

# Around Pattishall



Snowy the Snoman, Pattishall playground, December 2017 by Andy Stewart

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December 2018- February 2019



## **Christmas Postal Service in the Parish**

The Pattishall Scout Group is planning to do the Christmas Postal Service in the Parish again this year. Delivery of Christmas Cards is free for Senior Citizens but others are welcome to use it, for a donation to the Scout Group. The delivery goes towards the Community Service that the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers do for their Awards.

The post collection points are: 10 Hodge Close, Astcote; 8 Gayton Road, Eastcote; and 59 Leys Road, Pattishall. Please put your cards through the door of your nearest collection point. There will also be a collection box at the Senior Citizens' Party.

Cards will be delivered to the villages of Astcote, Eastcote, Dalscote, Pattishall, Cold Higham and Grimscote. They need to be clearly marked with the name and full address on the envelope so that the children can deliver them correctly.

The last day for posting is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec as the post will be sorted on 15<sup>th</sup> and delivered around the Parish, that weekend.

Thank you for your support with this service.

Barbara Parkinson, Group Scout Leader



## **Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch**

There have been various spates of crime in other villages, including thefts from vehicles and burglaries. It is only a matter of time before they target Pattishall again. If you notice anything at all suspicious or out of place, however trivial it may seem, please do not hesitate to ring 101 immediately. There is a call back option.

Reporting a Scam.

If you or someone you know has fallen victim to a scam, you should report it to the Police on 101 and to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040.

Are you aware that Welcome Packs are provided to new residents in our Parish. If you have just moved in to Pattishall Parish and would like a welcome pack please contact your street warden or the Coordinator.

If you would like to receive up to date information on crime and suspicious incidents in our Parish - it is easily accessible by:

- |                            |   |                                       |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| Joining our NHW email loop | – | Contact the Coordinator               |
| Pattishall Parish Website  | – | There is a quick link to the NHW page |
| Facebook                   | – | PattishallParishNeighbourhoodWatch    |

Linda Hemming (NHW Coordinator)

[linda\\_hemming@hotmail.com](mailto:linda_hemming@hotmail.com) Tel No. 830744



## **Pattishall Scout Group**

We have a very active, flourishing Scout Group in Pattishall consisting of Beaver-Scouts, Cub-Scouts and Scouts. The age range of the boys and girls is 6-14 years and we meet on Monday (Beavers and Cubs) and Tuesday (Scouts) during term time.

Although we have a strong team of volunteers we are struggling a bit to find enough adults to help with the number of children that we now have in the three Sections.

Being able to tie knots isn't a requirement! Nor is having to camp or go for long hikes.

Of course if that's what you like to do then there are lots of opportunities to work with young people and help them build the many skills for life that Scouts offers them. There are roles just as vital as the Leaders' and the more we have the easier things run.

It just needs people prepared to share their life skills and some time to help.

Interested? Then let's have a chat so you can find out more.

Email me on [pattishallbeavers@gmail.com](mailto:pattishallbeavers@gmail.com), or ring me on 01327 830245.

Thanks, Barbara Parkinson, Group Scout Leader

## **Pattishall Parochial Charities**

### **Widows and Widowers' Monthly Pension**

Currently we have a vacancy for the above pension. Applicants should have lived in the Parish for at least 3 years.

Applicants are requested to write to the Clerk giving details of age and the length of time they have been resident in the Parish. In the case of more than one applicant the eldest will be selected. Closing date 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.

Letters should be addressed to:

The Clerk to the Trustees  
Mrs Wendy Watts  
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## **Don Phillips**

Ursula, Anthony and Caroline Phillips would like to thank you for all the support and help received during Don's stay in hospital over the past months. Also we are very grateful for the cards, flowers and donations following Don's passing.

## History Recorded in Pattishall

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2018 will be recorded as a historic day for Pattishall. We celebrated 120 years of Pattishall Church of England Primary School and commemorated the centenary of the closure of Eastcote Prisoner of War Camp. Two unrelated events but drawn together through celebration and commemoration. They became associated because the pupils have recorded the school's 120 years of history and completed a project about the POW camp. Emma McLean, the Head Teacher, explained what they had done and the pupil's work was displayed. A school choir sang two songs beautifully. (One of them was specially written by one of the teachers and has been entered into a competition!)



100 years ago, in the fields opposite the school, a WW1 Prisoner of War Camp was established, Eastcote Camp, which at one time held 4,509 POWs and had a great impact on the life of the local community.

Colin Chapman, co-author of *Detained in England*, regaled us with recent research about the camp. Little did we know of its importance. The Camp was responsible for co-ordination of all camps down to the south coast, through Kent and up to East Anglia.

At the end of the war the POWs were repatriated, the camp closed, the buildings taken down and the fields returned to farming. (Two of the buildings were removed to School Road and one became the Village Hall).



For 100 years, there has been nothing to show that the camp ever existed and so the Parish Council decided that this very important part of our Parish history should be commemorated by a Memorial Stone, (on the grass verge near the bench opposite the school). It is hoped that this will ensure that both present and future generations are aware of Eastcote Camp.



The Commemorative Stone also remembers the 33 men who died whilst interred at the camp. They may have been our enemy at the time but that was 100 years ago, and they were someone's son, someone's brother and someone's husband. We prefer to think of them as soldiers of the Great War.

After viewing all the pupil's work everyone was led outside by the Royal British Legion Standard Bearers for the unveiling and blessing of the Commemorative Stone.



Peter Stratton explained why we were gathered, then jointly the Deputy Lord Lieutenant, Lady Ellwood and Lt Colonel Schreiner, representing the German Embassy, unveiled the Union Jack and the German flag. Lady Ellwood congratulated everyone concerned with the occasion and Colonel Scheiner gave an eloquent speech, saying how honoured he was to be representing his country. Rev. Canon Kären Jongman lead prayers and provided a blessing for the Commemorative Stone. A member of the Royal British Legion said the *Exhortation* and Peter May sounded both the *Last Post* and the *Reveille* with a minute's silence in between. The Deputy Lord Lieutenant, the German Attache, the Royal British Legion and Chairman of South Northants Council all laid wreaths before the Chairman of SNC gave the closing speech. Guests then adjourned to a reception at Eastcote House, the former Headquarters of the camp (kindly hosted

by Mr and Mrs David Rowden.

The 150 guests included teachers, parents and pupils together with specially invited guests gathered for this very special occasion. We were honoured to have:- Lady Ellwood, Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire, Lt Colonel Sebastian Schreiner from the German Embassy, Cllr Richard Dallyn, Chairman of South Northamptonshire Council, Rev. Canon Karen Jongman, Rector of Amelcote Benefice, Colin Chapman, Lord of the Manor of Pattishall and Richard Moss, co-authors of the book about the POW Camp, *Detained in England*, Peter Stratton, the instigator who primed the Parish Council to recognise the need to commemorate the POW camp.

Through Peter's many speaking engagements and a very generous donation from his branch of the Royal British Legion enabled the Parish Council to fulfil the setting of the Commemorative Stone. Also present were members of the Royal British Legion, David Wilcox who represented the WW1 Commemoration Committee, Dr Anthony Holdom and his wife Jacinta representing the YMCA who provided needs for the prisoners, Don Rowe representing the Quakers who provided pastoral care for the prisoners, Cllr Sandi Smallman my fellow District Councillor, Cllr Ann Addison another District Councillor and Peter May the bugler. Mr & Mrs Robert Hawtin and members of their family were present. They currently farm the land that was the POW camp, Sidney Hall who was actually born during WW1 and my fellow members of Pattishall Parish Council.



I was able to reassure the guests that the community were very proud that they were attending this very special day in the history of a rural village in South Northamptonshire.

Roger Clarke,  
Chairman-Pattishall Parish Council



## **Pattishall School**

The Autumn Term is a magical time, with the change of the leaves and the countdown to Christmas. In September we welcomed 17 new children into Reception along with some new members of staff; Mrs Wigley, Mr May and Mrs MacDougal. Melanie Lawrence and Chrissy Gomes joined our Midday

Meal Supervisor team.

In October we were lucky to have author Adrian Townsend in school to share his writing technique and favourite books. The children were fascinated and enjoyed his retelling of 'Gran's Gang' with the key to a good story being to ask, "What if....?"

After a year on the waiting list, Pattishall is to become a Pets As Therapy School. Lady (the lurcher) will be our new 'Reading Dog'. She and her owners, Sue and Andrew Barrington, will be coming into school where children can read to Lady to gain confidence in public speaking and fluency. To celebrate Grandparents Day on the 5<sup>th</sup>, we invited Grandparents in for ERIS (Everyone Reading in School).

All staff received training in Attachment Awareness and Zones of Regulation (thanks to Emma Hunter); this coupled with our newly appointed ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) means that we have a unique and cutting-edge approach to handling behaviour and children's barriers to learning. Our behaviour policy is all about consistency and kindness. This links with our new values: Love, Joy, Kindness, Thoughtfulness, Respect, Courage and Co-operation.

We were involved in the dedication of the Prisoner of War memorial stone in Pattishall. School was open for those attending the dedication to view the work the children have produced on what Pattishall was like 100 years ago – when the school was just 20 years old – compared with today. We must thank Iris Illingsworth and Jayne Hawtin for supporting us by gathering resources, and Nina Swain her time to paint memorial rocks with the children for them to dedicate at the Armistice Service on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November, and later hide around the village.

December is a busy month with the lower school Christmas production, a whole school trip to the Pantomime, Christmas lunch and our new tradition – Carols on the Playground. At 2pm on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>, the whole community is invited to share a hot chocolate with us, sing carols, listen to the choir and the Song Birds and watch our dance troop perform. We hope to be accompanied by the Towcester Studio Band once again. Afterwards, our amazing FoPs team will be hosting our Winter Festival in the school, where games, crafts and Father Christmas himself will be on offer!

Many thanks if you put a blue token in our box in Towcester Tesco – fingers crossed we receive the maximum amount to buy a class suite of Raspberry Pi computers to enhance our computing curriculum. We also have another vote based bid out there at the moment with Aviva: please do log on and share your votes with us! If we win, we will be in the running for funding towards a new kitchen, which will move us one step closer to serving our own meals and enhancing our nurture provision.

A final thank you must go to Barclaycard. Over half term, their 'Day to Make a Difference' did just that. A team of volunteers came in and repainted our school hall and entrance.

We hope that you can join us on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm to share our festive cheer. If you'd like to know more about the school, or to get involved, please do not hesitate to contact me or the office on 01327 830 301.

With every good wish, Mrs McLean, Head Teacher



## ***Campion School***

We have enjoyed a good start to the school year and are pleased that our year 7 students have settled in very well to their new school.

It has been an important term too as we have considered the contribution of others whose actions impact on our lives. This has included visits to Parliament. We were grateful to volunteers from local companies who gave their time to help our Year 11 students understand how to respond in interview situations and enjoy their World of Work Day on 9<sup>th</sup> October. The Diana Award facilitated a training session for our Anti-bullying Ambassadors on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November and we were delighted to welcome students and colleagues from other local schools who are part of this too.

A most powerful and moving experience was felt when the whole school gathered together in the quad on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November for our period of remembrance. Students and staff stood together in silence which had a significant impact on all.

We have been extremely pleased to be able to open our newly refurbished D Block changing rooms to students and community groups. They have been funded from a successful £548,000 Healthy Pupil Capital Fund with the aim to offer a bright, safe and secure environment for students and to further encourage their involvement in sporting activities. The second set of rooms will be completed by the end of January and we will then have high specification changing facilities to be enjoyed by all who are linked to our sports community. Our HandS (PTA) Team continue to work hard to raise funds for the school. We were pleased to welcome friends and neighbours to our HandS quiz night and fish and chip supper on 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Please check our website for dates of any future events.

As we head into December, on behalf of all at Campion I wish you a happy festive season and very best wishes for 2019.

Claire Whitmore, Headteacher

## ***Recycling Biscuit Wrappers up-date...***

We can now also collect Cake-Bar Wrappers... such as Jaffa Cakes Bars x 5 individual / Hobnob Cake Bars x 5 individual etc.

All money raised for Helen and Douglas House Hospice. Please see further details elsewhere in Around Pattishall. Remember every wrapper helps.

Many thanks, Janet Amos

## **Pattishall Parish Hall Association** **Pattishall Playing Field Association**



The Quiz in October was again a great success and raised £590 towards the hall. Many thanks to the quiz master Malcolm Baker and his team for challenging us with his questions.

If you are resident in the parish and aged 60 plus you are invited to our Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 1pm. This is a tradition that is in its 71<sup>st</sup> year and we hope will continue for many years to come. Please come along and enjoy a festive meal. For more information or to book a place please phone Libby Covington 01327 830501, Iris Illingworth 01327 830829 or contact Good Neighbours.



We were fortunate with the weather for the Bonfire and Firework Event on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. A fantastic display with music by Andrew Stratton and his team of helpers. Thanks to all the organisers and the spectators. We were grateful to the suppliers of wood and for James Hawtin for helping with the bonfire building. Thanks to FOPS, the Cricket Club and PITP for their support. Another village tradition that has been going for many years and with your support will continue. The event raised £1,370 towards the Playing Field Association.

Iris Illingworth



## **Friends of Pattishall School**

I write this as I return from a volunteer 'thank you' evening for Picnic in the Park. We were inspired by the tremendous community effort that was behind planning and delivering what was an exceptional community event.

As the Committee of Friends of Pattishall School (FOPS), one of our goals is to encourage that amazing support for the school from the local community. One of the ideas we've had is to arrange some events for all of those who live in Pattishall and the surrounding villages, regardless of whether you have children currently at school. With this in mind, we have reached out to several community groups and would like to say a massive thank you to the Pattishall skittles team who have kindly donated £200 to benefit the children in events over the festive period. We have also received kind donations for our Christmas raffle from a number of local and national businesses, for which we are very grateful.

Keep your eyes on our Facebook page (search for 'Friends of Pattishall School') and the local notice boards for upcoming events. We are also hoping to inspire volunteers from all areas if the community, so we have set up a forum for you to offer your time or support, however big or small: <https://app.ptasocial.com/register/friendsofpattishall>.

We invite all members of the community to our *Carols on The Playground* on the 18<sup>th</sup> of December, followed by our *Winter Festival* which culminates in the Christingle service at Holy Cross Church. If you are interested in having a stall at our *Winter Festival*, please contact our secretary, Maxine Brand, by email to [friendsofpattishallschool@outlook.com](mailto:friendsofpattishallschool@outlook.com). We are also hoping to arrange a Christmas wreath making evening at the school, the date to be confirmed, again for anyone to attend.

We are very keen, along with the Head Teacher and Governors, to raise the profile of the school as the 'heart' of our community. If you could offer a little time or support, however small, suggestions or ideas, then we would love to hear from you either on the forum or contact us via email at [friendsofpattishallschool@outlook.com](mailto:friendsofpattishallschool@outlook.com).

Wishing you all a wonderful festive season!

Tammy Davies (Chair) and the FOPS team

## ***Pattishall & District Produce Show Winter Update***

Believe it or not, it's time to start thinking ahead to next year's produce show, which will take place Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2019. The long winter evenings are the perfect time to indulge your creative side – have a go at painting a still life, finish that cross-stitch, or sort through your mountains of photographs to find the perfect image.

Remember, children and young people may enter ANY section in the show. We'd love to see more of the talents of our younger villagers on display!

The 2019 show will be the sixth since the event re-launched in 2014. Some of the committee are thinking of moving on to pastures new and we could definitely do with some new faces and fresh ideas in our group. We have around four informal meetings throughout the year to plan the show and share out the various tasks. Then, on the show weekend itself, we join up with additional volunteers to set out tables, 'man' the event, and tidy up afterwards.

If you'd like to find out more about joining the committee (or volunteering on the day itself) please contact Barry Evans, [sixpencesheep@aol.com](mailto:sixpencesheep@aol.com). We'd love to have you on board!

A bit of small print...Handcrafts must have been completed since September 2018. If you've entered an item in a previous show you can't enter it again (sorry). Please mount photos so they don't get damaged when displayed. Finally, don't forget that any photos of children must have a parent's or guardian's permission.

### **SECTION H: ART**

**Any media / any size,  
unless stated otherwise**

Still life  
Landscape, seascape  
or cityscape  
Art on a postcard  
(any subject / any  
media; max size  
4"x6")

### **SECTION J: HANDCRAFTS**

Greetings card  
Tapestry or cross-  
stitch item  
Knitted, crocheted or  
woven item  
Patchwork or quilted  
item  
Tea cosy (any  
material)  
Handmade toy (any  
material)

### **SECTION K: PHOTOGRAPHY**

**Max. 6"x8", incl. mount**

Animal or animals  
Patterns in nature  
Generation  
Seasons  
Farming  
Reflections or  
shadows

## ***Anthony (Tony) Wilkinson (1931-2018)***

Tony Wilkinson died on October 29<sup>th</sup> in Northampton General Hospital, where he had been admitted following a fall at his home. Tony was one of the group who drew up the Constitution of the Greens Norton Patient Participation Panel (GNPPP). Tony had served in the Royal Corps of Transport and his commitment to the Services continued through his involvement with the Cadet movement and his support of military charities (Royal British Legion and Help for Heroes).

Many people will have known Tony through his work with South Northants council, where he worked supervising the maintenance of Council owned properties.

Upon his retirement, Tony became a District Councillor for the Kingthorn Ward, which he represented for many years to great effect. As a Conservative councillor, he was also very committed to the Party and his hard work was recently acknowledged by a letter and certificate from the Prime Minister, thanking him for his work.

We, of the GNPPP are grateful for all of Tony's input and his service to the community. May he Rest In Peace.

Tony Edward (On behalf of the GNPPP)

## ***Armistice Sunday Bell Ringers***

Among the 1 million British killed during WWI were 1,400 bell ringers – locally, the following were recorded among the fallen: Gunner Mayo Townsend, Towcester; Lance Corporal John Hornsby, Greens Norton; Lance Corporal Charles Falkner, Easton Neston; Private Charles Tyrell, Wicken. Earlier this year a campaign was launched to recruit and train the same number. Nationally a total of 3,500 people signed up to learn to ring. Locally, 10 people started intensive training in August and this culminated in a celebration and presentation of certificates at Greens Norton on 10<sup>th</sup> November.

Armistice Sunday was a very busy affair. Half muffled ringing started at Holy Cross church prior to the 10:30 service. The bells were rung simultaneously at all 3 churches at 12:30 as part of the national Ringing Remembers event. There then followed half muffled ringing prior to the 17:30 service at St Mary's church. Finally, the bells were rung at St Luke's church at 19:00, coinciding with the lighting of beacons nationwide as part of The Battle's Over celebrations.

Those who rang are shown in the pictures below, which include our two Ringing Remembers recruits: Katy Douthwaite and Luisa Barrios. With thanks to all who helped to make this happen.



Chris Bulleid

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## WOMEN'S LUNCH AND TALK AT ASTCOTE CHAPEL THURS. 12-2PM

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ASTCOTE METHODIST CHURCH

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## Christmas Craft Workshop

**Holy Cross Church, Pattishall  
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Design your own bauble

Tea and cake available

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## PATTISHALL WI - MONTHLY PROGRAMME



**Christmas Social  
12<sup>th</sup> December 2018**



**New Year Quiz  
9<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

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## **Pattishall Parish Council**

The council meets at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall on the second Thursday of each month throughout the year, except for August when no meeting is scheduled. An agenda and draft minutes are available on the Pattishall Parish website ([www.pattishallparish.org.uk](http://www.pattishallparish.org.uk)) and all notice boards. Parishioners are very welcome to attend or contact one of the council members listed below, should they wish to raise a point but cannot be at the meeting in person.

### **The Parish Council**

Roger Clarke (Chairman)	<a href="mailto:rogerwas.clarkeld@btinternet.com">rogerwas.clarkeld@btinternet.com</a> 830509
Ann Addison (clerk)	<a href="mailto:a.addison@btinternet.com">a.addison@btinternet.com</a> 01604 858226: <i>finance</i>
Barry Evans (Vice Chairman)	<a href="mailto:sixpencesheep@aol.com">sixpencesheep@aol.com</a> 830523: <i>Environment &amp; Around Pattishall</i>
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Gabriel Abrahams	<a href="mailto:gabriel.abrahams@btinternet.com">gabriel.abrahams@btinternet.com</a> 830135: <i>lighting</i>
Martin Gardner	<a href="mailto:gardnermjuk@yahoo.co.uk">gardnermjuk@yahoo.co.uk</a> 831671: <i>Neighbourhood Plan</i>

Should parishioners have a concern or require advice on any of the above then please contact the councillor concerned and/or Ann Addison, the parish clerk.

### **County News**

Northampton County Councillor, Adam Brown, reported that this year the Council hope to come in line with the budget or make a slight surplus. There is still no movement in the amalgamation of the councils to Unitary Status, although the process was to have started in September.

### **Highways & Footpaths**

To date stiles have been mended and footpaths cleared. Many pot holes along School Lane have been filled and the footpath along the A5 has been receiving some attention. Some good news re gritting: Butchers Lane will be gritted should it be forecast that temperatures will drop below freezing and the 87-bus route will be gritted if two or more consecutive days are forecast to be below freezing

### **Street Lighting**

The lights in Gayton Road & School Road have been mended and the one at the top of Butchers Lane will be dealt with. It was suggested that an audit of the lights within the parish be undertaken incorporating the hamlets of Dalscote and Cornhill.

### **World War One Event**

Thank you to Robert Hart, Roger Clarke and James Hawtin for assembling the planters along School Road which were beautifully planted by the children from Pattishall School. The WWI Prisoner of War Memorial morning was very well supported and dovetailed with the school celebrating their 120<sup>th</sup> birthday. Thanks to Mrs. McClean, the headmistress, and all at the school for helping to make the day so special.

### **Bus Service**

The number 87 bus service will continue to March 2019, and the council has provisionally agreed to support the service for the following year to 2020. The bus will now go through Sainsburys at Sixfields.

### **New Homes Bonus**

There are still funds available for a community project. If any groups or organisations within the parish require funding, then do please contact the Parish Clerk for details.

### **The Playing Fields**

The funds for a new bench have kindly been donated, in memory of the Queen's Sapphire Jubilee, and the council are in the process of finding a bench like the one already there. Our thanks also to Astcote Methodist Church who have offered to replace a tree that had to be removed. The zip wire support arm has been broken and is awaiting repair, so the seat has been removed to prevent further damage.

## ***Cold Higham Parish Council***

### **New Councillor Wanted.**

The Council was sorry to say goodbye to Sonia Barrett, who stood down from the Council in October having moved out of the Parish. We much appreciated her support over a number of years. There is therefore a vacancy for a parish councillor; it would be ideal if a volunteer from Fosters Booth or Potcote were to come forward, as there are now no councillors from these areas. Please contact the chairman for more information.

### **Telephone Kiosks.**

The Council is actively looking at more productive uses for the two telephone kiosks, in Cold Higham and Grimscote. Parishioners with any suggestions are asked to contact the chairman.

### **Dog Mess.**

Sadly, after a long period when it appeared that this problem had disappeared, it has risen again. The worst areas are Banbury Lane in Cold Higham Village, and Manor Road in Grimscote. The Parish Council will again consider the provision of dog litter bins, but this is an expensive operation to have them constantly emptied and maintained. Please give your thoughts to the chairman. Meanwhile, all dog walkers are again urged to remove their litter.

## **Armistice Centenary Commemoration.**

The Parish commemorated the centenary of the WW1 Armistice by joining the national 'Battle's Over' programme of events on Remembrance Sunday. There was a display in the parish hall, giving details of the 11 men and one woman from the parish



*The display in the parish hall.*

named on the war memorial, enjoyed refreshments in the hall, while looking at the display, watching the beacon, and listening to the bells. The parish council wants to thank everyone who contributed in any way to the amazing success of the event, and to all those who attended to pay our respects to those the parish lost a hundred years ago.



*The commemoration service at the war memorial.*

who are remembered on the parish war memorial; at around 7pm a service took place at the memorial itself, with readings, the Last Post, a minute's silence and Reveille; a beacon was lit in a nearby field; and the bells of St Luke's Church 'rang out for peace'. All this was in unison with over a thousand other organisations across the country.

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*Jo Geddes by the display of her great aunt, Gady Bottoms. There was a 'There But Not There' silhouette for each of those we remembered.*

Digby Carter, Chairman  
01327 830521



## Bus News

I am pleased to tell you that from early January the No. 87 will go via Sixfields Stadium and Sainsbury's Gambrel Road, as previously. This will give access, not only to Sainsbury's but Argos, Boots, Next, M & S Food etc. Bus times will be similar to those at present from our villages. Look out for the new timetable nearer the time.

Passenger numbers are reasonable considering the reduced timetable but it is hoped that with Sainsbury's being included once again people will find it worth making the journey, and you can always continue into the town centre before returning home. Please keep using this vital service.

### Towards Towcester

MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS except Public Holidays			
Northampton The Drapery bay 19	0915	1350	1750
Northampton Rail Station	0922	1357	1757
Sixfields Football Ground	0927	1402	1802
Hunsbury Meadows Banbury Lane	0933	1408	1808
Rothersthorpe Banbury Lane	0937	1412	1812
Eastcote Greenway	0942	1417	1817
Fosters Booth Butchers Lane	0946	1421	1821
Pattishall Church Street	0948	1423	1823
Astcote Main Street	0950	1425	1825
Duncote Main Street	0955	1430	1830
Greens Norton Butchers Arms	0958	1433	1833
Towcester Tesco/A5	1004	1439	
Towcester Brackley Road	1010	1440	

At some time early in 2019 the bridge will be repaired between Rothersthorpe and Hunsbury Meadows – date yet to be confirmed. During this time there will be a diversion which we understand will be as follows:

Banbury Lane will be closed in both directions to allow for the remedial works on the bridge to take place. There will be no through traffic during the closure. The diversionary route from Rothersthorpe will be via Kislingbury, A45 and then Upton Valley Way, Pineham Village and then back into town via Sixfields.

### Towards Northampton

MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS except Public Holidays			
Towcester Tesco/A5	1008	1255	
Towcester Brackley Road	1010	1257	
Greens Norton Butchers Arms	0713	1016	1304
Duncote Main Street	0716	1019	1307
Astcote Main Street	0721	1024	1312
Pattishall Church Street	0723	1026	1314
Fosters Booth Butchers Lane	0725	1028	1316
Eastcote Greenway	0729	1032	1320
Rothersthorpe Banbury Lane	0734	0851	1037 1325
Hunsbury Meadows Banbury Lane	0738	0855	1041 1329
Pineham Village	0740	0857	▼ ▼
Sixfields Football Ground	0745	0902	1047 1335
Northampton Rail Station	0750	0907	1052 1339
Northampton The Drapery	0755	0912	1056 1344

We trust that the bus service will continue using the diversion.

If you have any comments or suggestions about the service I would be pleased to hear them: ring 830907 or email [ann.atkin51@btinternet.com](mailto:ann.atkin51@btinternet.com)

# **EASTCOTE BAPTIST CHURCH**

## **Services**

Start at 3pm unless otherwise stated, everyone welcome.

Looking forward to seeing you at the following services:

<b>December</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Mrs H Walden</b>	<i>Advent</i>
<b>January</b>			<i>no service</i>
<b>February</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Mr M Mabbutt</b>	
<b>March</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Rev. Romeo Pedro</b>	

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# ASTCOTE METHODIST CHURCH

Team Ministry

Rev Romeo Pedro, Rev. Phil Snelson

Deacon Richard Beckett, Rev Brian Kennard, Rev Francis M'ltiiri

To contact a Minister please ring the Circuit Office: 01604 702178

**Sunday Services**, 10.30am. Services are generally informal. Family Services on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month but families with children are welcome at any service and activities for children are always available. Refreshments served after all services.

**Lunch Club** For the elderly or retired on the second Tuesday in the month. Please contact Maureen Corbett on 830296 if you are interested.

**Well Group** 12-2pm Ladies group meets monthly for lunch followed by a speaker. Contact Alison Brierley on 830770 to book a seat.

*No meeting in December*

31<sup>st</sup> January : Sue Titheridge : Reflections

28<sup>th</sup> February : Cynthia Spencer Hospice

**Flowers** can be placed in the Chapel on Sundays to celebrate an anniversary or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Kate Stretton 830115.

**Family Services** 45 minute service with John Atkin for all the family (usually) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month. Refreshments after the service: All welcome.

9<sup>th</sup> December, 20<sup>th</sup> January, 17<sup>th</sup> February

## – Christmas Services/Events –

**Christmas Cracker Children's Workshop** (numbers limited so please enrol via School or John Atkin 830907) **2pm Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** followed by **Carols in the Barn** for everyone at approx 4.15pm

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> December** — *No Service at Astcote*

**Christmas Eve 4.30pm Candlelit Service**

**Christmas Day 10.30am Christmas Family Celebration**

**Messy Church:** 2-3.30pm 12<sup>th</sup> January at Holy Cross and 9<sup>th</sup> February at Pattishall School

### Praying for the Community

There is 'Prayer Box' on the wall outside the Chapel. This is for any member of our Community to be able to drop in the name of someone they would like us to pray for. We don't need to know the details, just a first name is sufficient. That person will be included in our time of prayer on the following Sunday.

In addition, at 9.30am on the first Sunday of the month, there will be a half hour of prayer specifically for the Community. Anyone may join us for a time of quiet or simple spoken prayer. Our normal 10.30am service will follow after a cuppa.

# The Parishes of Holy Cross Pattishall and St Luke, Cold Higham

Date	Time	Service	Venue
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December</b>	09:30	CW Family Communion	Gayton
	11:00	Morning Worship	Tiffield
	18:00	Advent Carols & Readings	Pattishall
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	BCP Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Family Communion	Cold Higham
	11:00	Morning Worship	Pattishall
	17:30	Carol Service	Gayton
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
	17:00	Tiffield School Nativity	Tiffield
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
	11:00	Morning Worship	Gayton
	15:30	Carol Service	Tiffield
	18:00	Carol Service	Cold Higham
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	14:00	Carols and Christingle	Pattishall School, Holy Cross
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	09:30	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
	11:00	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
Christmas Eve	16:00	Crib Service	Pattishall
	23:15	Midnight Communion	Gayton
Christmas Day 25 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Family Communion	Pattishall
	10:00	CW Family Communion	Cold Higham
	11:00	Family Service and Communion	Tiffield
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Benefice CW Family Communion	Tiffield
<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>	09:30	CW Family Communion	Gayton
Epiphany	09:30	Morning Worship	Tiffield
The arrival of the Kings	11:00	Family Service	Pattishall
	09:30	BCP Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Family Communion	Cold Higham
	11:00	CW Family Communion	Tiffield
	11:00	Morning Worship	Pattishall
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
	11:00	Morning Worship	Gayton
	09:30	CW Family Communion	Pattishall
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	09:30	BCP Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Benefice CW Family Communion	Gayton
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Communion	Pattishall
<b>Sunday February 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	09:30	CW Family Communion	Gayton
	09:30	Morning Worship	Tiffield
	11:00	Family Service	Pattishall
Presentation of Christ	09:30	BCP Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Family Communion	Cold Higham
	11:00	CW Holy Communion	Tiffield
	18:00	Evensong	Pattishall
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
	11:00	Morning Worship	Gayton
	09:30	CW Family Communion	Pattishall
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	BCP Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10:00	Benefice CW Family Communion	Pattishall
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	09:30	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall



# DIARY



## December

- 1<sup>st</sup> Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1pm
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Christmas Craft Workshop, Holy Cross, 2pm start
- 5<sup>th</sup> Gardening Club, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 6<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meetings, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Hansons Valuation Day, Cold Higham Hall, 11am
- 12<sup>th</sup> Pattishall WI: *Christmas Social*, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Good Neighbours: *Dinner*, Pattishall Parish Hall
- 13<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> Carols on The Playground, Pattishall School
- 19<sup>th</sup> End of Pattishall School term

## January

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Start of Pattishall School term
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> Pattishall WI: *New Year Quiz*, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 10<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 12<sup>th</sup> Messy Church, Holy Cross, 2-3.30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> Cold Higham Parish Council Meeting Cold Higham Village Hall, 7.45pm
- 30<sup>th</sup> Photographic Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 31<sup>st</sup> Well Group: *Sue Titheridge : Reflections*, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm

## February

- 6<sup>th</sup> Gardening Club: *British Flowers & Branch-out MK*, Pattishall Parish Hall 7.30pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> Messy Church, Pattishall School, 2-3.30pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> End of Pattishall School term
- 27<sup>th</sup> Photographic Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 28<sup>th</sup> Well Group: *Cynthia Spencer Hospice*, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm



Final copy date for the March-April 2019 newsletter is 8<sup>th</sup> February. Copy should be sent to The Old Farmhouse, 13 High Street, Astcote (email [ap@stewarts.me.uk](mailto:ap@stewarts.me.uk), tel: 830042), or given to Janet Taylor, Dalscote. (Please use email if possible.)

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