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THE DINTON BEER FESTIVAL

The Dinton Beer Festival has been going since 2015, missing one year in 2021 due to Covid. So this year our ninth annual event was held on Saturday 17th August. Once again, a record crowd attended.

We are very weather dependent and this year the sun shone for us, ensuring everyone had a great day in the lovely Seven Stars gardens. This was a real family event with lots of children, parents and grandparents enjoying the atmosphere, chatting with neighbours, listening to the three acts providing live music while lapping up the tasty burgers, sausages and other items from the special Festival menu cooked by Steph and Neil, washed down by the real ales, or enjoying the ciders and Pimm's from the Pimm's tent. Dinton Wines set up their usual stall, selling their award winning locally produced Dinton Folly English quality sparkling wine. All the above contributed to yet another great village day out.

We sold over 400 glasses at the entry tent, which gives an indication of the numbers attending and our takings were up about ten percent on last year, and although we haven't got the final figures yet, this excellent result should allow us to donate another £5000 to local projects, which together with the £15,000 donated or pledged, will take us above the £20,000 mark.

A huge thank you must go to all those volunteers from the villages in the Parish and further away, who helped to set up the event, manned the bars and entry tent on the day and then helped to clear up everything afterwards. Steph and her staff were on hand and their hard work contributed in no small way to make the day so successful.

This event would not take place without the generosity of the sponsors, who sponsor the real ales, Pimm's and ciders, the music and the Beer Festival glasses and we offer a sincere thank you to all our sponsors.

Dinton Beer Festival is indeed a real community occasion, manifested by the generosity of spirit shown by our sponsors and volunteers working together, culminating in an enjoyable family day out, which benefits us all.



Bigg Issue article September 2024 Village Hall 100 Club update

We're into the 2nd year of the Dinton Village Hall 100 Club and I'm pleased to report that we have 97 people in this year's club. A small number of people did not renew and very sadly a couple of members died and some left the village, but we also had new parishioners joining the club, getting us very close to the 100 number.

If you would like to join there is still time. The cost is £36 for a year's membership and payment details are:

Lloyds Bank
Dinton Village Hall Power Fund Account
Sort code 30 98 56
Account number 30386160

Please let me know if you want to join or if you require any information:

Nick Cottman, Village Hall Treasurer, Homelea, High St, Dinton HP17 8UN
Tel 01296 748894 or 07762 159530
nick.cottman1@btopenworld.com

All the profit will go to the Village Hall refurbishment project. The 100 Club has raised nearly £8,000 so far. Unfortunately, the HMRC have rejected our application to apply for Gift Aid, which makes membership even more important.

We will have two prize draws worth £650 per year ie £325 per draw as follows:

1st prize £150 **2nd prize £100** **3rd prize £75**

Here's a date for your diary for the next draw.

On **Saturday October 19th**, the Community Events Team will be running a **Bingo night** with a licensed bar in the Village Hall and we will be holding the 1st draw before the Bingo starts. Those of you who attended the last Bingo night will agree that it was a fun evening, enhanced by Steve Merry's comedic calling of the numbers. One thing is certain – you don't need to have any previous bingo experience to play! The evening will start at 7.00pm with the licensed bar. We will hold the 100 Club prize draw around 7.30pm followed by the Bingo evening, so please put the evening of October 19th in your diary.

Nick Cottman, Village Hall Treasurer



Dinton Village Hall:

Suitable for parties and all types of get-togethers.

For all enquiries for the Village Hall please contact the Bookings Secretary:
Honor Vane, Summers Cottage, Dinton, HP17 8UG - 01296 748177

DINTON PLAYGROUND PLAQUES - Children's Name Plaques

If you would like to mark the birth, or other event, of your children/grandchildren, you can purchase a plaque to be installed in the playground in the Parish Field, Dinton.

Please contact Nick Cottman for the price of the plaques
Cllr Nick Cottman **07762 159530** - nick.cottman1@btopenworld.com



WHICH PAVEMENT & WHO FIXES IT?

If you have a problem with a footpath/pavement, you need to register the problem with Buckinghamshire Council Fix-my-Street reporting system — 01296 382416 or www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk If your problem is with a Public Footpath crossing a farmers or other landowner land or a Bridleway then please contact Buckinghamshire Council Rights of Way Team.

They prefer you to use their website for reporting problems.

This includes: broken stiles, overgrown vegetation or fallen trees, damaged or dangerous path surfaces, damaged or dangerous bridges, damaged or missing signposts and waymarks. Landowners are required to keep rights of way open and useable; this includes providing and maintaining stiles and gates and making sure they are safe and easy to use.



SIMPLY WALK STONE, HADDENHAM & DINTON

Come suited & booted for whatever the weather
To **Simply Walk** for an hour or so in the countryside.
Just come to our walks throughout the year from:

Methodist Chapel, Eythrope Road – **STONE**
Wednesday: 4th – 18th September

Bradmoor Farm (rear) car park, Stanbridge Road – **HADDENHAM**
Wednesday: 11th September

Seven Stars PH, New Road – **DINTON**
Wednesday: 25th September

We meet in the morning for 10.30
It's friendly, fun and **free**
Crops cut & hedgerows filling with bounty
To scrump en route before coffee or tea!



Simply Walk

..... Simply Walk Diary Dates

MONTH	STONE	HADDENHAM	DINTON
Oct	2nd-16th-30th	9th	23rd
Nov	13th-27th	6th	20th
Dec	11th	4th	18th

Walking for Health with Simply Walk

Visit www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/simply-walk
Telephone 01494 475367 Mobile 07802 260812.



If you can't contact Bucks Council online, call them on **0300 131 6000**. The line is open: Monday to Thursday 9am to 5:30pm. Friday 9am to 5pm.



THE PARISH COMMUNITY EVENTS TEAM UPCOMING EVENTS

'The Greatest Showman on Earth', as P T Barnum was dubbed, once said, "The noblest art is that of making others happy". Among the many aims of the Community Events Team (CET), having fun and making people happy are strong objectives. As we exit the lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer and are about to enter the 'season of mists and mellow fruitfulness' (Keats), the CET have organized a packed programme of events for the whole community to enjoy for the rest of 2024.

Keep your eyes on the Horse Chestnut trees and get the kids ready to gather Conkers in readiness for the annual Conkers Championship at Dinton Cricket Club on **Saturday 12th October from 17.30.** Bar and refreshments available.

Saturday October 19th in Dinton Village Hall sees the next draw of the Village Hall Hundred Club from 19.00 following which, and by popular demand, we are running a BINGO session with magnificent prizes, a licensed bar and other refreshments.

Sunday 20th October is a family fun day – **'DINTON TALES TRAIL'**

Dinton Tales Trail
Sunday 20th October
From 2pm – 4pm
1:30pm Registration (FREE Entry)
Dinton Village Hall
Organised by Dinton CET

Come and join us for a few hours of fun on the Tales Trail. Simply follow the trail to solve the clues for the hidden book titles.

Trails in Dinton – Upton – Westlington
Suitable for Adults and Children

Refreshments & 2nd Hand Book Stall
at the Village Hall - **All Welcome!**

Where to donate your books
Fiction & Children's Books Only
Please drop your book donations off in the boxes at:
The Seven Stars Pub – just outside the entrance
Inside the gate at Starbank House
(opposite the 7 Stars Pub)

Before the Day, please download the what3words app to follow the Dinton Tales Trail clues:

Scan to download the free app

Download on the App Store | Get it on Google Play



**Saturday 2nd November FIREWORK EXTRAVAGANZA
on the Parish Field from 17.30 pm.**

This is a ticketed event restricted to 200 attendees in line with Health & Safety considerations and Insurance Cover. This year the theme will be **COLOUR**, and we anticipate a capacity crowd.

Drinks and Food will be available from Dinton Cricket Club and tickets are available by contacting any CET member. A lucky younger attendee will be selected to fire the first ROCKET!
Family Tickets £12 per family to a maximum of 6 people. Individual Tickets £7.

There will be NO PARKING available on the Parish Field or on the adjacent Upton Road, but PARKING is available at the Cricket Club.

After the display we will be drawing the winning Ticket for the Limited Edition COMMANDO Whiskey currently being raffled around the parish.

Sunday 1st December from 4pm – ANNUAL ‘LIGHT’S ON’ FESTIVAL when a local celebrity will magically light up the Christmas Tree erected in the Seven Stars Garden, followed by Mince Pies, Mulled Wine, Chestnuts roasting on an open fire and much more fun and merriment. This will be immediately followed by our Annual Bumper Quiz in the Seven Stars Bar in aid of our flagship charity the Florence Nightingale Hospice.

To book a table for the Quiz please contact Steph at The Seven Stars for a 7pm start. Entry at £6 per person includes supper.

On Christmas Eve commencing 6pm. parishioners are invited to gather outside The Seven Stars, and we will proceed around the villages singing carols and collecting donations for the Hospice. On return to Seven Stars there will be mince pies and mulled wine and a lot of fun.

Advance Notice – Midsummer Ball 2025 – following 3 great years of being entertained by SLEDGEHAMMER, the 2025 Ball will take place on **Saturday 5th July** in the marquee at Dinton Cricket Club with **THE DUNG BEATLES** performing. This highly popular Aylesbury based band have a massive following and we expect demand for tickets will be high. Details will follow in due course.

CRIBBAGE TEAM - Our 3rd season in the Royal British Legion Cribbage League Chinnor District, starts in October and continues until March 2025. Home based at The Seven Stars our team made massive progress last season finishing second in the league, winning several individual trophies and being voted most Sporting and Hospitable Team in the league. We are already in intense training and expect to go one better this coming season.

Thanks to all CET members for making these events happen and to all the community for supporting the events and making them a success – without you and to quote P J Barnum once more, “Without promotion, something terrible happens...nothing!”

If you would like more information about the CET or would like to join our group, feel free to contact me (stephentmerry@yahoo.co.uk – 07850049587) or any of the team:

Debbie Macklin, Will Hughes, Mel Kidner, Debbie Hawes, Martin Hawes, Fraser Stewart, Andy McCrea, Fiona Gammon, Julie Foulkes, Viv Robinson, Neil Chudley, Paul Aston, Nick Cottman and David Jackson.

Cheers for now – Steve Merry Chairperson CET



HADDENHAM COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Regular Gatherings:

Many of the regular meetings and activities which usually take place in Haddenham Community Library have begun again! We are pleased to now be able to host the following:

Tuesdays 10am -12pm Knit & Natter & Storytime from 10.30am and 2.30pm
Fridays 10.30am -11am Bounce & Rhyme (fortnightly term time)
Saturdays 10.30am Lego Club

Book the library as a venue: Haddenham Community Library is popular as a meeting venue. There is plenty of space with chairs, tables, a screen for audio visual presentations; free wifi; central location in Haddenham with car parking. For more information, please contact us by email or telephone.

info@haddenhamcommunitylibrary.org.uk or on telephone 01296 387865

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DINTON HALL PLANNING APPLICATION 24/02500/APP & 24/02501/ALB

Please visit the Buckinghamshire Council Website for Planning Applications showing proposed changes

Proposal for Dinton Hall to become a Guesthouse with Restaurant. Conversion of garages, new staff car park and garden store.



St Peter and St Paul Church, Dinton CHURCH NEWS

Service of Loving Remembrance
27th October 2024

You are invited to a special service of Loving Remembrance on
Sunday 27th October at 6pm at Ss Peter and Paul, Dinton.

The service will be led by Rev Nigel Featherston.

An act of remembrance can be comforting and life affirming.

We offer a gentle and reflective space of prayer and reflection where you are safe to remember your loved one, the joy you shared together, and to mourn their loss. We will sing hymns of faith and hear words of hope.

As part of the service, names will be read in act of remembrance as a candle is lit.

If you would like your loved one's name or names to be read out, please email
office@wychertvale.org or speak to Rev Nigel.

Church News

We have changed our service pattern from September onwards:

First Sundays: 9.00 am Holy Communion with hymns.

Second Sundays: 6pm Evensong with choir and hymns.

Fourth Sundays: 9.00am Said Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel.

No service on the third or fifth Sundays.

We also have occasional special services so please see the Notice Board at the Church.

If you would like a lift to the church for any service, please contact Rosemary Jackson 07751 393377.

Every Friday morning at 9.00am in church there is a half hour of prayer and mindfulness.

Everyone is welcome.

Special Services:

Harvest Festival

Choral Service 13th October, 6pm. Followed by celebration drinks and nibbles.

Service of Loving Remembrance

27th October, 6pm

A gentle and reflective space of prayer and reflection where you are safe to remember your loved one, the joy you shared together, to mourn their loss and hear words of hope.

This service will be led by Rev Nigel.

No Holy Communion at 9am that day.

Remembrance Day Services

Sunday 10th November.

10.30 am in church and then by the War Memorial for the laying of wreaths.

11.30 Ford Wreath laying Service.

Carol Service

6pm on Sunday 8th December. Followed by the Luxury Turkey Hamper Draw and celebratory prosecco and nibbles.

Christmas Day

10.00 am Holy Communion.

Phil Groves, Associate Rector in the Wychert Vale Benefice. Phone 01296 748390



FOOD BANK COLLECTION

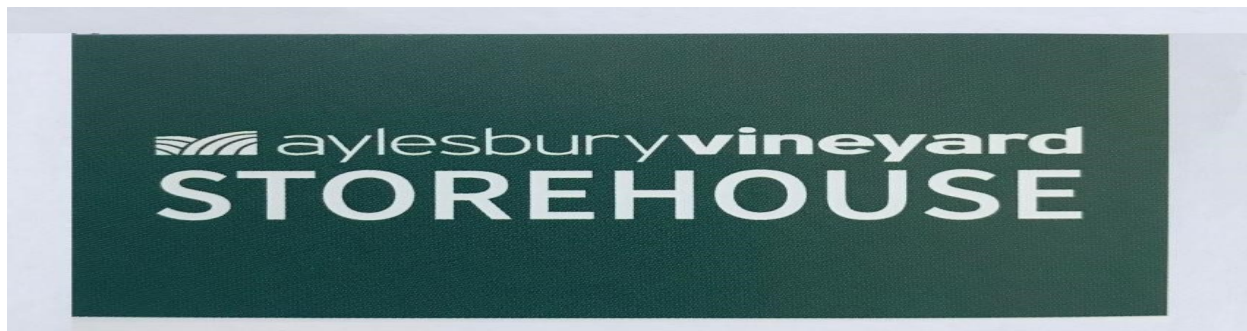
The Seven Stars in Dinton has a foodbank collection box.

The box is situated under the tall table on the patio adjacent to the entrance to the pub.



All foodstuff will be collected by the Bernwode bus on the first Saturday of each month and delivered to the Aylesbury Vineyard Church foodbank.

**Please donate any kind of tinned food or food in jars.
You could also give toiletries or household goods.**



Buckinghamshire Council Helping Hand team is available to help individuals or families in need, those on low incomes and those who are experiencing a financial emergency or crisis. Let us know if: you are struggling to afford food, you cannot keep on top of your bills, you are in debt or you are struggling to pay for essential goods in your home.

Request support from the Helping Hand team using the online form or contact us by phone on 01296 531 151.

Our phone lines are open:

Monday to Thursday (9am to 5:30pm) Friday (9am to 5pm) If you're in immediate need and your request cannot wait until the next working day call 0800 999 77677.

Parish Council: We meet every month on the 2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm. Parish Councillors are elected to make decisions for the parish and to raise a parish precept (tax) to pay for various responsibilities they have and choose to take on such as the playground, parish field, land and open spaces, the spinney, tree works and grass cutting. We are consulted on planning applications and matters affecting the parish. Residents are welcome to attend the parish council meetings and raise any matters they wish that affect the parish. We often have to engage with other stakeholders such as Buckinghamshire Council if the issue, or concerns raised, is not something we have responsibility for.



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Parish Office - 01844 291108 (Open

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Churchyard Working Party

Rosemary Jackson- 01296 748655

Cuddington & Dinton School

01844 291206

Headteacher: - head@cds.school

Office - office@cds.school

Dinton Village Hall Bookings

Honor Vane - 01296 748177

Haddenham Community Library

0845-2303232

Parish Magazine (Dinton)

David Pickup — 01296 748170

Police Station (Waddesdon)

Neighbourhood Team —101

Fly Tipping:

01296 382416 <https://>

www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/

Akido - Antony Pinchbeck - 07966 151462

Cubs & Beavers

Emily Gray - 07746 973805

Dinton Cricket Club

chairman@dintoncc.co.uk

Pot Hole Reporting 01296 382416

<https://www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk/>

Planning Applications

Buckinghamshire Council 01296 395000

Pavement Problems: 01296 382416

www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk

Public Footpaths & Bridleways - contact

Buckinghamshire Council Rights of Way Team

Community Events Team - contact

Chairman Steve Merry 07850 049587

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GOOD NEIGHBOURS SCHEME

Transport to doctors, hospital, opticians, collection of prescriptions, help with getting out of the house in bad weather and shopping in the case of illness.



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Jo & David Troup 747735

Chloe Lambert 748221

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Honor Vane 748177 Helen Wild 748679

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Co-ordinators: Jo Troup and Helen Wild

HADDENHAM COMMUNITY VEHICLE (HCV)

The HCV is for all who are disabled or have walking or mobility problems. The door to door service is free although donations are welcome. To find out more, become a volunteer or to make a booking, contact the coordinator David Hammond: 07483 806171 or email haddenhamcv@gmail.com. The service is for all those having difficulty accessing public transport or private cars. Our vehicle is adapted for wheelchair users. **Trained volunteers ensure covid-safe arrangements in line with guidance and the service, including journeys to vaccination centres, operates up to 20 miles from Haddenham.**