



The Grapevine

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Spring is on the Way

This year's **Hampton Lucy Plant and Produce Sale** will be taking place on Saturday, 16 May, from 9.00am. In addition to the usual wide range of seedlings, plants and shrubs, we shall be selling local produce and would



welcome any donations of jams, chutneys, cakes and biscuits. Charlecote Mill flour and fresh locally-baked bread will be available once again. Prices are always modest and customers return year on year so it is a good idea to arrive early! We are always in need of helpers throughout the growing period and, of course, volunteers to help on the day. There will be potting-on sessions arranged, and a rota for watering and general plant care. If you can spare some time, please do get in touch with any of the Plant Sale Team. You can contact me, Helen Leeson, on 01789 842258,



mobile: 07776141395 or e-mail: hchapman1@hotmail.com

HL

Loxley's Neighbourhood Plan

Loxley Parish Council is pleased to announce that a referendum on the Loxley Neighbourhood Development Plan will be held on Thursday, 27 February, 2020. This marks the culmination of a considerable amount of time, effort and resource by parishioners and the Parish Council alike over a number of years. In recognition of this huge effort, the Parish Council are keen to encourage as many residents as possible to turn out and vote. Please note that all residents listed on the Electoral Register are eligible to vote and should already have received a poll card. Loxley School will be used as the Polling Station and will be open from 7.00am to 10.00pm. The vote on the Plan is a simple YES/NO and if there is a majority in favour of acceptance SDC will then use the Loxley NDP to help it decide planning applications in the Parish. The Plan will then become a formal part of the Development Plan for the District. You have a vote - please use it. **Further details on the referendum and the Plan can be found at www.loxlevillage.com or www.stratford.gov.uk/loxleynp** The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who has helped to put this document together. For a small community this is a very big achievement. THANK YOU! GJ

The Stratford Chamber Choir

Stratford Chamber Choir will be performing J S Bach's *St John's Passion* at 7.30pm on Saturday, 28 March, at Holy Trinity Church, Stratford, with the Regency Sinfonia. Tickets at £15 are available at the door or through tickets@chamberchoir.org.uk. Do come and hear this most moving work which relates the story of the Passion according to the Gospel of St John. The striking opening movement demands attention as the drama of the Passion unfolds. This is among the best loved moments in the choral repertoire.

EH

The April Grapevine

All reports and articles which missed the 1 February deadline this month and have been submitted since, will be published in the April edition. That will be e-circulated on 18 April and printed copies delivered by 23 April. AJW

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We look forward to continuing the tradition of a monthly Parish Letter from our newly licensed Priest-in-Charge of our 6 Parishes, Rev'd Dr Andy Larkin. He began his ministry on Tuesday, 4 February, 2020.

A full report of the licensing service, which took place on Monday, 3 February 2020 in St Peter ad Vincula's Church, Hampton Lucy, will be published in next month's Grapevine.

AJW



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.



Carers4Carers

Friday, 27 March, 10.30am to 12 noon: **Carers4Carers monthly meeting** at Kinton Village Hall. There will be no speaker this month giving us more time for coffee, biscuits and chat. Do bring along any small art or craft projects to help you relax. Jasmin is bringing her harp to play with the Companionship Group. 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 640203/07947 893504.

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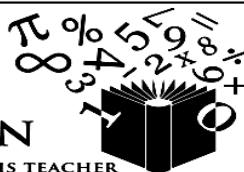
No Parish reports or news submitted before the early copy deadline of 1 February.

Our correspondents this month:

KC - Katriona Collins ; KE - Kate Evans; MG - Mary Gleave; JH - John Hargis; EH - Elizabeth Hunter;
GJ - Glynn Jones; HL - Helen Leeson; LM - Lisa Maloney;
DN - Douglas Nethercroft; PR - Pat Rodgers; JW - Jane Whyatt; AJW - Jeremy Whyman

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The WI New Year Dinner was held at Charlecote Village Hall on 11 January, and was much enjoyed by all. A full report of this event and of the February meeting will be published in the April edition.



JW

News from Charlecote Park

Pre-book your Afternoon Tea

Our afternoon teas have been a hit over winter. If you've missed out, you still have time to enjoy this perfect Spring treat. Please e-mail at least 24 hours ahead to book something special or to discuss dietary requirements

francesca.appleward@nationaltrust.org.uk.

Mindfulness Walks

We're sorry, but we've had to cancel these monthly events for the time being. The parkland is continuing to be so wet and muddy that we couldn't commit to going ahead.

Volunteer with us.

Our next Volunteer Open Day is on Friday, 27 March. Pop in between 10.30am and 12.30pm and have a Conservation Conversation with us! We're looking for volunteers who are available on Wednesdays to help us with engaging our visitors with our ongoing conservation work. Full training will be given (*and cake...*).

Filming

You might have noticed we were closed for a couple of days in January. We had the cast from *The Spanish Princess* in to film part of an episode. Look out for the second series of this period drama about Catherine of Aragon on Amazon Prime later this year to see if you can spot some familiar Charlecote sights.

Spring plants and gifts

There are some lovely new items in the Servants' Hall shop this month just in time for Mother's Day and early Easter gifts. Pop in to Avenue Plants next to the car park too for spring plants, bulbs in pots and to browse our eco-friendly gardening range.

MG



The Warwickshire Mobile Library

The Mobile Library visits local communities and calls at Hampton Lucy every three weeks, parking opposite the Boars Head. It provides an opportunity for residents who may be less able to visit libraries in Stratford-upon-Avon or Wellesbourne to access books, CDs and DVDs and to order titles for collection at the next visit. Unfortunately it is becoming an under-used facility and if the demand isn't there the future of this free service will be in doubt. The next visit will be Friday, 20 March at 2.00pm. Please show your support. Further information from your Parish Clerk **PR**

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



Hampton Lucy Youth Club for children aged 8 to 16

Come and try it for free - its great fun!

We meet in the Village Hall on alternate Thursdays from 6.00pm to 8.00pm.

It's a great place for young people to regularly meet with friends,
experience new activities and develop new friendships.

Forthcoming dates are 27 Feb; 12 and 26 March; 9 and 23 April.

We enjoy arts and crafts, and music.

and have pool tables, table tennis, table football,
air hockey and skittles.

Plus outdoor games such as dodgeball, rounders etc., in the summer months ,
in the King George V Playing Field

The children take part in the decision-making and running of the club
to ensure it is a place that they really enjoy and can be proud of.

**It's also ideal for older children to help out
as part of their Duke of Edinburgh or Young Leadership Awards.**

£2 per evening (plus a bit of pocket money for the tuck shop!)

Come along, meet old friends and make new ones.

Phone Kate on - 07880 888501 hamptonlucyyouthclub@sky.com

We need also need adult volunteers so please ask your parents too!



KE

Do You Love flowers?

Why not join me for a series of seasonal workshops in Charlecote? There will be tips on picking and conditioning a variety of flowers and you will learn how to create your own fabulous hand-tied bunch to take home.

Spring workshop - Thursday, April 23, 10.00am-12.30pm..

Summer workshop - Thursday, July 9, 10.00am-12.30pm and 6.00-8.30pm.

Late summer workshop - Thursday, September 10, 10.00am-12.30pm.

Christmas wreath-making workshop - Thursday, December 3, 10.00am-12.30pm.

All workshops, £30 to include tea and cake. 10 places available.

Booking essential. Email: katricollins@icloud.com

Flower power for children

Thursday, 23 July, 10.00am-12.00pm.

Thursday, 6 August, 10.00-12.00pm. Contact me, Katriona for more details.

KC

Dene Valley U3A

We will host a presentation by Roy Smart on *The Life and Times of Wallis Simpson*. This will cover the early years when Wallis first met the man who was destined to become King Edward VIII and the ensuing constitutional crisis of his subsequent abdication. Roy will also tell us about her later life as the wife of the Duke of Windsor and her final years in which she was kept a virtual prisoner by her obsessive lawyer and died a sad and lonely woman. The presentation will take place at St Peter's Church, Wellesbourne, on Tuesday, 10 March starting at 2.30pm. Non-members are welcome at a nominal charge of £2 which includes refreshments. If you would like to know more about us and possibly even consider joining our organisation, then go to our Facebook page or please visit our website at <http://www.denevalleyu3a.btck.co.uk>

JH

Two day Introduction to Beekeeping

Run by Shipston Beekeepers - a branch of Warwickshire Beekeeping Association. Saturday, 25 April, 9.30am to 4.00pm in Brailes Village Hall, OX15 5AS. You will be given information on how a honeybee colony works, the beekeeping year, how to get started, essential equipment, and harvesting your honey and wax. Sunday, 26 April, 10.30am to 2.30pm will feature practical work at the club apiary, OX15 5HZ, including siting an apiary, assembling hive parts, apiary safety, inspecting a honeybee colony and handling bees (*weather permitting*). Bee suits provided. Light lunch and refreshments provided both days. Gift Voucher available. Enrolment: www.sbka.org.uk/training Enquiries: secretary@sbka.org.uk

DN

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, 5 March
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Hampton Lucy
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A European robin (Erithacus rubecula) is perched on a mossy branch, singing with its beak open. The bird has a bright orange-red breast and throat, a greyish-brown head and back, and a white belly. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green.

ST PETER AD VINCULA HAMPTON LUCY

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Church Services

March

1 1st Sunday of Lent

9.30 am	Charlecote	Morning Worship	(CW)
9.30 am	Loxley	Holy Communion	(BCP)
6.00 pm	Hampton Lucy	Holy Communion	(CW)

6 Friday – World Day of Prayer

10.30 am	Hampton Lucy	Special Service	
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8 2nd Sunday of Lent

9.30 am	Hampton Lucy	Family Service	(CW)
11.00 am	Charlecote	Holy Communion	(CW)
11.00 am	Loxley	Matins	(BCP)
6.00 pm	Hampton Lucy	Evensong	(BCP)

15 3rd Sunday of Lent

9.30 am	Charlecote	Holy Communion	(BCP)
9.30 am	Hampton Lucy	Come & Worship	(CW)
11.00 am	Loxley	Family Service	

22 4th Sunday of Lent – Mothering Sunday

9.30 am	Charlecote	Matins	(BCP)
11.00 am	Loxley	Mothering Sunday Service	(CW)
6.00 pm	Hampton Lucy	Evensong	(BCP)

29 5th Sunday of Lent – Passion Sunday

10.00 am	Hampton Lucy	Benefice Communion	(CW)
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Farewell to Rev'd Rachel Saum

For Your Diary - March

Wed 4 Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI, Hampton Lucy VH, *page 3*.

Thur 5 Lucy Lads, The Boars Head, 11.30am, **Notice Board**.

Tues 10 Copy deadline for the April edition of *The Grapevine*.

Tues 10 Lucy Ladies, The Boars Head, 10.30am, **Notice Board**.

Tues 10 Dene Valley U3A, St Peter's Church, Wellesbourne, *page 4*.

Thur 12 Hampton Lucy Youth Club, Village Hall, 6.00pm to 8.00pm, *page 4*.

Sat 14, Carice Concert, St Peter's, Hampton Lucy, 7.30pm, **Notice Board**.

Fri 20 Charlecote Chit-Chat, Charlecote Village Hall, 12 to 2.00pm.

Fri 20 Mobile Library in Hampton Lucy, 2.00pm, *page 3*.

Thur 26 Hampton Lucy Youth Club, Village Hall, 6.00pm to 8.00pm, *page 4*.

Fri 27 Loxley NDP Referendum, Loxley School, 7.00am to 10.00pm, *page 1*.

Fri 27 Carers4Carers, Kinton Village Hall, 10.30am to 12 noon, *page 2*.

Fri 27 Charlecote Park Volunteers' Open Day, 10.30am to 12.30pm, *page 3*.

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