

THE OXHILL NEWS



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WEEKDAY WALKERS

We have the following walks in August:

Friday 13th August

This is an 8.0 mile walk from Shipston-on-Stour to Stretton-on-Fosse with 60 feet of ascent. Lunch will be at “The Plough Inn,” Stretton-on-Fosse. We will leave Oxhill at 9:15 a.m.

Friday 27th August

This is a 7 mile walk from Epwell via Burdrop to Shutwell with 250 feet of ascent. Lunch will be at “The George & Dragon,” Shutford. We will leave Oxhill at 9:30 a.m.

Due to the numbers on the walk Jim Saxton now contacts regular members to get meal decisions by Wednesday evening. Those who wish to join us are most welcome, but please contact Jim Saxton on 01295 680613 or at saxton@tiscali.co.uk before the Tuesday evening prior to the walk.

REFUSE COLLECTION

Recycling and green waste bins (blue and green bins) will be collected on Tuesdays 3rd, 17th and 31st.

The grey rubbish bins will be collected on Tuesdays 10th and 24th.

Editor

MOBILE LIBRARY

The library van will continue to visit Oxhill on Tuesdays, stopping at the Village Hall at 10 a.m. and staying there for 30 minutes.

In August the van will visit us on Tuesday 3rd and Tuesday 24th.

You can renew books between van visits by calling 01926 851031, or online at www.Warwickshire.gov.uk/wild.

Editor

SEPTEMBER ISSUE

Please could I have all copy for the September issue by Midnight on **Wednesday, 25th August**? If you normally prepare your material using a computer, it would make my life easier if you could submit your offering in electronic form, though paper is, of course, fine. My ‘official’ e-mail address is news-editor@oxhill.org.uk if you wish to send me stuff that way.

George Adams, 680286

COVER PICTURE

Janet Gardner with the finalists in the Gardner Cup competition. Photo provided by Derek Harbour.

Editor

GARDNER CUP

“It's the sex, glamour and excitement that attracted me to boules.”

The Sunday Times, 25th July 2010

On Sunday 18th July we held our third, and possibly most successful, Boules event to compete for the prestigious Gardner Cup. Around 40 people enjoyed fine French cheeses and pates, fresh baguettes and a refreshing salad followed by a light, crispy apple tart with cream accompanied by a drink or two before entering the rigour of the Boules competition.

The competition consisted of 10 teams which necessitated a preliminary round followed by quarter finals, semi-finals and the grand final itself. Games were full of tension as teams surged into leads only to be pegged back following a brilliant pitch. No quarter was asked or given as knuckles were bared and emotions soared and plummeted. Pat Crowther's team took on last year's champions in a semi-final, refereed by George Adams and the game went to the wire leaving both players and spectators exhausted and exhilarated. In the other semi-final, Reg Gethin's team of female warriors beat the Robbins family.

The final was a tense affair watched eagerly by Janet Gardner and a large crowd and Reg's girls did themselves proud. In the end experience won and Janet Gardner kindly presented the cup to the victorious winners.

Thanks to the Village Hall Committee for their hard work in making this a great annual event and George for refereeing. Oh yes, I forgot - well done to the Emmersons and the Kennys - they won again!

Derek Harbour

CHERNOBYL'S CHILDREN COFFEE MORNING

Once again we would like to thank everyone who helped make the Coffee Morning such a great success. We are always grateful to our wonderful team of helpers and to all those who attended and supported the event so generously.

This year we are pleased to report that the event raised £855, and with donations the final total is £1300.

Last but not least a very big thank you to Kath and Pete Pugh of The Sett, Oxhill and their daughter Charmian who hosted a Cream Teas Afternoon at Charmian's lovely home in Morton Bagot. They raised the fantastic sum of £1250 for the charity.

We are planning another Chernobyl's Children Gourmet Dinner in October. More details in next month's Oxhill News.

Angela Emmerson & Anne Marshall

ST. LAWRENCE'S CHURCH, OXHILL

SERVICES IN AUGUST

All are warmly welcome

Sunday 1st	Trinity IX	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (ML)
Sunday 8th	Trinity X	6.30 p.m.	Patronal Festival (St. Lawrence 10th) Songs of Praise (NM) all very welcome
Sunday 15th	Trinity XI	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (ML)
Sunday 22nd	Trinity XII	9.30 a.m.	Family Service (NM)
Sunday 29th	Trinity XIII	11.00 a.m.	United Benefice Communion at Whatcote (ML)

For other benefice services see porch notice board

VICARAGE NOTES

Thought for the month

What is this life if, full of care,
We have no time to sit and stare?

These words, familiar enough to many to have become part of proverbial English, come from a poem entitled "Leisure" by W. H. Davies, who, though from a working class background, became well known in Edwardian society. His best selling autobiography was titled "The diary of a super-tramp"!

As many folk look forward to enjoying holidays, this poem is a timely reminder of the beauty and fascination we can see in creation, and the fact that we need to stop and look. The psalmist lifted his eyes to the hills, Dame Julian of Norwich saw the glory of God in the hazelnut.

In this area we are blessed with wonderful vistas; perhaps holidays might provide the extra freedom to stand and stare and appreciate the beauty of the created order.

If you're not away, do remember the invitation to the Patronal Festival on the 8th. God bless,

Nicholas Morgan 01608 685230

("Leisure" can be found on line - it's also in anthologies such as the Oxford Book of Modern Verse)

KINETON OIL CONSORTIUM

The consortium will be ordering oil again in early September. Please let me have your needs by Wednesday 8th September not later than 6 p.m. The delivery will not begin before Tuesday 14th September at the earliest.

D. Harper, 01295 680529

OXHILL VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

Sunday 22nd August , from 10.00 a.m.

Working party day & BBQ

Note New Date! On Sunday 22nd August the Village Hall Committee is going to carry out some much-needed maintenance on the Hall and is looking for volunteers to assist on the day. Amongst other tasks, we want to clear out the entrance hall annexe, clean out the gutters, re-organise the store room and clear out the kitchen cupboards and carry out some painting.

We know that this sounds a bit like hard work but we think that it is necessary to preserve this facility for the village. If any more encouragement is needed then there will be a free BBQ and drink at the end of the day for those who come along and help (and a nominal charge for non-working partners & friends).

Please call Derek Harbour on 680676 if you can help.

Friday, 17 September, from 7.00 p.m.

Friday Night at the Hall

We are planning to hold another casual evening with a simple meal, a few drinks and a chat with friends. On this 'Chilli & Tart' night, we will be providing a Chilli con Carne with rice, Salad & Garlic bread followed by a tart for just £7.50 a head.

Please contact Gaynor van Dijk on 680349 to reserve your tickets.

Quiz Night

In October, we will be holding a Quiz Night with light refreshments. Please see next month's Oxhill News for more details.

Derek Harbour

OXHILL GARDEN CLUB NEWS

The sun certainly shone on the Garden Club visit to Folly Lodge at Halford and after a morning of diagonal rain and gale-force winds it was something of a relief to find this peaceful haven. The gardens were deceptively large with "rooms" leading into areas of calm and tranquillity graced with unusual ceramic, glass and metal sculptures, many made by our hostess, Sue. This lady has nurtured beds of perennials and shrubs; particularly startling were the patio array of hostas and the many varieties of clematis. It was a pleasure to have the owners around to supply information and answer queries and to find that they have a "no watering" policy was astonishing.

We are all looking forward to our visit to Kew next month.

Don't forget the photo competition "Oxhill in Bloom" - pictures of one garden flower, minimum size 7x5 to be submitted in September and judged in October. Get snapping!

Ann Saxton

NATURE NOTES FOR AUGUST

The Anglo Saxon month of Weodmonath - month of weeds - often brings some of the hottest days of the year.

'Signs of hot weather. Many bats flying abroad sooner than ordinary. A white mist arising out of moors or waters, either before Sun rising or after Sun setting. Birds flying high in the air. Crows or ravens gaping against the Sun. Store of flies playing in the Sun shining towards night.'
Swallow's Almanack 1633

And here's a saying perhaps we should remember 'If the first of August be warm, winter will be long and white'.

The hot days often bring curious behaviour; one hot afternoon a week or two ago Jane came rushing in saying "come quickly there are tiny birds walking on our pond".

Indeed on arrival I was amazed to see two tiny birds (smaller than a wren) dropping down from the top of an overhanging field maple tree onto the surface of the pond and rapidly dashing across the water surface picking up either water droplets or small insects. There is considerable sub surface water weed which I am sure helped. These tiny birds were in fact Britain's smallest bird, the Goldcrest, mainly a bird of conifer forests, local names include Marigold Finch, Wood Titmouse, Tidley Finch and Golden Wren. At 4-7 grams you get at least four full-grown Goldcrests to the ounce so it is hardly surprising they can 'walk on water'! I was especially pleased to see them after such a hard winter; they are a frequent victim to long severe cold spells, when eight out of ten birds are thought to die, but as we see here they are resilient little birds. After that long hard winter I was also concerned for our Kingfishers; frozen brooks, ponds and lakes means they unable to fish, and again many perish, but thankfully Sue Hutsby at Nolands reports to me that she has seen possibly up to six, which probably includes juveniles, so that is good news.

Many of you may have noticed that the OWLS logo is a pair of Little Owls (if you haven't, PLEASE take a look at www.oxhill-owls.org.uk, a brilliant site created by Rhian and Josh). The Little Owl (*Athene Noctua*) was introduced to Britain by the Yorkshire naturalist Charles Waterton, in 1842, and several others including Lord Lilford to his estate in Northamptonshire, where it was referred to as Lilford Owl. In Greek mythology, the bird was sacred to Pallas Athene, the goddess of wisdom and the patron deity of ancient Athens - hence the scientific name which literally means 'Athene by night' and from this we also get the saying 'as wise as an owl' or 'wise old owl'. The Little Owl is unusual among other owls in being almost completely diurnal; its diet is mainly small mammals and insects but has been occasionally been observed taking sparrows, also pulling up earthworms and falling over backwards when the force of their efforts prevails unexpectedly! They are certainly my favourite owl, they have those wonderful 'eyebrows' that give an facial expression of either total surprise or intense irritation and their bright yellow eyes will hold your gaze while their head will bob up and down without losing eye

contact. Now the reason I mention all this is because in the field behind my house and the bungalows on Green lane, there is a long wooden cow shed and this summer a pair of Little Owls have successfully reared two young inside, as I write this two or three can regularly be seen perched on the roof. When the hay had just been mown we watched them over several nights. As the adults hunted to feed their young, they would pounce like cats and burrow beneath the cut hay, returning to the shed roof with the kill, where it was dismembered and fed to the waiting offspring. While all this was going on a Kestrel was also hunting almost alongside the owls. This summer has seen Little Owl, Tawny and Barn Owl all in and around Oxhill and the Red Kite has also been seen. I have also had reports of a Long Eared Owl round the Whatcote area, a very impressive bird, so keep your eyes open.

Have a thought for all our Oxhillian schoolteachers: August 13 is the Feast of St Cassian, a severe Christian schoolmaster disliked by his pagan pupils, who stabbed him to death with iron pen-nibs: he is the patron saint of schoolteachers.

Footnote [sic]

*In the 17th century salted owl was taken as a remedy for gout !
Grenville Moore*

OWLS PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Following the huge success of last year's photographic competition, OWLS is delighted to announce that we are running another competition this year, with an exhibition scheduled in October.

Once again, the competition is open to Oxhill residents of all ages.

There are two categories & prizes for 2 age groups: children aged 12 & under and adults.

Category 1 Local nature: This can include any wildlife photos such as birds, plants, insects, wildflowers, trees & landscapes taken in Oxhill.

Category 2 British nature: This can include photos of the natural world taken anywhere in Britain.

The closing date is the end of September so there is plenty of time to get clicking!

As you are aware, last year's winning entries were used to produce our very own Oxhill OWLS calendar. At the photographic exhibition in October we hope to have 2011 calendars & cards available for you to buy (Christmas presents sorted!). The calendar's format this year will be bigger (A4) & better than ever.

Please submit prints that are no larger than A5 in size to Rhian (680574), Grenville (680664) or any of the OWLS members. Each entry will cost 50p & there is no limit to the number of entries you can submit. Please write your name and age category on the back of each print and give each photo a title.

Good luck & happy snapping!

www.oxhill-owls.org.uk

NOTES OF A MEETING OF OXHILL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 13TH JULY 2010 AT 8.00 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL

All Councillors were present.

MATTERS DISCUSSED

Highways

Encroachment onto the verge at "Stonecroft" has been identified and action is being taken by W.C.C.

The problem of silt collecting on the road near Church Farm will be highlighted to the Highways for a solution to this problem.

Plastic bollards in front of "Oddcott" are damaged and need replacing.

Parking

Vehicles being persistently parked on the bend in front of the Peacock pub cause reduced visibility of oncoming traffic. It was proposed that we write to the police for action to be taken on this matter.

Wheellie Bin "Slow down" stickers

WCC are launching a safety campaign which involves obtaining wheellie bin stickers as an awareness of speeding. These stickers are only given out on application from individual households. Please ring 01926 418612 or e-mail safetyengineering@warwickshire.gov.uk for details. A sample sticker is on the notice board.

Transport

Leaflets giving details of the various transport initiatives were distributed via the "Midweek" delivered to each home at the beginning of July; a summary is given below:

- a) Fixed Route service between Banbury and Stratford
- b) Wheels to Work. Moped loan scheme for eligible people between 16 and 65, tel. 02476 707400
- c) Community Link. Door to door local service for those with no other means of transport. Find out more on 01789 266491
- d) Shipston Link. Run by volunteers since 1986. Nine routes cover villages around Shipston, tel. 01926 412987
- e) Back and 4th Transport. Wheelchair accessible minibuses available to hire, tel. 01789 471595
- f) Age Concern Mini buses cater for the needs of older and disabled people on social and shopping outings, tel. 01926 311101
- g) Voluntary Transport Scheme run by Shipston Voluntary Service is available to anyone with genuine need to attend hospital, doctor, dentist or day surgery. Tel. 01608 663122.

Planning

Permission was granted for outside condensing boiler at The Stables. Planning application to fell spruce tree at The Hollies was returned with no objection.

Application for temporary accommodation on land at Field Forge Farm was discussed and returned with no objection.

Finance

Cheque for £30 was paid for carrying out internal audit. Cheque for £100 was paid to SDC for the cost of uncontested election in May. Mandate was signed to enable new Parish Councillors to sign cheques.

NHS – Horton General Hospital

The work for better healthcare at the Horton is ongoing and the recommendation to employ consultants rather than non-training middle grade doctors has been accepted and the funding provided. It is expected to take 9-12 months to fully implement.

Social Care Charges

Warwickshire County Council are reviewing the charges that customers pay towards the cost of their (non residential) adult social care services. There will be a meeting at St. Peter's Church Conference Centre, Leamington Spa on Monday 16th August between 2 and 4 p.m. and between 5 and 7 p.m., or you can ring 01926 418661 for more information. There is a notice on the Notice Board.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 7th September 2010 at 8.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Angela Kean, Clerk

DANIEL HALE

Daniel is home with us recovering after a period in hospital caused by a sudden onset of heart arrythmia which, alarmingly, developed into a series of cardiac arrests. We are deeply grateful to the staff of the newly opened Coronary Care Unit at Warwick Hospital who fought so hard and repeatedly to resuscitate him, and then to stabilise him successfully on medication. After about a week, he was transferred to the QE in Birmingham where a defibrillating device was fitted in his chest to counter any possible future episode. He is recovering steadily with us, and should with rest and care be able to return to his life in Alcester in due course. No obvious cause has been found, but the likelihood is that a bout of glandular fever 15 years ago has adversely affected his heart muscle.

Daniel, Peter and I have been deeply touched by the cards and messages he has received, and the prayers that were offered for him, and we send our heartfelt thanks to all his friends in the village.

Ann Hale

OPEN GARDENS & SCARECROW WEEKEND

Another really wonderful weekend with hundreds of visitors!

As usual I do not know where to begin with the 'thank you's.

A good place would be with Mike Collins for the road closure. Thank you, Mike, for doing that. Then to Mike, Brian and the team in the car park, not forgetting the boys of Kinton Scouts, who came and helped with the parking all weekend. And special thanks to Jo for all his work sorting out the rota.

Many thanks to Jill Rodwell, Janet and Brian for the use of the fields for the car parks.

Thank you to Roger and Ellie for moving their sheep out of the fields and to Roger for the use of the marquee.

Brian and Jessie, many thanks for all the advertising; thanks to Heather and George for endlessly printing posters, flyers and maps.

A big thank you to Gaynor for organising the teas and to everyone who worked so hard serving teas and baking all the cakes. We didn't run out this year!

Thanks to Heather, Phil and their helpers for manning the plant stall all weekend.

Thank you Phil for bring the glider for display. I'm sure the men loved that.

Carol and Tom, many thanks for both pig roasts. They were excellent as usual. Thanks also to the committee who produced all the lovely salads and dips.

Thanks to James and Linda on the Saturday bar. It was a very good evening and very well attended.

Thanks to Mick and Barbara who were on call all weekend; it was very reassuring to know that you were around.

Thanks to Carol and Tony for bringing the two lambs; the children loved them.

Now, what can I say about all the fantastic scarecrows? Without them we would not have the weekend. Every year you all come up with wonderful creations. We do get very good feedback about a very happy weekend.

Special thanks to Angela Kean who made all the Sunday School scarecrows.

Thank you to Ruth, who made 32 heads for me. Thanks to Helen, June and Joshua for the face-painting and to Bill Day for allowing us to put the Girl Guides' camp in his garden. It was an ideal spot.

Thank you to all of you who opened their garden. Everyone I spoke to said that they were wonderful, so thank you for all your hard work getting them ready to go on show.

Thank you to Helen, Kate, Carol and Ann for getting the Church looking so stunning.

Many thanks to Pam and Yvonne for their kind donation of £200 towards the funds.

Finally I must say a very big thank you to all my family, who worked so hard the whole week beforehand; without them I would not have managed to get so much done.

I hope I have not missed anyone out, but if I have I am sorry and thank you!

Over £3000 was raised for the Church funds and the Air Ambulance.

Lilian

I think that Lilian has certainly missed out one very important, probably the most important, person of all. So 'Thank you, Lilian, for all your hard work and enthusiasm organising the whole event.'

Editor

OWLS

The government is currently undertaking the 'Living with environmental change programme'. There has recently been a dramatic decline in bees, butterflies, moths and hoverflies, and virtually all the fruit and vegetables we eat has to be pollinated by these insects. With their decline and or their demise would come very serious consequences for our food industry. There is no clear evidence at the moment for the reasons for the loss of so many insects; it could be change in land use, the change in farming methods or the use of pesticide. One contributing factor already identified is loss of habitat. Our wildflower meadows have declined by 97% since the 1930's. The over-zealous mowing by County Councils of verges and roundabouts are another factor; these provide breeding sites for much of our flora and fauna, they also provide much needed 'wildlife corridors'.

OWLS are undertaking two projects at the moment, as part of the Local Biodiversity Action Plan. We are surveying, for 'Plantlife', the roadside verges around Oxhill, and secondly, our thanks go to Nicholas Morgan and the PCC for agreeing to let us enclose a section of the Churchyard to survey the wildflowers with the purpose of presenting a proposal, to the PCC, for creating a managed area to encourage a broad diversity of Fauna and Flora. If the PCC are agreeable to our suggestions we will then present this to an open meeting at the village hall.

Grenville Moore

AUGUST AT THE PEACOCK

The charity quiz will be held on Sunday 1st starting promptly at 8 p.m. The village coffee morning will be on Wednesday 4th starting at 10.30 and the village lunch of Wednesday 18th starting at 12.30.

Editor

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

FULL 3G PHONE SIGNAL IN MY HOME!

I don't know about you but I have always struggled with my mobile phone signal in the village. When working at home it is especially frustrating when I forget to set full divert on my mobile.

However the problem is solved. I have recently switched to Vodafone (which has no signal at my house) and I have been provided with something called SureSignal which is a small box which plugs into my wireless internet router and provides me with a full 3G mobile phone signal.

The product is only available on Vodafone, only works with Vodafone 3G enabled SIM cards (which need to be individually paired with the SureSignal box), only works with a broadband router, costs £50, and is pretty tricky to set up - but patience and the Vodafone online forum does the trick.

Working at home today; so back to the lawnmower!

Good luck, Paul Roebuck

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS!

Advice from Warwickshire County Council Trading Standards Service

Summer is a particularly busy time for rogue traders and Trading Standards, together with the Police have been cracking down on them with special intelligence-led operations.

Whether it's tarmac your drive, gardening or building work, rogue traders use all types of tricks and intimidation to get householders to pay high prices for poor workmanship or in some cases no work at all. Here are some of their tricks that you should avoid:

Pretending to be from the local council, offering to tarmac your driveway using materials they falsely claim are "left over".

Claiming they are working on a neighbour's property in order to give you a false sense of "trustworthiness".

Making up problems which don't exist in hard to reach places e.g. the roof.

Using false names and addresses and untraceable mobile phone numbers.

Starting work straightaway to prevent you from changing your mind and not giving cancellation rights which they are obliged to by law.

To avoid becoming a rogue trader victim, never agree to working being done by the first person who comes to your home and don't be rushed into making a decision on the doorstep. If you need working doing, seek recommendations from trustworthy local traders.

To report a suspected rogue trader, contact Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06.

SHIPSTON HOME NURSING

Fund-raising events

Sunday August 22nd at Upper St Dennis Farm, a tennis tournament & pig roast. For information contact Christine Archer on 01608 661930.

Sunday September 5th at The Cottage, Radway, a tennis tournament. For information contact Joanne Perry on 01295 678392.

Sunday September 26 starting at Shipston High School, Shipston Fun-Run & Cycle Ride. Bicycles start at 10 a.m. for a 25 or 10 mile ride, runners & walkers start at 10.30 for a 3 mile course. Purchase tickets from the website

www.shipstonhomenursing.co.uk

or contact Pennyann Scholes via the link on the website.

Thursday 23rd September at Lapstone, Westington Hill, Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire GL55 6EG, a Fashion Show (to celebrate the opening of the Meg Rivers Café and the arrival of the Lapstone Autumn Clothing Collection). 6.30 for 7.30 p.m. Tickets @ £20 will include Champagne & Canapes and can be purchased by calling Lapstone on 01386 841611 or by emailing Lee Cox at leec@lapstone.net.

NEW SHOPPING ARRANGEMENTS IN TYSOE

Most of you will already know that the Costcutter in Tysoe is under new management. We have recently been informed of their new opening hours (7.30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 7.30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 7.45 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday.)

They are still offering the same service as before, with fresh bread, snacks, fruit & veg., lottery tickets, mobile phone top-ups, wine, beer and general groceries. And now you can even get freshly baked croissants for your breakfast over the weekend.

You can contact Bart on 688333 for further information.

Editor

ENGLISH IS AN EVOLVING LANGUAGE

The Washington Post's Mensa Invitational invited readers to take any word from the dictionary, alter it by adding, subtracting, or changing one letter, and supply a new definition.

The winners included:

Cashtration The act of buying a house, which renders the subject financially impotent.

Intaxication Euphoria at getting a tax refund, which lasts until you realize it was your money to start with.

WEST MIDLANDS AMBULANCE SERVICE RESPONDERS

Mick and Barbara Shepard

Recently my neighbour, his wife, and friends did a charity cycle ride from Land's End back here to Oxhill. This is even more remarkable when you know that he is a stroke survivor. Mike Druce is a Trustee of Different Strokes, a charity helping young stroke survivors. To make a donation to this very worthy cause and find out more about this charity cycle ride go to Mike's blog, "Cycle Lands End to Oxhill at the website <http://cyclelandsendtooxhill.blogspot.com/>.

There are other very important ways to help stroke victims and that is by being the first person in the chain to recognize the signs of a stroke and then calling 999 fast and saying, "Please send an Ambulance, someone is having a stroke". This has a vital impact as to what happens to the stroke victim.

The Ambulance Service put strokes in the same class as heart attacks.

A stroke is a sudden blockage or rupture of blood vessels in the brain. Without a constant blood supply, brain cells are damaged or destroyed.

Signs and Symptoms of a stroke are:

Limb weakness or numbness of arms or legs.

Weakness of the face on one side.

Difficulty with speech or understanding speech.

Clumsiness and or Confusion.

DO NOT assume they are aware they are having or have had a stroke.

A stroke victim does not have to be having all these symptoms to still be having or have had a stroke.

DO NOT say, let's just wait and see what happens. If your house was on fire would you wait and see how much burnt down before you made that 999 call? This is the same thing!

The stroke victim needs to be in Hospital very fast, nothing else will do.

A Stroke is more common in older age groups and particularly those with raised blood pressure, but cannot be excluded from any age group. It may be an advantage to know what your blood pressure is.

Both my Parents died of a stroke.

Mick Shepard, viper@viperrecovery.co.uk

07977149317 This is my Emergency only, Ambulance Mobile.

07976298228 Mobile.

01295680644 Home.

TYSOE

Saturday 21st August 2010

FLOWER SHOW & FETE

From 1.30pm

At Tysoe Recreation Ground

Featuring: Black Mountain Falconry,
Oxford Entertainers, Four Counties FlyBallers,
Morris Men, Petticoat Lane,
Children's Novelty Races, Bouncy Castle, Teas, Barbecue, Bar,
Dog Show - including classes for junior handlers
Vintage Machinery Display, The Arden MG Club
many other side-shows and games, Car boot sale
Free Parking. Admission: Adults £2.00
Children & Concessions £1.00 Under 5's Free
Car Boots: £7 per pitch

Admission between 10am and 1pm
no trade sale of food/drink & raffles other than those authorised

For further information & schedules contact:
Samantha Littlewood on 01295 688137

WHAT'S ON IN & AROUND OXHILL

August

Sunday 1st	20.00	The Peacock - Charity Quiz Night
Tuesday 3rd		Blue & Green recycling bin collection
	10.00	Village Hall - Mobile Library
Wednesday 4th	10.30	The Peacock - Village Coffee Morning
Friday 13th	9.15	Weekday Walkers
Tuesday 17th		Blue & Green recycling bin collection
Wednesday 18th		Garden Club outing to Kew Gardens
	12.30	The Peacock - Village Lunch
Saturday 21st	13.30	Tysoe Recreation Ground - Tysoe Flower Show & Fête
Sunday 22nd		Upper St Dennis Farm - tennis tournament for SHN
	10.00	Village Hall - Working party
	15.00	The Old House - Rural Dean's Garden Party
Tuesday 24th	10.00	Village Hall - Mobile Library
Wednesday 25th	23.59	Copy deadline for the News
Friday 27th	9.30	Weekday Walkers
Tuesday 31st		Blue & Green recycling bin collection

September

Sunday 5th		The Cottage, Radway - tennis tournament for SHN
Tuesday 7th	20.00	Village Hall - Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 8th	18.00	Kineton Oil Consortium order deadline
Thursday 16th	19.30	Village Hall - Garden Club
Friday 17th	19.00	Village Hall - Chilli & Tart evening
Thursday 23rd	18.30	Lapstone, Chipping Campden - Fashion Show for SHN
Thursday 30th		Deadline for entries to the OWLS photographic competition

A THOUGHT TO PONDER

If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.

ACCIDENT and MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

FIRST CALL 999

THEN CALL

Ambulance Responders

MICK & BARBARA SHEPARD

07977149317 Mobile / 01295680644 Home

3, The Leys, Oxhill, Warwick, CV350QX