

SEPTEMBER

2019



## ST JAMES CHURCH ROOF



As I think most people in the village are aware the lead on St James Church roof was stolen earlier in the summer. Unfortunately the insurance does not cover the cost of repair as so many churches have had lead stolen the amount paid out is only a fraction of the cost. We don't know the final cost yet but early estimates are in the order of £100,000 and although we have had tarpaulin fitted this is not sufficient to stop water ingress so we will need to replace this soon.

More shocking pictures inside.

All the Church's funds are being diverted to this project; including the Harvest Supper, Harvest Auction and Annual Giving Day (see back page for more details). The planned redecoration of the inside of the church has been cancelled as the funds have now gone towards the cost of the roof.

Around 8 centuries of history and tradition are in danger of being washed away. Can you help?

We are looking to get grants from the Lottery Heritage Fund, The Bucks Historic Churches Trust. Does anyone know of any other funds or grants we can apply for? Are there any local businesses who may be able to help sponsor the roof?

We are also launching the St James Church Roof appeal.

You can Sponsor the church roof, with all sponsors being recorded in a commemorative booklet to be displayed in St James.

Bronze - £25, Silver - £50, Gold - £100, Platinum - £150

Donations can be made to the Church Wardens; June Margerrison and David Brazier or online on our Just giving Page [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/st-james-roof](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/st-james-roof) We also have a card machine available in church for payments direct to the church account.

By the time you read this we should have a better temporary solution for the church roof but still need any help you can provide for a permanent one!

*Thank you for your support.*

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## St James' Services for September

			Sidesmen	Reader	Intercessor
1st Sept	11.00am	Holy Communion	I Lamberton	J Brigden	I Lamberton
8th Sept	11.00am	Come & Praise	P Moyles	D Brazier	Clergy
15th Sept	11.00am	Holy Communion	J Margerrison	R Margerrison	J Margerrison
22nd Sept	11.00am	Harvest Service	N Weir	C Finnemore	Clergy
29th Sept	11.00am	Come and Share	J Margerrison	R Margerrison	J Margerrison
7th Oct	11.00am	Holy Communion	I Lamberton	D Brazier	I Lamberton

## Church Key

Zahra Hanson – 713406

### VILLAGE FETE

On behalf of St James' Church, I would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to making the Village Fete and Dog Show such a success again this year.

*David Brazier*

### BRAVE THE SHAVE - THANK YOU

Many thanks to everyone who supported me in Brave the Shave donations are still coming in which is just wonderful. Many thanks again Georgina Pacitti.

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Friday September 27th 10am - 12noon at The Swan

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Looking forward to seeing you all.

Many many thanks Georgina and Colin Pacitti, Tracy and Paulo Solera our hosts from The Swan.

### GREAT HORWOOD VILLAGE HALL

By the time you read this the new doors and ramp should be well on the way to completion.

To carry on my theme of the last 2 months I thought I would tell you how the Whist and Art and Craft clubs started. When the Preschool left the hall and moved to the school it left a big gap in the halls income. The then treasurer the late Mrs Monica Jones got a group of us together and the two clubs were born as fund raisers for the village hall.

The Whist group meets on alternative Thursday evenings and although there are only a few of us we still manage to make a small contribution to the halls funds.

The Art and Craft group meet every Friday morning and along with the band are the main contributors to the halls income. Its a fun morning with various activities happening all at the same time and of course there is coffee and biscuits and sometimes cake. We love trying out new crafts sometimes very successfully and sometimes not.

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## GREAT HORWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB

### The AGM 2018-19 Season, Chairman's report

I'm pleased to report that your football club had a successful 2018-19 season and as we are a small Club, you are unlikely to read any NEW news or indeed FAKE news within this short summary.

Starting with the Junior section.

The pre Season Junior tournament took place again this season, our 6th tournament, and again proved extremely popular with everyone, especially our treasurer Steve Yardley and the bank.

This event, along with the Race Night have become our two main fund raising events of the year and this year we had over 300 cars, lots of teams, players and supporters turning up. This pre season tournament has become a bit of a tradition for local Clubs and our thanks and recognition must go to Martin Waggott and his 'team of jolly men and women,' for all the hours they put in, planning and delivering a great experience. Our thanks also to Jo (Mrs Waggott), for her patience and support! Thank's also to those 'special few' who turn up, time and again to help with pitch marking, car parking, finding refs, organising medals and trophies, manning the control tower & score board and clearing up after.

I'm pleased to say that this year's tournament is already well in hand, but we will only be inviting teams that are in the same age bracket as our Junior teams and hence this year, will be a smaller tournament. As a Club, we have suffered (as has the village school) from a drop in the number of children coming into the area and the Moretonville effect. I'm happy to listen to anyone who has good ideas re how we counteract or work with Moretonville FC. We are always looking for new junior players and helpers, so please do get in touch.

As for 'on the pitch activities'...I think it fair to report that from a Club perspective, the Junior (and indeed Senior teams) had 'average' seasons compared to recent years.

The U12's finished 5th in the league and got through to the semi finals of the Cup.

The U18's finished 6th in their league and had a short cup run.

What worked very well this year, was the number of U18 players who also turned out for the Senior Reserves and indeed First team. A special mention must go to Ciaran Waggott, who finished top of the league's U18's goal scorers and also got on the 'adults' goal scoring list. His future looks bright!

### The Senior's.

A fairly low key season, with a lot of frustration as a result of the fixture timetable. The highlight was reaching the final and trying to defend the Oving Cup, against a strong Long Crendon team. Unfortunately, this was not to be and our other cup run's in the Bucks Charity Cup and Berks and Bucks competition all ended with early exits. The good news is that Mark has the players now focussed on this season's campaign's.

**The Vets** finished 'bottom' of their division, having played 14, W3, D3, L8.....and had no Cup run!! But they had a laugh! Andy Cooke has got them all geared up to go again this year and they will be looking to strengthen their squad with some fresh blood.

**The Reserves**, managed by an ever youthful Jack 'Pige' Trundell had an average season, reaching the quarter finals of the Cup tournament and managing to initiate 5 of the U 18's into senior football. Hopefully the fixtures secretary will be able to condense the season into less weekends this year. During the season, the reserves had 15 free weekends....but were still playing in May! I must also thank Pige for his attendance this year at the Committee meeting's and his willingness to take on more of the Club chores.

Moving on to the 'behind the scenes' activity, I am delighted to report that Steve has kept a tight reign on the finances, even if the Bank has been far from helpful. We end the year with a strong war chest, should the need ever arise.

Wendy Wright has 'joyfully' kept the Child Welfare responsibilities of the Club in check...just don't mention tractors to her.

Sid has kept me on the straight and narrow for most of the season and he continues to do a fantastic job, gluing all the club activity together.

Derek and our 'hands on' President Sylvia, have spent many hours maintaining the Clubhouse both inside and out and the groundsmen/tractor crew have again done a sterling job. We have all played (in our day) on some ropey old pitches, but Gt Horwood always seems to be able to have pitches turned out 'fit for purpose'.

Hot of the press, I'm pleased to report that Santander have agreed to spend some time and invest some labour, Free Of Charge, painting the inside of the Club during the next few weeks. Its ironic, that a few of us painted the outside of the Club house only recently!

Drawing to an end, I'm very happy to report that the Club is on a sound footing financially and this gives us the opportunity to think about the future. As some of you will know, I have ideas on where this Club could go, on how Great Horwood could offer a wider more encompassing sports experience to the whole village and beyond. However, like most of us, I can only commit so many hours a year to the Club. As a result, my thoughts on the Club extension and formation of a Gt Horwood Sports Society are currently on the slow burner. On a positive note, the Parish Council remain very supportive of the Club and we thank them and the Castlefields Trust for that support.

Finally, it's great to see the village football and cricket club's continuing to build relationships and enjoying joint fundraising activities. If you haven't attended one of these quiz or race night events...you don't know what you're missing!

Good luck everyone for the 2019-20 which will soon be here.

*Vyv Rudd,*

*Chairman Gt Horwood FC*

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### IT'S RAINING IN OUR CHURCH

We had tarpaulin put on the roof after the theft of the lead and had hoped that it would last a few months but unfortunately the high wind and heavy rain of recent weeks have led to water flooding into the church.

With thanks to Great Horwood Cricket club for loaning us tarpaulin for the inside and the Moores for putting it up.



#### WINSLOW & DISTRICT ART SOCIETY

The last 12 months have proved to have been very successful for the Society and we start the New Year with our AGM at the end of September (Sept 26th) which will include a portrait demonstration from Peter Keegan.

The past 12 months have seen the development of the new exhibition displays (with further extra panels in November) which enable us to easily show up to 150 pictures. Visitors to the exhibitions have appreciated the improved display and picture sales have responded. We added a separate display from local schoolchildren in November and presented awards and prizes to the winning pupils. It is good to encourage those starting out their artistic life.

We have enjoyed a series of excellent speakers at our monthly meetings, and the two painting groups in Winslow and in Padbury are well supported. With extra workshops from professional artists, we are providing members with the ability to develop their skills and explore new possibilities.

Our membership continues to grow and the Society finances will enable us to enter a third year with the same membership subscription, something which is rare in these days.

New members of the Society are always welcome, whether you are an active artist, a total beginner, or simply just interested in how pictures are made.

For more information, the people to contact are :

- Treasurer Jackie Chambers (01296) 713607
- Secretary Maureen Barnes (01280) 815691
- Chairman Peter Weatherill (01908) 675146

#### WI NEWS

A Dog Aid trainer addressed our July meeting to explain how their dogs give valuable assistance in helping people with their everyday lives. Two people kindly brought their lovely dogs along to demonstrate how they help with tasks such as emptying the washing machine, turning off lights or picking up post.

Our London trip which Karen had arranged to the British Library and The Postal Museum was a very enjoyable day. The Library turned out to be so fascinating that we could have actually spent the whole day there. We moved on to the very interesting Postal Museum where we rounded off the visit with a ride on the small underground train which used to rapidly distribute post around the city. As usual we enjoyed several coffee stops and finished our day off at a good pizza restaurant.

It was very fortunate that we had a lovely dry day for our annual garden party with a Plowman's Supper finished off with lots of delicious puddings made by our members.

We are looking forward to our September meeting where we will have a talk from the Head Gardener at Woburn Abbey. If you would like to join us please contact Angela Mayne on 715400 or [angela.mayne@googlemail.com](mailto:angela.mayne@googlemail.com). You would be very welcome.



## MEN IN SHEDS

Our final training sessions concluded in July with two excellent pottery demonstrations from fellow Shedder Ali Abidi with enthusiastic assistance from local potter Joyce Hill. Like all the best teaching, their work managed to inspire as well as to inform so members were able to have a go and produce some creditable kiln-ready pieces. 'Having the gear' is one thing but now we have an idea too – and that was our main aim when planning the sessions. Building on this, we've decided to put together a monthly programme of presentations for the Autumn. These will aim to update members on new pieces of equipment, refresh skills as needed or maybe offer a chance to share individual experience, hobbies and enthusiasms. We'll see how things go but each month's subject will be announced in these pages to start with.

And now – a date for your diary!

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## Great Horwood Scouts learn life skills during weekend camp

Members of 1st Great Horwood Scout Group learned life skills during a weekend camp at Milton Bryan in Bedfordshire.

At the weekend camp the Scouts learned planning and preparation and then put some other skills into practice.

After planning their own activities, working out a menu and deciding what equipment they would need the Scouts also worked out a routine of when they were going to have their meals and who was going to do the cooking and washing up.

One of the activities they undertook on the Saturday was a hike and they had to plan the route, calculate how long it would take them and what equipment, food and drink they would need.

Adult volunteer Simon Cull said: "This weekend gives them the opportunity to work together as a team.

"They will learn about food hygiene and how to ensure everything they are cooking is ready at the same time.

"They will also find out about how to plan a route for a hike and the time it will take, including breaks and going at the pace of the slowest person."

One of the Scouts involved in the trip Matthew Lumsdaine said: "We had to decide what we were going to eat for the weekend and the activities we wanted to do.

"We had to make our own sandwiches and carry them, along with drinks and a waterproof on the hike.

"I was in charge of cooking bacon and beans this morning."

When asked what he liked about Scouting Matthew said: "Trying new activities such as kayaking, having fun and making new friends.



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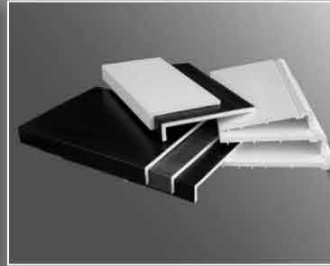
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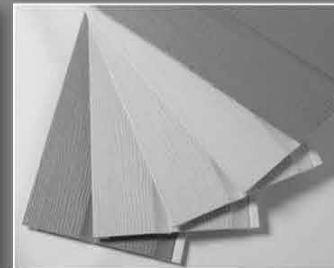
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## Harvest Fundraising for a New Roof

All our Harvest celebrations this year will provide funds towards a new roof so please support us in any way you can.



### St James Church Harvest Supper Friday 20th September

Our harvest supper will be held on September 20th in the village hall, starting at 19.30. On offer will be a delicious home cooked three course supper priced at £10.00 for adults and £5 for children – a great night out for all the family. Booking is a necessity through June Margerrison 714554 or Sue Brazier 714712. Please bring your own liquid refreshment.

### St James Church Harvest Service Sunday 22nd September

Our harvest service will take place at St. James Church on September 22nd at 11.00. We are once again supporting the MK Food Bank Appeal, and would ask for donations of tinned, dried or long-life food to be left in the church during the week leading up to the 22nd. Donations will be displayed at the altar during our harvest service.

### Swan Harvest Auction Thursday 26th September

We are delighted that Paolo & Tracy at the Swan will be hosting our annual harvest auction this year, to be held on September 26th at 20.00. This is a popular event so do arrive in plenty of time for viewing, to have a drink and to guarantee a seat. Should you have any items to donate please leave them at the Swan at lunchtime on the 26th or with June Margerrison at 5, Wigwell Gardens during the week before.

### St James Church Coffee Morning and Giving Day Saturday 28th September

We are holding our St. James Coffee Morning and Giving Day on September 28th, 10.00 to 13.00. Please come along to see the church and enjoy a coffee and cake. It would be greatly appreciated if you could make a donation using the envelope in Focus which enables us to reclaim tax if you are a UK taxpayer or one of the envelopes available in church. Alternatively, donations can be passed to Russell Margerrison 714554 or David Brazier 714712.

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