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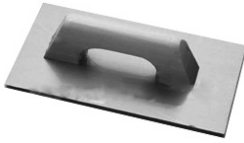
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Dear Readers

We can hardly believe that this is our final issue of SCAN magazine, but here we are saying goodbye. We've really enjoyed the last 9 years of producing SCAN but feel that the time is now right to hand over the reins to another villager and we are immensely grateful to Mike for volunteering his services. He's definitely hit the ground running and has already shown that he's the right man for the job!

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported us over the years from the regular contributors (such a difficult task to come up with new and interesting topics every month.....David, you're a master at it), to the ad hoc entries, the advertisers who have kept SCAN in the black, the volunteer distributors and deliverers, our amazing printers and to all of you who have kindly made such generous donations.....SCAN magazine could not have continued without you and we're very grateful.

We're now going to treat ourselves to a relaxing summer break, the next issue will be September's, deadline for entries is the 18th of August and the new email address for all correspondence is editor@scan-magazine.co.uk

Please continue to support your local parish magazine, it would be amazing if SCAN could keep going for another 50 years!

With thanks to you all.....Julia and Elaine x

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Dear Friends,

May I use this opportunity to thank our previous editors for their efforts, to welcome Mike Richardson as our new Editor and to thank him for offering his services.

On the first Sunday of every month, at 10.30 in St Laud's, Sherington, we hold a 'Something Different' service. This is meant to be just that, something recognisable as worship – but not Holy Communion and not Morning Prayer.

This service is intended for everyone – those who are regular church members, those who come occasionally and those who would like to take the opportunity to dip a toe into finding out more about Christian thought and worship.

There is no upper or lower age limit, and we try to provide activities, music and teaching which appeal to all.

It's not loud, or rowdy, nor is it too solemn. The atmosphere is relaxed but the service is not just for entertainment. We don't insist that children sit clamped to their seats, nor do we encourage them to run around! it is not a 'Children's Service' but children are welcome.

In writing this I have tried to respond to some of the criticisms, misunderstandings and comments which have been made directly to me, or which have come to my ears since we started the service.

Over the years we have done all sorts of things, but the main elements are as follows:

We start with refreshments which people can bring to their places if they haven't finished when the service starts.

The church seating is arranged round tables so people can see and speak to each other and everyone is encouraged to ask questions or comment on what is said and done.

We use a screen – so no hymn books are needed, and we use a mixture of familiar and less well-known hymns and songs. It's good to learn something new every now and then.

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The service has a regular but not rigid pattern.

We only need a leaflet occasionally, for instance when we use a Celtic form of worship or there is a Baptism, but mostly the texts are on the screen. So with books and papers..

There is usually a craft activity of some sort – the results are varied, but the activity is fun.

What was that – fun, in church..... yes, fun. Recently we have been delighted to notice how adults fall on colouring with enthusiastic glee! For some reason there are never enough red felt-tips to go round! Recently, we coloured flags to celebrate VE.

Day and used them as bunting to decorate the church. The children who were there that week were delighted because it tied in with what they had been doing in school.

On the 6th of July the service will be even more different than usual. Same time, same place but amongst other things, John and I are celebrating our Golden Wedding anniversary that weekend and we shall be renewing our vows. We would love to see as many friends as possible there – there will be cake. Do come, give it a go.

Every blessing, Pam Fielding

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SCAN Service for June 2025



6th July

10.30am

'Something Different' in SCAN –
St Laud's, Sherington (Family Friendly)

13th July

9.30am

H/C at St Firmin's North Crawley

20th July

9.30am

Holy Communion at St Laud's Sherington
Evensong St Lawrence's Chicheley

4pm

27th July

11am

H/C St Lawrence's Chicheley

From the SCAN Parish Registers

Funerals

Terrance Lusted of Sherington,
funeral service at St Laud's Sherington,
followed by Cremation

19th June 2025

May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

Weddings

Charlotte Heggie and Alex Price **29th May 2025**
St Laud's Sherington

Jovita Varzgaliene and Graeme Church **7th June 2025**
St Lawrence's Chicheley

Ben Soltan and Marla Koehne **21st June 2025**
St Firmin's North Crawley

*In your goodness Lord watch over these couples you have joined in
the covenant of marriage*

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Astwood & Hardmead

Fellow Astwoodians and Hardmeaders,

What a splendid start to summer it has been! The hedgerows are in bloom, the sun (dare I say it) continues to make a rather generous appearance, and the village is positively humming with life. Let us hope I haven't jinxed it by saying so!

We're delighted to welcome all new residents to our little patch of Buckinghamshire bliss—please do make yourselves at home. Whether you've moved here for the peace and quiet, the picturesque walks, or just to be closer to the pub (and who could blame you!), we're thrilled to have you.

A Farmer's Market to Remember – the 2nd Sunday of every month from 10am–2pm

June saw the launch of our very first Astwood Farmer's Market—and what a tremendous success it was! The village green was transformed into a vibrant hub of local delights, featuring a wonderful array of stalls:

- Hamm Tun Fine Foods
- Karen's Craze Kitchen
- BumbleLee Bakes
- Wood You Believe It MK
- Cheri fleurs
- Sunset Bakehouse
- JPs Meats & More
- The Egg Shed at Abbey Farm
- Bozeat Village Honey
- Aspen Rural Interiors



The Village Hall was also abuzz with the scent of freshly brewed coffees and teas and the clatter of cake forks. The Plant Sale and the ever-popular Coffee Morning raised a jolly good sum toward the upkeep of the hall—thank you to everyone who baked, brewed, or bought a pot of cosmos!

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Upcoming Events – Do Mark Your Calendars

There's much more merriment on the horizon, so polish your calendars and sharpen your pencils:

- **Summer Craft Fair – Saturday 5th July (Village Hall)**

A celebration of local makers and crafters. Expect handmade wonders, creative treasures, and, of course, cake. Timings to be confirmed on WhatsApp & Facebook.

- **Village BBQ – Saturday 13th September**

A firm favourite! Live band, lashings of grilled delights, and great company. Tickets will be sold in advance. More details to follow on WhatsApp & Facebook.

- **Apple Produce Day – Saturday 11th October**

This year we're swapping the pressing for pies! On offer – the finest apple-based concoctions—be it chutney, cake, crumble or cider. A glorious way to celebrate the harvest!

- **Autumn Quiz Night – Thursday 16th October (Village Hall)**

BYO drinks and bring your best brains! Team sizes, timings and ticket info to follow soon.

A Little Encouragement...

In the spirit of neighbourly support, a gentle nudge to remember our beloved village pub, a cornerstone of Astwood life. Whether it's a pint in the garden, a roast on Sunday, or just a natter by the bar, our pub thrives when we do.

And congratulations are most definitely in order for Jo Beach-Holland, who raised an impressive £600+ at her recent Quiz Night in aid of Willen Hospice—a wonderful cause close to many hearts. Jo, who also leads the yoga classes in the village, brings both energy and calm to our little community in equal measure. She has some special events and workshops coming up at the Village Hall, so do take a peek at her website for details: <https://just4today.org.uk>

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Parish Council Update

A warm thank you to Derek, who has stepped up as Chair of the Parish Council, and to Piers, as Vice Chair. Both already give so much to village life, and we're grateful for their continued dedication. Thanks also to the whole committee for their time and energy—it's very much appreciated and doesn't go unnoticed.

A Less Cheerful Note...

There have been a few more incidents of fly tipping in the parish, including a particularly unwelcome old caravan dumped in the cut-through. The best thing we can all do is report these eyesores promptly to Milton Keynes Council. The quicker it's removed, the less chance we have of becoming a regular dumping ground—and reporting can help lead to prosecutions, too. So here's to sunshine (fingers crossed), to community, and to all the simple joys of village life. Whether you're planting cosmos or simply enjoying a quiet walk across the fields, thank you for being part of what makes Astwood and Hardmead such special places. Until next time—keep your teacups full, and your spirits high!

Cheerio for now, **Greenfinch**

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of the Month**

TIME: 10AM – 2PM

**WHERE: The Green opposite the
Astwood Village Hall**

WHY: Because Waitrose can wait.



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Chicheley

Possibly one of the most famous songs from the film Oklahoma is “Oh what a beautiful morning”. That pretty much summarises the day on which I am writing this note, although the corn in the field outside of the house is not yet as high as an elephant’s eye and of course won’t be as it is winter wheat and not maize, but is proceeding towards its eventual harvest.

From memory I think the film was produced during the 1950s which leads me nicely into the two main subjects for this month’s article. These are a visit to an open air museum and a long journey for an old farm tractor, so read on.

Chicheley Coach Trip - A Day at the Black Country Living Museum

On Saturday 7th June, a lively coachload of Chicheley residents, plus friends from other villages, set off for a day out at the Black Country Living Museum—and what a brilliant day it was! With sunshine on our side and plenty of good spirits aboard, we were treated to a wonderful experience enjoyed by all ages.

The museum, located in Dudley, offers an immersive step back in time. Set across 26 acres, it brings to life the sights, sounds, smells (and tastes!) of the Black Country’s industrial past. From riding on vintage fairground rides to chatting with costumed characters and sampling traditional fish and chips cooked in a coal-fired fryer, there was something for everyone to enjoy. We especially loved exploring the old-fashioned sweet shop and schoolroom, as well as finding the canal-side village and working replicas truly fascinating.



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By the end of the day, there were plenty of tired feet and sleepy smiles—everyone was well and truly tuckered out after a day packed with discovery, laughter, and a bit of nostalgia.

A huge thank you to everyone who came along and made the day so special. Over the next few weeks, I'll be putting the feelers out to plan our next trip—so if you've got any ideas, keep them in your pocket and watch this space!

Sarah

On Saturday morning, June the 14th, a small group of our villagers were waiting outside the Village Hall for the arrival of a vintage Nuffield tractor. Brian, its driver, who grew up in Chicheley, was on the first stage of a fundraising drive from London to Edinburgh. This had been in the planning for some 12 months and the main purpose was to raise funds for a number of good charitable causes. As I am writing, a telephone call has just come in to tell of Brian and the Nuffield's safe arrival in Auld Reekie. In a future Scan magazine I will try and include a more detailed description of the journey and donations, so well done Brian and his support team. Perhaps the tractor will appear at the annual exhibition of interests that will be held at Chicheley Village Hall later this year.

Forthcoming Events

The next Chich Chats will be held from 10.30 a.m. until noon on **Tuesday, July 8th, Tuesday August 12th** and **Tuesday September 9th** in the village hall.

St. Lawrence's Day, on which we remember our church's patron saint, falls on **Sunday 10th August** on which day a service will be held at 11a.m. Light refreshments will be served after the service.

VJ Day plus 80 is on **Friday 15th August**. There may be some discussion about how this should be remembered.



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The Harvest Festival service will be held on **Sunday 28th September**.

The Harvest Supper is scheduled for **Saturday October 11th**.

Chicheley Hall will be celebrating the **300th anniversary of the construction of the present buildings** with an event on **Sunday, July 20th** from 11a.m. until 4 p.m. Admission is free. All are welcome.

I want to finish this month by saying thank you to Julia and Elaine who, after 9 years of producing the Scan magazines have decided the time is right for them to stop doing that. I remember how much Betty, the previous editor, was so pleased that someone wished to continue the magazine and the same response was from us the contributors. Julia and Elaine can be assured that their years of volunteering have been well received by the recipients of the magazine, particularly recently with the introduction of colour and the inclusion of more photos.

I have mentioned previously how much many of us believe that having a truly local magazine is important, even in the age of social media, particularly for those who cannot or choose not to be involved with it. The baton has now been handed on to Mike, so we wish him well as he takes on the responsibility. Now it is time to enjoy the summer sun.

David

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Bulletin - July 2025

Hi Folks, Steve here with a roundup of PC activities around the Parish.

I'm afraid we have to shut the kiddies' play park between 27th June and 3rd July. The play park surface has developed several areas where mud has squelched through which then supports weeds to grow. This problem would simply get worse if we don't do something about it. We have agreed to go 50:50 with the original supplier on installing proper drainage (which we argue should have been done at the time of installation) which should rectify the problem. But of course, they need decent weather to do the job - hence the closure dates.

We are also taking the opportunity to renew the sloping path that leads to the play park as the surface of the current path has never really been satisfactory. The new path will be made from compressed rubber granules (mostly recycled tyres) and is water permeable. It should be easier to walk on and look smarter.

We hope you've noticed that work has been carried out by MKCC Highways to repair parts of Gog Lane and Folly Lane. There looks as if more needs to be done but at least it's a good start. They have surveyed these lanes during May and we are awaiting feedback on what is still outstanding and when it will be completed.

We're not far off halfway to the number of "yes" votes needed to apply for the installation of a 20mph limit around the High St area. If you haven't voted yet it would be really helpful to have your vote soon as we will be closing the voting window at the end of summer and unless we have 50% of all voters in favour we cannot take the idea any further. You can vote on the PC website www.northcrawley-pc.gov.uk. You might even get a knock on your door from one of our friendly Councillors who can answer any questions you may have.

Talking of speeding - we now have all 5 SIDs up and running at each major entrance to the village plus one in the centre of the village. Yay!! They will produce a lot of data about speeding patterns throughout each 24hr period and enable us to liaise with Thames Valley Police to identify areas where speed cameras would be most needed.

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Thank you to Cllrs Kierney and Armstrong for offering to help with data gathering and interpretation.

We aim to carry out our Biennial survey later this year. You may remember that in the past we asked you to tell us what you think the PC's priorities should be and things like whether we communicate enough. It was from these responses that the idea of the SIDs emerged to help slow traffic through the village. It was also the reason we started this bulletin as there was an indication at the time that we didn't communicate what we do very effectively. Hopefully this has made a difference!!

We are going to consider some new questions and aspects to ask about and we'd be super grateful if you could help us by responding when the survey is published.

Finally, our wonderful long-standing Clerk, Sheila Bushnell has decided to retire from her role on the PC at the end of this year. We are, of course, very sad she will be leaving us but incredibly grateful for her many years of service to so many different groups of Councillors over the years. Her experience is irreplaceable, but she is very happy to share it with a new Clerk if we can attract someone to take her place. Ideally, we would like to operate for a few months with 2 clerks as the new Clerk learns the ropes from Sheila.

It's a paid role that takes around 40 hours a month and there will be much more detail in adverts on Facebook and in SCAN so if you think you might be interested, please keep an eye out for them.

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Join the St Firmin Flower Rota

We are looking for new volunteers to join our Church Flower Rota.

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Recently a few long-standing donor helpers have moved away and there are now some weeks when St Firmin is without its usual welcoming flowers.

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A pose, a bunch, a bouquet, a posh professional arrangement or something from your garden – it's up to you.

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*Please contact the North Crawley United Charities for further information by email to **chris.stapleton23@gmail.com** or call **Malcolm Rose** on **07422 881469**.*

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ST FIRMIN'S CHURCH FETE

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The Art Project - Update

The brief is now “live” for the Public Art Commission in Sherington.

The artwork must:

- Respect the rural location and its surrounding countryside.
- Celebrate the village identity and sense of community.
- Engage the local community in creating the artwork.
- Be made from natural materials.
- Be permanent.



The submission deadline is Monday 30 June, Milton Keynes Art Centre will go through applications and shortlist that week and then interview from 14 July.

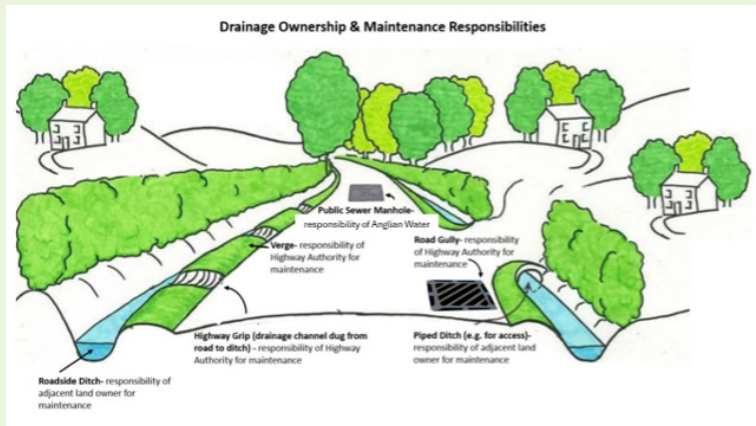
Proposed time frame* July-August: Project scoped, artist meets with residents, decides site and provides more detailed proposal for approval by residents with costings. Sept-October: Planning permission sought, ground surveys, risk analyses. *this is a proposed time frame, which can be adapted with the selected artist.

Ongoing Village Improvements

The low fences at the Pavilion and the Knoll have replaced and the new installation looks rather good. The highway white lines on High Street have had a refresh – including the ‘30 mph’ warnings at the Village entrances, and the ‘Keep Clear’ at Haynes garage. A more subtle update involved a man from Ringway using white paint and stencils as he worked his way around the village freshening up all the lamp post numbers. Please use these numbers to report any outages. Grass cutting on the Knoll, the Village Hall Park and the Church is now with a local company and the three sites are looking better than they have for some time. Keep up the good work.

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Awareness Up – Flood Risk Management



The weather has been unusually dry and warm recently. We hear occasional forecast of storms and these often result in heavy rainfall. With intense rainfall the Village might be at risk from flooding with surface water on the roads. Please keep an eye out for any drainage features that are blocked or not functioning properly. You can report to the Parish Council who can direct the concern to those responsible, whether it be the Highway Authority, the landowner or Anglian Water. When reporting please use What3 Words to pinpoint the issue to the nearest square metre – <https://what3words.com/> – a photo also helps.

Biodiversity Projects



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The Community Woodland at Stonepits Copse has new signboards to encourage walkers to venture into the site, one at High Street and one at the stile if you are taking the Right of Way near Charlesberry Cattery.

The footpaths are regularly maintained and the track across the field is clear and dry (take care of nettles!).

The vegetation is very healthy and there is a lot of bird song with numbers increasing as the trees develop.

Sad News



It is with mixed emotions that we announce the closure of Sherington Preschool.

After 50 incredible years of nurturing, learning, and growing together, we are closing our doors. This decision was not made lightly. We are immensely proud of the generations of children who began their educational journeys with us, and we are honored to have been part of so many families' lives.

To our amazing staff, the parents, caregivers, and community members who supported us over the years — your trust and partnership have meant the world. And to our precious students — you are the reason this place was filled with so much joy, laughter, and love.

Though the chapter is ending, the memories and impact of Sherington Preschool will live on. Thank you for being part of our story.

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St Lauds 2025 calendar of events

Sunday 29th June – 3pm Strawberry Cream teas @ Mercers Farm

– Come along enjoy the beautiful gardens of Mercers Farm, while chatting to your friends and neighbours, eating amazing homemade scones / cakes while sipping a glass of Pimm's.

Saturday 26th July 1pm – Jumble sale @ Church

Back by popular demand, come along and grab yourself a bargain and do your bit for environment .

Refreshments will be served.

Saturday 27th September – Fashion show 1.30pm @ Church

A lovely social afternoon, you can come along and just have a glass of processo or treat yourself to a new outfit at reduced price. Stores include M&S, Next and lots more something for all ages.

Tuesday 30th September – Harvest supper @ Village Hall

Come along and enjoy a harvest supper followed by an auction.

Saturday 8th November – Race night @ Village Hall

Come along and place your bets!!

Saturday 22nd November – 11am – 1pm Christmas Bazaar @ Church

Our traditional Christmas event, where you can come along and buy your paper, gift bags, homemade crafts. An amazing raffle and refreshments

***NEW* Friday 5th – December @ Church**

sponsor / remember a loved one. Sherington church sponsor a bulb switch on, mulled wine, roasted chestnuts, carols , mince pies , hotdogs.

If you would like to help in any way by setting up, clearing away, serving refreshments or baking a cake. It's a great way to get to meet new friends

Donations are always kindly excepted, either jumble, raffle prizes.

If you feel you can help in anyway please contact Joanne Lusted 07780987034.

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It's time for A Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes
to support people living with cancer

St Laud's Church, Sherington
Saturday, 6th September
10am – 12pm

Further details contact Pam & Alan Sims
07513 636 152 / 07921 622 516

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Jumble Sale, St Laud's Church Saturday 26th July, 1 – 3pm

*£1 entry all proceeds to church
WANTED....Good quality clothing!*



*This was an amazing fundraiser last time and hopefully we can match it!
If you have any good clothing, shoes or accessories you would like to donate
then please let us know (If it's not good enough to buy don't donate).
In need of raffle prizes and cakes on the day. If you can't donate perhaps you
can give an hour or two to help on the day.
Please contact Joanne Lusted 07780 987034*

Thumbstick walkers

*The Thumbsticks will be meeting at 'The Knoll' for
an informal walk on **Sunday, 6th July at 9.30am.***

*We shall be walking up Perry Lane towards Gowles
Farm and then on public footpaths and bridleways
across and around the fields of Sherington.*

*There are no stiles and the walk will be approximately 4 miles in length.
Everyone welcome, including well behaved dogs.*



Sherington Short Mat Bowls

*We were runners up in the league.
Well done to all who took part.
If you have a free afternoon Mondays from
2 o'clock till 4 o'clock or Friday evening 7
o'clock till 9 o'clock please feel free to come
along and have a go, we are a friendly group
and meet in Sherington Village Hall.*



*Please call either Bob Claridge 07840850242 or Sheila Quinn
07943002786 if you would like further information.*

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SHERINGTON NEW THURSDAY GROUP

Our June meeting was an afternoon tea held in the Alban Hill Nursery Cafe. NTG would like to thank Marie and her ladies for the delicious selection of sandwiches, savouries, cakes and scones with real cream served to us, accompanied by endless pots of tea. We held a raffle which raised £70 for Willen Hospice.

The next meeting on the 3rd July will be our joint AGM and Registration Evening. We promise to keep the AGM short! Do come and find out about our group and enjoy a glass of wine and some nibbles with existing members.

The New Thursday Group meets in Sherington Village Hall on the first Thursday of the month at 7pm. Ladies from Sherington and surrounding villages are very welcome. Phone Sheila Quinn on 01908 211153 for information. We also meet for an informal lunch at the White Hart on the third Thursday of the month.

North Beds Ramblers Walk every Saturday:

Please note change of start time for afternoon walks – Summer start 13:30

Come and join us for a walk. We walk every Saturday afternoon approx. 6 miles, and Saturdays twice a month in morning for approx. 12 miles. Or try our "Ramble" on first Saturday morning each month – slightly shorter, slower pace.

July Walks

- 5th am "Ramble", Wilstead, 5 miles, pm Wootton Upper School, 6 miles
- 12th am Castle Ashby, 12.18 miles or pm Silsoe, 6.5 miles
- 19th am Riseley followed by lunch, 7 miles
- 26th am St Ives, 10.5 miles or pm Bolnhurst, 7 miles

Contact; Margaret Sawyer 07780 933729

Facebook: North Beds Ramblers

<https://www.ramblers.org.uk/north-bedfordshire>



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<https://www.mkheritage.org.uk/sherington/>

17th June: A Walk around Sherington

The Newport Pagnell Historical Society brought 20 members for the "Walk around Sherington". Another 20 villagers joined us on the evening. The weather was glorious – the village was looking well in the sunshine.

The group assembled at the Village Hall for a 7:00pm start. Our chair Diana Morgan welcomed everybody, wished us well, and sent us off on our way. Tony and Madeleine Pilcher led the group and pointed out the landmark properties as we travelled along the narrow streets. The route took us down Church Road, along High Street, into Crofts End, through Carters Close, up Crofts End, through Corn Close, along School Lane, up and down Park Road, back to Church End, through the Lychgate and finished at Dr Cheyne's Monument.

Richard Morgan then invited attendees to take a look inside the church, where the Newport visitors were able to pick up Sherington Historical Society leaflets for 2 Village Walks. We are sure that many of the Newport visitors will return soon.

A nice feature of the walk was that at a few of the properties current owners (and former owners) took the microphone and gave a bit more detail of the history of the property.

A number of the party popped into the White Hart to round off a very pleasant evening.

15th July: 'A collection of family tales and sailing stories, centred around participation in the first Fastnet Race 1925'

A fundraising event for Willen At Home, 7:30pm @ Sherington Village Hall. All are invited to support this great cause.

Entry £3 cash.

Refreshments and Raffle will be available.

All proceeds will be donated to Willen At Home.



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Artist: Andrew Bennett - The Fastnet Race Of 1925; Jolie Brise, Gull, and Saladin.



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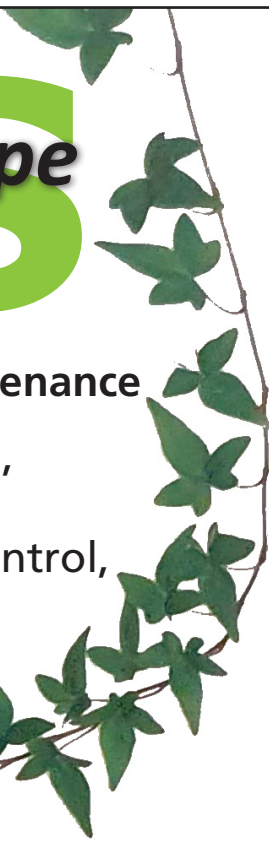
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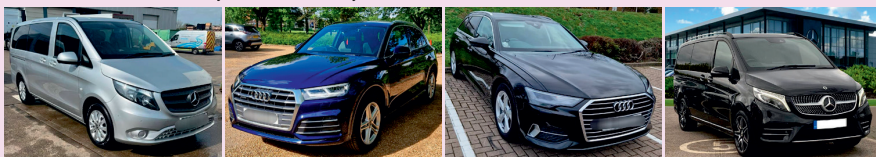
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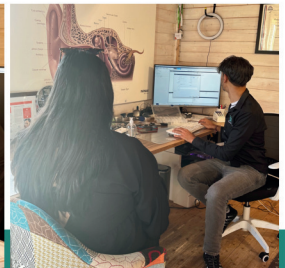


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