
Binfield Heath Village News

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Binfield Heath Flower Show, Bank holiday Saturday, 24 August

Note from our Chairman

"We would like to thank everyone who supported our Binfield Heath Village Show this year - the aim of the Show is to draw everyone together and provide a family focused celebration of village life, reflecting a thriving community spirit. The day was a great success, and an estimated profit of roughly £4,000 was raised. Thank you for your time and efforts to bring this about.

The feedback has been hugely positive and already we have made tentative plans for next year - Mary Berry has provisionally agreed to open the Show, so no doubt a few extra cake classes in the Schedule! We are also hoping to host our very own Antiques Roadshow Valuation during the afternoon with a local auctioneer offering knowledge and advice on the background and value of family heirlooms!

And so we look forward to welcoming you all next year. We need more supporters for this to run smoothly, especially help with sponsorship, sideshows and commercial exhibitors. The Committee is lots of fun and full of friendly people from around the village. Our community matters to all of us and so please just jump in and add your voice to ours. Thanks to you all."

Evelyn McQuater

Car free day on Sun, 22 Sept

Show your green credentials; your chance to win at: <http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/news/2019-09/give-driving-miss-day-and-be-chance-win-prize>

Our very own centenarian, Margery Williams

Many congratulations to our very own 100 year old – Margery's birthday is on 8 October and details on celebrations are overleaf.

Don't miss! Professional stand-up at Dunsden village hall, 5 Oct

Four fantastic stand-up comedians are appearing on 5 October at the village hall. The headline act will be the brilliant Chris McCausland (from Live at the Apollo) with the 'bonkers' Wayne the Weird, musical genius Earl Okin and the intriguing Marti in support. Tickets available on buytickets.at/dunsden.

Save the date Scout hut fundraising evening, 11 Oct

Most people will be aware of the fire at the Scout Hut last week, which has left it out of action. They are holding a 'Quiz with a Twist' fundraising evening at Dunsden Village Hall on 11 Oct. Tickets £10pp (includes a burger or hotdog) available from Binfield Heath Stores and The Corner Shop, Lower Shiplake. If you would like to make a donation, please contact Ernie Povey on erniepovey@yahoo.co.uk

Bonfire night at Dunsden, Fri 1 Nov

Sonning Fireworks will be returning for our ever popular bonfire night at the hall. Tickets from Binfield Heath Stores and buytickets.at/dunsden.

Shiplake Memorial Hall quiz night, 8 Nov

This 'benches and hedges' fundraiser will be on Fri, 8 November, doors open 7.45pm for an 8.00pm start. £10.00/person, incl two bottles of wine/table and nibbles. Teams of 6-8 people. To book email lot-tie@shiplakehall.com

New Tai Chi class

This Tai Chi class will be held at Shiplake Memorial Hall on Tuesday evenings at 19.30. Contact graham-lawton46@gmail.com for more information.

Suicide and Self Harm Prevention Group

On behalf of Oxfordshire Multi-Agency Suicide Prevention Group. Over 70 people in Oxfordshire die by suicide each year, 4 men to every woman - help spread the word about Suicide and Self-Harm Prevention, by completing their survey: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/suicideprevention (available until 5 Nov). The feedback from Oxfordshire residents, and especially those that have been affected by suicide will help them shape their strategy.

See Erochsia's experiences; this might relate to you or someone you know. <https://youtu.be/wL3evxViGtK>

Monday Club

The Monday Club is back in October. More news to follow.

This group is for anyone over 60 and is held on the first Monday of each month, 15.00 – 17.00 at Dunsden Village Hall, with invited guest speakers. Please let marina.hart@virgin.net know, if you would like to be added to the mailing list.

Church matters

In October Dunsden church will be closed, as it is being redecorated.

6 Oct - Harvest Festival, 11am at Shiplake followed by a meal to which all are welcome.

12 Oct - 7pm, Shiplake Church. Welsh Male Voice Choir Concert - free event but donations gratefully received

2 Nov - 7.30pm Shiplake Church, All Souls Service - where we remember the departed.

3 Nov - 11am Grand reopening of Dunsden Church. The Archdeacon of Dorchester is the guest preacher - refreshments will be served after the service

7 Nov - 1-3pm Craft Group at The Ark (Just behind Shiplake Church) Tea/coffee cake and a social event where you can bring along whatever you are crafting at the moment and share your hobby with like-minded people

10 Nov - Remembrance Sunday, 9am; Service of Remembrance at Dunsden, 10.15am Act of Remembrance at Dunsden Green, 10.50am Service of Remembrance at Shiplake Noon Act of Remembrance at Shiplake War Memorial

30 Nov - Evening Advent Concert by The Gratis Choir at Shiplake Church

Newsletter

Get your newsletter by email as soon as it is published. Our goal is to get as many as possible on our village mailing list, so that we only have to deliver to newcomers and those without internet access. Please email your email address to marina.hart@virgin.net to be added to the list.

You will also be able to access the newsletter from the VILLAGE WEBSITE. www.binfieldheath.org.uk.

Please also let me know if you wish to unsubscribe. A hard copy will not be delivered to you though.

Contributions

If you would like to add any news or make mention of anything of interest to the village for the next newsletter, please email marina.hart@virgin.net.

Dates for your Diary

5 Oct	Comedy night at Dunsden Village Hall
6 Oct, 11am	Harvest Festival, at Shiplake followed by a meal, all welcome
11 Oct	Scout hut fundraiser
12 Oct, 7pm	Shiplake Church. Welsh Male Voice Choir Concert
1 Nov	Bonfire night at Dunsden Village Hall
2 Nov, 7.30pm	Shiplake Church, All Souls Service
3 Nov, 11am	Grand reopening of Dunsden Church
8 Nov	Shiplake Memorial Hall quiz night
10 Nov	Remembrance Sunday



MARGERY WILLIAMS – OUR VERY OWN CENTENARIAN

Many congratulations to Margery for reaching her 100th year.

All friends are welcome to Margery's 'at home': Vivian Cottage, Gravel Road, Binfield Heath, RG9 4LT on her birthday, Tues, 8 October, 2 - 3.30 p.m. for tea and cake, when Margery will be delighted to see you. For catering purposes, if you plan to pop in, could you please let Carole Williams know either by phone (0118 972 4569) or e-mail: cawredhouse@yahoo.co.uk by Thurs, 3 October. Parking in Gravel Road is limited, so please park considerately.

Alternatively if you cannot join Margery on her birthday, everyone is welcome at Binfield Heath Chapel for tea & cake on Sunday, 13 October, from 2 - 3 p.m, followed with a special service starting with her favourite hymns and readings, followed by a short talk by John Roper from Greyfriars Church. Again please park considerately, and let Carole know either by telephone or email if you plan to attend.

Margery, the family and friends from the Binfield Heath Chapel, look forward to seeing you