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Anna Fairs





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NOVEMBER 2018 – NOTES AND NEWS

The cover photograph this month is "Harvest Festival Display, St Mary's Church" by Anna Fairs. Fittingly (as it is a hundred years since the end of the First World War), Armistice Day, 11th November, falls on a Sunday this year and is commemorated with a special Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church. The Old Basing Royal British Legion also marks the event with a gala WWI Centenary Dinner and Dance on Saturday, 3rd November.

BASINGA ARTICLES

We welcome both regular and occasional items for the Basinga. The very last date for copy to the Editor for the **December edition** is **6 pm** on **Saturday, 10th November**. Please use the forms on the Basinga website **www.basinga.org.uk** to get your dates, articles and letters to us (*see box on page 15 for further instructions*). All advertising enquiries – classified, free adverts or inserts (flyers) can also be made via the Basinga website. Don't forget that we only accept articles with **300 words maximum**.

A NEW BASINGA AWARD

The Basinga is to introduce an award for parish organisations that publicise their activities in the magazine, which are recognised by the Basinga Committee as making a particular contribution to the community spirit in the parish. As a part of the award the Basinga will offer to champion their cause to assist and help them in publicising their fundraising activities. Further announcements will be made in next month's Basinga.

BASINGA EXTRA

I will be "retiring" from Basinga Extra at the end of the year, and I am leaving the day-to-day maintenance of Basinga Extra with our new **website technician**, **Brian Baker**, who is doing an excellent job. However, going forward, we do still need someone with knowledge and experience of developing websites with WordPress and also general IT skills for setting up and maintaining email addresses with our Internet Service Provider. If you think that this might be you, please get in touch with **webman@basinga.org.uk**

Kevin Curtis

OLD BASING & LYCHPIT BIG TURKEY COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCH

As the hour goes back to herald those long dark autumnal and winter days, we want to jump forward and enlighten you with a reminder for the Old Basing & Lychpit Big Turkey Community Christmas Lunch to be held on Saturday, 29th December, at Old Basing Village Hall, starting with drinks served from noon and lunch at 1 pm.

Places are limited to 180 therefore please book early to avoid disappointment. You can either sign up for the event in the **foyer** of **St Mary's Church** or contact **Rachel Jones** (email: rachelj.broadwater@googlemail.com or call 07717 002651).

This is an event organised by volunteers from Old Basing & Lychpit for the families and residents of our community, in order to create a greater identity and community spirit. It relies on the funding from the Parish Council, support from St Mary's, the generosity of local vendors and from donations on the day. We look forward to seeing you all in December.

CARNIVAL NEWS

On behalf of Old Basing Carnival Committee, I am very pleased to announce that following another fantastic year that at our **AGM** on **10th October** we were able to **award the following amounts** to the 17 requests received for a share of the profits to local groups as follows:

Sum of £200 to 2nd Old Basing Brownies to buy new badges and resources; 1st Old Basing Rainbows to buy new programme resources and books; Old Basing Beavers to buy play equipment (balls, ropes, hoops, cones, etc); 1st Lychpit Brownies to buy new badges resources; 1st Old Basing and Lychpit Guides to replenishing first aid box and updating craft box; Old Basing DoE towards purchase of digital cameras; Old Basing Scouts towards supporting their International Jamborette in Holland; Old Basing Cubs towards their community Impact badges; Unit 55 World Scout Jamboree to help run camps and funding unit kit; Basingstoke Shed to purchase tools and materials.

Sum of £150 to Old Basing Village Hall Management Committee for new locks; Basing Singers towards music and background lighting; Bolton under 5s for ICT equipment; Basingstoke Shedmen towards a second-hand wood lathe and lighting; Old Basing Methodist Church towards improving disabled access to the side room; Linguatastic to help buy an amplifier.

Sum of £50 to Churchyard Conservation Group towards a woodcrete box; Old Basing Women's Institute towards the planting of a native tree on the recreation ground at Old Basing.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Committee members, our extended support network for their continued dedication and hard work which enabled us to have another successful year. Thank you also to all our donators and advertisers for their continued support. I am also pleased to announce that all the committee was re-elected. After much discussion at the AGM the Committee decided the **theme** for the **2019 Carnival** is **Comic Characters**.

I am also pleased to extend a warm welcome to all Senior Citizens who reside in the parish, to join us for the Old Basing Carnival Senior Citizen Party 2019 on Saturday, 16th February, 2019 (noon for 12.30 pm start) at Old Basing Village Hall. Lovely food, great company, fun activities and a free raffle. If you would like to join us, please complete the reply slip (below) and return to Sandie Rice at the address below no later than Friday, 8th February, 2019.

'Dates for your Diary': Carnival Selection Disco (Friday, 8th March, 2019); Carnival Day (Saturday, 15th June, 2019).

If you are interested in joining the **Old Basing Carnival Committee**, or helping on the day, please contact **Sandie Rice**, **Secretary** on **01256 477637**.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP EVENING

The Parish Council's Community Partnership Evening will take place at the Lychpit Community Hall on Tuesday, 18th December, 6.30 to 8.30 pm. This is an informal gathering to which representatives from local clubs, groups and voluntary organisations are invited to join Councillors for a glass of wine and nibbles. It is an opportunity to meet your local Councillors and discuss any issues or other matters on an informal basis. Invitations are sent out towards the end of November and if you are involved with a local club or organisation and have not previously been invited, please email or call the Clerk with your contact details. We have several new Councillors this year and we welcome the chance to meet the people who give up so much of their valuable time to the community.

CHINEHAM SHOPPING CENTRE PROPOSALS

Tellon Capital, the new owners of **Chineham District Centre**, are working up a planning application for major redevelopment. While Tesco itself and some of the units are unaffected, as a result of the considerable expansion there are major reconfiguration plans for the traffic within the site directly affecting the nearby highways. It is too late to get involved in the first two rounds of consultation but a third round is possible and, of course the eventual planning application. The Council is in communication with Borough and County councillors to try and ensure that the existing, already overloaded road system, is not gridlocked as a result. We also have some concerns on the mix of new facilities offered and residents are advised to look out for further consultations and get involved.

HAMPSHIRE HIGHWAYS LICENCING CHARGES

Hampshire Highways has recently made changes to its licence fees for items erected on, over, or adjacent to a highway. This affects businesses, however, many groups and organisations may not realise that permission is required to display a banner along a highway and a new nominal fee of £25 will, in future, be charged for banners, decorative lighting and hanging baskets.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next two meeting dates are Tuesdays, 6th November and 4th December at 7.30 pm in the Pavilion Committee Room. All are welcome and anyone with impaired mobility should contact the Parish Office so they can be accommodated.

Chairman: Cllr. Mark Oszczyk (contact via Parish Office)

Parish Clerk: Mrs Sandra Tuck Deputy Clerk: Mrs Heather Mountford

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

You may have noticed that the recycling points for plastics at Lychpit Centre and Chineham are about to be closed. As we are so limited in what plastics we are allowed to put in the kerbside recycling, and many plastics that have the recycling symbol have to go in the general waste, I have written to several councillors asking why Basingstoke and Deane cannot do better.

Gillian Moore, 13 Broadhurst Grove, Lychpit



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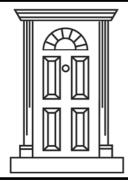


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NEWS FROM BASING HOUSE

Four o'clock on Wednesday, 31st October, will see Garrison Gate locked for the last time this season as Basing House closes for the winter. The Great Barn will, however open 11 am to 4 pm on Saturday, 1st December, for our annual Christmas Fayre (see page 21).

The end of this season has seen the final act of the **Friends of Basing House**, an organisation that many people in the village have belonged to over the last forty-odd years. This was the delivery to the site of **three engraved benches**. These join the memorial to those killed in the Basing House sieges of 1643 to 1645, during the Civil War, which arrived earlier in the season, and the replica gun which has been there for many years, meaning that the Friends have left a lasting legacy at the site. Together they make it more comfortable for visitors to have a rest and enjoy the surroundings, and mark the fact that the site was a battlefield, that people did die there and that their sacrifice did make its mark on the history of Britain.

The **2018 season** has seen some extremes. At Easter the Sealed Knot encountered diabolical torrential rain conditions, summed up by pictures of ducks swimming the in the puddles in their camp site, while *Sense and Sensibility* in August lined up with an idyllic summer evening. The Hampshire Cultural Trust team of Heather, Jocelyn and Joe kept the ship afloat (literally at Easter) while the team of welcome volunteers were always at hand. The gardening volunteers laboured through the heat while Gareth piloted the lawnmower to good effect.

Andrew Howard (tel. 01256 327014)

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WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR THIS MONTH

As temperatures drop Roe deer will become more evident, and you may see some early winter visitors like the Siskin, Brambling and Lesser Redpoll as well as increased numbers of Starling, Song Thrush and Redwing. Browsing the various sources of food there will be groups of Long Tailed Tits around with large mixed groups of other species.

Anne Francis, tel. 07974 944439; email: millfieldoldbasing@yahoo.co.uk

Facebook: Mill Field Conservation Group

CHINEHAM AND OLD BASING NWR

National Women's Register (NWR) has groups across the UK that connects women who are interested in everything and talk about anything! Our local group currently has 16 members. We meet at 2 pm on the first Monday of the month, but lunch or cinema outings are arranged at other times. There is also a Reading Group meeting in the evening every fourth Thursday. Most discussion meetings have four to ten members who can make it, so these meetings are held in each other's homes in Chineham and Old Basing.

Our **discussion meeting** for **October** was on the theme of "Modern Inventions: Love Them or Hate Them". Everyone approved of Sat Navs, the progress in modern medicine and domestic gadgets that removed the drudgery of housework. One member recommended *Factfulness: Ten Reasons We're Wrong About The World – And Why Things Are Better Than You Think, by Hans Rosling, which is an ultimately optimistic account of where we are and how we got here.*

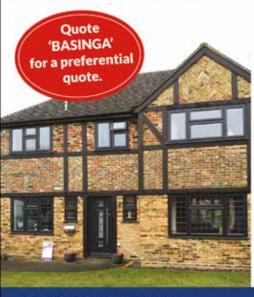
In **November** several members are visiting **Bletchley Park**, once the top-secret home of the World War II Codebreakers, now a vibrant heritage attraction. The National NWR has arranged a private guided tour of the park, as well as two hands-on workshop sessions from a choice of – Codes and Ciphers: Inception to Intelligence; Decoding Bletchley Park and the Story of Enigma; or Cyber Security and the Story of Lorenz. There's also time to explore independently.

Our **next main meeting** will be in the evening on **Monday, 12th November,** when we participate in the stimulating **National NWR Telephone Quiz**. We bounce ideas off each other for a collaborative answer to a cryptic general knowledge quiz. We are currently discussing the format of our **Christmas lunch** on **Monday, 3rd December**. Depending on numbers we will either hire a small local hall, or get together at member's home.

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OLD BASING VILLAGE NURSERY SCHOOL – THE VILLAGE HALL

I can't believe we have almost finished our first half term at our new nursery school. The children and team are now feeling more settled and we seem to have found our feet, getting to know their new surroundings and making new friends.

September has seen the completion of our wonderful fenced outdoor area and, with it, the development of our construction area, mud kitchens, bug hotel and climbing frame! There has been lots of development inside too with children exploring our learning areas (role play, creativity, curiosity, small world and quiet area).

As part of our Harvest celebrations, the children brought in donations of tinned foods and packets which we then walked to St Mary's Church in order to donate to the Food Bank. It was a beautiful walk and gave us the opportunity to explore our locality. We would like to say a big thank you to Trish from St Mary's for greeting us so warmly and showing us around the church. Our "Wildchild" sessions have also proven to be a big hit – you may well have seen our children out and about exploring Oliver's Battery with Angela. We are very much looking forward to our first extra-curricular art club session after half term where children will explore shape, line, tone, texture, colour and shape through different media; giving our older children another unique opportunity to develop a range of skills under the guidance of a qualified art teacher.

Our numbers are growing rapidly for January and April starters but we do still have limited availability for preschool children aged two and above (we can accept both 15 and 30 hours funding). Our prospective parent open day will take place on Wednesday, 14th November at 10 am; we would love to show you around if you are considering a space this year or for September 2019. If you wish to attend, contact Victoria on 07557 642510 or email oldbasingvillagenurseryschool@gmail.com to book your place. You can keep up to date with recent developments at www.oldbasingvillagenurseryschool.com or on our Facebook page.

Victoria Grayson

BOLTON UNDER 5'S PRESCHOOL

Well it's been a busy first half of the autumn term in our lovely newly refurbished premises. The **Beddington Centre** had a new kitchen installed, repainted the room and we did lots of work refreshing the garden ready for the new term.

We've welcomed lots of new children and their families to our preschool, and we hope they are enjoying their time with us! We enjoyed hearing all about the adventures the children had over the summer holiday, collecting items for the Harvest Festival Food Bank and also for the Christmas Shoe Box appeal.

We will be spending this second half term looking at autumn and nature, Guy Fawkes night and fireworks fun, as well as enjoying some national events such as National Nursery Rhyme week and Children in Need, plus of course the ubiquitous Christmas performances and celebrations at the end of term!

If you are interested in your child joining our 'outstanding' preschool, we have spaces from September 2020, and would welcome you to come in and meet our team. Please do bring your little one with you; they can get involved playing with the children and exploring our toys, whilst a member of the management team shows you around and explains our daily routine. Please do call us on 07881 920709 or 01256 478141.



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There will be over **30 stalls** selling a selection of **unique handmade crafts and local produce**. Eat, drink and be merry with a selection of Christmas food and treats. You will have a chance to meet Henry VIII and his queen at the Christmas Court while loyal servants will receive a gift from the king (ideal for ages 3 to 12 but as subject to space, the Henry VIII Christmas Court Experience must be booked online in advance: **https://hcct.digitickets.co.uk/tickets?branches.branchID=1465**

This is your chance to experience Tudor and Stuart Christmas traditions, such as ribbon tying on the yule log and other festivities while having your photo taken in the Tudor Kissing Wreath photo booth. Also learn about Christmas before Oliver Cromwell with demonstrations from Tudor and Stuart re-enactors. You will also be able to listen to live recitals from local choirs.

Ticket prices: adults (18+) £2; teen (16 to17) £1; children (15 and below) free. All entry tickets must be purchased on the door. All adult admission tickets will be entered into a raffle, for a chance to win one of the following amazing prizes: A three-night, four-star hotel, break in the Channel Islands; Afternoon tea with Prosecco for four at the four-star Crowne Plaza, Basingstoke; Complimentary lunch for two at Grade-II listed Tylney Hall Hotel; A gift basket worth £50 from John Lewis; Two children's tickets for Marwell Zoo; Family ticket to Milestones; Two tour tickets to Bombay Sapphire Distillery.

LINGUATASTIC LANGUAGE ACADEMY

In Germany, in November, people celebrate St Martin's Day. The story goes that there was once a wealthy man who was travelling through the country. On his travels, he passed a very poor man sitting on the street, wearing only rags and suffering from the cold. He begged St Martin for something to wear or to eat. St Martin was riding on his horse and therefore also susceptible to the cold weather, but he straight away, took his sword and cut his cloak in half to share with the poor man on the street. To remember this event of sharing with people who have less than we do, Germans walk through the streets with homemade lanterns and sing songs to spread the message. Sometimes they also perform a play to enact the story.

And like St Martin, we too, are looking to help others this month when we participate in some fundraising for **Children in Need**. Linguatastic children will be bringing in **things they no longer need or want** during the **week commencing 12th November** and selling them to each other (in the languages they are learning of course). Look out for **photos** on our **Facebook page**.

And finally, starting this month are: Italian classes for beginners (adults); Spanish classes for beginners (adults); French classes for primary school age bilinguals.

For further information or to book a place, please email **info@linguatastic.com** or telephone **01256 471474**.

THE BEAUTY OF TREES

As I write this the leaves on the trees are already turning, gold or crimson or yellow. Stressed out by the rigours of our hot, dry summer they seem to me to be turning early this year. As you read this I cannot tell whether this process will still be under way or the bare branches will have emerged outlined against the sky. Whatever is the situation I know there will be beauty because there always is. I cannot decide which I prefer, the striking silhouettes of winter or the glorious colours of autumn.

In the Bible there are a lot of trees. The cedars of Lebanon and fig trees, vines and olive trees and the sycamore that Zacchaeus climbed up so he could see Jesus. There are trees in the first chapter of the Bible through to the last and Jesus was crucified on one. There are oak trees to symbolise longevity much as they do today.

Trees are as prevalent in this area. Just in the Conservation Area of Old Basing the following applies "The broad-leaved trees contribute significantly to the character of the Conservation Area. Ash, oak and lime are the dominant species with horse chestnut, birch, beech, sycamore and holly also represented. In the grounds of St Mary's Church there is a maturing evergreen oak." I am sure this is not the whole story though and I wonder if anyone can tell me where the oldest tree is in this area.

The knitted Christmas tree that I mentioned in my August article is coming together well. Thank you to the people from this area that have helped with donations and knitting. I was particularly inspired by folk who come to things at the Methodist church who have knitted for this despite being in their nineties. The tree is due to be built at the end of November at St Andrew's Methodist Church, Western Way, South Ham (RG22 6ER).

If you would like to see it in all its glory in term time the church is open during the week. There is a lovely café there which serves drinks and cakes from 10 am to noon Fridays and it is open 10 am to 1.30 pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, with light lunches served from noon. There will be a special celebration from 2 pm to 4 pm on the 1st of December. There may be other chances available closer to Christmas. You can check out www.basingstokereadingmethodists.uk/churches/st-andrews for details or email the tree on knittedchristmastree@gmail.com or ring or text Deacon Marlene Skuce on 07799 442091.

Vibrant blessings to you all,

Revd Alison

THIS MONTH AT ST MARY'S CHURCH

Friday, 2nd November All Souls Service at 7 pm (a service for the bereaved, with

refreshments from 6.15 pm)

Sunday, 11th November Remembrance Day Service at 10 am followed by Eucharist at

11.15 am (led by Revd. Canon Ken Batt. There will also be an 8

am Holy Communion on this day

We look forward to welcoming visiting ministers who will be leading our other services in the coming weeks:

Sunday, 4th November Revd. Ron Corne (8 am Holy Communion)

Revd. Christopher Salter (9.30 am Sung Eucharist)

Sunday 18th November Revd. Canon Michael Kenning (8 am Holy Communion and

9.30 am Sung Eucharist)

Sunday, 25th November Revd. Canon Ken Batt (8 am Holy Communion and 9.30 am

Sung Eucharist)

Other Dates to note at St Mary's:

Saturday, 3rd November Men's Breakfast, at 8.45 am in the Parish Room. If you fancy a

full English breakfast do pop along, you would be most welcome

(price £4)

Sat/Sun, 24/25th Nov'ber Old Basing Village Pantomime: Cinderella and the Merry Men.

Performances at 2.30 and 7.30 pm on Saturday and 4 pm on

Sunday. See page 10 for full details

Monday, 26th November Tea & Talk Café, 2 pm, in the Parish Room. All welcome (no

charge)

After the weekly **9:30** am service at St Mary's **refreshments** are served in the **Parish Room** which is an informal setting in which to meet other members of the congregation. If you have time after the service do join us, you will be very welcome.

For more details about the life of St Mary's please visit www.stmarysoldbasing.org.uk or St Mary's Face Book page and follow us on Twitter @OB&L_St Marys where you will find fresh updates, including sermons. The church is open daily for prayer and you are welcome as you are every Sunday.

LOOKING FORWARD

Sat/Sun, 8th/9th December Christmas Tree Festival with the theme this year of "A Family

Christmas". The weekend will conclude with a **Christingle Service** at **4 pm** on **Sunday**, **9th December** (see also page 24). If you wish to decorate a tree for this very popular event please contact **Jeanette Edwards** at **jdedwards38@hotmail.co.uk**

A FAMILY CHRISTMAS – ST MARY'S CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL 2018

You haven't booked your tree space yet? Don't leave it too long or you may be disappointed, the closing date for entries will be two weeks before St Mary's Church lights up in the run up to Christmas with the St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival (Saturday, 8th December, 11 am to 5 pm, and Sunday, 9th December, 11 am to 4 pm).

There is still time to book and we will fit you in with pleasure, making the Christmas Tree Festival even more spectacular. **Entrance with a programme** will be £1. **Trees** cost £7.50 **to sponsor, to include a programme**, which will contain a voting form for your family's **favourite tree** to be **announced** on **Sunday** at 4 pm.

On **Saturday, 8th December**, there will be **Christmas Stalls** selling homemade cakes, sweets and preserves, stationery, glass and crafts, just right for those last-minute Christmas presents. We will also have a raffle and a stall selling candles for you to inscribe with a loved one's name to be lit in their memory at the **Blue Christmas service** on **Wednesday, 21st December**. Not only will we be serving tea, coffee and light refreshments, but mulled wine and mince pies at lunch time.

Join us on **Saturday** for the combined **Schools Choirs Concert** at **2 pm** along with childrens' activities, including guess the number of marbles in the jar and a bran tub. All information will be in the Church Lobby.

We are asking for donations of baked goods, raffle prizes, small toys for the childrens' bran tub and your help in stewarding the Festival. Can you spare one hour of your time for this? We need your help to make this much-loved festival a truly family Christmas.

To book your tree space or find out more on the weekend's events contact Jeanette Edwards at jdedwards38@hotmail.co.uk

CHURCHYARD CONSERVATION GROUP (PIOCC)

Thank you to everyone who attended our Open Meeting last month. This month's working parties will be on Saturday, 3 November, at 10 am and Thursday, 22nd November, at 2 pm – meet in the church lobby. We will continue our seasonal conservation work, including woodland management. All are welcome. We look forward to seeing our regular volunteers and also new participants.

Churchyard Conservation is a community project, not just for churchgoers, so please come along if you would like to be involved. Just turn up in gardening clothes and bring gloves. The tools are provided.

Our **Saturday morning** sessions last about **three hours** (with a coffee break and chance to relax) and our **Thursday afternoons** about **two hours**.

The berries in the churchyard are ripening and turning wonderful colours. How many different types can you find? Why not come and see? Or perhaps just enjoy a peaceful moment or on the WI seat. The Conservation Area is a community space for all to enjoy.

For further information please ring Fay Farrant on 01256 476863.

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OLD BASING METHODIST CHURCH

Tuesday, 6th/20th Nov Craft group (bring your own craft or items will be provided (2 to

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Friday, 9th November Friday Coffee Break (10.30 am to noon)

Tuesday, 13th November MHA lunch club followed by singing and activities (noon to 3

pm).

We are joining **Oakridge Methodist Church** on **Monday afternoons** for a **Bible Study course**. This started in October but should be carrying on in November.

Our regular **Sunday worship** starts at **10.30 am**, coffee and tea are served after the service. Children are welcome into our junior church. Come and join us for worship, **Friday 'Coffee Break'** and **Tuesday craft** – a warm welcome awaits you.

VILLAGE CAFÉ - A CAFÉ FOR THE VILLAGE, BY THE VILLAGE!

It was lovely to see so many people at the launch of the new Old Basing Village Community Café. If you haven't yet had a chance to come along to sample the delicious cakes on offer do pop in soon! Open every Friday, 2 to 4.30 pm, at St Mary's Parish Room, run entirely by volunteers with all proceeds up until Christmas going to The Ark Cancer Centre, Basingstoke. If you'd like to help in anyway, perhaps by baking a cake or joining the volunteer serving rota, call 07813 186328 or send an email to thevillagecafeoldbasing@gmail.com

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MARIE CURIE DAFFODIL DAY

Thank you very much for your generosity at Chineham Shopping Centre in the very cold weather back in February this year; we raised an amazing £495.41. Marie Curie Care provides nursing for seriously ill people in their home; unfortunately they are unable to provide nurses in the Basingstoke area at this time but they do have nurses in other parts of Hampshire. They also use the money to pay for research into Palliative Care. Tesco at the Chineham Shopping Centre have kindly invited Marie Curie Care to collect on Wednesday, 5th December, so if you have an hour or more to spare please call Sally or Sophie on 023 8026 3123 or go to https://t.campaign.mariecurie.org.uk/webApp/mcc_supporterRegistration to register for a collection near you.

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GREAT BINFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

There's never a dull day at Great Binfields Primary School as we pride our self in having a rich, broad and vibrant curriculum. However, we have highlighted two events to share with you.

Our children in Year 1 really enjoyed and learned so much from their recent visitors – we had a local, mobile farm, visit our school! The children asked so many great questions as well as answered lots of the questions posed to them too. This experience really helps our Year 1 children get into their new "Food and Farming" topic. As you can imagine, they absolutely loved getting up close to the animals and the animals enjoyed being groomed and petted too.

Our Year 4 children had a busy morning launching their "Scrumdiddlyumptious" topic recently. They had some *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory* inspired activities where the children designed and created their own factory advertisement posters, complete with a tag line showing why it was such an exciting place. They also did blindfold ingredient tasting – some ingredients were sweet, some were salty and some were surprising! Mr Wood, one of our LSAs definitely tried to trick some of the children with what they were eating. They have also been creating their own chocolate bars by melting down chocolate and working as a team to choose three delicious toppings. The children had a brilliant time and then they thought more about where chocolate actually comes from.

Please do have a look on our school website **www.greatbinfields.co.uk** to see what other year groups have been up to at since starting this academic year. We have our New Prospective EYFS Open Mornings soon, please ring our school on **01256 460532** to book an appointment to see our school in action.

CHINEHAM LIBRARY

If you haven't yet booked your tickets for this month's **Lest We Forget** event, there is still time. Tickets can be obtained from the library or via the website. Don't miss this opportunity to hear Jonathan Jones reading war poetry and similar, to commemorate the First World War centenary. Then on **Thursday, 6th December**, we are hosting an evening with Longdog Brewery which should be very enjoyable – further details are to follow.

All our regular activities take place this month. Our **Saturday, 3rd November**, craft session at **10 am** will have a fireworks/bonfire night theme, and there will be **preschool storyimes** at **10 am** on the other weeks. **Saturday afternoon** we hold our **Construction Club, from 2 to 3.30 pm**, for children to play with Lego. The **Chatterbox children's reading group** meets on **Saturday, 15th November**, from **3.45 to 4.45 pm**. **Rhymetimes** also follow the regular pattern, with the **under ones** session at **10 am** and the **over ones** at **11 am**.

For those aged **over 50** who need assistance with any **IT**, we have tuition available from **Age Concern**. Sessions take place **Wednesday mornings** from **10** am, and places can be booked through their office on **01256 423874**. There is good availability of places at present. The **general reading group** meet on **Saturday, 24th November**, and the **Crime Reading Group** on **Monday, 10th November**, both at **10.30** am. The **CHIPPS reading group** for mothers and preschool children meets on **Wednesday, 14th November, at 10** am. For details of the **November meeting** of the **Writing Group** contact the Library; we would love to see there.

We are now fortunate to have two regular **volunteers** at Chineham Library, but we would love to have more. If this is something that might interest you, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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MOTOWN MUSIC MAGIC

If you could put the **Motown Music Magic** night in a bottle the problems of the NHS would disappear overnight. The **Lions Club** would like to thank Lou Taylor for giving us such a marvellous evening of real dancing music and Tracy and her team at the **Old Basing Royal British Legion** for hosting and supporting it so ably.

In spite of the rival attractions of *Strictly* and *The X Factor* over 80 people, including some of the Old Basing Bowlers, chose to brave the elements and come along to strut their stuff. The dance floor was well used from the outset. As usual it was the girls who led the way, but it wasn't too long before the male wallflowers were tempted onto the floor by Lou's seductive voice and their gyrating partners. Such was the enthusiasm that the show overran by about 15 minutes and even when the music stopped the joyful mood continued.

When we were clearing up the fun continued when we found that we had entertained a pseudo health and safety adviser, henceforth to be known as "Josh One Chair", unawares. Thanks a lot Josh!

To put icing on the cake (and there were several delicious ones of those around too) the evening **raised nearly £800** which the **Lions Club** will use to help local people in need. Check us out via our website: **www.basingstokelions.org.uk**

BASINGSTOKE BLUES CLUB

Basingstoke Blues Club, in association with the **Basingstoke Railway Social Club**, Station Approach, Basingstoke, RG21 5NB, presents on **Saturday, 17th November, Catfish**.

Internationally acclaimed Blues Award winning band **Catfish** have a reputation as an excellent live band with a phenomenal frontman in 23-year-old guitarist/vocalist Matt Long who plays with a real passion for the blues. Over two years they received five nominations in the British Blues Awards and have just been awarded a UK Blues Award as Blues Act of the Year. Both their albums have received nominations and awards too. Don't miss this chance to see them!

All welcome, **8 pm till late**, £8 on the door. Licensed bar with low prices. Profits to Brain Tumour Research. **Future date: Saturday, 15th December, TBA**. For further details please contact **Rex** on **01256 321837** or mobile **07979 422590**.

BASINGSTOKE AND DISTRICT RAILWAY SOCIETY

At our first meeting this month, at **7.45 pm** on **Wednesday**, **7th November**, we get competitive with the Society's **Annual Photographic Competition**. Expect a varied show as members' pictorial efforts over the last year are displayed and those present have a chance to vote for their favourites in several railway-themed categories. Our website illustrates competition winners from recent years.

At the following meeting, again at **7.45 pm**, on **Wednesday**, **21st November**, Society member and frequent photographic competition winner Ian Francis will present "Home and Away", illustrating his railway travels around the UK and overseas over the last three years.

Our meetings are held at **The Wote Street Club** in New Road in Basingstoke town centre. We welcome new members to the Society and we are always pleased to see non-members at our meetings. More information about the Society, membership and future meetings can be found on our website at **www.bdrs70d.com** or tel. **01256 331002**.



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THE GOOD OLD BASING PARISH GOLF DAY

The fourteenth **Old Basing Parish Golf Day** took place on **21st, September,** at **Sherfield Oaks Golf Club**. Thirty two players endured a very windy and sometimes showery day, though a brighter afternoon did mean a better end to what were difficult playing conditions. Regardless, an enjoyable event was had and which, considering the conditions, produced some very good scores in each of the morning and afternoon events.

A fun team "Texas Scramble" over 10 holes of the Wellington course was played in the morning and the winners were Malcolm and Carolyn Leavey, Pete Fincham and Linda Sexton, with the foursome of Lee Price, Paul Cooper, John and Rob Fullicks filling second place. The afternoon saw the main event take place on the Waterloo course with each player competing in an individual "Stableford" competition. As well as receiving prizes, bought out of part of the entry fee, the players fought for the right to pick up the perpetual award shield as well.

For only the second time in the event, a lady won the day so many congratulations to Keren Western, who as a member of Sherfield Oaks used her course knowledge to just pip the field with 40 points. Keren, who plays off a 26 handicap, was understandably very pleased with her victory and, as a supporter of the event since its inception, her win was much deserved.

Three players scored 39 points but on count back the second spot was filled by Peter Brickell and in third place was John Fullicks. John Missingham, also a Sherfield member, got the ball closer than anyone else on the short 15th to win the "Nearest-The-Pin" prize and he also struck his ball further than anyone else on the straight and narrow 9th to win the "Longest Drive". All players collected a bottle of fine wine plus vouchers for the main winners. A raffle and auction was then held after a great dinner and this raised a commendable £270 for Dementia UK, the nominated charity of this year's champion Keren.

The organizers wish to extend a massive thank you to the managers and proprietors of local businesses including The Co-op, Old Basing Takeaway, Old Basing Convenience Store, The Topiary Hair Salon, Oliver's Fish and Chips, Bartons Mill, The Hatch, The Crown and Sherfield Oaks Golf Club for their very generous donations of prizes. We would have not been able to have raised anywhere near this amount without the invaluable help of these businesses.

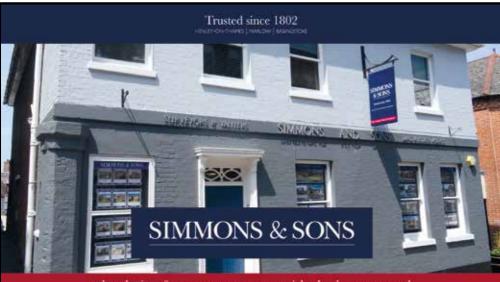
Many thanks to them, and especially to all of the players for their generosity during the after dinner raffle and auctions.

Rick Bourne and Steve Western (tel. 07900 648675 and 07920 840985)

OLD BASING ROVERS FC

Old Basing Rovers FC would like to say a massive thank you to Mark, Sarah, Chloe and George from Cromwell Windows and Doors, based in Old Basing. Old Basing Rovers FC currently have a mix of year 3 and year 4 pupils from the Junior School who have come together to form the club in 2017. Cromwell Windows and Doors kindly sponsored the club in the first season enabling the club to get off the ground. Their continued support for the second season has enabled us to purchase vital equipment for training and matches. We can't thank the family enough and on behalf of everyone at the club and the village want to say thank you.

If anyone from the village wants to come down and support the kids, our home games are normally **every other Sunday** at **10 am** on the **main recreation playing field**. The kids play in a black-and-red striped kit, so please come and cheer them on.



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OLD BASING ROYAL BRITISH LEGION UPDATE

WWI CENTENARY DINNER AND DANCE

It may be that by the time you read this the **WWI Centenary Dinner and Dance** on **Saturday, 3rd November,** may have taken place but if not why not attend either dinner and/or dance to mark the 100th anniversary since the end of the First World War? Tickets for the three-course black tie dinner are priced at £30 each and for just the dance they are £5 each. The dance, guest performers the Three Amigos, starts at **9 pm** and goes on till around **midnight**. See the club steward or contact Rick Bourne for details.

REMEMBRANCE DAY (A HUNDRED YEARS)

Fittingly, Armistice Day falls on Sunday, 11th November, and the Remembrance service will take place at St Mary's Church at 10 am. We hope many parishioners and their families will attend. Everyone is warmly welcomed back at the Royal British Legion for refreshments after the parade returns there at approximately 11.30 am.

MONTHLY BRANCH MEETING

The monthly branch meeting will be on Thursday, 1st November, 7.45 for 8 pm, in the Jack Morris Hall at the Royal British Legion in Crown Lane.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS (BRANCH AND CLUB)

These will be held on **Thursday, 29th November**, with the **Branch meeting** first at **7 pm**, followed by the **Club meeting** at **8.15 pm** approximately, in the **Jack Morris Hall** at the **Royal British Legion** in Crown Lane. All members SHOULD attend! It is hoped to have a guest speaker on the evening also.

Rick Bourne (on behalf of Old Basing Royal British Legion)

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION

There is a **General Meeting** of the **RBL Women's Section** on **Thursday, 22nd November, 7.30 pm** (the competition is "A Christmas Wreath, no larger than 12 inches"), taking place in the **Jack Morris Hall** of the **Royal British Legion**.

Sue Wilson (Publicity)

BASINGSTOKE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT

The Basingstoke Symphony Orchestra on Sunday, 11th November, at 7.45 pm, at The Anvil, Basingstoke, present a programme of respectful, contemplative music for this special Remembrance Sunday.

Promising English composer Butterworth was himself killed in action on the Somme in 1916 and his piece, *A Shropshire Lad*, which was written in 1912, is based on Housman's poems of the same name. Stephen Scotchmer's *Unanswered Prayer* is a particularly poignant and appropriate piece for this concert, as is Ravel's antique miniature, *Pavane pour une infante défunte*.

Sara Deborah Timossi will join the orchestra to perform Brahms' violin concert and the concert concludes with Sibelius' short, single-movement *Seventh Symphony*, his last.

Tickets are available from www.anvilarts.org.uk or call 01256 884244.

NOVEMBER IN YOUR GARDEN

Apple and Pear trees enjoy a good prune at this time, do read up on how to prune them correctly, but basically you are aiming to create an open, goblet shaped tree, with no weak, crossing or dying branches. Trees that aren't pruned once a year will not produce as much fruit, and be harder to manage in the future. Plums should not be pruned at this time however, wait until midsummer.

In the flower garden continue to lift Dahlia tubers, Begonias and Gladiolus corms to store dry over the winter months, making sure you remove the dead foliage before storing. Another job is to cut back yellowing foliage of herbaceous perennials, and lift and divide overcrowded clumps to maintain their vigour. You can also start to plant bare-root roses, planting any time between now and March. Now is the time to plant Daffodil bulbs and other spring-flowering bulbs for a magnificent display next year – it is best to plant Tulip bulbs now to prevent Tulip Fire infection. Also for stunning display next spring plant up a terracotta pot of hyacinth bulbs.

Unless very mild, the lawn should have stopped growing, and lawnmowers can be cared for. Drain unleaded petrol and ensure the mower is clean and dry before storing. Servicing and blade repair/replacement ought to be carried out now before needed next year.

Leaves are falling in earnest, which can of course damage lawns and make the garden look untidy. There is a lot of advice to burn leaves, but it is a terrible waste of a good source of compost! Create a leaf mulch compost bin to store them all in, look online about how to create one as the resulting soil conditioner is possibly the best you can ever use in the garden, especially on heavy clay soil.

If you do have a bonfire, remember of course to check first for Hedgehogs. Ideally shift the whole heap just before lighting to be absolutely sure, as they like to cower when poking round for them rather than running.

Greenhouses will need insulation over the course of the winter. The idea of course is to keep the heat in, but airflow is important to prevent a build up of fungal disease. Clean the greenhouse thoroughly with disinfectant, washing the glass, and the floor, as well as plant pots and anything stored in the greenhouse.

Plants in pots outside may well be going into a dormant stage, and require a lot less watering. If it is not practical to move or cover them, so as to control watering frequency, then raise the pots up on legs to allow the water to drain away easier.

Canes ought to be taken in and stored if not serving a purpose. Remember to clean and dry them to maximise their life!

Strawberry plants will need a bit of care this month. Remove any runners, but do not cut off dead or dying leaves. I find that leaving them on over the winter helps protect them, and can be pruned off in early spring, before the plant begins to grow again. If you have some growing in hanging baskets, move them into the greenhouse.

SNUG AS A BUG

Shortening day length and dropping temperatures are the signal for many species to go into torpor, a period of sleep. Their hibernation can vary from a few days to several months to avoid the winter. For the complete article (from the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust) go to the Basinga website: www.basinga.org.uk

NATURE NOTES FOR NOVEMBER

Following the super video and story of the Barn Owl flying on the Common in the last copy, I had also omitted to include Gill Moore's email of early-morning sightings of two more around Hodds Copse. This is really good news and it could be that the very good summer has helped the breeding population hereabouts.

It has been a fairly quiet month however partly due to holidays I suspect but also August and early September just are months where little seems to happen. Birds are noticeable by their absence, particularly raptors, as they have been in moult and just go missing as if ashamed of their appearance. Kites are only just starting to be seen, and heard, again as are Buzzards, but garden visitors are well down apart from dozens of sparrows that are plundering feeders. Sadly we just lost a mature apple tree which although frequently fruitless, made a brilliant hanger for feeders and cover for the birds so its removal has left our 'regulars' confused I'm sure.

We're getting to the time of year now when we might not see too many hedgehogs about but Shelley Nicholls' pet pair did get their photos taken by her before they began their preparations to bed down for the winter. Shelley had said that she knew they were regular visitors but had not been able to snap them until now. A few weeks before that Shelley also sent a great image of an albino hen Blackbird whose tail feathers were THE white bit. Earlier in the year the bird had seemingly lost all of her tail but they had now grown back white and it looked remarkable. I hope a hungry Sparrowhawk doesn't see the bird as an easy illuminated target!

A visit to Bartons Mill and a chat with expert naturalist Jim Andrews always gives me a source of news and Jim didn't disappoint on this occasion. Trapping small mammals on the Millfield is a regular occurrence of his group that monitor the health of the environment as these largely unseen creatures are a barometer of ground conditions. Jim and co found Pygmy and Water shrews, bank voles, wood mice as well as field mice. Quite soon he was expecting to be able to report Dormice as well as they are known to use the boxes mounted low around the hazel trees bordering the field. So the previous reports of several Owl sightings knits in nicely with the abundant food that these raptors need, along with the likes of Kestrels as well. It bodes well for the future. Don't forget, send your nature-related photos to naturenotes@basinga.org.uk

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OLD BASING TENNIS CLUB

There is still time to enter a team in our **Annual Quiz**! To book a table for your team please contact **Carol Torselli**, email **OBTC.Information@gmail.com** or tel. **01256 818149**. The **Quiz** is on **Saturday**, **10th November**, **7 for 7.30pm start** at **Old Basing Village Hall. Teams of six** (please think of a name!) costing £6 per person. A raffle will be held during the evening. Please bring your own food and drink. We look forward to seeing you at this enjoyable evening!

The **AGM** will be held on **Tuesday, 6th November**, at **7.30 pm** at the **Cricket Club**. Following his triple wins at OBTC Finals' Day, Jamie Thomas has gone on to win the Men's Singles at the Basingstoke and District League Individual Finals' Day which was held on Sunday, 16th September at Beechdown. He beat Simon Mennear of Waverley TC 6-3, 6-3, playing some excellent tennis. Congratulations Jamie! If you would like to find out more about **OBTC** please email our **Secretary, Jan**, at **OBTC.Infomation@gmail.com**

DIARY DATES FOR NOVEMBER

(For details of services and events at St Mary's Church see page 23, for Old Basing Methodist Church, see page 26)

Thu 1	7.45 pm	Royal British Legion Branch Meeting (Jack Morris Hall, RBL)		
Fri 2	10.30 am-noon	Ladies' First Friday Coffee Morning (10 Olivers Walk, Lychpit)		
	2.00 pm-4.30 pm	Old Basing Village Community Café (Parish Room, St Mary's)		
Sat 3	10.00 am	PIOCC Working Party (meet church lobby, St Mary's Church)		
	8.00 pm-midnight	t WWI Centenary Dinner and Dance (Jack Morris Hall, RBL)		
Sun 4	11.00 am–noon	Old Basing Allotment & Garden Society Shop (Riley Lane)		
Tue 6	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Pavilion Committee Room, The Rec)		
Tue 7	7.30 pm	Old Basing Tennis Club Annual Quiz (Village Hall)		
Wed 7	7.30 pm	Basingstoke & District Railway Society talk (Wote Street Club)		
Fri 9	2.00 pm-4.30 pm	Old Basing Village Community Café (Parish Room, St Mary's)		
Sat 10 LAST DATE FOR COPY TO EDITOR (SEE PAGE 3)				
Wed 14	10.00 am	Old Basing Village Nursery School open day (Village Hall)		
Thu 15	12.30 pm	Ploughman's Lunch (Parish Room, St Mary's Church)		
Fri 16	2.00 pm-4.30 pm	Old Basing Village Community Café (Parish Room, St Mary's)		
Sat 17	10.00 am	Mill Field working party (meet play area, Bartons Mill)		
	8.00 pm	"Catfish" Basingstoke Blues Club (B'stoke Railway Soc Club)		
Wed 21	7.30 pm	Basingstoke & District Railway Society talk (Wote Street Club)		
Thu 22	2.00 pm	PIOCC Working Party (meet church lobby, St Mary's Church)		
	7.30 pm	RBL Women's Section Gen Meeting (Jack Morris Hall, RBL)		
Fri 23	2.00 pm-4.30 pm	Old Basing Village Community Café (Parish Room, St Mary's)		
Sat 24	2.30 pm &7.30 pm Old Basing Village Pantomime (Old Basing Village Hall)			
Sun 25	4.00 pm	Old Basing Village Pantomime (Old Basing Village Hall)		
Thu 29	7.00 pm	Royal British Legion AGM Branch & Club (Jack Morris Hall,		
		RBL)		
Fri 30	2.00 pm-4.30 pm	Old Basing Village Community Café (Parish Room, St Mary's)		
LOOKING AHEAD TO DECEMBER				
Sat 1	11.00 am-4.00 pm	Traditional Tudor Christmas Fayre (Great Barn, Basing House)		
Sun 2	11.00 am-noon	Old Basing Allotment & Garden Society Shop (Riley Lane)		
Tue 4	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Pavilion Committee Room, The Rec)		
Fri 7	10.30 am-noon	Ladies' First Friday Coffee Morning (8 Norton Ride, Lychpit)		
Sat 8	11.00 am-5.00 pm	St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival (St Mary's Church)		
Sun	11.00 am-4.00 pm	St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival (St Mary's Church)		
Tue 18	6.30 pm–8.30 pm	Parish Council's Community Partnership Evening (Lychpit		
		Community Hall)		

BASINGA EXTRA

A number of articles have been in competition for a place in this month's printed magazine. Those for which space could not be found are available at www.basinga.org.uk

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