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Memories of an exceptional summer



Hampton Lucy C of E Primary School and Nursery hosted its Olympic Sports Day on Friday, 6 July. The children were joined by Olympic Torch Relay bearer, Camilla Hadland (left photo), who officially opened the event. The four school houses, renamed as Greek city states for the day (Athenians, Corinthians, Spartans and Trojans), took part in a range of activities. In a closely-fought contest that was played out in line with the Olympic values of equality and fair play, the Athenians were victorious (right photo). Refreshments were provided by the Friends and an enjoyable time was had by all. **EF**



Weeds also performed well this summer. A huge "thank you" to all the volunteers from the Charlecote Pheasant Hotel who did a fantastic job when weeding and tidying in the Charlecote churchyard on a sunny August afternoon. **JL**



The Jazz Picnic at Hampton Lucy was again held on a perfect evening in July. Entertainment was provided by the Dene River Jazzmen and food and drink were provided by the picnickers. Photograph; Emma Holland



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Dear Friends,

The view from the upstairs windows at the back of our house includes a whole variety of shrubs and trees reaching up into open sky. A few gardens away, emerging from the branches and foliage is a flagpole. It is attached to a neighbour's house. When we open the curtains and look out in the morning there is often no flag. Sometimes we look out and the Union Jack is flying – this might be in honour of a national occasion like the Queen's Jubilee or a personal one like the day our neighbour's daughter was married. We know something is going on if a flag is flying. Earlier this summer, I opened the curtains and saw a flag I didn't recognise - a yellow sun with red and blue rays coming out of it. I puzzled for a few days but eventually gave up and asked our neighbour about it. "It is the Tibetan flag," he said, "the Dalai Lama is in London." The same flag re-appeared a few weeks ago. I asked our neighbour if the Dalai Lama was back in town. "No – it is here because it won't be at the Olympics." There were so many flags at the Olympics, so many countries in the opening ceremony that the countries that weren't there hadn't entered my head. The Free Tibet campaign made the point that as Tibet is an occupied country, it would not be represented at the Games – the flags were being

flown elsewhere round the country so that people could know this and remember the people of that country.

This morning, on the news, Jacques Rogge, President of the International Olympic Committee, talked about the sheer kindness with which volunteers had treated the visitors to the Olympic Games and the sheer kindness of people as you walked through the streets of London. Amongst all the other things, what a fantastic legacy that kindness has become part of our national identity in the eyes of the world. Like all the wonderful things that have come out of the Games though, it needs to be carried on and not forgotten.

Perhaps that means kindness to those we come across in our daily lives, whether friend or stranger. But perhaps it means going beyond that, as the flag reminds us, to include those on the periphery going through a tough time, whether they are near or far. It is loving our neighbour in the fullest sense. Not a bad legacy to apply to our daily lives.

With love and prayers,

Cathy



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.



Emmaus Course

Ann Fawcett and Chris Farr are planning to continue the Emmaus Course in the autumn. The next session is 'Growing in the Scriptures' and will run over five weeks. There will be a choice of times: Monday and/or Tuesday evenings and Wednesday afternoon. The course will start in the week beginning 17 September and continue for the following five weeks. Please contact either Ann (Tel: 01926 624371) or Chris (Tel: 01926 620117) to indicate an interest. **AF**

Wanted

Ali Speller, the Verger of Hampton Lucy Church, has agreed to organise an auction in aid of Church funds to take place in February 2013. He would be grateful for any items for this, large or small. He also needs safe storage for the donated items, perhaps a lock-up garage or secure shed, for use between now and February. Please contact Ali (Tel: 470242) or call at Church Lodge, Hampton Lucy if you can help. **CP**

From the Registers

Baptisms:	Charlecote	12 August, 2012	Austin Henry Moth
	Hampton Lucy	01 July, 2012	Dean John Howes
		08 July, 2012	Liam Charlie Bryan
	Loxley	17 June, 2012	Henry John Mason
Weddings:	Hampton Lucy	16 June, 2012	Simon Hirst and Lydia Hamilton-Smith
	Loxley	29 June, 2012	Benjamin Perry and Stacey Canning
		14 July, 2012	Christopher Meaney and Judith Dent
Funerals	Loxley	25 July, 2012	Winifred Foytik
		27 July, 2012	Brian Penry Edwards

Diamond Jubilee DVD Souvenir

Alan Scaife generously made a video-recording of the Hampton Lucy Diamond Jubilee celebrations on 4 June, and we are very grateful for his contribution. A special edition has been edited to include background music and still photographs, and the result is a delightful twenty minute souvenir of a memorable village event. The footage of the children's party and Maypole Dancing is super! A DVD is now available for purchase at £3.00 per copy, including delivery. If you would like to order one (or more) just contact me, Jeremy Whyman, 9 The Langlands, Hampton Lucy, CV35 8BN. When ordering, please give your name, address, 'phone number, the number of copies ordered, and enclose a cheque for £3.00 per copy. The DVDs will be produced to order so please allow a little time for delivery. All proceeds will be returned to the community via the Village Hall Committee. **AJW**

Hampton Lucy School Summer Party

Hampton Lucy C of E Primary School and Nursery held its summer party on Saturday, 23 June. The weather was kind and many people from the school and local community enjoyed a fabulous family seaside-themed party. It opened with a traditional summer fayre with stalls such as hand-made bunting, lucky cups, spin-the-wheel, hook-a-duck and the 'Year Six Soaker'. While the younger children were busy on our 'mini beach' or were enthralled by Mr. Barloni and his Punch & Judy and Balloon Bending skills, the real star of the show was the Surf Simulator. The kids absolutely loved it and so did some of the grown-ups! Refreshments flowed all day with tea, coffee and cakes served by the lovely ladies from the local WI, followed by something a little stronger from the bar to go with a BBQ burger or hotdog. The evening was kicked off with a show by the HLS Dance Club, and then the disco had everyone up and dancing. The auction proved to be a fun talking point as well as a very successful fundraiser. Our professional auctioneer took us through an impressive array of 'lots', tempting us to part with our cash in return for some great prizes. The party was a fantastic event and the school thanks all those who helped to make it such a great success. **EH**

Children's Concert



Thank you to everyone who came and supported the Children's Concert on Wednesday, 4 July in Hampton Lucy. The concert raised £141 and the proceeds were all given to the Hampton Lucy Village Hall Fund. **SA**

Charlecote Park

Early August saw some real summer weather and with it the opportunity for many people to enjoy special events at Charlecote. The Children's Club on Thursdays welcomed record numbers for many different activities. Heartbreak Productions returned after their great success with "The Railway Children" in July, for a production of "Private Lives" on an equally warm, fine evening. The last weekend in August was "Book Weekend" with large numbers of second-hand books for sale, some of which will remain on sale in September.

Sunday, 16 September will be Falconry Day, with the birds on show in the park from 11.30 am until 4 pm. Cooks have been busy in the Victorian Kitchen and over the weekend of 22/23 September apple pressing in the kitchen will be included in the "Apples and Ashes" programme. On Saturday, 29 September there will be a "Walk with the Gardener". Looking further ahead, the Deer Park Safari rides will take place from 13 to 30 October and need to be booked ahead of time (£5 for adults, £3 for children) (Tel: 470277). **SF**

Hampton Lucy Church Garden Party

Grateful thanks are due to all who gave so generously on Saturday, 30 June, as well as to those who worked tirelessly to make this day a success. Many donors helped to stock the stalls, often anonymously, and as the weather was kind, all agreed it was a very happy village affair. Special thanks are due to our hosts, Huw and Jackie Williams, for allowing us the use of their lovely garden, and to the Village Hall Management Committee for providing a comfortable venue for tea. The event raised £669.13 which included £50 raised through the generous donation of an e-reader, all helping towards the upkeep of our beautiful church building. Thank you everyone. **CP**

Hampton Lucy Parish Council

The Council met on Wednesday, 11 July. In addition to routine business, the on-going 'Speed Aware' campaign was discussed. The police report indicated that no speed reduction measures were needed. Traffic calming for Snitterfield Street was considered and a painted 'chicane' by the '30 limit' was proposed. There was discussion on the continuing use of the village roads by heavy commercial lorries. Valefresco appears to be taking all reasonable measures to prevent violation of the weight limit by its drivers. Possible improvements to the 'School' warning sign were discussed, with a proposal that the children at the school might design their own sign. Cllr Whyman was warmly thanked for organising the Jubilee Celebrations. He responded by complimenting the Parish for its very generous donations and thanking his team of volunteers whose efforts had made the event such a success. He proposed that any surplus funds and equipment should be transferred to the VHMC. Brian Buckley led a round of applause. Repairs to the playground equipment were in hand. A meeting with The John Lucy Trust to discuss the village hall had been proposed: Councillors Main and Whyman would represent the Council. The minutes are available from the Parish Clerk (Tel: 841205). **AJW**

Wellesbourne & District Lions Club



September is going to be a very busy time for Lions as we have two major events taking place back to back. The first is our charity 'mini prom' which is on Sunday, 9 September at 7.30pm in Stratford Civic Hall. Following the success of last years' concert and the fantastic feedback that was received, we have invited back the famous Cheltenham 'Flowers Band' to perform again for us this year along with soloist Anne Williams. There will be a different selection of music as well as the traditional 'Last Night of the Proms' favourites. Tickets are £15 and are available from the Stratford Civic Hall box office (Tel: 207100) or from Lion Robin Hammond (Tel: 01926 641005). This years' featured charity is the Jennifer Trust for Spinal Muscular Atrophy. Please come along and join us for what promises to be a very enjoyable evening and help us to raise funds for this very worthy cause. Just a week later on Sunday, 16 September we shall be running our rescheduled raft race. The race starts at Wasperton from 8.30 am onwards and rafts travel through Charlecote Park, then traverse two challenging weirs, before ending up in Stratford-upon-Avon in the recreation ground opposite the Royal Shakespeare Theatre. We are expecting a bumper turnout of rafts this year. They come in all shapes and sizes. Why not come along and enjoy the spectacle. If you want to take part and enter a team then visit www.rafrace.org.uk for details. AS



Hampton Lucy & Charlecote WI

Members enjoyed a very interesting talk on wildlife gardening at our July meeting. Those members who had helped at Charlecote Village Fete, Hampton Lucy Garden Party, and Hampton Lucy School Fete were all thanked. On 17 July a Group Committee Supper was held at the home of Jeryl Stone. On Thursday, 6 September, Jan Wade will be holding a 'Craft Card' session when cards will be made for general use. The class will run from 10.00am to 3.00pm and members need to take a chopping board, scissors, glue, ribbon, buttons and double-sided tape. We are very pleased to welcome Jill Wilson as a new member. Jill moved to Charlecote last year from Fenny Compton to be nearer Stratford where her two boys are at school. A visit by minibus to The National Arboretum is planned for Wednesday, 26 September. The next meeting is on Wednesday, 5 September, at 7.30pm in Hampton Lucy Village Hall, when Fay Palmer will conduct 'A Dowsing Walk around Hampton Lucy'. MJW



Loxley WI

On 10 July, thanks to the weather, Loxley WI had a most enjoyable visit to the Victorian pleasure garden by Warwick Racecourse. We had an interesting and informative guided tour of these individual plots, restored with original planting, many owning lovely little summer houses. This was followed by tea and home-made cakes and ended with a visit to the plant stall. On 9 August, Lady Elizabeth Hamilton gave a talk, with slides, on 'The Warwickshire Scandal'. This followed the history of Walton Hall, its architecture and changing ownership from the beginning of the 17th century. The stage was set for the sad story of the divorce scandal of Sir Charles Mordaunt and his beautiful wife Harriet in the 1860s, in which Edward VII played a role. Lady Hamilton's last book, in a series of three about Walton Hall tells the story in detail, which we all found very interesting indeed. On 13 September, we shall be entertained by the light-hearted poems of Pam Miller, at 7.30 in Loxley School. New members always welcome. HPC

Our correspondents this month are:

Rev'd Cathy Davies; HPC - HP Clayton; AF - Ann Fawcett; EF - Emma Fisher; SF - Shiela Freeman; EH - Emma Holland; EHu - Elizabeth Hunter; JL - John Lampitt; CP - Carol Pagett; AS - Andy Stokes; MJW - Margaret Whyman; AJW - Jeremy Whyman.

The next copy deadline for the October issue of *The Grapevine* is **Monday, 10 September**. It will be published on the websites on 21 September and the printed copies will be delivered during the week of Monday, 24 September. AJW

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Hampton Lucy Ladies Coffee and Cakes

Meet at The Boar's Head, Hampton Lucy,
Tuesday, 4 September at 10.30am.
All ladies will be welcome

"The Lucy Lads"

Visit to Hook Norton Brewery on
Thursday, 6 September. More details from
John Dunkerton (e-mail: fiddlerfrog@gmail.com)

World's Biggest Coffee Morning

Join us for tea or coffee and cake
on

Friday, 28 September 2012

from

10am to 4pm

at

Vine Cottage, Hampton Lucy

Donations to Macmillan Cancer Support will be most welcome

Advance notice

Charlecote Village Hall

"MADE IN CHARLECOTE"

Saturday, 6 October, 10.30am - 12.30pm

Do come along to our Harvest Coffee Morning
Enjoy coffee and cake, and buy jams, jellies, chutneys,
cakes, scones, bread, eggs, vegetables, fruit, craft items
and much more

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Prize Draw for a Charlecote Hamper

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Charlecote Water Mill Open Days

The mill will be open to visitors on
Sunday, 2nd September, 11.00am to 5.00pm
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Information from John Bedington: 01789 842072 - (Daytime)

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'Come and Sing' in Stratford Choral Society's Choral Workshop. Have fun singing 'Opera Highlights' under the direction of Stephen Dodsworth on Saturday, 22 September. The Workshop at the Civic Hall, Stratford, is from 9.45am to 4.30pm and is followed by the performance at 5.00pm. It costs just £10 for the day while music hire costs £2. For further details contact Sheila Bligh (Tel: 297144 or email - sheila.bligh64@gmail.com) **EHu**

Piano recital

Chris Farr

7.30 pm ^{Saturday} September 15

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Advance Notice In October, Hampton Lucy PCC hopes to collect goods for Leamington Christian Mission. They welcome clothing, non-perishable food, as well as various household items. Please bear them in mind if you are having a clear out!

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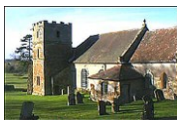
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Church Services

September

2 September

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

9 September

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

16 September

9.30am	Charlecote	Holy Communion	BCP
9.30am	Hampton Lucy	Come and Worship	CW
11.00am	Loxley	Family Service	

23 September

8.00am	Charlecote	Holy Communion	BCP
11.00am	Loxley	Harvest Festival	BCP
6.00pm	Hampton Lucy	Evensong	CW

30 September

		The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity (Benefice Services)	
8.00am	Barford	Holy Communion	CW
10.00am	Wasperton	Holy Communion	CW

For your diary - September

- Sun 2 **Charlecote Mill Open Day**, 11.00am to 5.00pm,
- Tues 4 **Ladies' Coffee and Cakes**, The Boar's Head 10.30am. All welcome
- Tues 4 **Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30pm. All welcome.
- Wed 5 **Tai Chi**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9.00am to 10.00am.
- Wed 5 **Hampton Lucy & Charlecote WI**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30pm (see page 4)
- Thur 6 **Lucy Lads**, visit to Hook Norton Brewery (see Notice Board)
- Thur 6 **Hampton Lucy & Charlecote WI**, a Jan Wade 'Craft Card' session (see page 4)
- Tues 11 **Dene Valley U3A**, St Peter's Church, Wellesbourne, 2.30pm, (see website)
- Tues 11 **Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30pm. All welcome.
- Wed 12 **Tai Chi**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9.00am to 10.00am.
- Wed 12 **Hampton Lucy Parish Council**, the Village Hall, 7.30pm, all welcome.
- Thur 13 **Loxley WI**, hear the poems of Pam Miller at Loxley School, 7.30pm
- Sat 15 **Piano recital**, by Chris Farr at 11 High Street, Barford, (see Notice Board)
- Sun 16 **Lions Raft Race**, Wasperton to Stratford
- Sun 16 **Falconry Day** at Charlecote Park, 11.30am to 4.00 pm
- Tues 18 **Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30pm. All welcome.
- Wed 19 **Tai Chi**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9.00am to 10.00am.
- Sat 22 **Choral Workshop**, Stratford Choral Society. All welcome (See Notice Board)
- Sat 22 **'Apples and Ashes'** programme, at Charlecote Park, including apple pressing
- Sun 23 **'Apples and Ashes'** programme, at Charlecote Park (see page 3)
- Tues 24 **Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30pm. All welcome.
- Wed 25 **Tai Chi**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9.00am to 10.00am
- Fri 28 **Coffee Morning**, Vine Cottage Hampton Lucy, 10 to 4 (see Notice Board)
- Sat 29 **'Walk with the Gardener'** at Charlecote Park, (Tel: 470277 for details)

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