conservators hope that this measure will help to stop the deterioration of the common edge, but we are dealing with some very determined drivers (particularly in 4-wheel drive vehicles!).

The ski-slope on Peppard Common has been mowed recently - this is to prevent the vegetation from closing up this area of the common and to encourage heather - hopefully residents have seen heather regeneration on Kingwood - largely due to the efforts of BBOWT and the Green Gym.

Peppard Baby & Toddler Group

We are a small, fun and friendly group who meet every Tuesday morning in Peppard War Memorial Hall for our children to play and interact and for ourselves to meet other parents and carers over a coffee.

Tuesday 9.45am – 11.45am (Term time only but including half terms)

For more information contact:

Caroline Jordan on 0118 972 4425 or just come along!

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cle these for much needed cash. Also, if you use the internet for shopping, you may be interested to know that you can help the school to earn 'reward points' by logging onto the web-site www.schoolfunds.co.uk and finding Peppard CE Primary School on the A-Z. From here you can access pretty much any major retailer you can think of. It is really simple, so please do have a go, and the school can use the reward points to buy a whole variety of equipment for the children.

Pupils are enjoying using the mobile library. Children in years 3 and 4 were invited to take part in a 'Design a Card' Competition for Binfield Heath Flower Festival during the summer holidays. Five from our school received awards. Springwood class is taking part in The Trafalgar Woods Project and will be tree planting at Neptune Wood, Long Wittenham on 10th November.

Plans are well underway for next

Planning (Continued from page 3)

interest and the Parish Council Planning Committee has been anxious to listen to local opinion, as we must heed what parishioners say in order to make an informed judgement. The previous three applications have been rejected due to over-development and siting too close to the road - to name but two reasons. We all recognise that a housing development will take place on the site, but we must try to ensure that what is constructed is appropriate in density, scale and situation. The Parish Council is very keen to see whether a portion of the development could be designated for affordable housing - SODC are supportive of this approach, and discussions continue with the developer, but nothing is agreed as yet. This is in line with what we spoke about at the Annual Parish Meeting back in April.

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From the Rectory

Writing in this edition of *Peppard News* comes at a time of new beginnings. Firstly, the new editorial team is now in place - and as a community we are very grateful to them and wish them all well - and secondly, you will be reading this around the beginning of Advent, the Church's 'New Year'.

Jeremiah the prophet happened upon a scene that even yet we can find. He needed a new pot or bowl perhaps, so he called in on the potter, at his shop. The potter was busy at his wheel, raising a pot but when Jeremiah opened the door, the shaft of sunlight coming in made him start and he wrecked the pot. Rather than shout at Jeremiah, he just rolled it all up, wet his hands anew and started off again.

Jeremiah realised that there was always scope for a fresh start, which gave him some insights on mightier problems that he had been pondering. The problems concerned God and the people's relationship with Him.

What Jeremiah discovered was that just as every day is a new beginning, so every day can be a new beginning with God - if we let it. Hugh, Barry and I look forward to seeing you at the services in Advent and at Christmas. On Sunday 11th December at 6.30pm, there will be a service of 'Advent Carols' And the choir is at *The Unicorn* on the 21st December at around 8.00pm.

And if it's not stretching 'new beginnings' too much may I, on behalf of the Anglican community, welcome Fr Chris, the new Catholic parish priest.

Graham

What Sort of Church?

The process of taking stock of what our Church is doing and where it should be going continued with a meeting on 27th September attended by 27 people to discuss the theme "Making Jesus Known". After a celebration of Holy Communion, those present split into four groups to formulate their own ideas separately and then each group reported its views to everyone. This meeting followed one held in June to consider other aspects of the vision adopted by the PCC that 'the role of All Saints' Church is to enable the whole community of Rotherfield Peppard to express the love of God and of one another'. The stage has now been reached for the PCC to consider a plan of action which is expected to be adopted in the New Year.

Lest We Forget

The sacrifice of those who gave their lives or their health in war is still remembered by many in the community. Every year we hold a Royal British Legion service on Remembrance Sunday, at which the two minutes' silence is observed at 11 o'clock, the Last Post and Reveille are sounded, and a wreath is laid at the War Memorial in the churchyard. During the service, the names of those from Rotherfield Peppard and Rotherfield Greys who gave their lives are read out.

This year, the Chairman of the Parish Council, Geoff Pitcher, also laid a wreath - the first time that the Parish Council has been represented in this way. This symbolised the closer ties

developing between the Parish Council and the Parochial Church Council and also the fact that war brings loss of life, pain and suffering to civilians as well as to the military.

Patronal Festival

All Saints' Church, not surprisingly, celebrated All Saints' Sunday (this year - 3rd October) in a special way, not just in the Church services but also with a Patronal Lunch. This was held in Peppard War Memorial Hall, an excellent venue for the purpose and, of course, in the Parish.

The delicious food, prepared by Sue Nicholson and her team was served buffet style and there was a firm rule against sitting next to the same person for both courses, to ensure people really did mix. With over 70 attending, there were plenty of neighbours to choose from.

The cabaret, all home-grown, included a piper pacing the stage as if on some remote castle wall (Barry Olsen), poems written and delivered by Sue Nicholson (one about the lunch itself), a sextet who sang an old Scottish rehearsal hymn with words about a cat (for learning the tune, rehearsing with the real words was forbidden). The cabaret concluded with a splendid barbershop quartet. By common consent it was a very successful occasion and we expect to repeat it next year.

Music

Music at All Saint' relies heavily on Keith Atkinson, one of our Churchwardens, who is Choir Secretary. He arranges the concerts of which four are held each year in the Church and organises the yearly Diocesan Choirs Festival which is held alternately in Dorchester Abbey and Radley College Chapel. The Choirs Festival this year at Dorchester on 8th October, was attended by choirs from 28 Churches

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Church Matters

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(about 270 singers) and a congregation of over 100. Our Choir was well represented by children and adults at the inspiring Evensong service at which Andrew Nethsingha, Director of Music at Gloucester Cathedral, welded the many choirs into one.

One concert at the Church, by Cantus, a group which has visited us regularly in recent years was to take place as we go to press. Another was given on 24th September by Quite, a choir new to us and of a very high standard, demonstrated in a varied repertoire chosen by its director, Marie Power. A series of concerts is already arranged for 2006. The Church Choir, under its director Nigel Wallington, which leads the singing at two services every Sunday,

also led the sea shanties at the Trafalgar Day celebrations on Peppard Common on 21st October.

Village Matters (Continued)

Peppard Charity Support Group

Our most recent event, which was also the main one of the year, was the Peppard 10K on 11th September. All money raised was for the charity Feed the Children. This was the third year the event has taken place over foot-paths starting and finishing at Greys Green Golf Course. The weather on the day was grey and overcast and not quite raining - perfect for the runners but may have put off some potential entrants for the 8K family walk. However 230 people entered, slightly up on last year. The Chief Executive of Feed the Children set the runners off and then took part in the walk along

with another member of his staff and both their wives.

We have been able to hand over £1,504 to the charity and that amount will increase when all the sponsorship money has been collected.

Sue Nickson

Co-ordinator Peppard Charity Support Group

FISH

During the summer months many of our FISH clients, in addition to the regular shopping trips to Tesco Henley, Reading Town and Henley town, have enjoyed going further afield to other towns, e.g. High Wycombe, Newbury, Abingdon, Marlow and Wallingford to shop and lunch. If anyone would like to join one of our trips please contact the Fish office any weekday between 09.30-11.30 on 0118 972 3986 to discuss your needs.



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a drug proofing course which provided time for parents to come together to learn and understand about this dreadful issue – speakers included parents, teenagers and the police – workshops and role-play were set up to offer parents a deeper insight on how to avoid or obtain help.

office on 0118 972 4519 and we will gladly discuss it with you.

News

Over 100 people from Peppard Congregational Church went off to Bournemouth for their annual Church weekend on 9th September. It was a wonderful time of relaxation, enabling lots of families to spend quality time with their children and other families. We even had a Baptism in the sea! The rain didn't spoil the fun and many managed a swim in the sea. We're already booked and looking forward to next year. Earlier this year we successfully completed

Alpha – an opportunity to explore the meaning of life

We have once again started the Alpha course here at Peppard Congregational Church with a small group of people from the community. Alpha is a great opportunity to find out answers to all those questions you never dare to ask. We have supper, watch a video and then chat together over coffee. If anyone is interested in attending our next course please call our

Cradle Club

Cradle Club was started nine years ago with a few Mums meeting together. Since then it has grown and become increasingly popular. This group is created for Mums and is one of the few groups which caters for newborn babies. Most then continue to stay until their child is two or carry on as they have more children. It is a chance to meet new friends, to have a cup of tea or coffee and for your child to mix with others of similar ages. We do also have nannies, child-minders and Grandmas who come along and even the occasional Dad. For more details please contact the Church office on: 0118 972 4519

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Clubs and Societies

Peppard Bowls Club

The Club has had an excellent season; the green has played well thanks to the valiant work of Gordon Richens and his helpers and the efficiency of a new watering system. Extra storage space has made life easier and the gardens and tubs planted and maintained by Jean Smart and her assistants, have made for a very pleasing environment. During 2005, under Peter Watkins as Captain and Pam Beck as Vice-Captain, Peppard have played away and entertained teams from as far away as Stony Stratford as well as nearer neighbours from the Henley area, parts of Reading and Oxford. Only three games were actually rained off. In the Manchester Unity League competition Peppard finished in third position.

The Ron Watts Triples shield was won by Jenny Wingrove, Colin Benger and Gordon Freeman; the Dick Bishop Cup for pairs by Mavis Gomm and Joyce Howard and the Clarrie Cook pairs cup by Mike Lewis and Bill Outram.

The “points” sessions (run by Geoff Mitson and Gordon Freeman) held throughout the season proved very popular and are a very useful introduction for new members, as well as giving practice opportunities to long-standing members.

The annual Gala Day, sponsored by Sonning Common Garage, saw 20 visiting teams competing all day for the shield, which was eventually won by Milton Hill. The weather was kind and members worked hard to provide a fun day, which included a raffle thanks to

the generosity of the many local businesses who donated prizes, and with good refreshments for the visitors at lunch and teatime. Finally, when the visitors had departed and the last plate washed up, some 30 members who had been on duty all day, sat down outside at trestle tables to enjoy a delicious supper provided by four of our ladies.

Several members took part in County championships during the season and acquitted themselves well in the wider field. Gordon Richens, Barry Smart and John Faulkner reached quarter finals in the Mens County Triples; Barry Smart in the semi-final of the Allison Cup (Mens singles); Brian Davis and David Jennings in the last 16 in the County Pairs competition. For the ladies, Elaine Robers and Diana Faulkner reached the Area Semi-finals of the over 55 National Pairs competition as well as the last sixteen of the County Pairs competition.

Peppard & District Lunch Club

On 19th October we enjoyed our first lunch at Peppard Memorial Hall. 32 people sat down to Fish Pie with green beans, followed by Chocolate and Pear tart.

There were a few minor disasters; the smoke alarm screamed at the working cooker, until we opened a door. We had left the ladle behind at Chiltern Edge so the pie was served laboriously by pudding spoon and one of two kettles failed to work, thus coffee arrived in a lengthy, languid style!

Overall, members thought the Hall was attractive and spacious and they applauded the move.

Future dates: 7th December, Christmas lunch (free), 18th January, 15th February and 15th March.

Peppard Women's Institute

Amongst the dates in the Diary feature is mention of Peppard WI. So who are we? What do we do?

The Women's Institute is the largest voluntary women's organisation in the UK. Peppard Women's Institute meets in the War Memorial Hall, Peppard at 2.30 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, when perhaps 40 local women gather together to enjoy themselves, listen to a speaker on a different subject each month – coming up are Armchair Aerobics, Recycling and Waste Management, the Great Train Robbery and the Story of Cooking Utensils. We also discuss matters of national importance from time to time; recent topics included farmgate milk prices and the illegal trafficking of women. Yes, we sing Jerusalem and yes, some of us make jam, to say nothing of the delicious cakes for tea!

Any woman aged from 16 to 116 is welcome – we even invite menfolk along from time to time.

Interested: Want to know more? Telephone **Pamela Davies** on 0118 972 3614 or come along to our next meeting (see Diary for date). Give us a try – you may be surprised at what we have to offer!

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Sue Nickson (0118 972 4520) or Pat Fraser (01491 629631)

Peppard Diary

DECEMBER

7 Wed Peppard Lunch Club/12.15/Peppard Memorial Hall
9 Fri FISH Pub Lunch outing/11.30/details FISH office
 Peppard School Christingle Service at All Saints'
 Peppard School/stand at Henley Late Night Shopping
10 Sat Sonning Common Pre-School Christmas Fayre/
 10.00-14.00/Grove Road School
11 Sun All Saints'/18.30/Advent Carol Service
10 Sat Planning Committee
12 Mon Parish Council Meeting/19.30/Unicorn
14 Wed CRUSE Coffee Morning/10.00-11.30/SC Village Hall
 Peppard WI/Christmas Party/14.30/Memorial Hall
16 Fri Peppard School/end of term 2
19 Mon Mobile library—see below for times and places
25 Sun Service of seven lessons and carols/11.00/All Saints'

JANUARY

5 Thurs Peppard Primary/start term 3
7 Sat SODC/OCC Councillor Surgery/10-12/St Michael's Hall
11 Wed Peppard WI/SODC Recycling/14.30/Memorial Hall
18 Wed CRUSE Coffee Morning/10.00-11.30/SC Village Hall
 Peppard Lunch Club/12.15/Memorial Hall
20 Fri FISH Pub Lunch Outing/11.30/details FISH office
22 Sun Christian Unity Service/18.30/St Michael's RC Church
28 Sat Peppard Memorial Hall/Jazz Concert/see posters for
 Information
29 Sun Joint Benefice Service/10.30/Christ the King Church

FEBRUARY

4 Sat SODC/OCC Councillor Surgery/10-12/St Michael's Hall
6 Mon FISH Garden Centre Outing/13.30/details FISH office

8 Wed Peppard WI/Cooking Pots-a history/14.30/Memorial Hall
10 Fri Peppard School/end term 3

13 Mon Parish Council Meeting/19.30/Pavilion
15 Wed CRUSE Coffee Morning/10.00-11.30/SC Village Hall
 Peppard Lunch Club/12.15/Memorial Hall
17 Fri FISH Pub Lunch Outing/11.30/details FISH office
20 Mon Peppard School/start term 4

MARCH

4 Sat SODC/OCC Councillor Surgery/10-12/St Michael's Hall
6 Mon FISH Garden Centre Outing/13.30/details FISH office
8 Wed Peppard WI/AGM/14.30/Memorial Hall
15 Wed CRUSE Coffee Morning/10.00-11.30/SC Village Hall
 Peppard Lunch Club/12.15/Memorial Hall
17 Fri FISH Pub Lunch Outing/11.30/details FISH office
24 Fri Chiltern Players/G B Shaw's Pygmalion/Memorial Hall/
 see posters for details
25 Fri Chiltern Players/as 24 March
31 Fri Chiltern Players/as 24 March
 Peppard School/end term 4

APRIL

1 Sat Chiltern Players/as 24 March
7 Fri Recital by Clare Overbury & Anna Kounadi in aid of
 Rotherfield Peppard Educational Trust//20.00/All Saint's
10 Mon Parish Council Meeting/19.30/Pavilion
18 Tues Peppard School/start term 5

MAY **Boris Johnson will speak at Annual Parish Meeting**

Mobile Library— places & times [School: 15.00-15.15] [Unicorn: 15.25—15.40] FISH Office: 0118 9723986 (09.30—11.30, Mon—Fri)

Static attended Dustcarts

Month	December				January				February				March					
Date	7 Wed	10 Sat	14 Wed	21 Wed	11 Wed	18 Wed	25 Wed	1 Wed	8 Wed	11 Sat	15 Wed	22 Wed	1 Wed	8 Wed	11 Sat	15 Wed	22 Wed	29 Wed
Waste	NR	G	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	G	NR	NR	NR	NR	G	NR	NR	NR
Place	RP	RP	SC	RP	SC	RP	SC	RP	SC	SC	RP	SC	RP	SC	RP	RP	SC	RP

Place: RP = Peppard Xroads, SC = behind Somerfield. Waste type: G = Garden waste, NR = non-recyclable general waste. Times: Wednesday 8-11, Saturday 8-12

Church Services

Sunday Services	Dec		January				February				March			
At All Saints'	24	25	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	5	12	19
09.00 Communion		√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
10.30 Communion (sung)				√		√	‡		√		√		√	
10.30 Matins				√					√				√	
10.30 Family Service		√†			√					√				√
10.30 Sunday School				√					√				√	
17.30 Nativity Play & Carols	√													
18.30 Evensong				√	√	*	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
23.00 Holy Communion	√													

Notes

† Service of seven lessons and carols at 11.00 a.m.

* Christian Unity Service at St Michael's RC Church at 6.30 p.m.

‡ Joint Benefice Service at Christ the King Church at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday Services at Peppard Congregational Church
 Family Service: 10.30 - 11.45 ♦ Sunday School 10.30 - 11.30

Mass at St Michael's Roman Catholic Church
 ♦ Monday—Friday 09.00 ♦
 Saturday 17.30 ♦ Sunday 09.00 & 10.30



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