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ST MARY THE VIRGIN, FREELAND

Sunday	27th October	10.00am	Coffee, prayer and mission morning
Sunday	3rd November	10.00am	All age Communion
Sunday	10th November	10.00am	Remembrance Sunday Service
Sunday	17th November	10.00am	Communion
Sunday	24th November	10.00am	Morning Praise
Sunday	1st December	10.00am	Joint Communion with Christ Church At St Mary's

The above information is correct on the date published (21/09/2024). Should any changes be necessary, the up-to-date information can be found on our website below.

**St Mary the Virgin is open seven days a week from 9am to 5pm/dusk.
Please enjoy the space to look around, for prayer or for quiet reflection.**

See our website at www.hfchurch.org.uk

ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCHYARD

The churchyard is still currently open for burials, and for ashes interment.

The space for burials and interments of ashes is limited.

We will provide notification on our website and in the Grapevine when the graveyard reaches its capacity.

For further information or to contact the church, please see our website **www.hfchurch.org.uk** or use the QR code.

Freeland Parochial Church Council

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You will find all sorts of interesting information about St Mary's on the "A Church Near You" website: www.achurchnearyou.com/5863

You can see a virtual tour of St Mary's on Google Street View at:

<http://goo.gl/g53NJH> Thank you to Nikhilesh Haval for allowing the use of the images.

Children's and Youth Work - families are really welcome at all our services. At St Mary's the first Sunday of the month is a Family Service where everyone stays in Church, and everyone joins in with the all-age service. At the other **10am** services, children and youth have the opportunity to take part in games, discussion, art, and other activities in small groups close by. Come and give it a try!

Look out for Bible Fun Club events happening throughout the year. We had a great time when we met in the Village Hall in the summer, and the next event coming up is the **Light Event on Thursday 31st October in St Mary's Church** (see **page 9** for details). If you would like to join our email list for reminders & news about similar events, please send your details to administrator@hfchurch.org.uk

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 <p>First Steps</p>	<p>Baby and Toddler Group</p> <p>Wednesday (term time only), 10:00 - 11:30</p> <p>Christ Church, Long Hanborough</p> <p>£2 per family (under 1s free)</p>	
<p>We welcome all under 5s and their parent/carer. Join us to meet others and enjoy free play and fun activities together. Each session finishes with refreshments, a Bible story and song time.</p> <p>For more information: hfchurch.org.uk/firststeps</p>		
<p>Please note, you now need to sign up in advance to secure your place due to high demand. You can sign up from 5pm on the Sunday before the session. Please see our website for more details.</p>		

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LETTER FROM OUR RECTOR, REV. STEVE STEWART

What actually is a “Christian”?...

Down the years, survey after survey has shown that many people – perhaps the majority of British people – believe the UK to be a “Christian” country. There is no doubt that certain aspects of our legal and constitutional system in the UK owe some sort of debt to the values of a Christianised historical tradition.

In addition, visit any town, city or country village, and there you will find parish churches with a particularly recognisable architecture – be that Norman Romanesque, mediaeval Gothic, Tudor, Renaissance, Baroque, Gothic revival or modernist.

Also, our musical heritage, be it from Mozart and Handel to gospel blues is woven into the soundscape of much of British history.

But this heritage, however “Christian” we may describe it, actually tells us very little about what it means to be a Christian. After all, Christianity is a phenomenon existed long before the cultural heritage to which it gave birth. Christianity was born at a different time in a different culture in a different country. There is nothing specifically “British” about Christianity. It is a worldwide phenomenon, transcending culture, time and geography.

So what does it mean to be a “Christian”? Well, the clue is in the name: a Christian is a follower of Jesus *Christ*. But not just somebody who recognises that Jesus had some good things to say, or enjoys reading the Bible (where we find out about Jesus), or acknowledges that Jesus was a real historical person.

A Christian is somebody who believes that Jesus is *the Christ*. That this person named “Jesus” was the divine son of God, sent into the world to take the punishment for the bad things you and I have done and thought and said, and that he did so by dying on the cross. And that he was resurrected to life on the third day. In short, a Christian is somebody who believes that the things which the Gospels (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) tell us about Jesus are true. That the Gospels are a faithful witness to Jesus’ identity, mission, death and resurrection. Believing anything less than this means that a person is *not* a Christian.

But here’s the lovely thing: Christianity is not a restricted group of people. Coming to faith in Christ is open to anyone – even me, even you. And that means our churches are always a place where you will receive a warm welcome to our worship services, whether you believe or not. Our services are a place of fellowship, where you will hear the truth about Jesus Christ and learn of his infinite love for you.

That person may value highly all sorts of things about our Christian heritage. They may be good people and in some way morally upright, and they may even like church architecture and the music of Handel, but they are not Christians.

One thing which the Bible notes about Christians, from almost as soon as Jesus had risen from the dead, is that they met together weekly. It is this that gave birth to the church we know today, and it is why the Christians in your villages still meet week by week to worship the risen Jesus.

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With much love in Christ Jesus,

**Rev. Steve Stewart,
Rector, Hanborough and Freeland**

If you would like to learn more about Church and what it means to be a Christian, simply join us at any of our Churches on a Sunday morning (see hfchurch.org.uk) or contact me for a chat at rector@hfchurch.org.uk

Light Event for Children

and their Families

Thursday 31st October 2024 - 5pm to 7pm

St Mary's Church, Freeland

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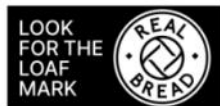
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Sunday 27th October	10.00am Communion
Sunday 3rd November	10.00 am Communion
Sunday 10th November	10.00am Joint Remembrance Sunday Service at Hanborough Methodist Church
Sunday 17th November	10.00am Communion
Sunday 24th November	10.00am Communion
Sunday 1st December	10.00am Communion

SERVICES AT CHRIST CHURCH, LONG HANBOROUGH

Sunday 27th October	10.00am Morning Praise
Sunday 3rd November	10.00am Morning Praise
Sunday 10th November	10.00am Joint Remembrance Sunday Service at Hanborough Methodist Church
Sunday 17th November	10.00am Morning Praise
Sunday 24th November	10.00am Prayer focused Morning Praise with Refreshments
Sunday 1st December	10.00am Joint Communion with St Mary's at St Mary's

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Contact Gill Breakspear Tel **883914** Email: **gillbreakspear@btinternet.com**

All services are in the chapel. A warm welcome awaits you all.

Sunday 27th October	10.00am	Mr David Sarbutts
Sunday 3rd November	10.00am	Local Arrangement
Sunday 10th November	10.00am	Remembrance Sunday Rev. Steve Stewart
Sunday 17th November	10.00am	Mr Richard Bowler (Family Service)
Sunday 24th November	10.00am	Rev. Stephen Bywater

ST MARY'S BELL RINGING REPORT

The bells will be rung at the following times:

Sunday	3rd November	9.30am - 10.00am
Sunday	10th November	9.30am - 10.00am Remembrance Sunday
Sunday	17th November	9.30am - 10.00am
Friday	22nd November	6.00pm - 7.00pm

Practices are held on **Monday** nights from **7.30pm to 9.00pm**

Please contact the Tower Secretary, Michael Probert (**882687**) should you wish to discuss any bell ringing matters.

You can see more about Freeland Bell Ringers under the "Clubs and Groups" section

FREELAND WALKING GROUP

The group usually meet on the third Wednesday of the month for a walk of about five miles followed by lunch, usually at a pub. The next walk will be on **Weds 21st August** Information will be sent to our regular walkers but if there is anyone new who would like to join us, please contact me at **hjdalton43cv@gmail** so that I can put you in touch with whoever is leading the walk. Janet Dalton **881742**



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New Councillor

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Website and Contact information

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Peter Foster (Chair)

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20mph Scheme

After the public consultation held by Oxfordshire County Council the speed limit through the **centre of the village** is being reduced down to **20mph**. The speed limit on the A4095 will stay at **40mph** up to Long Hanborough where it drops down to **30mph**. The signs will be sprayed before the removal and installation of the **20mph zone**, so do not think someone has been vandalising our signs!

Fix My Street

We urge you all to continue using the Fix My Street app, that reports any issues to Oxfordshire County Council or via fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk. This can be used to report potholes, overgrown hedges, flooded pavements, damaged kerb stones and overgrown grass verges on the A4095. If you would like to become a 'Super User' this will help speed up the process in which things can be repaired, then email: clerk@freelandparishcouncil.gov.uk

Play Park

As a Council we are looking to continue to develop our play facilities constantly. If you have any ideas of what you would like to see, please drop me an email. We have money to spend from the Freeland Gate development. We are currently preparing a plan for improvements. Following the short closure of the park for cleaning, the moss has been removed and the graffiti on the shelter has also been removed. We wish to thank Mossinator for their good job,

Please report any issues or incidents (should one unfortunately occur) to clerk@freelandparishcouncil.gov.uk



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Please see our website for current job opportunities across the Clubs.

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Little Free Library

The Little Free Library box on Wroslyn Road is being upgraded shortly, thanks to Blenheim Estates, so please keep an eye out for the smart new cabinet.

Donations

This month we have given two donations to good causes:- The Royal British Legion for Remembrance Day, and the second to Freeland and Hanborough Scouts towards some new tents.

Speed Limit in Freeland Gate

It has come to our attention that the current speed limit in Freeland Gate is **40mph**. Liam Walker our County Councillor is looking into this and there will be a further update on this once more is known.

Defibrillator

We are very lucky to have two defibrillators in our village. One is located by the Primary School in the telephone box. The other is located to the left hand side of the Village Hall. If these are used for an emergency, please let me know asap on **clerk@freelandparishcouncil.gov.uk** we do hope that they are not needed, but they are there if someone unfortunately does. **<https://www.defibfinder.uk/>**

Planning Applications

All planning applications can be viewed on the Parish Council website at **<https://freelandparishcouncil.gov.uk>** (under Parish Council/Planning Tracker) or on the WODC website at **publicaccess.westoxon.gov.uk/online-applications**
You can also contact the Planning Team at the WODC Wood Green Council Offices on **01993 861420**.

Applications under consideration or appeal:

24/0117/FUL: Land East of Wroslyn Road. Spitfire Homes have Resubmitted their application. This was objected to by the Parish Council and we are currently awaiting a date for the Uplands Committee of WODC to hear the case.

24/02196/HHD: 59 Broadmarsh Lane, Freeland

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Applications appealed:

24/00216/S73: Chalfont, 3 Wroslyn Road, Freeland

Applications Approved: None

Applications Refused: None

Contacting the Council and Date of Next Meeting

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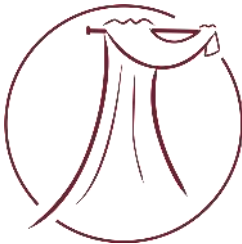
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Alternatively, please contact me between the hours of **9.00am – 4.00pm, Monday to Friday - Fay Friend, Parish Clerk on 01993 357851 or email: clerk@freelandparishcouncil.gov.uk**

FREELAND ENERGY GROUP (FEG)

As the nights draw in thoughts turn to keeping warm and energy usage. We asked last year, and the offer is out again for this winter - Do you want to have your home pictured using the thermal camera? Specific weather conditions apply dark, cold and dry - actually quite a particular set of circumstances. However if you are on the list then we know where we need to go. 'We' ? These are members of the Freeland Energy Group, basically your neighbours. Use the email below to get in touch and sign up.



If you had a thermal image taken last year and took action to reduce your heat loss why not sign up again, noting this is for a repeat visit, to check the effectiveness of your actions.

We are always on the look-out too for neighbours that have installed solar panels, heat pumps, changed to electric motoring, to add to the list of people willing to share their experience. We hold a list to help others who are starting on their journey towards NETZero in this area. Not sales talk, but practical “this is what was like for us” information. Email details below.

We were able to add to both these lists, and start conversations at the recent Warm Homes Day, there is space for more conversations.

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FREELAND THERMAL IMAGING

With the colder weather fast approaching a small team of Freeland residents in conjunction with the Freeland Energy Group (FEG) will once again offer all residents the opportunity to have the thermal efficiency of their home evaluated. i.e. how efficient it is in keeping the valuable warmth inside and not allowing it to escape. As last winter was our first attempt at carrying out an exercise of this nature, I think it is fair to say the results were mixed but valuable lessons were learned which we will put into practice this winter.

So, if you'd like to have your home assessed please drop me a line at **markoc.fpc@gmail.com** and I will be in contact. We will carry out the imaging on a first come first served basis and will endeavour to meet every request but as this exercise is very much dependent on the weather (cold, dark & dry) this may not be possible.

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EYNSHAM MEDICAL GROUP

Our Autumn Covid and Flu Vaccination started in October

As advised by the Government, our Autumn Covid and Flu Vaccinations will be starting in October this year, somewhat later than in previous years. We will be sending invitations to eligible patients from mid-September.

Mobile numbers and email addresses are extremely helpful in communicating with all our patients, including postal addresses or alternative phone numbers where appropriate, please update us by contacting the Practice.

WITNEY MUSIC SOCIETY

The 2024-25 series of Witney Music Society concerts starts in October.

Details of all six concerts are on the Witney Music Society website and in its new brochure, copies of which may be obtained via the website or from the Library and other locations throughout Witney.

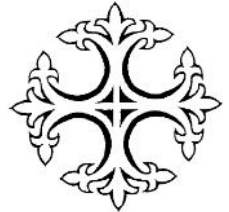
The second concert on **Friday 8th November 7.30pm** will be a piano recital by **Ignas Maknickas**. His programme will include works by Schubert, Carl Vine & Chopin.

The third concert on **Friday 13th December 7.30pm** features the Pelleas Ensemble.

Concerts are at **High Street Methodist Church, Witney**.

Tickets (**£18, £1** for under 19s) will be available at the door from **7pm** or in advance online. **www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk/tickets**

For more information, please **telephone 01993 898020** or visit the **Witney Music Society website**.



Jean Richards, Chair

ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE GRAPEVINE are available in the **St Mary the Virgin Church Porch**, which is open 9am to 5pm/dusk seven days a week. You can also pick up copies at the **Oxfordshire Yeoman** during their regular hours of Mondays & Tuesdays 5pm - 10.30pm; Weds & Thurs Noon - 3pm & 5pm - 11.30pm; Fridays 9.30am - 11.30pm; Saturdays Noon - 11.30pm; and Sundays Noon - 10.30pm. In the **Long Hanborough Co-op** the copies are now on the bottom shelf, to the left of the front door. They are also in the **Hanborough Café** on the window ledge. Copies are also available in the **Long Hanborough Surgery** waiting room, and **Freeland House and The Lodge**.

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THE UNACCEPTED FREELAND RAMBLERS

6/10/2024

We've reached the month of October which stems from the Latin Octo '8' and this was surprise surprise the 8th month of the year until those pesky Romans (what did they ever do for us?) changed it to a twelve month year in 713 BC by adding January, February and made October the tenth month.



Some fun days in October include:

4th Oct. International Ships-in-Bottles Day

24th Oct: - 11th Nov: World Origami Days

28th Oct. Frankenstein Friday

This month's walk was conducted under the strictest secrecy as usual with fourteen people and Willow (deal with you later) the dog, it included a hint of jeopardy, a sprig of "this is new" and a pinch of "are we there yet". Meeting others en route is a usual occurrence for us, but today was a little different as we met a mad man in a Range Rover, Jemima Puddle-Duck and Ant & Dec (seriously, we did and have pics to prove it), with all this excitement we had to stop and eat the cheese bites and cake on offer (thanks to Alison and Janet), also as is tradition in our lovely village we walked along some new ground so felt it only appropriate to rename them as crabapple path and woods end glade, we of course can't tell you where these are because of our strict no route recording policy.

Willow was watching intently as we ate but didn't seem in the least bit bothered, all was revealed when most of us made the usual stop at the Yeoman for a drink and for some a chance to sample the special Oktoberfest menu, while supping my pint I noticed on the table not one, not two but **five** dog biscuits and a very sheepish looking Willow...this could get dirty!

Next Ramble will be on:

Sunday the 3rd of November, starting at 10am sharp from the bus shelter opposite the Yeoman Pub.

All are welcome.

Ramble on! Captain James Cook (Oct 27th 1728))

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FREELAND GARDENING CLUB

Unfortunately our visit to Freeland Nurseries on the **23rd September** had to be cancelled as it was one of the wettest evenings we experienced last month. Hopefully, members will pay a visit to the Nurseries to purchase the bulbs they need.

Our Annual General Meeting is on **Monday 28th October at 7.30pm** in Freeland Hall when the usual format will be followed. The new programmes booked for the coming year will be presented, before we enjoy homemade refreshments.

The Club is still looking for a new Treasurer and would welcome anyone willing to do this important role with help from Brian, our former Treasurer; but in the interim Committee members will cover the role.

Our meeting on **Monday 25th November also at 7.30pm** in Freeland Hall is entitled 'Bees and Beekeeping' by the appropriately named David Busby! We welcome this new speaker to the Club with his information about these vital creatures which play such an important role in fertilising our crops. Whatever we can do to help bees is a part we can play in encouraging their survival.

There is a Plants and Garden Items Sale at all our Hall meetings. Visitors and new members very welcome.

For any further information about the Club, please contact me on
daltonjanet19@gmail.com Janet Dalton (Publicity Secretary)

Wordoku Phrase '235 vine 79'

To solve the puzzle, use logic to work out how to place each character in the alphanumeric combination "235 vine 79" once in each row, column and 3x3 box.

Solution: '24 LAUGH 68'

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The Freeland **Under 11s** remain unbeaten after four league games and one friendly. The team are doing amazingly well, and are a really great bunch of children who love playing football. Thanks to the Oxford Yeoman who very kindly provide food free of charge after every home game.



Up and coming fixtures:

Saturday 19th October vs Wychwood - AWAY

Saturday 9th November vs Banbury Irish - AWAY

Saturday 16th November vs Witney Vikings - HOME

Ben Symonds - Secretary: bensymonds@hotmail.co.uk



NORTH LEIGH HISTORY SOCIETY

On **Tuesday 5th November** we are learning more about the Vikings with Professor David Griffiths. Do come and join us! We meet on the first Tuesday of the month in North Leigh Memorial Hall, OX29 6SA at **7.30** (doors open at **7pm**).

All welcome. Members **£20** per year, visitors **£4** per talk. Further details are available from Diana Power (**01993 882301**) or Robert Kyte at kyterobert@gmail.com and **01993 880368**.

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month in North Leigh Memorial Hall, **OX29 6SA** at **7.30pm** (doors open at **7pm**). All welcome.



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If you have any questions, please phone Hilary on **01993 881125**

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Eynsham Surgery	Service	08.50	10.30	12.30	14.30	Service	17.30
Bartholomew School		08.03	08.51	10.31	12.31	15.55	17.31
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Hanborough Station	09.10	11.05	13.05	14.50		17.50
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Long Hanborough, New Road	09.13	11.08	13.08	14.53		17.53
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Eynsham Surgery	09.25	11.20	13.20	↓		18.05
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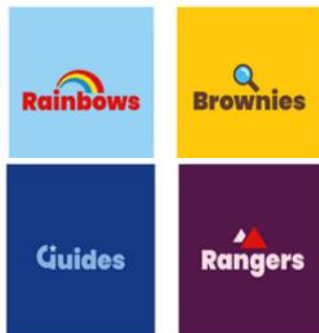
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The Guides, Rainbows & Brownies

The Rainbows and Brownies have been working on their Innovate badge and Go Motorsport badge. They have:

- been engineers to see if they protect the eggs from breaking (the Rainbows even gave the eggs names - see picture below)
- had an evening of mime related activities and games
- made small cars from kits and built their own Lego racing cars.



A group of **Brownies and Guides** have also been away on an outdoor activities weekend to PGL in Wiltshire doing activities such as fencing, raft making, giant swing and problem solving.

Long Hanborough Guides have continued with Oxtrail activities relating to friendship, crafts, and fun games.

We know time can be tight, that's why we have flexible volunteering opportunities that let you make a difference at a time that works for you. We are still in need of helpers for our older section guide units. If you are interested and free on a Monday or Tuesday, please get in touch freelanddistrictguiding@btinternet.com

If you can help, please contact: freelanddistrictguiding@btinternet.com

THAMES VALLEY FARMERS' MARKET CO-OPERATIVE

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WITNEY & HANBOROUGH DOG TRAINING SOCIETY

It is with some regret, after fifty years, to report the upcoming closure of the club.

Within a few years I stepped in as substitute trainer in the absence of our main Trainer in the event of illness, bad weather preventing travel or holidays.

I have been the sole Trainer, PR/advertising, course Co-ordinator and all admin roles with only a co – signatory for financial purposes for almost ten years. The admin time spent, far outweighs the actual time spent training in classes and as a result I have decided it is time to step aside. Despite my best efforts I have been unable to secure a successor.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all club members past and present for their continued support many of whom have returned time and again with successive furry companions.

The current courses finish at the end of November and our final meeting will be **Wednesday 4th December** for our Christmas party. This will follow the usual format of party food, raffle and party games (for the dogs). Fancy dress is optional (for dogs & handlers).

All members past and present are most welcome, with or without a 4 legged companion.

Please contact me for further details: Email: **colinguest888@btinternet.com**

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Janet Guest

FREELAND WINE CLUB

The final Wine Club for 2024 is our annual Christmas social on **Friday 29th November**.

Free to members. To register as a member (£10) and get invites & reduced rates for all meetings, please email

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FREELAND WINE CLUB

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1st HANBOROUGH FREELAND SCOUTS GROUP



This month we're looking for new volunteers to join our team. Are you the person we're looking for?

Firstly, we need someone to help maintain our Scouts minibus. Volunteering to help look after our minibus is a unique and rewarding way to make a practical impact on the lives of young people in our community. By ensuring that the minibus runs smoothly, you enable **Scouts** to embark on exciting adventures! Your contribution helps them access activities that build confidence, leadership, and teamwork. Plus, it's a chance to use your practical skills in a meaningful way, all the while being part of a friendly and supportive network. What does the role involve? Regularly checking the tyres, lights, oil, etc, to ensure everything is in good working order, and booking the MOT. This role would suit anyone with an interest in, and experience of, vehicle maintenance. Contact us at gsl@hfscouting.org.uk to offer your skills.

Secondly, we need adult volunteers to work with our youngest members, the **Beavers**. They meet on Wednesday evenings at Freeland Village Hall, from **5.30** until **6.45pm**. Becoming a volunteer leader is an opportunity to make a lasting difference in the lives of young people, while also enriching your own life. As a leader, you'll guide Beavers through activities that foster essential skills like leadership, problem-solving, and teamwork, helping to shape responsible and confident young people. You will have the rewarding experience of seeing young people grow, face challenges, and succeed - all thanks to the time and guidance you provide. Not only do you get to enjoy exciting adventures and be part of a close-knit community, but you also develop your own leadership and communication skills. Volunteering as a leader is more than just a role - it's a chance to leave a lasting legacy and inspire the next generation! Please contact us at gsl@hfscouting.org.uk to express your interest and for further details.

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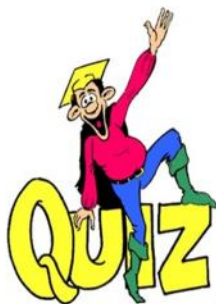
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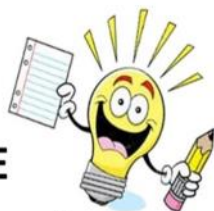
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FREELAND CRICKET CLUB



We are in the quiet period of the cricket year, repairing the pitch, preparing for the AGM and planning 2025. The club held its Junior Awards Evening on **Friday 13th September**. We reflected upon the whole season and awarded players for their achievements.

Medals were presented to all the **under-9s** who had attended training and played in the one tournament we had. It is worth mentioning that six of the under-9s also played for the under-11 team this year.

The **under-11** award winners were:-

Most runs - Nathan Bean with **54** (Zach Furse second with **51** and Elis Wilmott third with **23**)

Most wickets - Zach Furse with **10** (Henry Havenhand and Albie Rochester joint second with **5** each)

Most improved player - Sophie Tighe

Player of the season - Zach Furse

There were also awards for the joint girls' team run between Freeland and Witney Mills. These were:-

Most runs - Amelia Wyatt with **69** (Poppy Jones second with **52** and Gabby Owen third with **51**)

Most wickets - Gabby Owen with **6** (Bethany Tilley and Daisy Curtis joint second with **2** each)

Most improved player - Mia Edwards **Player of the season** - Amelia Wyatt

The **under-13s** had more games this year than any other age group. Their award winners were:-

Most runs - Adam Davies with **107** (Toby Borrill second with **103** and Zach Furse third with **82**)

Most wickets - Zach Wilkinson with **6** (James Keeling second with **5**, Ben Stansfield third with **4**)

Most improved player - Alex Louw. **Player of the season**—Toby Borrill

Last but not least we came to the **under-15s** who had a successful season with eight of the squad also making appearances for the Cherwell League side.

Most runs - James Keeling with **119** (Ben Davies second with **67**, Eddie Borrill and Zach Wilkinson equal third with **54**)

Most wickets - Zach Wilkinson with **6** (James Keeling second with **5**, Ben Stansfield third with **4**)

Most improved player— shared by Will Wyatt, Ben Stansfield, Freddie Osgathorpe and Zeb Wild

Player of the season - James Keeling

Diary Dates

The club's Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday 25th November, 7pm in the Pub. We will need to have a new Safeguarding Officer. This person will be part of the committee but cannot be an existing officer or coach. For more info please contact Simon.

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CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOP

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FREELAND WALKING GROUP

The next walk will be on **Wednesday 20th November**. Members will be notified of the particulars of the walk nearer the time and when to meet and where we will be having lunch. Anyone wishing to join the walk who are not yet members please contact me at hjdalton43cv@gmail.com so that I can pass your details to the leader. New members very welcome.

Janet Dalton

Cricket Continued.....

A bit further ahead, Junior indoor training next year will be on **Thursday** evenings starting on the **20th February**. More details will be sent out nearer the dates for the above.

Contacts:

Junior Cricket - Simon Brown freelandcc.u11@gmail.com

Women's Cricket - Alison Smith alisonsmith220@yahoo.com

Cherwell League - Simon Brown freelandcc.u11@gmail.com

For anything else or if you have trouble reaching any of the above, contact the Secretary - Paul Salway oxonyouth@btinternet.com

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY NEWS

What is a Little Free Library? At its heart, it's a place for you to swap books: take a book, leave a book. Of course, you don't have to give books in order to take books, and you don't need to return them, either.

Most of the books we receive are in great condition, and they soon get taken by other people. There are some, however, that really are better suited to the recycling bin:

books with torn or dirty pages; yellowed or faded with age; dusty and mouldy; or simply so old and tattered that no-one is going to take them, no matter how wonderful the content might be. If you have unwanted books like this, please recycle them rather than donating them to the Little Free Library. Thank you.

There is another category of books that cause us problems: we frequently find large numbers of old, out-of-date historical or non-fiction reference books that have been left at the Little Free Library by the Village Hall. These books really are unsuitable for us, because they are usually on specialised topics that are of little interest to the general public. What happens to these books? Our volunteers have to carry them home and then later drive them to the few charity shops that will accept them. Please make it easier for everyone by taking books like these directly to a charity shop or specialised used bookshop, where they are more likely to be appreciated by someone. Thank you for your understanding.

On a more cheerful note, Christmas will be here before you know it! We have a large stock of Christmas-themed books ready to go out on the shelves as we get closer to December, so do look out for those and, as ever, take as many as you like.

Thank you as always for all the generous book donations - we are constantly amazed by the high turnover of books in both little free libraries!

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GOVERNMENT CUTS IN WINTER FUEL PAYMENTS

The Government is cutting the winter fuel payment for pensioners who do not qualify for pension credit and many people are worried about being able to afford their energy bills this winter.

Many eligible pensioners have not claimed the pension credit that they are entitled to, but the application form is long and off-putting. Check the website

<https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit/eligibility>

The winter fuel payment isn't the only option for managing bills. Have a look at the regulator **ofgem.gov.uk** website where a guide lists all the grants and schemes available. The website also sets out what you can expect your energy supplier to do if you call and say that you can't afford your bills.

The **Priority Services Register** is a free service where you can get additional support with a utility bill, not just gas and electricity. Your age and disability may qualify you to go on the register, but many others may also be able to get help, depending on their needs.

Contact your energy supplier and say you want to go on the register. Once on, the energy firm must prioritise your situation and make allowances for the expenses relating to your specific needs. If a firm knows that a customer is on the register, it must also provide help and assistance if bills are not affordable.

Suppliers should offer a tailored plan to support vulnerable customers. Ofgem recommends steps such as reviewing payments, offering payment breaks or reductions, extending payment deadlines, providing access to hardship funds, and giving advice on cutting energy usage.

Energy firms also have energy or heating grants for customers. Apply through the energy firm to see if you qualify.

The government's Warm Home Discount Scheme is due to reopen in October 2024. This is a discount applied directly to energy bills. You can find out more at

[Warm Home Discount Scheme: Overview - GOV.UK](#)

These schemes and discounts can be overwhelming. If you need help, charities such as Scope and Citizens Advice can tell you about the benefits and help that you might qualify for.

If you have explored all the options above, the **Eynsham Consolidated Charity** may be able to offer some help to applicants who live in Eynsham and Freeland.

Eynsham Consolidated Charity provides small to medium sized grants to people living in the Parishes of Eynsham or Freeland who need financial help.

Please apply in confidence to the Clerk, Catherine Barton, by emailing **eynshamcharities@gmail.com** or by writing to the Trustees via the Clerk, c/o The Bartholomew Room, The Square, Eynsham, Oxfordshire OX29 4HW.

This article is adapted and based on a feature in The Times, by kind permission from the author, Martyn James, a consumer rights champion.

those local residents who supported our recent Coffee morning and Craft Sale in Freeland Village Hall on **Saturday 28th September**. There was such a friendly atmosphere and the event was a great success. We would like to acknowledge those local businesses who supported our event by donating prizes for our raffle- Renaissance, Siblings Hairdresser, Hanborough Coffee Shop, Oxford Welding Supplies, Hanborough Co-op, Ox Brew and The Oxfordshire Yeoman.



Due to illness our advertised speaker, Christine Pearce was unable to attend our October meeting. We wish her a speedy recovery and look forward to welcoming her at a future date. Our President, Anne, stepped into the breach and showed us how to be creative with a supermarket bunch of roses. Luckily, she was previously a floristry teacher and demonstrated different ways to assemble our foliage and flowers. The finished arrangements were all very colourful and individual. They looked absolutely stunning. Photos can be viewed on our Facebook page.

At our next meeting on **Monday 11th November**, we will be joined by Jennifer Cowling whose talk is entitled '**Those extraordinary things we say and do.**' Intriguing!

Visitors are welcome to join our meetings for a suggested donation of **£5** which includes refreshments.

Freeland WI normally meet on the second Monday of the month in the Village Hall, starting at **7.45pm** and finishing around **9.45pm**. Our meetings usually consist of an activity or speaker, a raffle and refreshments. We always look forward to welcoming visitors and new members at our meetings. You will receive a very warm welcome. A copy of this year's programme was included in the January Grapevine which is available on the Freeland Village website. If you would like to discuss joining us for a trial session or to become a member, please contact our secretary, Rosie James. We would love you to join us.

Information from earlier years is available on our website:

<https://freelandwiuk.wixsite.com/freelandwi> whilst current information is on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/freelandwi

Alternatively please contact our secretary Rosie James on **01993 881997**

or at freelandwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk

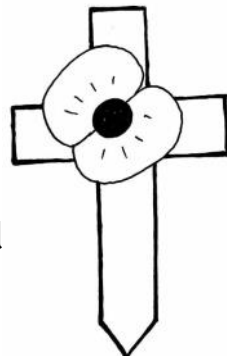
Aileen Tattam - Freeland WI

Remembrance Sunday, Freeland

10th November 2024, 10.00am

There will be a Service of Remembrance at St Mary's, Freeland, starting in church at 10.00am, moving to the War Memorial where silence will be held at 11.00am.

All are welcome.



ARE YOU A PENSIONER?

You could be entitled to a **Winter Fuel Payment**.

Are you eligible? **HOW TO CLAIM PENSION CREDIT.**

Pension credit is complicated, so rather than trying to work out if you can get it, you can use the Government's free Pension Credit Calculator via the **.gov.uk website**.

To do this it is easiest if you have details of your current earnings, benefits and pensions to hand (for you and your partner if you live with them). It will then give you an instant estimate of how much you are due.

If you would rather talk to someone, there is a free government **helpline** you can call. Again it is best to have your details to hand. In England, the pension service helpline is **0800 731 0469**

HOW DO I APPLY IF I AM ELIGIBLE?

To claim, you can either do so **online at gov.uk** or call the **pension credit claim line** on **0800 99 1234**, and they can fill the application in for you over the phone. (Lines are open Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm).

You will need the following information about you and your partner if you have one.

- National Insurance number
- Information about any income, savings and investments on the date you want to backdate your application to. (This is usually three months ago or the date you reached state pension age).
- You will also need your bank account details.
- Depending on how you apply, you may also be asked for your bank or building society name, sort code and account number.

Contributed by Cllr. Lidia Arciszewska; lidia.arciszewska@westoxon.gov.uk

FREELAND CRAFT CLUB



Once the basic stitches had been mastered, our crochet efforts produced some pretty book marks, granny squares and medallions, and even this witch's hat, in time for Hallowe'en

We have welcomed a couple of new members this month and hope they are enjoying themselves with us.

New members are always welcome and we look forward to seeing **you** some time.

We meet in the Newell Room at the back of the Freeland Village Hall every Wednesday from **2:00pm – 4:00pm** .

There is usually a subscription of **£1** per meeting to cover hire costs. For further information, or someone to go with, please contact: Helen **01993 882305** or Margaret **01993 881316** (margaret.wright160@gmail.com)

Margaret Wright



POPPY APPEAL 2024

This year door to door collections will take place from **Saturday 26th October to Sunday 10th November.**

Thank you in advance to everyone who donate so generously and of course to the collectors who give their time and support every year regardless of weather.

More information on the Royal British Legion and the Poppy Appeal can be found on **www.britishlegion.org.uk**

Angela Spriggs **01993 881555**

Images courtesy of The Royal British Legion



The u3a is a national, or even inter-national, organisation and Woodstock & District is our local branch. Members are offered a monthly speaker meeting which can be on a variety of topics - aimed at the layman.

u3a Woodstock & District

Our speaker last month was Frederick Dove who gave us a fascinating insight into the Thalidomide scandal which affected many births globally mainly between 1958 to 1962. The drug, sold as a sedative, remained active for only a few hours, but if taken by women in early pregnancy, could cause a miscarriage or serious damage to the unborn child. An informative, but also uplifting talk. Medical science and drug control have greatly moved forward since then, and research continues to bring new understanding.

Our next speaker meeting is on **Thursday 5th November** at St Hugh's Hall, Hensington Road, Woodstock when Viviene Sieber speaks about Kino and Kinder - A family's journey in the shadow of the Holocaust - a family history. (**1.45pm for 2pm talk**) Visitors welcome at **£2**.

Interest groups continue to expand with German speaker sessions to be offered. The Singing group is to re-establish itself at the Scout and Guide Hut in Union Street, Woodstock on the **third Wednesday** of the month at **2pm** - next date is **20th November**. All welcome.

Please do check our website for further information: **www.woodstocku3a.uk**.

Sue Blackshaw – Chair Woodstock & District u3a

chair@woodstocku3a.uk

THE ARTS SOCIETY OF WEST OXFORDSHIRE



Lectures in **November**, December, February and March start at **2.30pm**.

The hall opens at **2.00pm** and tea/coffee and biscuits are available. Come and have a chat while you wait for the talk to begin.



Thursday 14th November at 2.30pm:
“All the Lonely People - the work of American Realist Edwin Hopper”
- Stella Lyons

Hopper was a painter of loneliness and melancholy and he portrayed a changing America and the isolation of the individual in the modern city. His works are visually stunning: characterised by striking colours and cinematic and cropped combinations which heighten tension.

Information at www.taswox.org

MAKING MODEST MUSIC

Did you play at school and fancy getting back into it?

Meeting once a month with a few others might be just the encouragement you need?

The village now has a place for you to go & share your interest with like-minded people.

As well as sharing a few individual pieces we work on a couple of simple ensembles (currently piano, sax, Irish flute and ukulele) between meetings.

Interested? Email kenjedfish@gmail.com (preferred) or text **07982 134991**, or call that number if you don't do either of those things.



TEAMS 4U SHOEBOXES

Once again we are filling Christmas shoeboxes with gifts for children in poorer areas of the world. If you would like to help, covered boxes are available at Methodist Church, High Street, Witney.



The **closing date** for delivering boxes to **Methodist Church, High Street, Witney** is **Thursday 14th November**.

Thank you from the Witney Team



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CPR Awareness Session

ARE YOU PREPARED?

Would you know what to do in a critical situation?

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Gain the confidence to take lifesaving action.

The Rotary Club of Eynsham will be hosting a CPR training session run by the **Thames Valley Air Ambulance**.

On Tuesday 14th January 2025 at 7.00pm

At The Swan Hotel, Acre End Street, Eynsham. OX29 4PE

The session is free - donations will be welcomed (Over 18s only)

Places are limited, so please book early at

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/thamesvalleyairambulance/1408946>

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THE CAKE CAFÉ, FREELAND

Regular café first Tuesday of the month, **9.00 - 11.30am**, Freeland Hall.
jane.cakestudio@gmail.com

CATKINS Genuine Cat Lover available for home visits whilst you are out or on holiday. References available. **Debbie: 07805 583 419 or Janice: 07896 990 801.**

FREELAND PIANO TEACHER has vacancies for Piano/Flute/Recorder Tuition. Beginners welcome, both Adults and Children. Email **jane.duff17@gmx.com** for more details.

GARDEN MAINTENANCE AND DESIGN - planting, pruning, weeding - advice for free. Michelle Turkie **michelleturkie@gmail.com 07531 717 991**

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Sa 26 Oct Poppy Appeal** Door to Door Collection, Ends 10 November
- Su 27 Oct End of British Summer Time - Clocks go back one hour**
- M 28 Oct Freeland Gardening Club, Freeland Hall, 7.30pm AGM**
- W 30 Oct Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection**
- Su 3 Nov Unaccepted Freeland Ramblers - 10am** from opposite the Yeoman
- Tu 5 Nov The Cake Café, Village Hall, 9am - 11.30am**
- Tu 5 Nov North Leigh History Society, North Leigh Memorial Hall, 7.30pm**
- W 6 Nov Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection**
- Th 7 Nov u3a Woodstock and District, St Hugh's Centre, Hensington Rd, Woodstock**
- F 8 Nov Witney Music Society, High St Methodist Church, Witney. Doors 7pm**
- M 11 Nov Freeland Parish Council Meeting, Newell Room, 7.30pm**
- M 11 Nov Freeland WI, Village Hall, 7.45pm** "Extraordinary things we say & do"
- Tu 12 Nov Freeland Grapevine - November edition deadline day**
- W 13 Nov Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection**
- Th 10 Oct The Arts Society of W Oxfordshire, Witney Corn Exchange, 2.30pm, £7**
- Th 10 Oct The Arts Society of West Oxfordshire, Witney Corn Exchange, 7.30pm, £7**
- W 20 Nov Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection**
- W 20 Nov Freeland Walking Group**
- Sa 23 Nov Freeland Orchestra with WOC, Stanton Harcourt Village Hall 7.30pm**
- W 27 Nov Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection**
- W 27 Nov Marie Curie Quiz Night, Oxfordshire Yeoman. 7.30pm for 8pm start £3**
- F 29 Nov Freeland Wine Club, Village Hall. 7.30pm Christmas Social Evening**
- Su 3 Dec Combe Mill Christmas Fayre 11.00am to 4pm**
- W 4 Dec Grey Week Household rubbish + food waste collection**

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The deadline for articles or adverts for the **December** Grapevine is **Tuesday 12th November**. The **November** edition should be online at: www.freelandoxon.co.uk or at <https://freelandparishcouncil.gov.uk> from **Monday 25th November** with the print copies in the church porch and elsewhere from **Friday 29th November**.

We welcome handwritten or typed articles and adverts. However, if at all possible, please send by email, formatted to fit an A5 magazine - it will certainly help to reduce the number of our mistakes! The font we use is **Gill Sans MT** at 10 point.

If submitting electronically please use Word or Publisher, **not PDFs** as they are incompatible with Microsoft Publisher which we use for the Grapevine. Photographs should be JPGs or PNGs, again **not PDFs**.

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Adverts: grapevineadverts@gmail.com
Articles: freelandgrapevine@gmail.com
Or phone: **01993 880623**

Note Please put your name and telephone number on any submission in case we need to contact you. These will only be printed if requested by you.

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Fri/Sat 12 noon - 8.30pm
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October

🎵 Fri 25th - Jamie Felton returns! 🎵

November

Sat 2nd - Cotswold Burger Co from 4pm
Fri 8th - Tom Martin sings live 🎵
Weds 27th - Quiz Night (Marie Curie)
Fri 29th - Jamaican night

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