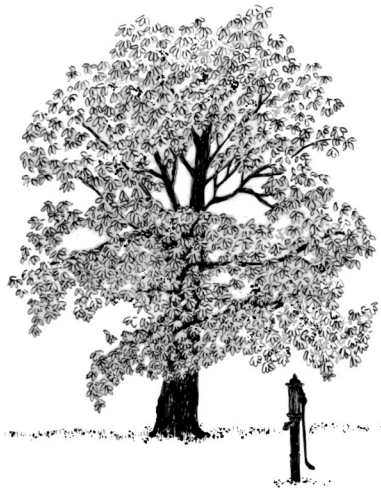
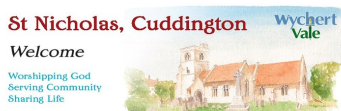




Cuddington Village Voice

June 2024



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- 2nd June All Age Holy Communion.
- 9th June Morning Worship, Children's activities in Bernard Hall
- 16th June All Age service and brunch
- 23rd June Holy Communion, Children's activities in Bernard Hall
- 30th June All Age Holy Communion.

CHRISTIAN AID BRING & BUY/PLANT SALE

Thursday 16th May dawned grey, and the forecast was not good, which did not bode well for an event which takes place both inside and out. However, numerous prayers were answered, the sun put in an appearance and I think I can safely say that we all had an enjoyable and successful afternoon. It was so good to see people of ages making good use of our garden: some sitting with their cups of tea as they chatted about this and that, while the children were fascinated by the newts in our pond. Charles and I are only too happy for our home to be used for this hugely worthwhile event, but we couldn't have done it without all the sterling work from Rosemary Bradbury and Cilla Bligh on the Cake and Bric-a-Brac stalls, and from Caroline Stonham who sold all sorts of toys – many of which were tried and



tested on our lawn! Carol Hayward managed to sell very nearly all the plants, while Mumtaz and Peter Toombs served endless cups of tea to keep everyone happy. So, a big thank you to all of them, and to everyone who came: between us all we helped to raise around £350 during the afternoon.

Angela Sanderson

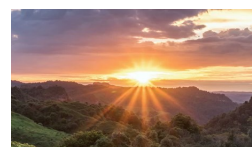


Sunrise Walk

On Saturday 22nd June

All welcome to meet at the Upper Green, Cuddington in time to set off at 3.45am for Winchendon Observatory to see the sunrise. Refreshments served at the Observatory

Enqs: Gill Fisher 01844 292894



Thought for the month...

June sees the start of a scintillating sporting summer. It begins with the Champions League final at Wembley, shortly followed by the T20 Cricket World Cup, before Euro 2024 kicks off with Scotland taking on hosts Germany. Next month we can look forward to Wimbledon and the Paris Olympics. While I await these events with keen anticipation, I know that for some the idea of watching others chase, hit or throw balls is a questionable use of precious time.



I think all of us know, however, that spectating takes on greater meaning when we feel emotionally connected to the teams and individuals taking part. England's clash with Slovenia holds more draw for me than Georgia versus Czechia. Though perhaps more stressful to watch, those games where we feel invested in the outcome are ultimately more rewarding.

There is perhaps a parallel here with communities, where the more we invest in them the more we can get out of them. It was fantastic that enough people answered the call for support to enable the Fete Committee to go ahead with planning our village fete this year.

Jesus teaches that he came for all and to serve. St Nicholas' Church seeks to be a church for the whole community and to provide support for all, both here and further afield. It was wonderful that many people came to various events through May to help us once again raise a significant sum of money for Christian Aid. Our church, like many other organisations in our village, relies on the generous support of volunteers who give up much time and money to enable it to keep running.

As we look forward to supporting sportsmen and women over the summer, perhaps we can all consider if there are other ways we can support the organisations, facilities and events that make our village a vibrant community.

Will Lewis, Churchwarden

School News



At last in May the sun has appeared and so have the sunhats and the opportunity to enjoy summer dancing and to play outside as much as possible. The children love watching seedlings grow and are keen to start the Gardening Club after half term.

Dragon footprints were spotted around the school last week; luckily it didn't do too much damage and very helpfully used its flames to light a fire in the Firepit in the Forest School Garden. The reception class are excited about holding a Tiger Tea party for their parents next week.

It has been a testing time across both school sites; the Year 6 children have been doing their SATS tests and the year 1 children have been doing Ofsted required Phonic screening. Evidence suggests that a sound grasp of phonics at such a young age is a vital route into independent reading and this is given a high priority here. After all the assessments it is time for fun trips and year 1 are looking forward to their visit to Warwick Castle later in June as part of their history topic, Castles through Time.

Cuddington Methodist Church Fete Day

We will have the Church open on Fete day so our limited toilet facilities will be available.

We will be part of the Olympic theme and there will be many things to see.

You will find a warm welcome.

Margaret Watts



Cuddington Fete Teas at Tyringham

Donations of cakes would be gratefully received on the morning of the Fete at Tyringham Hall



Thank you, Rectory Homes

The Cuddington Fete Committee would like to thank Rectory Homes for their generosity in sponsoring our fete for a second year.

Your contribution is very much appreciated.

ROAD CLOSURES ON FETE DATE

The following roads will be closed to all traffic from 1000 - 1730.

Holly Tree Lane (Jct Great Stone to Frog Lane)

Lower Church Street (inc Lower Green and Church Close)

Upper Church Street (from the main road)

Spurt Street

It would be much appreciated if all parked vehicles could be removed from these roads before 1000 please. Parking is available at the Playing Fields in Bernard Close.

Fete Stalls

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP BY DONATING TO THE FOLLOWING STALLS

DENISE'S BAGS & BEADS - Handbags, jewellery, beads, bangles and scarves.

Please leave with Denise at the Hairdressers

BOOKS - CHILDREN'S & FICTION only.

Good condition please. Drop off at Sorrell House, Dadbrook or bring to book club at CPYF

BOTTLE TOMBOLA - Wine, spirits & cordials.

Drop off to Alex at Paddock Pass, Frog Lane

PLANTS & GARDENING - Labelled flowers, veg, houseplants, decorative pots, tools (no plastic please). Drop off to Carol Hayward at Two Shoes, Frog Lane or bring on the morning of the fete.

TEDDY TOMBOLA - preloved teddies in good condition for children's tombola. Please drop off at 4 Swan Hill, (Aylesbury Rd)

CAKES - donations to Tyringham Hall on the morning of the fete please

GRANTS AVAILABLE

This fete is organised BY the village FOR the village.

If you would like your local charity group/organisation to be considered a beneficiary of this year's fete, we are inviting grant applications for funding/ support

Please email cuddington.fete@gmail.com

Thank you

Our special guests at the Cuddington Olympic Fete are



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"We exist to enlighten and inspire future generations by celebrating, cherishing and bringing the Paralympic heritage and its stories of human endeavour to life"

The National Paralympic Heritage Trust was established in July 2015 to protect and share British Paralympic Heritage.

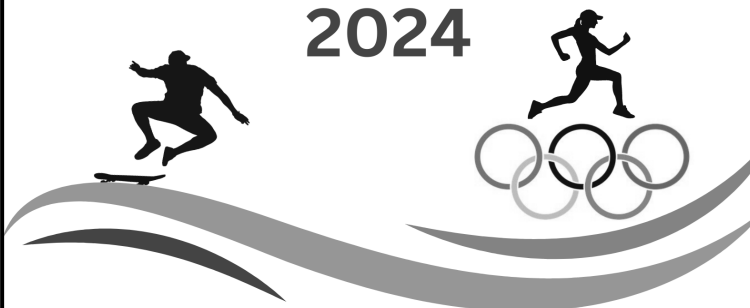
On fete day, the NPHT are bringing along their pop-up museum, telling the story of the birth of the Paralympic movement and our local (Stoke Mandeville) Paralympic heritage.

Before fete day, if you would like to meet Paralympian David Hill you are invited to join the NPHT ZOOM online talk with him on Saturday 5th July. To book your place go to: <https://www.paralympicheritage.org.uk/Event/meet-paralympic-athlete-david-hill>



David Hill cycling at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games.
Image credit: ParalympicsGB

Cuddington Fete 2024



Sponsored by Rectory Homes



Saturday 13th July

1 - 4pm

Olympics themed fancy dress parade from the Lower Green at 12.30pm, prizes to be won!



Don't forget - 5:30pm OLYMPIC AFTER FETE PARTY at the Cuddington Playing Fields

News about the pub!



Aaron and the team have gotten off to a wonderful start at The Crown. With a new Head Chef, Vas, they launched the new menu on Friday 24th of May.

With Sunday Roasts and a brand new menu, the food I sampled on Sunday was top notch. Very tasty, beautifully presented and served with a smile.

Sunday afternoon saw a bit of summer come to the village with a Sunday Sundowner event with BBQ and live DJ.

With his feet now on the ground, Aaron is planning more events to come. Trialling some new ideas and bringing back some of our old favourites. Keep an eye on the Cuddington Facebook page, and the pub chalkboards, or pop in for a chat to find out what's up and coming; and Aaron will be lending his voice here from next month.



The Crown at Cuddington

Nibbles & Sharers

Crispy Chicken Bites, Sweet Chilli Sauce (7,14) 5.00

Iberico Chorizo, Aioli Sauce (1,2,4,7,9,14) 5.00

Blistered Balsamic Cherry Tomatoes (9,14) 4.50

Selection of Freshly Baked Breads, Olive Oil & a Balsamic reduction (2,13,14) 7.50

Baked Camembert, Selection of Breads & Caramelised Red Onion Jam (2,7,13,14) 15.00

Garlic Ciabatta 7.00, add Cheddar 2.00 (2,7)

The Crown Classic Mains

Honey Roast Ham, Free Range Eggs, Hand Cut Chips with a Seasonal Salad (1,4,9,14) 15.00

8oz Flat Iron Steak, Hand Cut Chips, Blistered Cherry Vine Tomatoes, Garlic Mushrooms, Peppercorn Sauce, Mixed Leaf Salad (1,2,7,9,14) 22.00

Fish 'n' Chips, Tartare Sauce, Mushy Peas, Hand Cut Chips (2,4,5,7,9,14) 17.00

Whitby Scampi, Fresh Garden Peas, Tartare Sauce, Skinny Fries (2,3,4,7,9,14) 18.00

Mediterranean Vegetable Pasta, Penne Pasta with Roasted Mediterranean Vegetables in a Rich Italian Tomato & Herb Sauce with Grated Parmesan 15.00 add Chicken (7) or Chorizo (7) 3.00 (1,2,4,7,14)

The Crown Signature Summer Salad, Peppers, Onion, Cucumber, Rocket, Spinach, Cherry Vine Tomatoes, Olives 15.00 add Chicken or Halloumi 3.00 (7)

7oz Beef Burger, Topped with Smoked Back Bacon, Mature Cheddar (2,4,7,9,13,14) 18.00

Crispy Halloumi Burger, Topped with a Fresh Mango Salsa (1,2,7,13,14)

Both above burgers are served in a ciabatta bun with baby gem lettuce, red onion, beef tomato & gherkins with skinny fries and a mixed leaf salad

Our Menu Indicates Allergen Information

(1) Cereal (2) Cereal containing gluten (3) Crustaceans (4) Eggs (5) Fish (6) Lupin (7) Milk (8) Molluscs (9) Mustard (10) Nuts (11) Peanuts (12) Sesame (13) Soya (14) Sulphur dioxide & sulphates



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Six Inches of Soil

screening at the Bernard hall on Wednesday 19th June.

The film tells the inspiring story of British farmers, communities, small business, chefs and entrepreneurs standing up against the industrial food system and transforming the way they produce food – to heal the soil, benefit our health and provide for local communities. The screening will be followed by refreshments, including a bar. A panel discussion and Q and A session will then take place with guest speakers including Steve Proud, Land Manager of BBOWT and George Bennet of Sandy Lane Farm, hosted by Rose Dale of Rose Dale's Organic Farm.

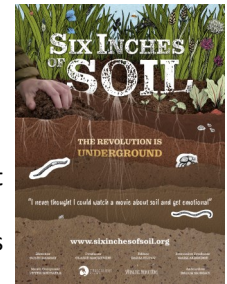


To book please visit [here](#) or scan this QR code.

The site ticket price is displayed in \$ rather than £. Our tickets are \$7.50 which is equivalent to £6.00

About Six Inches of Soil:

Six Inches of Soil is the first full-length documentary feature film that tells the story of the UK's regenerative and agroecology movement and its benefits to soil. With the first global screening at COP28 and UK screening at Oxford Real Farming Conference 2024, the film aims to inspire UK farmers to adopt regenerative agroecological farming practices and encourage consumers and policymakers to support their efforts. With a compelling narrative, engaging animations and interviews with leading figures, it tells the story of our soils and our food and farming system through the eyes of three new entrant farmers and examines how we can replace this with a resilient and localised agrosystem.



The aim is to inspire farmers with the confidence to shift to a more regenerative mindset and approach; to give consumers the impetus and information to rethink their food choices and ultimately create a groundswell of public opinion leading to policy change, support and funding for a British regenerative farming and agroecological revolution.

Greener Cuddington June 2024

Cuddington Vertebrate Watch 2024

Fifteen Cuddington residents, spread across the village, took part in this year's Vertebrate Watch over the weekend of May 10th to 12th. This was the 14th year, so we are building a long-term picture that gives us clues to the trends in populations and distribution of birds, mammals, amphibians and reptiles in and around Cuddington.

The main points of note are:

- 22 species of bird and 6 other vertebrates were recorded.

- Numbers of smaller birds and songbirds seem to be decreasing: eg. Finches, thrushes.

- There are no swallows and house martin numbers continue to decrease.

- Corvid (black) species of birds are rising (eg crows, jackdaws, magpies).

Highlights were the cuckoos that were heard close to the village, and the number of frogs seems to be

increasing probably as there are more garden ponds. Grey squirrels seem to be doing rather well, and one participant reported possible hedgehogs in their garden, but they haven't been seen.

The absence of swallows and house martins is worrying and probably caused by the dramatic drop in insects in the UK and Europe. On the other hand, carrion eaters such as crows, jackdaws and red kites are doing well. Red kites are very beautiful birds that are native and show that locally extinct species can be successfully reintroduced. They are specialists in carrion, but also will scavenge eggs and young from other birds' nests, adding to pressure from cats and other mammal predators. This is one reason why artificially feeding them is not a good idea as it attracts more birds that have to search for other food once the source that attracted them is gone.

The good news is that more people, including farmers, recognise that the drastic loss of bird species since the 2nd World War has to be reversed along with insect populations and soil quality. So several fields around Cuddington and some of our verges are being less intensively managed so

that wildlife has more of a chance to thrive. Also, restorative farming practices are being used by Waddesdon Estates who farm the arable fields to the north side of the village.

I would like to thank all those who took part in Cuddington Vertebrate Watch this year and hope that you found it worthwhile and interesting. The understanding of local wildlife that has accumulated through this project will be important in moving forwards with our Parish Council's new Biodiversity Policy and Bucks Council's Local Nature Recovery Strategy which, we hope, will result in a richer and lovelier countryside to live in.

Doug Kennedy

Wildlife Monitoring Opportunity

I am looking for a young person to help me with monitoring butterflies, the River Thames and nature in our area. It is an opportunity for someone aged 16 or over who would like to learn more about the natural World and how to recognise and photograph wildlife. They will join me, when available, on my monthly river testing and butterfly monitoring walks and hopefully, in time, be able to fill in when I am away. Email doug@doug-kennedy.com

Dates for your Diary

June 2024



'What is one to say about June, the time of perfect young summer, the fulfilment of the promise of the earlier months, and with as yet no sign to remind one that it's fresh young beauty will never fade.'

Gertrude Jekyll 1843-1932

June

Monday 3rd, 2pm	Sunshine Club outing to Witney & Cogges Manor Farm
Wednesday 5th, 8pm	Annual General Meeting Bernard Hall
Wednesday 5th, 8pm	Bookworms Book Club Playing Fields Clubhouse
Thursday 6th, 8pm	'Oppenheimer' , Village Picture House
Monday 17th, 2pm	Sunshine Club Tea, Playing Fields Clubhouse
Thursday 20th, 8pm	'Past Lives' , Village Picture House
Tuesday 25th, 7pm	Parish Council Meeting, Bernard Hall
Thursday 27th, 8pm	'Scraper' , Village Picture House

July

Wednesday 3rd, 8pm	Bookworms Bookclub Playing Fields Clubhouse
Thursday 4th	General Election, voting at the Bernard Hall
Monday 8th, 2pm	Sunshine Club Tea, Playing Fields Clubhouse
Saturday 13th	Village Fete
Thursday 18th, 7pm	'NT Live (TBA)' , Village Picture House
Monday 22nd, 1.30pm	Sunshine Club Cinema 'Ticket to Paradise' , Bernard Hall
Tuesday 30th, 7pm	Parish Council Meeting, Bernard Hall

And every Wednesday, at 9.15am, in term time, Cuddingtots takes place in the Playing Fields Clubhouse; and every Friday, at 10.00am, also in term time, Toddlers Singing Group takes place in St Nicholas Church. Everyone is welcome.

For more details please contact Amy (07782199707) for Cuddingtots, and Christine (christine.jackson@live.co.uk) for Toddlers Singing Group. For more information please refer to the village website – cuddingtonvillage.com

The Sunshine Club calendar dates are:

June

Monday 3rd, 9.30am	Sunshine Club outing to Witney & Cogges Manor Farm
Monday 17th, 2.00pm	Sunshine Club Tea, Playing Fields Clubhouse

July

Monday 8th, 2.00pm	Sunshine Club Tea, Playing Fields Clubhouse
Monday 22nd, 1.30pm	Cuddington Matinee Cinema, 'Ticket to Paradise'

Jamie & Doug's Folk Night

On Thursday June 13th 2024 At 8PM

Doors open from 7.30pm

At the Cuddington Playing Fields Pavillion

Entrance is free and there is a licensed bar.

June events at Haddenham Community Library



Haddenham
Community
Library

Every week

Tuesdays at 10:30 – Storytime

10:30 – 12 – Knit and Natter

3:30-4pm Afternoon Story Time (running every week, not just school term times)

Thursdays 10.30 to 12.30 - Drop in for all things digital with Mary

Friday at 10.30-11am – Bounce and Rhyme (14th June)

Saturday 10.30am to 12.30pm – Crafts and Lego Club

Every Month

Lunchtime Reading Group: Next meeting Tuesday 11th June at 12:45 – 2pm.

No need to sign up or commit to reading a specific book, just show up and talk to others about books you have enjoyed reading. Bring your lunch, hot drinks and biscuits provided.

Meet your councillor:

Gregory Smith 10am-11am on 2nd Saturday of the month (8th June)

Please check website

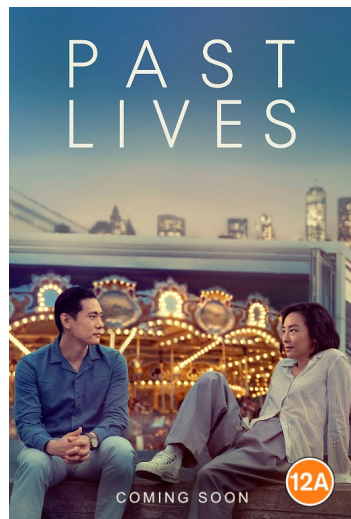
www.haddenhamcommunitylibrary.org.uk for date details

Special Events for June

Throughout June

Bucks Art Weeks display in the library.

Featuring Haddenham artists and their village art trail (NB: Bucks Art Weeks dates are 8-23 June 2024)



The programme for June at the Village Picture House begins on Thursday 6th with Christopher Nolan's multi-award-winning epic **Oppenheimer** (cert. 15) starring Cillian Murphy. During World War II, Lt. Gen. Leslie Groves Jr. appoints physicist J. Robert Oppenheimer to work on the top-secret Manhattan Project. Oppenheimer and a team of scientists spend years developing and designing the atomic bomb. Their work comes to fruition on 16th July 1945, as they witness the world's first nuclear explosion, forever changing the course of history... "Boldly imaginative ... a 'magnificent' story of a tragic American genius," says *BBC Culture*. "Cillian Murphy dazzles as the destroyer of worlds ... a triumph," says *The Telegraph*. "Christopher Nolan's dark, immersive epic gives Cillian Murphy the role of his career," says the *Evening Standard*.

Then on 20th June we'll be showing the highly touching, Oscar and BAFTA-nominated love story **Past Lives** (cert. 12A). Nora and Hae Sung, two deeply connected childhood friends, are wrested apart after Nora's family emigrates from South Korea. Twenty years later, they are reunited in New York for one fateful week as they confront notions of love and destiny. "A must-see story of lost loves, childhood crushes and changing identities," says *The Guardian*.

"Wondrous ... the finest love story of the year," says *The Telegraph*. "This romantic drama is a masterclass in slow, simmering storytelling," says *Empire*.

On 27th June our film will be the British comedy-drama **Scrapper** (cert. 12A), named one of the top 10 independent films of 2023. Living alone in her London flat after her mother died, feisty 12-year-old Georgie knows how to take care of herself. But then her estranged father Jason shows up out of nowhere. Uninterested in a sudden new parental figure, Georgie remains stubbornly resistant to her father's efforts. As Georgie and Jason adjust to their new circumstances, they soon find that they both still have a lot of growing up to do... "A fizzing, vital exploration of the father-daughter bond," says *The Guardian*. "As a pint-sized huckster tricking social services, Lola Campbell delivers one of the most enthusiastic performances of the year," says *The Independent*. "A father-daughter drama that fizzles with charm," says *The Telegraph*.



National Theatre Live plans to screen an exciting new production on 18th July, but we had received no further details before this edition of *Village Voice* went to press.

Visit the web page for more details of all features: www.cuddingtonvillage.com/cinema

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