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Loxley Strawberry Fayre

Loxley Strawberry Fayre will take place on Saturday, 8 July from 3 to 5pm. The Fayre is being held in the grounds of Loxley Hall by kind permission of Mr and Mrs Gregory Hood. Tickets are £3 each which includes a delicious afternoon tea. Do try to come along and support the event as it is special in Loxley's calendar. The proceeds of the Fayre go towards maintaining our historic church. There will be organ music in the church, many stalls, raffles, and of course, the lovely gardens to wander around. See you there? Tickets can be bought beforehand or at the gate on the day. RM

Jazz Picnic in Parish Field

We are holding another Jazz Picnic in the Parish Field in Bridge Street, Hampton Lucy on Friday, 7 July, at 7.30pm. The gates will be open from 7pm so come and picnic by the river. Tickets are available from any member of the Village Hall Committee or by telephone (Tel: 841155), and are priced £7 for adults, £16 for a family ticket of 2 adults and 2 children and £1 for any extra children; under 5s are free. HW

Warwickshire Rural Show

The Warwickshire Rural Show will be held from 10am until 5pm on Sunday, 9 July at Wellesbourne Watermill. This family day out at the historic working corn mill will feature steam engines, thatching, vintage tractors, dog agility, Punch and Judy, archery, spinners and weavers and much, much more.



Margaret and John (Bev) Williams are moving on after living in Hampton Lucy for the past 45 years. In that time they have initiated and taken part in a remarkable number of events that have contributed to life in the village in many different ways. They are moving to Sheffield where they look forward to conquering new challenges. We wish them every happiness in their new home.

Recycling

The Women's Institute is highlighting the need for manufacturers and retailers to reduce the quantity of packaging that they use. Meanwhile householders can help by recycling as much waste as possible. Glass, cans, newspapers and magazines are collected locally every fortnight. The recycling depot at Wellesbourne is open every day (except Bank Holidays) from 8am to 4.30pm on weekdays, from 9am to 4.30pm on Saturdays, and from 9am to 4pm on Sundays. It has collection points for a wide range of waste such as plastic bottles, cardboard and boxes, ink cartridges, books, and clothing as well as garden waste, bricks, and wood. Please use it. HS

Caretaker/Handy Person

Hampton Lucy Church of England Primary School requires a Caretaker/Handy Person to start as soon as possible. The successful applicant will be given a permanent contract following a successful probationary period. The job requires attendance from 7 to 9am and from 3.30 to 6.30pm each day from Monday to Friday - a total of 25 hours per week at £5.68 per hour. Out-of-hours duties are required to be performed very occasionally, for which an additional rate is payable. Application forms can be obtained from the school office.

PARISH LETTER



Giving Hope to Young People from Angola

The Leamington-based Christian charity CORD - which celebrates its 40th anniversary in 2007 - works to support the world's 21 million refugees and displaced people, helping them move from conflict to renewal.

In Zambia, CORD has been working with refugees from the Angolan civil war since 2000. The United Nations had planned that all of the refugees would return home by 2005 but there are still about 70,000 in three camps in Zambia and it now looks as though they will there at least for another year. So this church has decided that it will support CORD's work with the Angolan refugees and, especially, with the young people.

After independence from Portugal in 1975, civil war raged in Angola between the MPLA and Unita

rebel forces. It was only in 2002 that there was an official end to hostilities, after the death of the Unita leader, Jonas Savimbi. It is estimated that the civil war killed 300,000 people, and a further 220,000 Angolan refugees fled eastwards to neighbouring Zambia.

Many of the Angolans in Zambia have grown up in Zambia and have known no other life. Furthermore, although they live in Zambia in basic mud huts in camps with little electricity or running water, many of the Angolans are very reluctant to return home because of the problem with landmines. The International Red Cross estimates that there are at least 15 million landmines still uncleared in Angola - one for every person currently living in Angola. Small wonder that, for men, the life expectancy in Angola is only 39 years!

CORD's work in Zambia with the Angolans involves providing equipment for schools in the camps, training teachers and also helping to support the refugees' livelihoods, e.g. helping them set up small bakeries, grinding mills and carpentry businesses. CORD also works on horticultural projects with the Angolans so



that they have some skills ready for when they finally return home to Angola or are integrated into Zambian society.

95 pence of every £1 given to CORD goes directly to help refugees and other people displaced and damaged by conflict. Your support for CORD's work with the Angolan refugees will have the following impact:

£10...will buy one desk for one classroom

£20...provides teaching materials for one young person for a year

£100... means a former teacher can be retrained

£500... buys equipment for refugees to start their own business

For more information about CORD, try www.cord.uk or call 01926 315 301.



PARISH NEWS

Supper Discussion with CORD

Wednesday, 12 July sees the next of our Supper Discussions, and the development agency CORD will be joining us. What do you think about the politics of aid? Should we be giving to third world countries? What form should aid take? How do we know our money is well spent? Come and join us at 7pm for an evening of good food and lively discussion at Hampton Lucy Village Hall. Bring some food to share and a bottle. SE

From the Registers

27 May *Wedding*

Rebecca Hutsby and Simon Moreton

St Peter's, Hampton Lucy

Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI

The members worked extremely hard to make their evening a great success. The most was made of the warm evening by putting attractively decorated tables and chairs outside in the garden of Charlecote's village hall. We enjoyed meeting Julian Watson, a skilled silversmith from Wellesbourne. His jewellery is lovely as well as being inexpensive. We hope that his business will flourish. The meeting ended with drinks, fruits and nuts, cheese and biscuits, coffee, and birthday cake which celebrated the "big O" birthday of a member. The next meeting is on Wednesday, 5 July at Hampton Lucy when the speaker will be Lindsay Fairgrieve talking about "One Year in China". HS

Hampton Lucy School

Following the half-term break, school life quickly returned to normal with various events adding to the busy daily routine. The Friends of the school held an Aloe Vera Awareness Demonstration Evening on Thursday, 22 June. Additionally they are organising a Summer Fayre on Friday, 14 July. This will commence at 6pm when our pupils will stage performances with a Shakespearean theme, followed by a barbecue, various children's activities, tombola etc. This promises to be an entertaining evening and visitors are welcome.

Our courageous headteacher, Margaret Lunnon, was entered for the "Race for Life" by her daughter and successfully completed the 5 km, in hot and sultry conditions, on Sunday, 11 June. She was thrilled and humbled to be amongst so many women highlighting the success of cancer research. Well done, Margaret! Please note that the School Open Day has been brought forward to Friday, 30 June and Sports Day is now to be held on Thursday, 6 July at 2pm. We are sorry to learn that Peter Braithwaite, our characterful caretaker, will be leaving us shortly. We thank him for his hard work and shall miss him. The Leavers' Service will be held in the church on Friday, 21 July at 1.30 pm followed by cream teas in the School Hall, a fitting end to the school term. LH

A Request

Will Loxley dog owners, when exercising their pets on the playing field, field footpaths, pavements and grass verges in and around the village, please remove and deposit their animals' droppings in the bins provided or take them home? The playing field is used daily by the school children and at evenings and weekends by children and adults for various sports activities. The *Countryside Code* (each household has a copy) reminds us that "Dog mess is unpleasant and can be infectious. Clean up after your dog and get rid of the mess responsibly." Current legislation allows for Parish Councils to deny the right to exercise dogs on playing fields. It would be a pity to take this extreme step, so this year, let's try to beat the perennial "dog dirt problem". Thank you. RM



Loxley WI

At our April meeting we observed silence and tribute was paid to Pat Bergheim who passed away earlier in the month. Pat had been one of our members for many years and she will be sadly missed. During the evening, our speaker, Lindsay Fairgrieve, gave us a graphic account of the year she spent in China. May saw us joining Ashorne and Newbold Pacey for the Resolutions which, by the time you read this will have been discussed and voted upon at the WI AGM in Cardiff. At the time of writing, the results of the vote are not known. The 'Members Meeting' in June was hosted by Karen Holmes at 'Greenbanks'. Audrey Sibert, an expert at making printed cards, gave us a demonstration but when we tried our hand at the craft we found that while it looked easy, it proved to be quite difficult to get things 'just right'! We have arranged an evening at Snowhill Lavender Farm for July. A conducted tour of the lavender fields and processing plant will be followed by supper. Sounds good - let's hope it doesn't rain! RM

Forthcoming events

Country Car Boot Sale Shipston Home Nursing present a Country Car Boot Sale on Sunday, 3 September in the parkland of the Honington Estate. Gates open for booters at 8am and the public at 10am. Costs are £15 per car or £25 per van for booters and £2 per head or £5 per car for the public. Further details and application forms from Rebecca Mawle (Tel: 01608 674929 or 07940 716345).

Charity Auction The 9th annual Charity Auction for the Shakespeare Hospice is taking place in October. The Friends of the hospice are looking for items for sale at the auction so, if you have *anything* to donate, please contact Marian Morgan (Tel: 293695) or Jill Taylor (Tel: 01926 295546). They will collect.



The repaired spire of Charlecote church has now emerged from the scaffolding that once surrounded it. The remaining scaffolding should all be removed by early in July



Church Services JULY/AUGUST 2006

July 2nd	Charlecote	8.30	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	Hampton Lucy	10.00	<i>Family Service</i>
	Loxley	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>
July 9th	Charlecote	9.30	<i>Morning Worship</i>
	Loxley	11.00	<i>Family Communion</i>
	Hampton Lucy	6.00pm	<i>Holy Communion</i>
July 16th	Charlecote	8.30	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	Hampton Lucy	10.00	<i>Come and Worship</i>
	Loxley	11.00	<i>Matins</i>
July 23rd	Hampton Lucy	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>
	Loxley	9.30	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	Charlecote	11.00	<i>Holy Communion</i>
July 30th	Hampton Lucy	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>
	Charlecote	9.30	<i>Holy Communion followed by breakfast - details tba</i>
Aug 6th	Charlecote	8.30	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	Hampton Lucy	10.00	<i>Family Service with baptisms</i>
	Loxley	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>
Aug 13th	Charlecote	9.30	<i>Morning Worship</i>
	Loxley	11.00	<i>Family Communion</i>
	Hampton Lucy	6.00pm	<i>Holy Communion</i>
Aug 20th	Charlecote	8.30	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	Loxley	11.00	<i>Matins</i>
	Hampton Lucy	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>
NB. No 'Come and Worship' service at Hampton Lucy			
Aug 27th	Loxley	9.30	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	Charlecote	11.00	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	Hampton Lucy	6.00pm	<i>Evensong</i>

Diary – JULY 2006

Mon 3	Afternoon Teas at Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 3-4pm
Wed 5	Hampton Lucy & Charlecote WI meets in Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30pm. Speaker: Lindsay Fairgrieve on "A Year in China".
Wed 5	Hampton Lucy Parish Council meets in the Men's Reading Room of Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7.30pm.
Thu 6	Trotters Toddlers Group meets at Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 1.30
Thu 6	Hampton Lucy School Sports Day at the school, 2pm
Thu 6	Parishes' Prayer Group Meeting at The Vicarage, 7.45pm
Fri 7	Jazz Picnic in Parish Field, Hampton Lucy, from 7pm
Sat 8	Loxley Strawberry Fayre at Loxley Hall, 3-5pm
Sun 9	Jigsaw Youth Group and World Cup at The Vicarage, 7.30-9pm
Tue 11	Charlecote PCC meets in village hall, 7.30pm
Wed 12	Supper Discussion with CORD at Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 7pm
Wed 12	Loxley WI meets at Snowhill Lavender Farm, 7pm
Fri 14	Hampton Lucy School Summer Fayre, from 6pm
Mon 17	Afternoon Teas at Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 3-4pm, (last until Sept.)
Fri 21	Hampton Lucy School Leavers' Service at the church
Sun 23	Cycle Ride from Hampton Lucy church to Harbury, 11am
Mon 24	Loxley PCC extra meeting at the Vicarage, 8pm
Thu 27	Parishes' Prayer Group Meeting at The Vicarage, 7.45pm

AUGUST 2006

Mon 10	Loxley WI outing, venue to be announced
Mon 4 Sept.	Loxley PCC meets at The Manor, 8pm
Mon 11 Sept	Afternoon Teas at Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 3-4pm

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