



# The Grapevine

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## Hampton Lucy C of E Primary School and Nursery

We have had a busy start to this Spring half term. Pupils returned to school on 25 February and we kicked off our first WOW week of 2019 with a visit from GB Paralympic Footballer Darren Harris. Each year worked through a series of



circuits with Darren, cheered on by the other pupils. The children then attended an assembly led by Darren, who brought to life the challenges he has faced since he lost his sight. The children

went on to design their own sports and games to play blindfolded, and at the end of the week, the pupils shared everything they had learned in a special *Sharing Assembly* with parents/ carers. We were so proud of



how much they had learned and the empathy they had developed. The following week saw the children taking part in *World Book Day* by dressing as their favourite characters. The children were so enthusiastic to share details of their favourite books, and looked so colourful in our annual *Catwalk Show* for the pupils. Children have also been bringing in photos of them reading books in very extreme places. We are pleased that our pupils enjoy reading so much! **HHT**

## Time to Check Your Attics - Fiona's Back In Town



BBC's Antiques Roadshow will be filmed at *Compton Verney Art Gallery and Park* for the first time this summer. The show, which is in its 42<sup>nd</sup> year, is expected to attract thousands of visitors hopeful of

discovering a lost treasure. Filming, with Fiona Bruce as the show's presenter, will take place on Tuesday, 2 July, and a team of experts will be on hand to examine paintings, jewellery, ceramics, glass, and hundreds of other fascinating, and occasionally quirky, artefacts. It will be screened in the autumn. Fiona, who has presented the show for the past 12 years, says *....even after all these years, people still have the most amazing things tucked away in their attics and garages. I can't wait to see what they pull out of their bags and trolleys.* Robert Murphy, the series producer of Antiques Roadshow, said *...we're thrilled to be bringing the Roadshow to Compton Verney. It's a free, entertaining, family day out - a rare opportunity to go behind the scenes and be a part of one of the BBC's most popular programmes. The show regularly attracts six million viewers.* Entry to the show is free, everyone is welcome, and tickets are not required.



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## The Wheels on the Mill Go....

It's been a very busy start to the year with milling, stone dressing and general maintenance, but time is rapidly marching on to the open season. The mill will reopen to visitors on Easter Sunday and Monday, 21 and 22 April, between 11.00am and 5.00pm and I'll do my best to get a baker to join us then but they are such a busy bunch! The Mill will then be open on the second Sunday of each month, plus bank holidays, right through to October. It really is a hidden treasure on your doorstep, producing lovely stone-ground flour using locally sourced wheat and traditional waterpower. Perfect for home baking. Admission is only £4.50 for an adult, £2.50 a child, or family entry (2+2) for £12, (*under 5's are free.*) For more information why not visit my brand new website at [www.charlecotemill.co.uk](http://www.charlecotemill.co.uk)

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# The Parish Letter

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Dear All,

April already! Spring should really be on its way and judging by the gardens, hedgerows and trees as I write early in March we should soon be surrounded by the beauty of the new growth in all its glory. It is a season that highlights the never changing cycle of the seasons and spring is very much a time of re-birth and re-growth. Who could fail to see the tiny lambs surviving wind, rain and cold without it bringing thoughts of the wonder of creation?

In April we will not only be celebrating the glory of the spring months but using the forty days of Lent for reflection, pausing for a few moments in the hectic

schedule of life today to take stock of ourselves, our behaviour towards others, and our purpose in life. This time in Lent helps us all to come closer to understanding the sorrow, even shame, of the crucifixion and the joy in the celebration of the Risen Christ on Easter Sunday.

Do come and be part of that celebration. We look forward to welcoming you.

Have a very happy Easter.

Rev'd Neville Beamer



## News from the Parishes

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



### Carers4Carers

Friday, 26 April, 10.30am to 12 noon: *Carers4Carers* monthly meeting at Kineton Village Hall. Debbie Anderson, Head of the Health and Community Team at *Moore & Tibbits*, will bring us up-to-date on recent changes to legal issues affecting carers. Come and join us for coffee, biscuits and a chat. Please let us know in advance if you would like us to look after your loved one in our Companionship Group. For more details, including help with transport, please phone Gillian on 01926 640203 or 07947 893504.

LM

### Are you a keen gardener?

Do you like working in other people's gardens? Do you have some time to spare? *Charlecote Quiet Garden* is in need of some springtime maintenance and TLC. If you are willing to join with others and give a few hours to weed, prune and tidy then please contact Revd Rachel Saum on [charlecotequietgarden@gmail.com](mailto:charlecotequietgarden@gmail.com) or 'phone 07815 793625. Dates currently in the diary are: Thursday, 28 March 2.00pm - 5.00pm; Monday, 1st April 2.00pm - 5.00pm; Saturday, 6 April, 2.30pm - 5.00pm. All willing volunteers will be sustained with homemade cake! If you are interested but can't make any of these dates then please do still contact Rachel, to arrange alternative dates.

RS

### Are You Having A Party This Summer?

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### University of the Third Age

The Dene Valley U3A will host a presentation by David Price on *The Truth Behind Les Misérables*, the highly successful musical stage show, film and recent television production. This will take place at St Peter's Church, Wellesbourne, on Tues, 9 April, starting at 2.30pm. Non-members are welcome to attend at a nominal charge of £2 which includes refreshments. If you would like to know more about our organisation, then please visit our website at <http://www.denevalleyu3a.btck.co.uk>

JH

### Forthcoming Parish Council Elections

Local government elections will take place on Thursday, 2 May 2019, including the election of Councillors to serve on Hampton Lucy Parish Council. All five seats will be contested. If you are interested in standing as a Parish Councillor you should obtain a candidate's pack from Dr. John Dunkerton, Parish Clerk: 01789 842573; [hamptonlucyclerk@gmail.com](mailto:hamptonlucyclerk@gmail.com)

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### From the Registers

This section of *The Grapevine* will be re-introduced when we have a new Priest in Charge.

AJW



## Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI

At the March meeting, Dr Gillian White gave an intriguing and amusing talk on the *History of Kenilworth* with emphasis on Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester. During the threat of the Spanish Armada, Dudley was in overall command of the English land forces and invited Queen Elizabeth to visit her troops at Tilbury where she made her famous speech to the assembled masses. This was the last of many events he had organised over the years, the most expensive being the huge pageant staged at Kenilworth Castle in 1575 during a three-week visit by the Queen. Dudley was also principal patron of the arts, literature and theatre. Gillian then judged *The Most Interesting Pin Cushion* competition - the winner was Carol Pagett, with Helen Hoggarth second and Helen Sill third. There are still places available for the visit to Denman College on 15 May. The next meeting on the 3 April in Hampton Lucy Village Hall will be our *100th Anniversary Party* for members, past and present. The principal guests will be the National Federation Chair, Lynne Stubbings, and the WFWI County Chair. Entertainment will be provided by Cathy, performing vintage 1930s to 1980s songs. The evening's competition will be *A Flower Arrangement in a Jam Jar*, the arrangements to be then used to decorate the tables.

PT



## Wellesbourne & District Lions Club

On Saturday, 6 April, we will host our annual *Senior Citizens' Concert and Light Lunch/Afternoon Tea* at Kington High School. This is a free fun event organised by the Lions and all *seniors* living in our district are invited to come along. Free transport to and from your home is available and there will be entertainment plus free bingo and free raffle. If you would like to know more, want to book a place or you know of somebody else who would like to be there, contact Lion Paul Gibson on 01789 841730. Once again we've asked pubs, restaurants and local businesses to kindly host one of our amazing giant Easter eggs and to raffle them at £1 a play. I hope many of you have been persuaded to have a try - if not, there is still time! All profits will go to local charities, organisations and good causes. On Saturday, 27 April, the Lions will be hosting a *Sixties Revival Night*, featuring local group *Shadowfax*, at Barford Memorial Hall starting at 7.30pm. The cost is £12 per person and includes a light buffet. There will be dancing and a licenced bar. Tickets are available from Barford shop or from Lion Robin Hammond on 01789 621136. On behalf of all the Lions I would like to wish all of you a very happy Easter.

AS

## News From Charlecote Park

With Easter almost as late as it can be this year, we're hoping for sunshine for our annual Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt. We're running this between Thursday, 18, and Tuesday, 23 April, from 10.00am each day. It's an easy walk around the grounds, finding out what makes Charlecote special and finishing with a Cadbury chocolate egg. It will be super-busy over the weekend and Good Friday, so if you're able to come on the weekdays you'll find it less crowded. In previous



Photo: Jana Eastwood

years the site has reached capacity in the middle of the day. If this happens again, we'll have to close to new visitors for an hour or two, so you'll have a better day out if you can arrive first thing, or after 3.00pm (*The grounds are open until 6.00pm by then*). Each Egg Hunt is £3, and normal admission applies to non-members. If you're looking for a more relaxing experience, come along for a walk

away from the Easter break and you'll spot the little Jacob lambs in the parkland. The new Wood Yard Café should be open in time for Easter, (*no promises at the time of writing!*), so do try it out after the holiday rush and let us know what you think on social media. Also - our first Bat Walk of the year is on the evening of 11 May so book ahead if you'd like places, before it sells out.

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## 500 Years of Beautiful Art at Compton Verney

Compton Verney Art Gallery and Park reopens with a beautiful exhibition depicting the fleeting innocence and beauty of childhood - and the lengths to which great artists had to go to make their young subjects sit still! *Painting Childhood* runs from 16 March until 16 June and spans 500 years of the art of childhood. Many of the pictures are on loan from The Royal Collection, including a series of exquisite miniatures commissioned by Prince Albert, depicting their nine children when they were each four years old and set as a bracelet for Queen Victoria. There is also a series of delicate pencil



sketches of the royal children at play, drawn by Queen Victoria herself. The

exhibition spans the years from Holbein to Lucian Freud, featuring large, dynastic paintings alongside smaller but beautifully crafted and sometimes poignant depictions of children, some of whom died very young as was common in those times, even in wealthy and privileged families.

One of the pictures is the famous painting by Millais (*below*) which was later re-titled *Bubbles* and used by Pears to advertise their soap. The curators present a parallel exhibition as well, *Childhood Now*, featuring the work of three contemporary artists who depict



J E Millais  
*Boy Blowing Bubbles*

modern youngsters using their own children as subjects or by recapturing their own childhood memories. I was privileged to view the exhibitions before they opened to the public and they are superb, as



Van Dyck - Charles I Eldest Children

we have come to expect from Compton Verney's imaginative curators. The classical portraits sit very comfortably with the modern paintings, enhancing and complementing each other. In addition to the artwork inside the house, you will also enjoy a landscape art installation in the Park, best viewed as you cross the Capability Brown bridge. The work is by the Dutch artist, *Krijn de Koning*, who uses large structures in the shape of green blocks and arches, and is designed to encourage

the visitor to picture the open *Capability Brown* landscape with new perspectives from different viewpoints. There is a new footpath around the parkland with the entrance gate adjacent to the bridge which leads you through the artwork.

(Well worth a visit!...Ed)

AJW/CF

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## Sixties Revival

### Night

featuring local group *Shadowfax*

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**Saturday 27th April**  
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## 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> MAY

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The Charlecote website:  
[www.charlecotevillagehall.weebly.com](http://www.charlecotevillagehall.weebly.com)

**Hampton Lucy  
'The Lucy Lads'**  
will meet in The Boars Head at 11.30am on  
Thursday, 4 April.  
All Lads' at Heart will be most welcome.

**Hampton Lucy  
'The Lucy Ladies'**  
will meet in The Boars Head, Hampton Lucy,  
on Tuesday, 9 April at 10.30am.  
All Ladies welcome.

## Loxley's 2019 Season of Concerts

St Nicholas' Church, Loxley  
All start at 3.00pm and last for an hour.

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generously to the retiring collection



19 May	The Tora Wilson Vocal Academy
16 June	Opera Warwick
21 July	Helen Clutterbuck with Helen Gillespie (piano)
18 August	Eleanor Sterland and Florian Panzieri, with musicians from The Guildhall School of Music and Drama
22 Sept	Romany Pie
20 Oct	Natasha Agarwal, with musicians from the Royal Academy of Music.

All proceeds will go towards the church fabric fund

Classic cars of all marques meet at  
The Boars Head, Hampton Lucy  
Easter Sunday, 21 April, 12.30pm to  
2.00pm (ish). No charge - everyone welcome.



## WASPINGTON VILLAGE HALL POP UP PUB NIGHT



Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
5.30pm – 10.00pm

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day, beer, wine, prosecco and our  
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## The Last Night of the Proms

returns to Hampton Lucy this Autumn  
Plans are already well underway for another  
spectacular night of music and fun.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September  
in St Peter's Church

Numbers will be restricted this year so make a note!

Thank you to our generous sponsors.

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## Church Services

April

Sunday 7

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Passiontide begins

09:30	Charlecote	Morning Worship	(CW)
09:30	Loxley	Holy Communion	(BCP)
18:00	Hampton Lucy	Holy Communion	(CW)

Sunday 14

Palm Sunday

09:30	Hampton Lucy	Family Service	(CW)
09:30*	Barford	Holy Communion	(CW)
<i>*Meet at 09:15 near Village Shop for Palm Sunday Procession</i>			
11:00	Charlecote	Holy Communion	(CW)
11:00	Loxley	Matins	(BCP)
18:00	Hampton Lucy	Evensong	(BCP)

Thursday 18

Maundy Thursday

19:30	Wasperton	Holy Communion	(BCP)
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Friday 19

Good Friday

10:00	Hampton Lucy	Hot Cross Bun Service	
14:00	Charlecote	Good Friday Meditation	

Sunday 21

Easter Day

09:15	Hampton Lucy	Holy Communion	(CW)
10:45	Charlecote	Holy Communion	(CW)
11:00	Loxley	Holy Communion	(CW)

Sunday 28

Second Sunday of Easter

(Benefice Services)

08.00	Barford	Connect	
09.30	Wasperton	Communion	(CW)
11.00	Sherbourne	Holy Communion	(CW)

### For your diary - April

- Wed 3 Hampton Lucy and Charlecote WI, Hampton Lucy VH, 7.00pm, *page 3*.
- Thur 4 **The Lucy Lads** meet at The Boars Head at 11.30am, details on **Notice Board**.
- Sat 6 **Lions' Senior Citizens Concert**, Kineton High School, *page 3*.
- Mon 8 **Wellesbourne & District Lions Club**, Connie Club, 8.00pm, *page 3*.
- Tues 9 **Dene Valley U3A**, St Peter's Church, Wellesbourne, 2.00pm, *page 2*.
- Tues 9 **The Lucy Ladies** meet at The Boars Head at 10.30am, details on **Notice Board**.
- Wed 10 **Copy deadline for the May edition of *The Grapevine***.
- Thur 11 **Hampton Lucy Youth Club**, Hampton Lucy Village Hall, 6.00pm to 8.00pm, 18 to 23 **Charlecote Park Easter Egg Hunt**, *page 3*.
- Sun 21 **Classic Cars Meet**, The Boars Head, 12 noon to 2.00pm, **Notice Board**.
- Fri 26 **Carers4Carers**, Kineton Village Hall, 10.30am to 12 noon, *page 2*.
- Fri 26 **Wasperton Pop Up Pub**, **Notice Board**.
- Sat 27 **Lions' Sixties Revival Night**, Barford Memorial Hall, *page 4*.

(For Hampton Lucy Youth Club Easter dates, please check with your leaders.)

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