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## A word from the Editor...

### *Bring on the summer*

Sunshine. BBQs. Lazing around in the garden. Hurrah – summer has arrived! (Don't blame me if it's raining when you read this!)

With the weather looking so good, it's perfect timing for **National Picnic Week** from 16-25 June. Go to [www.nationalpicnicweek.co.uk](http://www.nationalpicnicweek.co.uk) and you'll find some delicious recipes that are ideal for al fresco dining as well as some great ideas for family activities. Find your favourite local beauty spot and break out the hamper!



Don't forget that **Spotlight takes a break in August** so if you have articles or posters for summer events please send them to me by 20th June so I can get them into our July issue.

That's it for now – let's meet up again next month.

*Pop back in July x*



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# Clophill Preschool News

Hi everyone. We've had a busy first half of the Summer Term. While we've been reading Jack and the Beanstalk the children have done lots of related activities – they planted beans in bags to stick on their windows at home to watch grow; they've placed beans into flower pots, carefully counting out to match quantities to numerals; they've planted vegetables in the allotment.



We had our usual termly **Fire Drill week** when we practise our evacuation to ensure all the children know what to do in the event of a real fire. Fire Fighter Rob came in to talk about fire safety and let the children and staff try on his hat, trousers and jacket. Thanks, Rob, for making safety fun!

With the new PANCo role up and running the staff were challenged to see how many steps they could do in 24 hours. Morale and competitiveness were high and the winner was Sara, who did 28,674 steps – well done, Sara! The staff can't wait for the next challenge.

For **National Smile Month** we borrowed a child's size dentist chair and different resources to promote looking after our teeth. Using toothbrushes and a model of a mouth, we showed the children how much toothpaste (well, actually, we practised with shaving gel!) is needed and how to brush their teeth. We also played a game of 'good tooth, bad tooth' where we looked at different kinds of food and matched it to the resulting healthy or unhealthy teeth.

In cookery, we've been making **healthy summer puddings** as well as apple, carrot and chia seed muffins. Some parents brought in healthy recipes of their own for us to try! We made extra muffins to serve at our coffee morning when Carolyn Cranswick from the flower club came in to demonstrate some easy flower arranging techniques for the parents. Everyone enjoyed it so much, Carolyn is returning in December to do a wreath-making workshop.

Rain never deters our activities, so despite some nasty downpours the children were still busy outside under the gazebo. They grated, chopped and mixed an array of vegetables then scooped, poured, emptied and filled as they made their fantastic concoctions. We encourage risky play as a very important part of a child's development and the children were shown how to use the cheese grater safely. You'd be amazed at how careful and aware they are, even at the age of two, if they have the right tools and guidance.



We also celebrated **National Outdoor Classroom Day**. Nell – one of our mums – from Salix Education Consultancy came with us to the allotments to look at an Elder tree, explaining to the children how the Anglo-Saxons would hollow out the inside of the Elder and use it as a straw to add air to their fire. The children also tasted elderflower cordial and made elder bead bracelets.

Last month, we supported the Church Fete by having a games stall and the children performed a little dance routine choreographed by Katie from Silsoe Dance School. Well done all!

- Contact Imogen on **07765 887868** or Chris on **07936 006381** or email.  
Our website is [www.clophillpreschool.co.uk](http://www.clophillpreschool.co.uk)

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## St Mary's Church News



It may surprise you to learn that it costs around **£30,000 a year** to keep St Mary's Church going. That's a lot of money for a small, ageing congregation to find by Sunday collections – hence the need for frequent fund-raising events.

Two such events were held last month. About 70 people attended the **annual Quiz Evening** at the Village Hall on May 6th, raising £471. Then on the 20th the **Church Fete and Village Event** was held in the church grounds. This has become a much-valued event for the whole village, attracting many people and stalls for different organisations. It's a wonderful opportunity for the whole village to come together, and we happily raised £2,000 for the church.

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## Another successful village fete...

We'd like to thank everyone for the support at the Church Fete and Village Event. It was a shame that the weather was unpredictable but we were lucky with just one heavy shower, when visitors retreated into the Church for tea and cakes. Then the sun came out again and people carried on browsing the stalls and visiting the sideshows.

We had an excellent range of stalls and sideshows from local organisations. Some stalls were raising money for charities – Keech Cottage, Cheshire Homes and The Primrose Unit at Bedford Hospital. And popular as ever was the coconut shy, plate smashing, skittle alley and 'Beat the Goalie'.

Entertainment was provided by the Greensand Community Choir, the Maypole dancing by the children from St Mary's School and, new for this year, there was a dance display by children from Clophill Preschool.

Our aim was to create a traditional fete for the village and we were delighted with the number of visitors and the friendly community atmosphere. People seemed to enjoy the afternoon and were happy to spend time meeting friends, visiting the stalls and sideshows.

We'd like to hear from you with any ideas and feedback on how we can improve this annual occasion. *Carolyn Cranswick* and *Gill Jones*, fete organisers



*St Mary's Church. Clophill*

*You are invited to*

**Afternoon Tea**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

**2.30pm – 4.30pm**



**at the Church**



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# **The Element**

## **STRING TRIO**

*featuring some cinema classics*

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June**

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**including pre-concert canapés and drinks**

**Please contact Heather 01525 860548 or Carolyn 01462 815433  
for tickets and information**

# Local company win gold at Chelsea...



Clophill-based landscape developers, Habitat Landscapes, were part of a team that won a gold medal at this year's Chelsea Flower Show. The company were invited to help build a garden called Mind Trap to help raise awareness of mental health for the Heads Together charity, which is backed by Prince William and Prince Harry.

The garden took two weeks to complete, with one week of intensive construction followed by a week of planting and finishing.

The most dominant features visible from the outside of the garden are the four metal walls, which represent a feeling of imprisonment or security, depending on your perspective. From inside the garden, the walls restrict much of the view to the outside, which represents the difficulty sufferers have in seeing the whole picture and gaining perspective.

'I was delighted to be asked to join the build team on Mind Trap, especially as it was drawing attention to a subject we all need to appreciate more,' says Craig Nester, director of Habitat Landscapes. 'A lot of hard work and long hours were put into the build, so to find out the team had won gold was an amazing feeling.'

After completing the build, Craig returned to Chelsea as a visitor on Medal day. 'The feedback for the garden was mind blowing,' he says. 'Everyone understood the garden and its message which was really great to see, and we had positive feedback from the audience and from the judges.'



# **Clophill Heritage Trust Job Vacancy Assistant Warden (Maternity Cover Contract)**

Clophill Heritage Trust is seeking an energetic and confident person to take on some of the duties of our Assistant Warden whilst she's on maternity leave. In addition to managing St Mary's Old Church ancient monument, the Trust has five Eco Lodges on the Greensand Ridge Way.

Working as part of a small team, you'll primarily concentrate on delivering the highest standards of housekeeping and customer service to all of our guests, ensuring that they have an exceptional experience.

This temporary role is for four days a week (32 hours) from 31st July for five months and will require flexible working including some weekends, as well as Bank Holidays, early mornings (from 7am on occasion) and evenings. In the absence of the Warden, you may also need to be on call.

**Closing date for applications 19th June 2017**

**Interviews week commencing 26th June 2017**

**Email [info@ClophillHeritage.org](mailto:info@ClophillHeritage.org) for application details**



# **BEER FESTIVAL**

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# News from Clophill Heritage Trust

## Church fete

We were delighted to run the BBQ and coconut shy at the fete again this year and enjoyed seeing so many people there, despite the sudden downpours! It was a great event and very successful.



## Picnic bench

CHT would like to thank Wendy Grant for the donation of a picnic bench for the Eco Lodges – it seemed to bring the sun out at last!

## Volunteers

We've had a busy month for volunteers. As well as our three regular Duke of Edinburgh students we were also joined for a couple of days by six staff members from Tesco, who helped with some much-needed interior touch-ups to the Nest. We ran a Tower Tours Volunteer training session and welcomed some new faces to the volunteer team.



We're actively seeking new Tower Tours Volunteers to enable us to run more tours of Old St Mary's at weekends. If you enjoy meeting new people, local history and spectacular views and can spare a couple of hours at the weekend, please get in touch. Call Kayleigh Waight (07889 980872), Emily Hakansson (07825 051667), Ali Bradbury (07894 710001) or the lodge phone 07935 911207.

## Coming events...

### • **Father's Day Cream Teas, 18th June 2pm-5pm**

Treat dad to homemade scones and tea while surrounded by the beautiful Clophill countryside (dogs on a lead welcome in the café). Pre-booking essential, £9 per person. The old church tower will be open for tours (£3 adult, £2 child).

### • **Guided Walk Medicinal Plants, 25th June 12pm-2pm** £3 per person

A gentle stroll around the local area with an expert, looking at wild plants and their medicinal properties. Starts and finishes at the Eco Lodges in time for the afternoon café (open 2pm- 4pm).

### • **Tower Tours of the Old Church**

With summer here, we're running regular tours.

For our full programme of events and to make online bookings go to  
[www.clophillecolodges.org.uk/events](http://www.clophillecolodges.org.uk/events)

For Tower Tours, go to [www.clophillecolodges.org.uk/book-a-tower-tour](http://www.clophillecolodges.org.uk/book-a-tower-tour)

## The scarecrows are coming...

A reminder that our village **Scarecrow Festival** will be here on **23rd and 24th September** – so time to start planning your entries! More details to come next month, or contact Carolyn on **01462 815433** for more information.



## Christine's quick 'n' easy recipe

# Tagliatelle with Courgettes and Lemon



### INGREDIENTS Serves 4

- 350g fresh egg pasta (preferably homemade)
- 1 unwaxed lemon
- 80g piece of parmesan cheese
- 8-9 baby courgettes
- 1 clove of garlic
- 1 small bunch basil
- extra virgin olive oil
- salt & freshly ground black pepper



1. Put a large pan of salted water on to boil.
2. Wash and dry the courgettes then slice very thinly – using a mandolin if you have one.
3. Zest the lemon and squeeze the juice.
4. Finely chop the clove of garlic with half of the basil (stalks removed) and half of the lemon zest.
5. Finely grate half the parmesan. Using a potato peeler, prepare thin slivers with the other half.
6. Heat a splash of olive oil in a large frying pan, add in the sliced courgettes and the chopped garlic and basil.
7. Fry gently for 3-4 minutes until the courgettes have softened but not browned.
8. Meanwhile boil the pasta until al dente – 3-4 minutes – then drain well.
9. Put the frying pan with the courgettes back on the heat and add in the pasta, together with the lemon juice, remainder of the lemon zest and grated parmesan. Mix well together.
10. Put the pasta in a large serving dish and decorate with the slivers of parmesan and the remainder of the basil cut into thin strips.

**TIP:** If you can't find an unwaxed lemon in your supermarket, run your lemon under warm water and rub briskly with a piece of kitchen paper to remove any wax that there might be.

# Clophill & District Flower Club



The demonstration in May was **'Bloomin' Wonderful'**. Margaret Rumans, from Solihull, captivated the audience with her interpretations of all the 'bloomin' wonderful things in our country and natural world, creating six large designs that filled the stage and members with wonder.



Margaret began with 'A Walk in a bluebell wood in Spring', using blue delphiniums, twigs and cultivated bluebells (it's illegal to pick wild bluebells). In contrast, her next arrangement used three horizontal designs in red and orange to illustrate a bloomin' wonderful sunset.

Between each design Margaret played some music that reflected her idea and enhanced the imagination. For her third creation inspired by church spires or tall trees – made with hanging arrangements mounted on a tall obelisk to represent the spires – we heard Mike Oldfield's Tubular Bells.

We have a bloomin' wonderful heritage and past, which Margaret interpreted with two very structural designs using strelitzia and sunflowers – as she created her display, Margaret told us about exploring ancient burial mounds in Shetlands.

To celebrate living in such 'a green and pleasant land', Margaret made

a traditional arrangement using green foliage and flowers while we listened to Louis Armstrong's What a Wonderful World. The final design was a huge pedestal of summer garden plants to illustrate our stately homes and garden.

We had a very entertaining evening and 14 lucky winners took home a beautiful arrangement.

It's been a busy time for our club. We arranged flowers for a charity ball in Luton on a theme of 'Gin and Tonic', had our usual plant stall at the Church Fete and the following weekend we arranged the flowers for a wedding at Hexton Manor. Beginning on 15th June, we're holding flower arranging classes at the Methodist Church for beginners and the more experienced – for details call Carolyn **01462 815433**.

*Carolyn Cranswick* Chairman of Clophill and District Flower Club

• For details of our club activities go to [www.clophillflowerclub.com](http://www.clophillflowerclub.com)





# St Mary's School News

The children had a great time during May, with some exciting trips and visitors in school. Acorn and Chestnut class had an amazing day at Standalone Farm, and it fitted really well with what they'd been learning about animals in school.

Year 4 was incredibly lucky to have the opportunity to take a **BikeAbility** course in school, which was offered by Redborne Sports Support. The children were congratulated on their mature behaviour and came away with confidence-building knowledge about how to keep safe whilst on their bikes.

**The Tea Time Concert** was, as always, very popular. Our music tutors, Mr Patching and Mrs Hills, continue to support this event for which we and the children's parents are very grateful as the children who play an instrument in school hugely enjoy playing to their parents. For the parents who come in to watch, we offer refreshments including homemade cakes, making a very pleasant event all round.



**The Dogs Trust** came in to give an Assembly. The ladies also visited each classroom from Birch to Oak so they could speak to the different age groups, addressing how to take care of dogs and animals in general. The talks were also of interest to the children who don't have dogs, as they learnt how to approach other people's dogs and how to be safe around them.

Some of our KS1 children took part in a **Multi Sports** event at Samuel Whitbread and they came first in their event – a brilliant effort by all involved!

Our value for June and July is *Wisdom*

In school we'll be thinking about how we gain wisdom – through experience over time, making a good, sensible judgement, knowledge from books and listening to others. We'll be thinking about specific people who've passed their wisdom to us and reflecting on stories from the Bible that show wisdom being shared with, or by, someone else.

## Acorn Nursery News

We'd like to welcome Oscar to Nursery and hope he has a good time with us – he certainly enjoyed his visit.

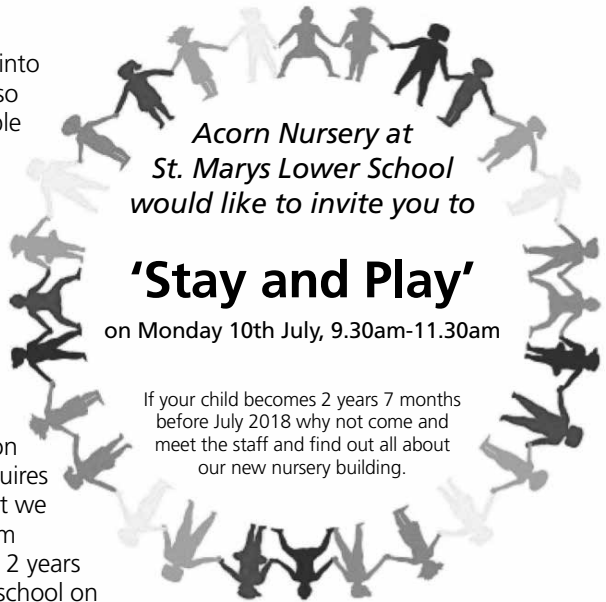
With the new nursery build making good progress, the children have been out and seen the cement mixers, diggers and fork lift trucks, which ties in really well with our next theme called '**Moving Along**'. We'll continue to keep an eye on the building site and also look at other ways of moving and forms of power to create movement.

Some of the older children had a fantastic time at **Standalone Farm**. They all behaved really well and were rewarded with a special certificate in Commendations Assembly. The group walked around looking at the animals. They watched the pigs being fed, petted donkeys and saw the cow being milked then had a nice play in the park. This is often the first time the children have travelled on a coach and had a day trip without a family member and they all coped very well.

We're continuing with transition visits into Chestnut Class and all of the children so far have seemed happy and comfortable when they visited.

We'd like to invite any families with children who may wish to start in the Nursery in September to a 'Stay and Play' morning (see below). We won't be in the new nursery but feel it would benefit the children, and parents, to meet the staff and get to know us before they start.

And don't forget to let us know as soon as possible if you have a child who requires a place in Nursery in September so that we can answer any questions and get them booked in. We welcome children from 2 years 7 months. You're welcome to call the school on 01525 860206 or email Joy Donachie at [nursery@clophillstmarysschool.co.uk](mailto:nursery@clophillstmarysschool.co.uk)



*Acorn Nursery at  
St. Marys Lower School  
would like to invite you to*

## **'Stay and Play'**

on Monday 10th July, 9.30am-11.30am

If your child becomes 2 years 7 months before July 2018 why not come and meet the staff and find out all about our new nursery building.



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## **Wildlife walks & talks**



### **Invertebrate Day**

**Saturday 24th June, Flitwick Moor 10am-12.30pm and 1.30pm-4pm**

Join Colin Carpenter, the moor's warden, along with experts from the Bed's Natural History Society for this annual event to investigate the great variety of insects, snails and other small creatures on this magical wetland. Families are especially welcome. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Come to either session or bring lunch and stay for both. Meet in the moor's Folly Wood car park.

### **Walk around the Greensand Trust's Sandy Smith Reserve**

**Wednesday 28th June, 7pm, Sandy Smith Reserve**

Join Sue Raven for an update on progress at this significant local reserve. Last visited by the Flit Vale Local Group seven years ago, there's much to report on the recovery of improved agricultural pasture to natural, nutrient-poor grassland and the other habitat types found on this fascinating reserve. Cost is £1 per adult

***Open to all. Walk numbers will have an upper limit, so please reserve.***

**To reserve places email [flitvale.info@gmail.com](mailto:flitvale.info@gmail.com)  
or ring Ann on 07890 347327 after 6pm or at weekends**



*These notes are a resume only. Official minutes are available on the internet and notice boards. All official correspondence should be sent to the parish clerk and not individual councillors.*

With the summer months upon us the village is bustling with activity – we recently enjoyed the fete and the Flying Horse family fun day amongst other events – and it has been another busy month for Clophill Parish Council, too.

At our Annual Parish Council Meeting at the end of last month, **we elected a new Chair, Cllr Steve Rodell**. Steve replaces Paul Downing, who is also stepping down from his position within the Parish Council, but will continue to attend meetings in his role of local ward councillor. We all thank Paul for his hard work in overseeing the improvements in our admin and processes as Chair, as well as his contributions to the village as a councillor.

As you may have seen on our Facebook page, there have been some recent updates made to **the play area in the rec ground**. Additions include new swings for the village's toddlers, a new swing and seesaw, a spinning bowl and a spinning 'spica'. And the council has agreed to some work on the bank area which will both help with pest control and improve the appearance of that section of the rec. A huge thanks to Cllr Louise Hodge for her hard work on this.

However, there have been some recent signs of anti-social behavior on the recreation ground – particularly we've noticed litter and broken glass being left near the play equipment. This is clearly unacceptable, and is dangerous for children who want to play with the equipment. We ask everyone in the village to **report anti-social behaviour** to the police by calling 101.

A quick reminder that you can **get regular email updates about events** being put on by Clophill Parish Council by subscribing to our council mailing list: <http://clophill-pc.gov.uk/subscribe> We'll also continue to post various updates on our Facebook page – [facebook.com/clophillparishcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/clophillparishcouncil).

- *Full minutes can be found on our website [clophill-pc.gov.uk](http://clophill-pc.gov.uk)*

## Planning

### CB/17/01623/OUT

Location	Sealawn Boarding Cattery, High Street
Proposal	Demolition of existing dwelling and cattery and the erection of four detached two-storey dwellings. Multiple concerns include: this being outside the designated development envelope for Clophill Village; the proposed dwellings would have a demonstrable negative impact on the character and appearance of the area by introducing back-land development; overall adverse impact in this location as the houses would be located away from the main road in a village that's mainly linear in nature; impact of over stretched resources of water and sewerage. We request this is called in to the Development Management committee for review as we believe the issues need a full assessment.

**OBJECT**

# Clophill Parish Council

Continued

## CB/17/01825/FULL

Location 116 High Street  
Proposal Side and rear extensions to the property. **SUPPORT**

## CB/17/02263/FULL

Location Masters House, 13 High Street  
Proposal Single-storey rear extension and associated works. **SUPPORT**

The next Parish Council meeting will take place at the Village Hall  
at 7.45pm on Tuesday 27th June 2017

## News from Rotary Club

In the press recently was a report about a successful grant application that the Club has obtained from the Co-op in Barton le Clay. Local organisations were invited to submit proposals for potential projects and the Club put up a scheme for taking disadvantaged youngsters attending Arnold School on a trip to Chislehurst Caves. Not only was the proposal accepted but the Co-op generously offered almost four times the original budget, which means that the trips can be extended to include many more children. The first trip is this month and other trips are planned.

Also this month, the Club will be joining up with another nearby Rotary Club to support **Kids Out**. This is an annual outing for handicapped children and their carers who are treated to a visit to Whipsnade Zoo. The Clubs provide all the necessary transport and additional helpers as well as meeting the whole cost of the day.



These are just a couple of examples of the work that Rotary does with young people in the community but there is much more. Working with schools there are competitions for Young Chef and Young Photographer as well as Youth Speaks, Young Writer, Young Musician and the annual Technology Tournament. Rotary also operates a youth exchange programme involving camps and tours, short-term exchange and an international summer camp.

Closer to hand here is also the **Rotary Youth Leadership Award**, which is a three-day residential course held at RAF Henlow. Those taking part are challenged mentally and physically, with the aim of developing leadership and personal skills as well as team-building. It's hard work but great fun! The **event is open to young people between the ages of 18 and late 20s** and there are still places available. This year the event will be held on 14-16 July and the cost is met by Rotary. For more details, call **07951 720103**.

*David Swain*

• For details of the club programmes go to  
[www.bartonleclayrotary.org.uk](http://www.bartonleclayrotary.org.uk)



# What's on in and around Clophill

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**Sunday 11th**

**Memorial Service and Tea** For people bereaved in the past two years – open to anyone wishing to remember a loved one. 3pm, St Mary's Church

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**Sunday 18th**

**Eco-lodges cafe** Open 2pm-4pm

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**Saturday 24th**

**The Elements String Group Concert** St Mary's Church, 7.30pm.  
*See Poster in this issue.*

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**Sunday 25th**

**Guided Walk** 'Medicinal Plants' walk, 12-2pm, Clophill; £3 per person, advance booking required. Contact Clophill Heritage Trust

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**Sunday 25th**

**Open Air Songs of Praise** With the Luton Band of the Salvation Army and the Greensand Community Choir. 7.45pm, The Green. Followed by refreshments at Beverley Court.

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**Saturday 8th**

**Greensand Community Choir Concert** St Mary's Church, 7.30pm.  
Donations to charity. Post-concert refreshments.

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**Sunday 9th**

**Afternoon tea** St Mary's, 2.30-4.30pm. Donations to Christian Aid.

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## On throughout the month...

**Fridays...**

- **Clophill Toddler Group** Clophill Village Hall, 10am-noon. See 'Village Groups' for contact details

**One Saturday a month...**

- **Messy Church** 4pm-6pm, Clophill Methodist Church. Dates: 17 June; 15 July; 23 Sep; 14 Oct; 18 Nov; 16 Dec. All-age craft activities, worship and a meal for all the family. No fixed charge, donations welcome, children must be accompanied by an adult. See 'Village Groups' for contact details.

## CHURCH SERVICES

**Regular services at St Mary's Church, Clophill**

1st Sunday	8am, Holy Communion; 10.45am, Family Praise
2nd & 4th Sundays	10.45am, Parish Communion
3rd Sunday	10.45am, Morning Prayer/Praise
5th Sunday	10am, Benefice Services

**Regular services at Clophill Methodist Church**

1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays	10.30am Morning Service
3rd Sunday	10.30am All Age Worship Service

If you have any diary dates that you would like included on this page, please email [clophillspotlight1@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:clophillspotlight1@hotmail.co.uk)

## Thank you...

Jackie & Cora would like to thank everyone who donated to and bought from their **Bric-a-Brac stall** at St Mary's Clophill fete. **They raised £330** for the Keech Hospice – the money has been delivered and gratefully received.



# Village groups

Beverley Court	860920
Brownies	<a href="https://enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk">https://enquiryym.girlguiding.org.uk</a>
Clophill Community Care	Duty Contact 07791 773705
Clophill Heritage Trust	Ali Bradbury 07894 710001
Clophill St Mary's C of E Lower School & Nursery	Sharon Kempson 860206
Clophill Toddler Group	Caroline Daniels 07734 495348
Clophill United Charities	Gillian Hill 860539
Conservation Group	Brian Adams 862297
Flower Club	Gillian Hill 860539
Friends of the Cheshire Home	Sue Pearson 861110
Funzone After School Club	07903 167493
Greensands Community Choir	Luke Howard 07975 520085
Indoor Carpet Bowls	Tony Meredith 860754
Messy Church	Victoria Higgins 07920 568861
St Mary's PTA	<a href="mailto:victoriajhiggins@hotmail.co.uk">victoriajhiggins@hotmail.co.uk</a>
Scouts and Cubs	Julia Skelton 07774 993973
Tea and Chat	<a href="http://www.scouts.org.uk/get-involved">www.scouts.org.uk/get-involved</a>
Tuesday Club	Anita Errick 860695
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## Parish Registers for June

**1817**

### Burials

June 16 Mary White

**1867**

### Baptisms

June 9 Sydney George Smith

### Marriages

June 10 Thomas Williamson, baker, 19,  
to Clara Roberts, 23

### Burials

June 11 Oliver Blöse (?) 77

June 26 Ann Susannah Gaylor, 2

**1917**

### Marriages

June 30 William Stewart, Sgt Major, RE,  
to Kathleen Cunnington, father,  
schoolmaster

**1967**

### Baptisms

June 4 Tracy Ann Sharp, Maulden

### Burials

June 13 Sandra Wycliffe Shaw, 28.  
Address given as the Rectory  
(cremated beforehand)

## ST MARY'S REGISTERS FOR APRIL/MAY 2017

### Funeral

April 19 Norman Keens, 92, Maulden,  
at the Methodist Church

### Deposition of Ashes

May 17 Josie Peat, widow of Brian

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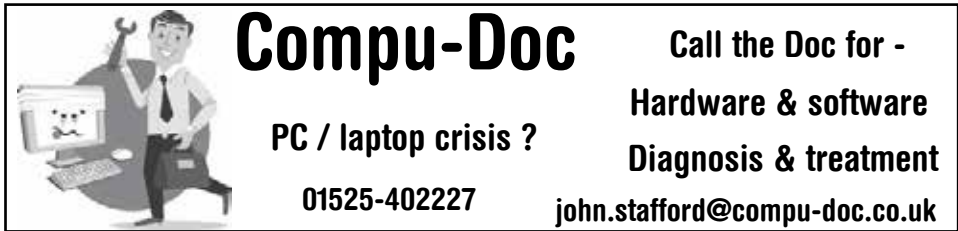
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