



The Grapevine

THE NEWSLETTER OF HAMPTON LUCY, CHARLECOTE AND LOXLEY
PARISHES

Issue No: 206

February 2019

The Music of Africa Comes to Hampton Lucy



As part of a very busy UK tour, *The African Children's Choir* gave an exhilarating and moving performance at St Peter's, Hampton Lucy, on Friday, 30 November. The choir consists of Ugandan children aged 7 to 10 years, some of whom have lost one or both parents through the devastation of war, famine and disease. Everyone who was present was thrilled by their vibrant energy and talent; their smiles, enthusiasm and obvious enjoyment of performance were a joy to watch. Local households hosted and provided accommodation for the children and their adult supporters, for which the children and the tour organisers were extremely grateful. The primary aim of these world-wide tours is to raise awareness of the needs of destitute and orphaned children in Africa and to raise money for their education, personal development and support. Many thanks go to everyone who made this concert possible and particularly to Head Teacher, Margaret Lunnon, who provided facilities in the school for the visitors. The evening raised over £1000, which went directly to their charity, *Music for Life*. ER/AJW

A Tanzanian Adventure

Faith Bailey, of Hampton Lucy, raised sponsorship in early 2018 to enable her to travel to Tanzania for three months with Raleigh International to help the local population to source clean water, improve sanitation and achieve



sustainable development. She writes: "The three months I spent in Tanzania really changed my life and the lives of the people around us. We went into a rural village called Rudewa Gongoni where many locals had never seen a Westerner before. After getting to know the people and our surroundings we set up a business school to teach the villagers how to start and manage viable businesses for profit. As many of them didn't even have primary school education, we had to start from the very basics. By the end of my time there we had thirty successfully graduated entrepreneurs with sustainable businesses. Thanks to our generous sponsors we were able to help to fund the start-up costs of these businesses, bringing new infrastructure to a community which previously did not even have running water." FB

Rubbish Friends

Rubbish Friends is an organisation which helps us keep our country clean. Now that the hedgerows have been cut I couldn't help notice all the plastic rubbish which has accumulated in Loxley over time. I want to do something about it and need volunteers to help. All the equipment will be provided such as grabbers, black bin bags and high-vis vests. We will meet at the Fox Inn on Sunday, 10 February at 11.00am. Please come if you can and give an hour of your time to keep our lovely village clear of rubbish. LC

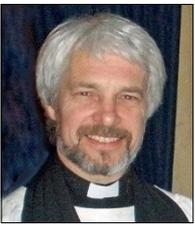
A Christmas Carol in Charlecote Mill



Photo: Karl Grevatt

The Grapevine is printed by 'Think, Design and Print', Unit 4b, St Mary's Road,

Sydenham Industrial Estate, Leamington, CV31 1PP; e-mail: info@thinkdesignandprint.com The newsletter is published in colour each month. To view the colour version visit the village websites, or request an e-mail copy.



Rev'd David Jessett
The Rectory
Church Lane
Barford
CV35 8ES
Tel: 01926 624238
E-mail: rectory@barford.org.uk

The Parish Letter

Rev'd Neville Beamer,
8 Aintree Road,
Stratford-upon-Avon .
CV37 9FL
Tel: 01789 263435
E-mail:
ndbeamer@hotmail.com



Dear Friends,

It was probably in August 1997 that I wrote my first letter for the Barford, Sherbourne and Wasperton magazine and in November 2007 that they began also to be shared with Charlecote, Hampton Lucy and Loxley. So, over 200 letters on from the first one, this is the last of mine. By the next deadline I will have completed my last Sunday and be preparing to move. After spending more than a third of my life working in these communities, it will be a big change for us as a family to leave and move away. I would like to take this opportunity to thank, however inadequately, all those who have supported me in my ministry and us as a family over those years and those who have worked so hard for the Churches. It is also an opportunity for me to acknowledge that I am very aware of many things people might have hoped I could do and have not done and to apologise for those failures.

It will also be a big change for the congregations and to a lesser extent for the communities. However, while there may be some sadness, change also brings new opportunities and new possibilities. I hope and pray that someone will soon be found to come and minister among you in the Churches, the school and the villages more widely. But, whatever happens, I believe that in the face of every change, God remains the same. His love for us, His children, is eternal and unchanging. He will be there both for the parishes and for us as we move away. The more that we all put our trust in Him and try to live in His ways the better the future is likely to be.

So, in conclusion, I can only pray that God will bless these six villages and all who live in them or come to work in them, and once again thank people for their friendship and support over the years.

David Jessett



News from the Parishes

A complete list of church services, including those at Barford, Wasperton and Sherbourne, is displayed on the notice board in your church.



Rev'd David Jessett's Retirement

As you will be aware, David will be retiring after 21 years of service to our parishes in early February. There will be an opportunity to say farewell to David and Sue at a special party to be held in Barford School on Saturday, 2 February, between 7.30 and 9.30pm. Refreshments will be available and there will be a presentation at 9:00pm. I am sure that everyone who knows David and Sue would like to come along to thank them for their service and commitment to our communities and to wish them well for the future. If you would like to contribute towards their retirement gift, please give your donations to one of the churchwardens before 2 February; either Chris Murphy (4 Bridge Street) or Jane Scott (37 Dugard Place). Please put any cash or cheques (made payable to Barford PCC) in a sealed envelope marked *For David and Sue Jessett*. Hampton Lucy parishioners can donate via Elaine Rajkowski, 01789 842251. A look back at David's time within our parishes will be published in the March edition of *The Grapevine*.

JP

Carers4Carers

Friday, 22 February, 10.30 to 12 noon: *Carers4Carers'* monthly meeting at Kineton Village Hall. Come and join us for coffee, biscuits and friendly chat. This month we will have a visit from Rekha Tanna Hirani, our local Parkinson's Adviser. Please let us know in advance if you would like us to look after your loved one in our Companionship Group. For more details, including help with transport, please phone Gillian on 01926 640203, mobile: 07947 893504.

LM

Local Government Elections, 2 May, 2019

Local government elections will be held on 2 May, 2019, when all five seats on Hampton Lucy Parish Council will be contested, the serving Councillors having to stand down. Councillors can choose to stand for re-election but may not do so and, in the interests of democracy, it would be preferable for more than five candidates to contest the vacant seats. The idea of standing for election may be daunting but there is support available for prospective Councillors. The Warwickshire Association of Local Councils (WALC), which represents and advises parish and town councils, will be holding a seminar for parishioners considering standing on Monday, 11 February, 6.30pm to 8.30pm, in the Council Chamber, Stratford-upon-Avon District Council, Elizabeth House, Church Street, CV37 6HX. There will be no charge and no need to book - just turn up. If you require further information, or wish to speak to one of the sitting Councillors, please contact the Parish Clerk, Dr. John Dunkerton, at hamptonlucyclerk@gmail.com or phone 01789 842573. He will provide further information or arrange for you to have a chat with a serving Councillor.

CS

From the Registers

Baptism:	Hampton Lucy	Sunday, 18 November 2018	Thomas Michael Wakefield
Weddings:	Charlecote	Saturday, 22 December 2018	James Shearman and Zoe Payne
	Hampton Lucy	Friday, 28 December 2018	Leigh Phillips and Claire Proctor
Funeral:	Hampton Lucy	Tuesday, 20 November 2018	Audrey Smith (at Oakley Wood)



Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI

The WI Christmas Party was held in Hampton Lucy on 5 December. Kath Clarke welcomed members and guests, including Gillian Crisp, (*WI Adviser*), and Elvis - our entertainer for the evening. The party started with the bring-and-share supper with plenty to eat and drink and a great success. Then, to everyone's delight, Elvis soon had us all on our feet, singing and dancing along, and the party was a splendid climax to 2018. The meeting on 9 January, the beginning of our Centenary Year, began with members assembled for photos under the Centenary Bunting. One of those photographs will grace the front page of *The Corunna News* in April. The President welcomed Sue Myhill, (*Federation Treasurer*), and presented her with a bouquet in appreciation of her valuable help with the bunting. After a brief business meeting, refreshments were served. The competition for January was *The Prettiest Jug*, judged by our guest speaker, Ginny Davis.



Seventeen members took part and the winner was Mary Woodman, with Helen Hartley second and Helen Sill third. Ginny Davis then entertained us with an interesting and informative talk on *The History of Crime and Punishment*, going back before the 19thC when punishment ranged from a spell in the stocks to horrifyingly painful execution up to the present day with sentences in the form of fines, community service or imprisonment - no executions now! The 6 February meeting will be held in Hampton Lucy Village Hall at 7.30pm when the speaker, Trevor Langly, will talk about *The History of Warwick*. The object of the February competition will be to design a pub sign on A4 paper. **PT**



Wellesbourne & District Lions Club

The Lions would like to say a huge *thank you* to everybody who gave so generously during our Christmas float collection this year and to all those that helped to make it such a success. I am pleased to report that the fantastic sum of £6,665 was raised. We had two sleighs out and about over eleven nights, which included three evenings in Barford, three in Kineton, two in Ettington, one in Lighthorne Heath, another in Temple Herdewyke, an evening in Hampton Lucy, one in Loxley, another covering Ashorne and Moreton Morrell and nine different evenings around Wellesbourne. Twenty two different charities and organisations who helped us will all benefit from a share of the money raised.

AS

Greenhouses Wanted

The Hampton Lucy Plant Sale team are in need of a couple of aluminium-framed greenhouses (6' x 6' up to 6' x 10'), to propagate this year's bedding plants for the annual plant sale in early May. If anyone has one that they no longer require, even if it is damaged, we would be very happy to arrange to dismantle and collect it from you. Please contact Paul on 07771 513654, e-mail: psb1950@btinternet.com



PB

Compton Verney has a New Director

Julie Finch has been appointed Director of Compton Verney Art Gallery and Park and will take up her new role on 29 April, 2019. She succeeds Professor Steven Parissien, who stepped down in November 2018 to become Director of the *Bata Shoe Museum, Toronto*. She is looking forward to strengthening partnerships with local businesses and building on Compton Verney's reputation for promoting fine art and cultural events.



TJ

Our correspondents this month:

FB - Faith Bailey; **PB** - Paul Barker; **LC** - Lynn Chatwin; **MG** - Mary Gleave; **ELH** - Eddie Hoare; **TJ** - Tracy Jones; **LM** - Lisa Maloney; **JP** - Jonathan Partridge; **ER** - Elaine Rajkowski; **CS** - Chris Schroeder; **AS** - Andy Stokes. **PT** - Pat Twitty; **AJW** - Jeremy Whyman;

MATHS TUITION

EXPERIENCED MATHS TEACHER
GCSE & INTERVENTION SPECIALIST
"John helped my son achieve an A* in his GCSE when his predicted Grade was a B"
Contact John: 07876 592152
email: john.eyes@btinternet.com



Electrician

Call Andy Punnett now
for a free quotation:

Tel: 01789 841 217

Free: 0800 511 8228

Mob: 07880 717 018



Chris Hancock

Garden Design and Landscaping.
Slabbing, Fencing and Turfing, etc.
No Job Too Small

Call Chris on 07505 486124
chancock1802@outlook.com

Hampton Lucy Village Hall, Centenary Appeal

2019 marks the Centenary of Hampton Lucy Village Hall but sadly, over recent years, the hall has been failing to attract bookings as it can no longer compete with those in neighbouring villages. The successful halls have all benefited from modernisation and refurbishment. The owners of the building are the John Lucy Trust, and the Trustees have determined to work with the Management Committee towards a major re-development programme. They have already commissioned plans which include, amongst other improvements, new toilets and a new kitchen. The estimated cost will be in the region of £120,000. The Trust can contribute limited funds but a further £100,000 will be needed over the next two years to complete the work. The good news is that there are many grants available and a first application, to the W E Dunn Trust, was successful and resulted in a generous grant of £1000. In order to raise the balance, a Centenary Appeal has been launched and Eddie Hoare has agreed to chair the Appeal Committee. That committee now needs to encourage like-minded parishioners to help. Neither unnecessary meetings nor a substantial time commitment is anticipated, but voluntary help is urgently needed to approach grant-making organisations, submit applications and to chase up responses - in effect to donate time to promote fund-raising activities. The committee also wants to encourage parishioners to organize and participate in their own local fund-raising events. Eddie very much looks forward to hearing from you - please email him at eddiehoare@uk2.net or call on 01789 470965.

ELH

News from Charlecote Park



Photo: Jana Eastwood

Don't forget to complete your *walkers' loyalty card* to claim your free hot drink and breakfast bap before the end of the month. The Orangery tea-room is open from 9.00am so you can pop in before your walk if you like. The house re-opens after the winter deep clean on Saturday, 16 February, the start of half-term. All the scaffolding and mould-removing brushes will have been packed away and we look forward to welcoming you to the public rooms for the new season. A *wellie walk* through the parkland at half-term is a lovely way to get children to connect with nature and put away the i-pads for a while. See if you can spot the herons in the tree-tops or along the riverbank, and spend a little time in the bird hide behind the stables to see what has come to the feeders. There's plenty of early spring colour in the gardens to bring a little cheer to cold days. The hellebores in the woodland garden are a real treat, and there are colourful cyclamens (pictured above), eranthises, and crocuses brightening the borders. Look out for Matt the Gardener's beautiful arrangements of pots too. We'll be taking part in *World Book Day* this year, joining in with this celebration of reading on or around 7 March. Children can choose their £1 special book in our shop and there will be a trail too. Details are coming together literally minutes before I write, so please check our website and social media for details when you read this!

MG

Compton Verney presents 'Painting Childhood: From Holbein to Freud'

Children have always fascinated artists, and in 2019 Compton Verney Art Gallery and Park will celebrate this by bringing together some of the most iconic paintings of children produced over the past 500 years. Featuring stunning portraits, amusing genre scenes and touching *fancy pictures*, the exhibition will feature sixty works from collections across the UK, and will explore the specific challenges posed by painting children - from capturing the fleeting moments of youth to encouraging young subjects to sit still. *Painting Childhood* boasts a wealth of masterpieces by artists including Van Dyck, Hogarth, Jan Steen, Judith Leyster, Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, Johan Zoffany, Thomas Gainsborough and Joshua Reynolds. The exhibition opens on 16 March, 2019.

TJ



Grapevine Contact Details

Grapevine copy by the **10th of the month** please, with a contact telephone number to: The Editor, Jeremy Whyman, 9 The Langlands, Hampton Lucy, CV35 8BN. Tel: 01789 470911. E-mail: grapevine46@btinternet.com
(For advertising, please contact the Editor, as above.)

Thank you to all of our advertisers. Your support helps us to deliver *The Grapevine* free to all households in the three parishes.

Dog Walker & Pet Care Services

Do you need an extra helping hand walking your dog, caring for your small animal or feline friend?



Based in Hampton Lucy
Available Mon, Weds & Thurs
Insured and DBS Checked
Contact Isabel, 07825 750285
www.doggytalesstratford.co.uk

The Notice Board

The Hampton Lucy website:
hamptonlucy.wordpress.com

The Charlecote website:
www.charlecotevillagehall.weebly.com

The Loxley website:
loxleyvillage.com

**Hampton Lucy
'The Lucy Lads'**
will meet in The Boars Head at 11.30am on
Thursday, 7 February.
All Lads' at Heart with a little time on your hands will be
most welcome.
(See the Hampton Lucy website for details)

**Hampton Lucy
'The Lucy Ladies'**
will meet in The Boars Head, Hampton Lucy,
on Tuesday, 12 February, at 10.30am.
All Ladies welcome.



Come and join us!

We are always looking for additional members
from Wellesbourne, Kineton,
Lighthorne, Ettington, Barford
and all of the surrounding villages.

Why not come along as a guest to one of our
meetings where we discuss our plans
and have a drink with friends.

If you like what you see and hear,
we would be delighted to have you join us as a
new member.

We meet at the **Conservative Club**
Church Street, **Wellesbourne**
at **8pm** on the **2nd and 4th Monday**
of every month.

If you prefer to speak to someone first,
just call **Cliff Lowe** on **01789 840868**

100 Club : Play-Win-Care
Shipston Home Nursing now has a 100 Club
Lottery and invites our wonderful supporters,
friends and families to join in the fun. It's simple
to join and here's how it works.....



Sign up for the year by sending us a cheque for
£24 or completing the standing order mandate.

You can enter as many times as you like, each entry costing
£24 a year, entitling you to 12 monthly draws.

Each month SHN will draw the name of the lucky winner
of our PRIZE FUND!

Not only do you get a chance to win but your support of the
100 Club will help us fund our home nursing service.
Download, print and complete the 100 club leaflet from the
website: www.shipstonhomenursing.co.uk

Send it to us at: SHN 100 Club, Lower Farm Barn, Great
Wolford, Shipston on Stour, Warwickshire, CV36 5NQ

Good Luck!

WASPINGTON VILLAGE HALL

POP UP PUB NIGHT



Friday 15th February 2019

5.30pm – 10.00pm

Come and try the cocktail of the day,
beer, wine, prosecco and our
delicious food!

Unique
Senior Care

People, above all else

At Unique Senior Care, we believe
that people come before all else.
Every part of our business is designed
to put the customer's needs first.

- Companionship
- Light housekeeping
- Meal preparation
- Local transportation
- Specialist dementia care
- Shopping & much more



Call us in confidence on 01789 204040

www.uniquecare.co.uk

RUNABOUT TAXIS

- Wellesbourne, Kineton, Ettington, Loxley & Surrounding Villages
- 8 Seater Available
- Competitive Village Rates
- Business /Account Customers Welcome
- Airport / Station / Hotel Transfers

Private Hire Advanced Bookings
Email: runabout@inbox.com
www.runabout.me.uk

Call: 07702 941748





Church Services

February 2019

3 February	The Presentation of Christ in the Temple		
	Benefice Services		
8.00am	Barford	Holy Communion	CW
10.00am	Hampton Lucy	Holy Communion	CW

These two services will mark Rev'd David's retirement as Priest in Charge of our six Parishes. Parishioners from the whole Benefice are invited to St Peter ad Vincula, Hampton Lucy, to join David as he leads Communion for the last time as our priest. The church can accommodate all who would like to join us on this special occasion. We look forward to seeing you.

10 February	The Fourth Sunday Before Lent		
9.30am	Hampton Lucy	Family Service	
11.00am	Charlecote	Holy Communion	CW
11.00am	Loxley	Matins	BCP
6.00pm	Hampton Lucy	Evensong	BCP
17 February	The Third Sunday Before Lent		
9.30am	Charlecote	Holy Communion	BCP
9.30am	Hampton Lucy	Come and Worship	CW
11.00am	Loxley	Family Service	
24 February	The Second Sunday Before Lent		
	The Feast of Christ the King		
8.00am	Charlecote	Holy Communion	BCP
11.00am	Loxley	Holy Communion	CW
6.00pm	Hampton Lucy	Evensong	BCP

For your diary - February

- Sat 2 **Rev'd David Jessett's Retirement Party**, Barford School, 7.30pm, *page 2*.
- Wed 6 **Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI**, Hampton Lucy VH, 7.30pm, *page 3*.
- Thur 7 **The Lucy Lads** meet at The Boars Head at 11.30am, details on **Notice Board**.
- Thur 7 **Hampton Lucy Youth Club**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 6.00pm to 8.00pm.
- Sun 10** **Copy deadline for the March edition of The Grapevine.**
- Sun 10 **"Rubbish Friends"**, meet at The Fox Inn, Loxley, at 11.00am, *page 1*.
- Mon 11 **Wellesbourne & District Lions Club**, Connie Club, 8.00pm, *page 3*.
- Tues 12 **Dene Valley U3A**, St Peter's Church, Wellesbourne, 2.00pm, (visit website).
- Tues 12 **The Lucy Ladies** meet at The Boars Head at 10.30am, details on **Notice Board**.
- Fri 15 **Wasperton Pop-Up Pub**, Wasperton Village Hall, from 5.30pm, **Notice Board**.
- Thur 21 **Hampton Lucy Youth Club**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 6.00pm to 8.00pm.
- Fri 22 **Carers4Carers**, Kineton Village Hall, 10.30am to 12 noon, *page 2*.
- Mon 25 **Wellesbourne & District Lions Club**, Connie Club, 8.00pm, *page 3*.

Local Service Providers

R. Turner CHARLECOTE CHAIRS

Specialist in re-upholstery and restoration of cane and rush seating

Tel: 01926 624077
Mobile: 07768 571593

H T WILLIAMS PEST CONTROL

Rats, moles, mice, wasps, ants, insects

Green Cottage,
Little Kineton,
CV35 0DN

Telephone: 01926 640286
Mobile: 07748 625122

L Brooke Joynson

CABINET MAKER AND JOINER

All aspects of woodworking undertaken

Phone 01926 842547 or 07909 901989
for further information and advice,
and for a free quotation

Hunscote Farm Shop

Stratford Road, Wellesbourne
Tel: 01789 840240

'A Farmer's Market on your doorstep'

Open Monday to Thursday: 8.00am to 5.30pm
Friday: 8.00am to 6.00pm
Saturday: 8.00am to 5.30pm

SUSAN ENGLAND MCSP

Chartered Physiotherapist

Registered with the Health and Care Professions
Council

Hampton Corner, Warwick Road,
Stratford upon Avon, CV37 0NZ

Tel/Fax: 01789 263891

Stripes Garden Maintenance

Grass Cutting, Hedge Trimming,
Patio Cleaning,
Garden Furniture Cleaning. No job too small.
Local reliable service.

Call Chris Clarke, 01789 295909

Mobile: 07928 895501

[e-mail: stripeschris@aol.com](mailto:stripeschris@aol.com)



Victoria Gentle
Foot Health Practitioner
MCFHP MAFHP

Visiting Practice

All aspects of Footcare provided including:
Ingrown Toenails/Corns/Calluses/Verrucae/
Diabetic Assessments

For friendly professional care in your own home call
Victoria on: 07507 953659

Member of the British Association of Foot Health Professionals

Sandra Oram

Clinical Aromatherapist, Reproductive
and Clinical Reflexologist

Member of I.F.A., A.R.R., & B.R.A.

30 Lawson Avenue, Tiddington

07581 576198

www.essential-aromatherapy.co.uk

Juliet Seccombe
CURTAINS & BLINDS

High quality
curtains and roman blinds.
Free measurement and quotation.

Mobile: 0781 809 8306

www.seccombecurtainsandblinds.co.uk