



The Grapevine

THE INTERNATIONAL NEWSLETTER FROM HAMPTON LUCY,
CHARLECOTE AND LOXLEY PARISHES

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Alan Scaife retires as Hampton Lucy Parish Clerk

Alan Scaife, who has served as Parish Clerk in Hampton Lucy for ten years, stepped down on 30 September and the occasion was marked at the Parish Council meeting on 16 September. The chairman highlighted many aspects of Alan's work during his time in office and thanked him for ten years of dedicated service to the community. Michael Woodman then presented him with a lovely crystal decanter, along with a suitable bottle to fill it, on behalf of a very grateful parish. Alan thanked everyone for their gift and expressed his gratitude to Mrs Carolyn Gallagher for taking over as clerk. Carolyn was then duly appointed by the Parish Council. After the meeting had closed, most of those present retired in good spirits to the Boar's Head for a valedictory drink. **AJW**

News From Charlecote Village Hall

Our recent Summer Lunch raised the magnificent sum of £525 towards village hall funds. This has already been put to good use during the summer, when 3 additional heaters were installed and a rotten window replaced. We were very proud when Stratford-upon-Avon District Council awarded the hall a "Gold Award" following a Food Safety and Hygiene inspection. Our next event is the "Wine & Wisdom" evening on Friday, 20 November. For details, please contact Helen Hogarth on 01789 840916. **HH**

Loxley Bulb Planting

Please join us again for bulb planting in and around Loxley village. We will meet up on Sunday, 18 October, at 11 am on the village green. Bring your spades and bulb planters if you have them. No doubt we will be calling for refreshments at The Fox again afterwards. We look forward to seeing you all there. **GJ**

Hampton Lucy 'VEG'

The Hampton Lucy Village Enhancement Group was formed at the time of the millennium and has undertaken a variety of projects in and around Hampton Lucy. The photograph shows the Parish



Council Chairman, Michael Woodman, with VEG group members Anthea Cockshull, Elaine Rajkowski and Helen Sill by the attractive finial recently installed on the village finger-post. We meet about four times a year and would welcome any like-minded people to join us with their help and ideas. Contact Elaine on 01789 842251. **ER**

Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI



Members were welcomed to the September meeting with a celebratory glass of Buck's Fizz and a slice of wedding cake. Dressed in her wedding outfit, Kath Clarke thanked the members for their gift of four Dartington crystal wine glasses. After concluding the business for the evening, the speaker, Rosemary Prosser, gave a talk entitled 'From Tights to Trousers' recounting reminiscences of her career with West Mercia Police Force. The title of the talk referred to the time in the 1960's when the uniform for women police officers was changed from black tights and skirts to black trousers. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 7, at 7.30pm in Hampton Lucy Village Hall, when Fay Palmer will speak on 'Dowsing for Health'. On Saturday, October 10, to close our 90th Anniversary year, there will be an exhibition of memorabilia, scrapbooks and crafts at a Coffee Morning in the village hall at 10.30 am. Visitors will be most welcome. **KC**

Caption competition

There were some splendid suggestions, mostly in good taste. Our new Associate Minister, Cathy Davies, acted as arbiter and chose this entry from Helen Sill.

The winning caption is:

"Hands up if you want to bid for Mr Gregory-Hood!"

The bottle of wine is on its way. Thank you to all who entered. **AJW**



Snippet of the month

Never look down on a person unless you are helping them up.

(Jesse Jackson)

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This month's letter is written by our new Associate Minister, Revd Cathy Davies

The Parish Letter

Revd David Jessett
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Dear Friends,

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David kindly introduced me in last month's edition of *The Grapevine* and now I have the opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Cathy Davies. I have just finished 6 years of training, 3 years at theological college and 3 serving a curacy in the parishes of Claverdon, Wootton Wawen and Preston Bagot, not too far from here. That was a wonderful experience. As I write, it is just over a week since I moved to Barford with my husband, Haydn, and our two teenage daughters, Helena and Lucy. In between unpacking boxes it has been great to get out in the autumn sunshine, explore the area and meet people. Thank you for the warm welcome we have received. We are really looking forward to getting to know Hampton Lucy, Charlecote and Loxley. Much of the moving in has been done but there are still boxes lurking in various rooms. It is astonishing how much we carry around with us that we could probably live without. And this has been a recurring theme over the summer.

First, on a camping holiday to Wales, the car was full to bursting, with some useful items but many that were wildly optimistic such as hair straighteners and summer dresses! Later in the summer, when the removal men came, no doubt hardened to the sight of extensive shoe collections,

they actually paused before our elder daughter's pile of footwear to ask if she really wanted all of it moving. And when unpacking in Barford, we came face to face with a familiar fondue set that we only ever see when we move house.

A strikingly contrasting experience was a week spent at a Franciscan Community in Somerset. The sisters there take vows of poverty and let go of personal belongings in their search for God. Yet one of the words that crops up most frequently to describe the Franciscan way of life is JOY. How does that work – poverty and joy? Perhaps it is because they have put down all the stuff they were carrying and in the process have found true freedom.

And Jesus said, "Come to me all who are heavy laden and I will refresh you." He said "Come, walk with me, talk with me, learn from me ...and you will find rest for your souls." The offer is to help us to put down the fondue set, the bulky, the heavy and the unnecessary things so that our hands are free to receive life beyond our imaginings.

Cathy Davies

Revd Cathy Davies' address is now 3 Wilkins Close, Barford. CV35 8EX. Her telephone contact number and e-mail address will be available for the November edition of *The Grapevine*.



Parish News



Commemoration of the Departed

On Sunday, 2 November, there will be the opportunity to remember our departed loved ones at services in Barford or Loxley. These will be occasions where we can give thanks and remember them before God. The services will be held at 3.30pm at St Peter's, Barford, and 6.00pm at St Nicholas', Loxley. Please contact Revd David Jessett on rectory@barford.org.uk telephone 01926 624238, or Peter Morris, Churchwarden at Loxley, with the names of those whom you would like to include. **Revd DJ**

The Three Parishes Prayer Group

The group will meet on Thursday, 15 October, 7.45pm, at the home of Janet and Duncan Fairfax-Lucy, by their kind invitation.

From The Registers

Weddings

Charlecote:	15 August	Ewan Timothy Rayment and Elena Maria Taylor
	30 August	Kevin David Wickes and Naomi Jane Norton
	5 September	Stephen John Ramsey and Claire Louise Stevens
Hampton Lucy	5 September	William Jonathan Roberts and Elizabeth Claire Robinson

Funeral

Loxley	10 September	Dorothy Gittins
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Hampton Lucy website:
www.hamptonlucy.net

The Notice Board

The Loxley website:
www.loxleyvillage.com

The Grapevine is published in colour each month. To view the colour version visit the Hampton Lucy website or request an e-mail copy.

The Charlecote website
is currently being rebuilt

Hampton Lucy Harvest Supper

Saturday, October 3rd

The Village Hall

7.30pm

£5 per person

(Bring your own drinks and glasses!)

Tickets from the Village Hall Committee



Free Electric Blanket Safety Tests

(Warwickshire Trading Standards Service)
will be provided for people aged 60 or over.

Monday, 5th October - Friday, October 9th

The United Reformed Church,

Stratford-upon-Avon. Call 01926 736477



Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI

90th Anniversary

Coffee Morning

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Crafts and Memorabilia

Hampton Lucy Village Hall

Saturday, 10 October, 10.30am

All Welcome!

Wellesbourne & District Lions



Raft Race Presentation Night and 'Bollywood Extravaganza'

Friday, 23 October

Shah's Restaurant, Wellesbourne

Tickets £20

In aid of the Lions 'Sight First' programme.

Details and tickets: 01789 841567

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### The Lions Club Christmas Float

We invite local charities to participate in the Christmas floats this year.

Two floats will be visiting local villages between 7th and 18th December. Simply provide 3 or 4 collectors on your chosen evening. Everything is provided and the collection will be pooled and shared between the charities. For details call

**Max Down on 01789 841567**

### Shipston Home Nursing

### The Armscote Manor Lectures

Tuesday 13 to Friday 16 October

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### Steph. and Geoff. are holding a collection for The Leamington Christian Mission

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2009

10am – 12 noon

The Village Hall, Hampton Lucy

Coffee will be served

We particularly need clean bedding, sleeping bags, jeans, toilet rolls, Typhoo QT tea, coffee, sugar, bleach and black bin-liners. If you need any help with collection please call Sue on **01789 840875**.



### Charlecote Wine and Wisdom Evening

Friday 20 November

in The Village Hall

For details contact: Helen Hoggarth

**017889 840916**

**Community Police** Community Police Station: **01789 842114**. e-mail: [wellesbourne.snt@warwickshire.police.uk](mailto:wellesbourne.snt@warwickshire.police.uk)

Website newsletter with regularly updated local information: [www.saferneighbourhoods.co.uk](http://www.saferneighbourhoods.co.uk)



## Church Services October 2009

**4 Oct Harvest Festival - Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

|         |              |                          |     |
|---------|--------------|--------------------------|-----|
| 8.30am  | Charlecote   | Holy Communion           | BCP |
| 10.00am | Hampton Lucy | Harvest Festival Service |     |
| 6.00pm  | Loxley       | Harvest Festival         | CW  |

**11 Oct The Eighteenth Sunday After Trinity**

|         |              |                 |  |
|---------|--------------|-----------------|--|
| 9.30am  | Charlecote   | Morning Worship |  |
| 11.00am | Loxley       | Family Service  |  |
| 6.00pm  | Hampton Lucy | Holy Communion  |  |

**18 Oct Luke the Evangelist**

|         |              |                  |     |
|---------|--------------|------------------|-----|
| 8.30am  | Charlecote   | Holy Communion   | BCP |
| 10.00am | Hampton Lucy | Come and Worship |     |
| 11.00am | Loxley       | Matins           | BCP |
| 6.00pm  | Hampton Lucy | Evensong         | BCP |

**25 Oct The Last Sunday after Trinity - Bible Sunday**

|         |              |                |     |
|---------|--------------|----------------|-----|
| 9.30am  | Loxley       | Holy Communion | BCP |
| 11.00am | Charlecote   | Holy Communion | CW  |
| 6.00pm  | Hampton Lucy | Evensong       | BCP |

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

### For your diary - October 2009

**Mon 5 Afternoon Teas**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 3 - 4pm  
**Tues 6 Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30 - 8.30pm  
**Wed 7 Tai Chi Class**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9 - 10am  
**" Hampton Lucy & Charlecote WI**, HL Village Hall, 7.30pm  
**Thur 8 Loxley WI**, a talk on 'Corn Dollies', Lane End, 7.30pm  
**Sat 10 WI 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Coffee Morning**, HL Village Hall, 10.30am  
**Tues 13 Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30 - 8.30pm  
**" SHN Armscote Lecture Series**, 13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> Oct, (**The Notice Board**)  
**Wed 14 Tai Chi Class**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9 - 10am  
**Thur 15 3 Parishes Prayer Group**, Janet and Duncan Fairfax-Lucy's home, 7.45pm  
**Sat 17 Leamington Christian Mission Collection**, HL Village Hall, 10 - 12 noon  
**Sun 18 Loxley Bulb Planting**, Loxley village green, 11.00am  
**Mon 19 Loxley Parish Council Meeting**, The Loxley School, 7.30pm  
**Tues 20 Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30 - 8.30pm  
**Wed 21 Tai Chi Class**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9 - 10am  
**Sun 23 Lions 'Bollywood Extravaganza'**, Shah's Restaurant (**The Notice Board**)  
**Tues 27 Keep Fit**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30 - 8.30pm  
**Wed 28 Tai Chi Class** Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 9 - 10am

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