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# Message from the Parish Council

The Parish Council wishes you all a Healthy and Peaceful 2023.

As we enter into a new year, it is timely to remind you that the current Parish Council is entering its last full year, so if you are interested in becoming a new Parish Councillor in May 2024 please let the Parish Clerk know. Any of the existing councillors will be pleased to talk through the role so don't hesitate to contact us.

At our next meeting, to be held on Monday 16 January, we will be finalising our budget and the precept. As explained in the previous Register it is likely that the precept will raise to help offset the rising costs to the Council. We are sorry that this has had to be considered, but hope you will understand.

Already there are signs of the snowdrops appearing in our hedgerows and along our bank, and I would like to once again thank Anne Williams for her ongoing commitment to enhancing our environment, not only for our enjoyment but for the benefit of the local wildlife. The final works to the refurbishment of the Burial Ground are scheduled for the spring when benches will be installed under the lych gate and the landscaping will be completed – all subject to the weather of course!

Local roads are beginning to show signs of wear so please if you find any serious potholes report them on **Fix my street** 

Thank you. With the rise in illness and the serious strikes that are taking place please try to keep safe. If you need any advice or help please contact the Parish Clerk who will be happy to provide you with contacts available at the Vale of the White Horse or Oxfordshire County Council.

Cllr Jeanne Lapsley Chairman Letcombe Regis Parish Council







# Community First for Oxfordshire and Oxfordshire Community & Voluntary Action Groups

Our Vision for Volunteering will aim both to offer concrete action points for supporting volunteering in the county over the next five years and to promote and celebrate the breadth of volunteering action we see in Oxfordshire.

As a first step, we need a better picture of the patterns of volunteering and unpaid support across Oxfordshire. To facilitate that, we're calling on people to tell us about their experience of volunteering and community action in the last twelve months. Sharing our short survey with your colleagues, friends, and neighbours, will make a huge difference (and, of course, filling it in yourself!)

Taking part is easy – the survey takes only a few minutes to complete.

We're interested in the full range of voluntary and community action, not just regular commitments within a formal structure or with a charity.



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## 200 Club

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200 Club Draw — No 10 January 2023							
171	Sam RABIN	£50					
69	John & Mandy BOALER	£25					
248	Neil COOK	£15					
80	John & Liz CASTLE	£10					
106	Val CLURE	£5					
Special Draw:							
10	Mike HADDRELL & Steve SMITH	£25					
99	Ruth MANNING	£25					
60	Nikki LEGGE	£25					
177	David MAUNDRELL	£20					
196	Sophie BODEN	£15					
89	Alison ROBINSON	£10					
40	Rose LUNDIE	£10					
New Numbers Draw							
9	Jonathan & Mary HARRISON	£5					
149	Matthew SNELLING	£5					
23	David CARTER	£5					
131	Martin DUNN	£5					

### **Useful Links**





### **Consumer Safety Alert**



Baby Self-Feeding Pillows, risk of serious harm or death.

Baby self-feeding pillow products are designed to be attached to a bottle so that the baby may be positioned on its back to self-feed without the assistance of a caregiver holding the bottle and controlling the feed. This is inconsistent with NHS guidance in relation to safe bottle feeding. When used as intended, even whilst under the supervision of a caregiver, it could lead to immediate, serious harm or death from choking or aspiration pneumonia.

Consumers should immediately stop using these products and dispose of them safely.

Businesses must immediately remove these products from the market as they cannot comply with the safety requirements under the General Product Safety Regulations 2005

For more information click HERE

# Work Hard, Play Hard....

#### Hard Work & Planning

We are all very aware of the desperate need for a new Playpark in our village which meets the needs of our children and grandchildren, as well as being a pleasant area to look at when visiting the Village Hall or the Sports Pavilion.

Over the last few several months we have refined the Playpark equipment requirements as well as new fencing and engaged with a number of providers. We have received proposals for an improved variety of apparatus, including inclusive needs. We had to be realistic and do the best we can with the current budget available to us.

#### **Fundraising & Your Help Please**

Now that we know how much finance is needed, we would appreciate any fundraising ideas or donations that you or anyone that you may know, who may wish to support the village in this regard. Perhaps this might extend to local businesses who would be a willing sponsor to benefit their local community.

We would love to hear from you if you have any helpful ideas.....

#### Work, Eat, Community, Play

There will be a Coffee & Cake Fundraising morning on **Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> of February** – more details will follow. There will be images of the proposed Playpark and more information for you to engage with us.

#### Paperwork before Play

We are keen to move forward at speed and secure the necessary financial approvals so that work can commence before the end of February ..... and hopefully to cut the new Playpark ribbon towards the end of May 2023.

Gill Gwalchmai, ggwalchmai@gmail.com. RG&VH Trust



# **Letcombes Gardening Club**

# **Topical Tips**

hope you have all had a good Christmas and that both you and your plants survived the cold snap we had in December. It is now time to look forward to the 2023 growing season with optimism and enthusiasm! Don't worry; we'll start off quite gently.

If you sow seeds rather than buy plug plants then you can sow half-hardy annuals like lobelia and begonia now. You can also sow sweet peas. If you are more adventurous with your seed sowing then now is the latest that you can sow those that need a frost to germinate.

You may find that your hellebores are coming into bud now. If so then chop off all the old leaves to ground level. They can harbour disease and also hide the beautiful flowers.

Continue your garden tidy up. Remember that this can be done gradually as some plants have lovely seed heads that also provide shelter for insects and food for birds. Do make sure that you remove any leaves that have blown over the top of plants such as alpines as they can easily be smothered and also they hate wet and will rot off.

Don't forget that if you have any pots outside you will still need to check if they need watering.

You can continue your winter pruning of apple trees and you can also have a go at your wisteria if you have one.

I think we'll shelter indoors for a while now. Make sure that your houseplants have sufficient light. Light levels can be low in the winter so you may need to move them. Clivia, however, need a period of dormancy so benefit from lower light levels and less water. If you have a greenhouse then you may have to heat it if the weather is cold and you are storing plants such as pelargoniums as they need a minimum temperature of 5degC.

Now lets talk about Christmas cacti. They can look spectacular but they can also be reluctant to flower. If your Christmas cactus failed to produce buds then it may be that the temperature was too high (above 18degC) or night light levels were too high. Remember. No light at night!

Now is a good time to consider installing garden lighting and lights inside sheds to enable you to garden on wet days and in the evenings. "Is there no rest for the wicked?" I hear you cry!

I have very little to say about vegetables this month. You should still be harvesting sprouts, cabbage, leeks and parsnips. It's a good idea to draw up the soil around the stems of sprouts and cabbage to prevent wind rock.

Well I think that's all for now. The topical tips lady and her husband would like to wish you all a Happy New Year!

# The Letcombes Gardening Club

Thope you have all had a good Christmas. We have our first meeting of the New Year this month on Wednesday 18 January at 7.30pm in Letcombe Regis village hall. We will be holding our AGM but don't let that put you off. The 'official stuff' doesn't usually last longer than 20 to 30 minutes and we then rapidly move on to show pictures of gardens that have been visited by members (a good way of getting ideas for visits of your own) and a social evening where we all get to have a good chat. Do come and join us.



# The Letcombes Conservation Group

t's time for the Big Garden Birdwatch again, the UK's biggest citizen science wildlife survey that first ran in 1979. Choose an hour over the weekend of 27 – 29 January to record the highest number of each bird species that you observe at any one time in your garden, in the nature reserve or on your balcony. The birds must be on the ground, not those flying overhead. Your record will need to be submitted online by 19 February and you can sign up now at Take part | Big Garden Birdwatch 2023 - The RSPB. The overall picture obtained by the survey is important to gauge how bird populations are coping with the nature and climate emergency.

Most birds seen in gardens are well-known but a few winter visitors from further northern may make an appearance too such as fieldfares and redwings that might seek food, water and shelter in gardens when the weather turns bitter

and food becomes scarce in the countryside after they have stripped holly and other berries from the bushes. Redwings and fieldfares (species of thrush - look up their features at Thrushes | Bird Family Overview - The RSPB) usually remain in the UK until around the end of March when they return to Scandinavia, Finland or northwest Russia to nest. Waxwings also come from Scandinavia and Russia, sometimes in their thousands in an 'irruption', photo credit: Jonathan Bliss (CC BY-NC-SA 2.0). One might occur this winter as large numbers of waxwings have been reported in Sweden and Finland already. They eat berries, particularly hawthorn, rowan, cotoneaster and rose so, if these grow in your garden, watch out for these splendid birds with a high pitched call.



Smaller winter visitors include the brambling, the male looking like an orange and white chaffinch, while the female

has an orange glow. Normally bramblings are woodland birds but seeds in bird feeders will attract them alongside other finches, photo credit: Mike Pennington (CC BY-SA 2.0). Siskins may also visit feeders for seeds, the nyjer seed being a favourite, when conifer, alder or birch seeds are scarce. Some siskins are resident in Scotland and Wales but many more fly in from





A much rarer visitor is the long-billed woodcock, photo credit: Mike Pennington (CC BY-SA 2.0). This red-listed bird is nocturnal which explains why they are not seen often even though some



resident. Woodcocks goldcrests often arrive at the same time along the east coast from Scandinavia across the North Sea. The tiny goldcrests, photo credit: Gail Hampshire (CC BY 2.0), are known as 'the woodcock's pilot' arriving in November's full moon, hitching a ride on the woodcocks backs - well according to myth!



Your garden feeders and water baths may not attract such spectacular visitors as these winter migrants but they may be vital to the survival of many familiar birds through the next few months.



# Friends of the Letcombe Valley Nature Reserve

Work parties continue in the Community Nature Reserve on Saturday, 21 January from 13:30 to 16:30. Please meet near the lake notice board by 13:20 for the tasks and safety briefing. At this time of year the main tasks are likely to be scrub clearance and general maintenance. Tools will be provided, and refreshments too mid-afternoon, but please take your own work gloves.

The New Year sees both good and bad news for the natural world. At the international negotiations on climate change a new funding arrangement on loss and damage was agreed at COP27 in Egypt, November 2022. This was, perhaps, the biggest gain from the conference signalling a recognition that poorer countries facing natural disasters now due to climate change require monetary support from richer countries. The latter already had access to funds to cut carbon emissions or to adapt to rising temperatures. However, overall the summary text from COP27 unfortunately can be seen as a step backwards from COP26 in Glasgow. As Alok Sharma commented "Emissions peaking before 2025, as the science tells us is necessary. Not in this text," and "Clear follow-through on the phase down of coal. Not in this text." The US, the EU and other developed countries showed solidarity with the islands states on the importance of keeping to the 'below 1.5°C' threshold of temperature increase compared to pre-industrial times, but this stand was not shared by all countries. Babawale Obayanju, from Friends of the Earth Africa, commented "The fact that the outcome only talks about 'phase-down of unabated coal power' is a disaster for Africa and for the climate...We don't need more gas extraction in Africa, devastating our communities for the benefit of rich countries and corporations. What we needed from COP27 was agreement to a rapid, equitable phase out of all fossil fuels." Negotiations will resume at COP28 in Dubai but years are passing and as the average global temperature continues to rise there is a 50:50 chance that in the next five years the 1.5°C threshold will be crossed. By 2031 it will be too late for a reversal. Meanwhile citizens of individual countries are being urged by environmental organisations to remind their governments now of pledges made to honour the 2015 Paris climate agreement to keep the world temperature rise below 2.0°C.

In contrast, the COP15 Biodiversity conference that ended in Montreal on 19 December, 2022, saw 200 countries



adopt a new global biodiversity framework known as '30 by 30'. This commits governments 'to ensure and enable' that by 2030 at least 30% of land and sea is 'effectively conserved and managed through ecologically representative, well-connected and equitably governed systems of protected areas and other effective area-based conservation measures'. The key points include: 1) maintaining, enhancing and restoring ecosystems, halting species extinction and protecting genetic diversity; 2) sustainable use of biodiversity to ensure habitats and species can provide food and clean water; 3) ensuring that the benefits of natural resources, such as medicines sourced from plants, are shared equally and fairly whilst protecting the rights of indigenous peoples; 4) costing and putting resources into biodiversity where they are needed. Fine words but implementation requires governments to develop clear plans to achieve these goals.

The UK is a long way off attaining '30 by 30'. In October 2022, the Wildlife and Countryside Link (a coalition of nature charities including The Wildlife Trusts,

RSPB and National Trust) published a report detailing how only 3.22% of England's land and 8% of English waters are effectively protected and managed for nature - read the report at 2022 Progress Report on 30x30 in England (wcl.org.uk). Designating many more protected sites will be needed, such as the globally rare habitats of Celtic rainforest, lowland raised peatbogs, and chalk streams. Locally the Community Nature Reserve, even though small, is connected to the north to the Letcombe Brook corridor and to the south to the Berkshire Downs



Escarpment Conservation Target Area. Thanks to the hard work on the part of volunteers, this area retains the biodiversity so important to 'the survival of humanity and all other life on Earth' to quote Craig Bennett, chief executive of The Wildlife Trusts, reserve photos: Bee orchid June 2022 and pond August 2021. Let's make 2023 even better for local biodiversity.



## Letcombe Football Club

The recent cold weather has meant that only two matches were played in December. We beat Marlborough development 6-0 at home in the league, and then won 8-2 against Shortwood United reserves in the Division Two cup, also at Letcombe.

We are unbeaten all season, and are second in the league, just two points behind leaders Swindon Supermarine development with two games in hand. We are in the semi final of the Faringdon Memorial cup where we will play Saxton Rovers in April. We are in the last 16 of the Chairmans cup for Hellenic Division Two sides and the last 32 of the Berks & Bucks cup where we are away to Mortimer on 7th January. We are also in the last 32 of the Hellenic Challenge Cup which includes all Premier and Division One sides. We have already beaten two teams from Division One in this competition, and are now away to Long Crendon on 10th January. This success in cup competitions is great, but means that we are playing very few league matches. We have played only 8 league games, with 14 still to play, so we could have a hectic end to the season in April.

Home matches in January are:

Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Letcombe Reserves	٧	Compton	2.00
Saturday	14 <sup>th</sup>			TBA	
Saturday	21 <sup>ST</sup>	Letcombe	٧	Faringdon Town	2.15
Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>			TBA	

# Letcombe Regis Village Hall and Recreation Ground Trust



he Village Hall and Recreation Ground Trust is progressing improvements to the children's playground this year, and you will see details of a fund raiser coffee morning elsewhere in this Register (page #5). A good amount of funding has already been achieved to get the work done but we do still need to raise more, so if you can help with contributions, or suggestions, please do contact us, or simply come and enjoy a coffee and cake with us in the Village Hall on Saturday 11 February from 10 am. Plans will be available for you all to see.

Annual general maintenance work is now scheduled for a week in February, where the walls will be freshened, chairs refreshed, kitchen deep cleaned, knives counted, etc etc. We are delighted that the hall has become the go to venue in the area, and we are keen to ensure it remains in the excellent condition which we can all continue to enjoy. Whilst it is a quiet week for bookings, we apologise to anyone who was hoping to use it.

This year we are planning to update our website to ensure it is fit for purpose and, with our new electronic booking system and calendar, we hope that this will make it even easier to access the information you may need.

Wishing You All a Very Healthy and Happy New Year.

Jeanne Lapsley and Mike Light Joint Chairman



On New Year's Day, the tennis club will be having a mix-in session from the later time of 11am. Just turn up at the courts for a game. All welcome.

With a New Year come new resolutions and if one of those is to get fitter, then why not try out playing tennis? The club has many ways to get involved – play in the **mix-in club sessions from 10am on Sundays**, take up **cardio on a Saturday at 10am** or just book a court and play with friends. In the spring, we are hoping to start a weekly walking tennis session. For more details of any of our sessions, see our web site: <a href="Letcombetennisclub@gmail.com">Letcombetennisclub@gmail.com</a> or e-mail <a href="Letcombetennisclub@gmail.com">Letcombetennisclub@gmail.com</a>

If you have a child then National Tennis Association run weekly coaching sessions with a level 3, LTA accredited coach and have spaces for 5 to 17 year-olds. There are also holiday camps. Sessions run every Saturday from 11am.



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### St Andrew's

t our Holy Communion service on 11<sup>th</sup> December presided over by Bishop Gavin, the Bishop of Dorchester, he was able to give us the very happy news that a new Rector has been appointed to the Benefice. She is the Revd Vanessa (Ness) Brunner-Ellis and her Induction and Installation will be on 13<sup>th</sup> April. Ness writes:

"I'm really delighted to have been offered the position of becoming your next Rector.

I've served as Team Vicar in Witney for just over 5 years, and before that my ministerial experience was in rural contexts, becoming ordained in 2014 in Bristol Diocese. My professional background has been twofold, as a Psychiatric Nurse in the NHS for nearly two decades, and as a freelance Violinist and Pianist, performing and teaching.

I have two adult aged children, Barney and Nadia, both at university. Somewhat fortuitously they've both also worked part time at Richmond Village in Witney for several years, so having a home in Letcombe Regis may just suit them rather well! Barney studies Acoustic Engineering and Nadia Paediatric Nursing. They both love making music: apologies in advance for the arrival of a drum kit in the Rectory ....together with many guitars, flutes, saxophone, piano, violin and a lot of percussion!

My husband, Robin, is a Professional Fundraiser with the charity Guideposts, working from home, and an archaeologist by background. We both enjoy country walks, pub lunches, log fires, a good novel and our rather timid but lovely cat, Oscar.

We're very much looking forward to moving to Ridgeway Rectory and starting the next phase of our lives in your midst and, most importantly discerning together what God has in store for us all as a Benefice."

Before Bishop Gavin's announcement Christine Birch presented a gift from the congregation and PCC to Andrew Williams who plays the organ for us, to show our appreciation of his willingness to play at our services and to cope with changes of dates. It is very good to have Andrew rather than the CD player!

On 17th December we had a very well attended Carol Service. All the traditional lessons were read accompanied by familiar carols and the choir, directed by Marilyn Mitcham, sang beautiful anthems. Joe Barber was with us to play the organ and there was a meditation from the Iona Community and a poem by Niall Campbell. We are all grateful to everyone who took part and gave their time to make this such a joyful occasion.

Our Christmas Day service of Holy Communion took place on Christmas Eve presided over by Revd Mary Harwood. Everyone there was happy to have this peaceful time to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas with favourite carols and candles glowing. It was a perfect start to our Christmas celebrations.

As you all know the money from the collections at Christmas time go to Crisis and The Children's Society and it is good to know that about £500.00 will be split between the two charities this year.

Moving into January there will be a service of Holy Communion in St Andrew's at 10 am on Sunday  $1^{st}$ , but there will be no Prayer Group or Evensong on Monday  $2^{nd}$  January. Services for the rest of the month can be found, as ever, in the Signpost.





### **Book Buffs**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 5th January in the Greyhound at 8pm.

We shall be reviewing 'Girl with a Pearl Earring' by Tracy Chevalier followed by a discussion of books we have received this Christmas.

The new library book is 'A Dangerous Inheritance' by Alison Weir, with the alternative being 'Lessons in Chemistry' by Bonnie Garmas.

### Film Club

Wednesday 11 January 2023

### Mrs Harris goes to Paris

What a great finish to Film Club for 2022 when almost 50 people turned out on a cold wintry night to watch 'To Kill a Mockingbird' (and there was the added competition of an important football match on TV too!). This was our first free screening of an old classic film and it went down so well that we will look to show another one in 2023. Any ideas welcome.

For our first film of 2023 we have come right up to date showing a film only released in October 2022 - 'Mrs Harris goes to Paris'. With excellent reviews from both audiences and critics, this historical comedy-drama is a charming, old fashioned feel-good film, just what we need to cheer us up in January.

Base on a book by Paul Gallico called 'Mrs Arris goes to Paris', it is set in London in the 1957. Mrs Harris is a widowed cleaning lady who loves fashion and longs for a couture Dior dress. So she sets about pursuing her dream and heads off to Paris. The title role is played by Lesley Manville



Refreshments on sale - Wine, Beer and Tea/Coffee

who has been nominated for a Golden Globe for her excellent portrayal of Ada Harris. Other well known actors in the cast are Jason Isaacs, Anna Chancellor and French star Isabelle Huppert.

Come along and enjoy watching Ada's adventures in Paris. It will certainly brighten up a dark, wintry Wednesday!

Doors open at 7.30pm, film starts at 8pm. Entry £5. Refreshments available so come along early for a drink and chat.



On January 9th, at 7.30 in the Village Hall, the Letcombes WI will be hosting Mark Bradfield.

Mark is the officer in charge of The Letcombe Brook Project and will come and will talk about the highs and lows of his work, and the importance of how to care for rare chalk streams.





# **Letcombe Sports and Social Club**

//e hope that all our Members have had an enjoyable festive break.

The Darts Club held its raffle on the 22nd December. There are far too many prizes and winners to list here. Many thanks to James for organising this - there were some really good prizes, and well as some "humorous" ones. The Football Club held their Christmas Draw the day after, and the winners have been notified separately.

If you are not yet a Member, and would like to know more about the Club, then please email <a href="mailto:letcombesportsclub@gmail.com">letcombesportsclub@gmail.com</a>, or call the Club on 01235 767785 to leave a message - although I can't promise an immediate reply!

The Sports & Social Club Committee will meet in the New Year for a regular Committee Meeting. For those who don't know, the Committee is made up of 2 representatives from each of the Clubs that use the Sports Pavilion (Cricket, Football, Tennis and Darts), as well as 2 representatives from purely Social Members. This is to ensure there is a broad representation of interests.

We look forward to 2023 being a successful year, and will be asking the Members what changes or improvements they would like to see for the Sports & Social Club. It has been nearly 2 years since the patio and bifold doors have been installed, so perhaps it is time for more improvements!

Happy New Year to you all,

Richard Secretary, Letcombe Sports & Social Club



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### THE GREYHOUND INN

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### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

We wish everyone a happy and successful 2023!

## WHAT'S ON THIS JANUARY

# Pub Quiz Sunday 8th January

with our usual host, Big Dave. 8pm sharp.
Booking essential. £3 entry. Prizes.
Our Charity this month will be TV Air Ambulance

### Paint and Mend Closure 9th-13th January

We are closed from Monday January 9<sup>th</sup> but just for a few days. We will reopen at 4pm on Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup> for business as usual.

## Lunch for Less resumes 16th January

Book yourself in for our great value weekday lunch menu 12-2:30pm Mon-Fri

### **Burns Night Menu 25th January**

We invite you to join us for a specially designed menu to celebrate Burns Night

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Deadline for inclusion is 27th of each month. Items will generally appear in the order they were received

January 2023			Click <u>Here</u> for 2023 waste calenda						
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Green recycling Food waste Brown Garden Waste NOT on 4th				-	/ Landfill d waste				