

## Brain Teaser - Proverbs



**"I switch is tire sales fine."**

Here are some well-known proverbs but one letter in each word of the proverb has been replaced. Can you find the original phrase?

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| 1. Won't budge I took my ids covet.            | 9. And post is I store.                      |
| 2. Take ham whole she pun whines.              | 10. It fur I penne on fog I hound            |
| 3. Earls so red, earls no rose.                | 11. Lake lather hike sod                     |
| 4. Ill word end so plan takes pack I pull toy. | 12. Foals ruse on there angers tear go treat |
| 5. O pool ant has honey ale boon panted.       | 13. Bitter mate then sever                   |
| 6. I net brood sleeps clear.                   | 14. Avery mat ham hit pride                  |
| 7. Ail loads lean no home.                     | 15. Rareless balk hosts hives                |
| 8. I patched pit newer soils.                  | 16. Deed met tall go tiles                   |

First correct answer to be drawn will receive a small prize. Closing date 20th July. By email to [villagevoice3@gmail.com](mailto:villagevoice3@gmail.com) or through letterboxes for Binxworth: Shapel Mouse or Bigh Stroom Pouse, for Adworth: 8 She Tarns and for Fewnham: Fewnham Call Pottage.

## A Big Thank You Halfords In Letchworth!

After a 2000 kilometre journey from Lviv (via Warsaw, Berlin and Calais) to Hinxworth, our Ukrainian family Halyna, Konstantyn and Emellia's family car needed some TLC.

The Citroen C1 had a couple of issues that required attention and so Halfords Autocentre in Letchworth were asked to have a look. Without ado, Debbie and her top team swung into action and very quickly returned the repaired car (plus a service) to a very grateful Halyna.

We thank Debbie for going above and beyond all expectations here, and have no hesitation in recommending Halfords to VV readers.



## Book Review - The Tenant of Wildfell Hall by Anne Bronte



This is the story with a remarkably modern theme, of a woman's struggle for independence. A mysterious widow Helen Graham arrives at the desolate and run-down Wildfell Hall. The local community is immediately suspicious of her and gossip abounds. But we see our narrator, Gilbert Markham, rapidly becoming infatuated with her. Anne tries to keep her distance, saying that she cannot get romantically involved with him. She finally flees, after giving Gilbert her diary to read.

This diary forms the core of the book. In it Helen reveals that Graham is not her real surname, and that she is not a widow. She has broken the law and fled from her still-living husband, taking her child with her, and now she is living in hiding under an assumed name, penniless and earning her own living as an artist, guarding against the day that her husband finds her and takes her away again. We read how she fell in love with charming, handsome, flighty Arthur Huntingdon, who woos the over-serious Helen by his willingness to laugh at everything, including her. Once married, we learn how Huntingdon becomes abusive and cruel, humiliating Helen who initially believes that she will be able to reform him through the strength and moral purity of her love.

There are lengthy pages of her diary devoted to this struggle, which are quite difficult to read.

Eventually Helen transforms from idealistic and infatuated young bride to an embittered survivor who finally leaves her husband, breaking the law and social convention. The scenes of Huntingdon's dissipation are vivid, and the gradual way his behaviour changes from mild horse - play to vicious abuse feels completely modern and realistic. It feels as though they are drawn directly from life, with minute attention to detail, and they probably were. Branwell Brontë, brother to the famous sisters, was an alcoholic and opium addict.

The book deals with themes that are commonplace today. The same problems remain in society some 170 years after this book was written.

## Three Horseshoes - Dates for The Diary

### Italian Night

Saturday 2nd July

*Pre book only*



### Gin and Jazz

Sunday 17th July

*Your favourite gins and the amazing Miss Jones Jazz Band*



### Quiz Night

Wednesday 20th July







## Jubilee Celebrations

Thanks to David and Rosemary Smyth, rain did not stop play on Hinxworth and Edworth's Jubilee Celebrations! A big thank you for the last-minute use of Edworth Barns, the rain came in a few hours before the noon start so this change was very much appreciated by everyone! The afternoon was a perfect ending to the Jubilee weekend with bunting and bubbles everywhere. The children enjoyed Magic Mel, whilst we all enjoyed the speech from Dick Cobb, our Parish Council Chairman. This included a thank you to Gordon and Audrey for their dedication to keeping the Village Clock running for over forty years! A big thank you to everyone who helped to get this memorable afternoon organised, and thank you for all of the fantastic pictures sent in from the day, unfortunately we can't fit them all into the Village Voice but an album has been set-up on our village Facebook page so head here to see them all! Go to Facebook and search 'Our Hinxworth' to see the Album.



Gordon and Audrey Hayden receiving their thank-you gift

## Annual Newnham Village Lunch

The Annual Newnham Parish lunch will take place on Sunday 24th July at 1pm at Newnham Hall Cottage. Tickets are £15 for Adults and £4 for Children. (under 12). Please bring your own plates, crockery, drink and glasses. Tickets from Trish Farr 07816178496, Fiona Hughes 01462 742709 and Lyn Stark 07540690066.

## Happy Semiquincentennial Edition

This month marks the 250th edition of the Village Voice - or less commonly know as our Semiquincentennial birthday.

To celebrate this milestone we are having a competition! There will be a prize for the most number of words collated using the word **Semiquincentennial**.....

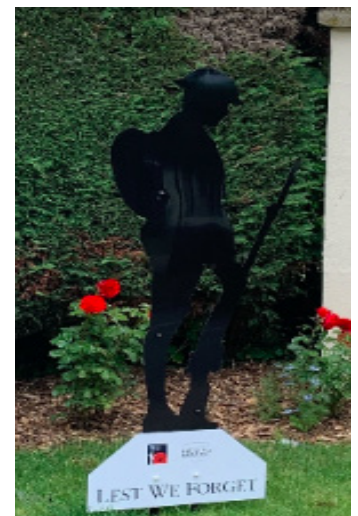
Closing date is 20th July. Entries in an envelope, post to:

- High St House, Hinxworth
- Chapel House, Hinxworth
- 8 The Barns, Edworth
- Newnham Hall Cottage, Newnham

## Unknown Tommy Arrives in Hinxworth

Following a request from the editors of Village Voice, the Parish Council have purchased an 'Unknown Tommy' to stand by the clock tower.

These striking outdoor silhouettes are manufactured by the Royal British Legion Industries social enterprise, Britain's Bravest Manufacturing Company, which has a team of hard working men and women; many of whom have served our country or have a disability which impacts on their everyday life.



RBLI is a national charity supporting the Armed Forces, people with disabilities and people who are unemployed. We improve lives every day by inspiring those we help and supporting them to find work and lead independent lives.

The charity says "The popularity of our Tommy figure is undeniable, we're humbled by how the UK have taken him to heart."

## Parish Council Minutes

DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HINXWORTH PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 2nd JUNE 2022 AT 7.00 PM.

**Present:** Mr R. Cobb (Chairman), Mr N. Tiffin (Vice-Chairman), Mr A. Lloyd, Mr A. Dawson, Mr B. Higgins (left the meeting at 7.35pm) & Mrs W. Kitchener (Clerk)

**Other Councillor present:** Tom Tyson, District Councillor.  
**Apologies:** Steve Jarvis, District Councillor.

**1. The Minutes of the last meeting:** The minutes of the meeting of 5th May 2022 were agreed by the Parish Councillors. Proposed by Tony Lloyd and seconded by Nick Tiffin

**2. Matters arising not elsewhere on the Agenda:** Nothing to report.

**3. Correspondence:** Nothing to report.

**4. Finance:** Current Parish Council Funds: The Councillors agreed to the expenditure for the current month. Proposed by Richard Cobb and Tony Dawson.

**Annual Accounts:** The exemption certificate having been signed by the Chairman (Richard Cobb) and the Financial Officer Responsible (Wendy Kitchener) and has been forwarded PKF Littlejohn LLL (Ref: SBA Team) | Westferry Circus, Canary Wharf, London E14 4HD. The accountants responsible for overseeing the Smaller Authorities (England) All other relevant documents for the Annual Accounts of 2021/2022 have been signed and will be posted on the Hinxworth Parish Council website. Should any resident of Hinxworth require any details or clarification of the current accounts/audit please contact Wendy Kitchener by email [wggk@btinternet.com](mailto:wggk@btinternet.com) or by telephone land line 01767-313766 or mobile 07483822343.

The Parish Councillors convey their thanks to Wendy Kitchener for compiling and finalising the accounts and to Jayne Whitfield who carried out the internal audit.

**5. Planning:** North Hertfordshire District Council Planning Applications: Thorns Farm - 22/01176/FP, 16 Francis Road - 22/01281/FPH and The Paddocks - 22/01269/FPH

The Councillors have no objection to the above Planning Applications and NHDC has been notified accordingly.

Land North East Side of the High Street - 22/01449/FP – This additional Planning Application has been received. The Councillors require to consider it further. They have until June 22nd to respond to NHDC.

**6. Highways:** New Inn Road/Ashwell Road: The hedges and vegetation at the side of these roads are overgrown and need cutting back. Steve Jarvis is to be notified.

**7. Village Hall:** Nothing to report.

**8. Recreation Ground: An Additional Caravan Club:** The Parish Council has been approached by another Caravan Club to hire the Recreation Ground between March 23rd and 26th 2023. This has yet to be confirmed

**9. The Tennis Court:** The Councillors now have quotes for the necessary work required to the court. These prices range from "patching up" the court to varying degrees at a total cost of £2610.00. To completely renew the court and resurface would cost somewhere in the region of £26K.

**10. Allotments: Water Availability:** The allotments are in urgent need of water for their plots. The Councillors agreed to obtain a quote from Anglian Water. Tom Tyson informed the meeting Baldock Allotments Group had recently installed water to their Ivel Springs site. So he would provide the details of a person from the Baldock group to whom Hinxworth Parish Councillors could contact for advice.

**11. Any Other Urgent Business:** The Queen's Platinum Jubilee: A general discussion took place as to the final arrangements required by the Parish Councillors for the Street Party.

**12. Date of the Next Meeting:** Thursday 7th July 2022 in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

## Church Services for July

Sun 3rd Jul	09.15	Family Service	St Nicholas, Hinxworth
Sun 10th Jul	09.15	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Hinxworth
Sun 17th Jul	09.15	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Hinxworth
Sun 24th Jul	09.15	Holy Communion	St Nicholas, Hinxworth
Sun 24th Jul	09.30	BCP Communion	St Vincent's, Newnham
Sun 31st Jul	09.15	Benefice Communion	St Nicholas, Hinxworth

\* Note: In the benefice, there are also regular services at 10:45am and 5pm at St Mary's, Ashwell.

## Hinxworth and Edworth WI June Meeting

Although the number of members attending the June WI meeting was somewhat reduced as so many members were on holiday it was nevertheless a lively and enjoyable meeting. As usual Anki opened the meeting, signed the minutes of the last meeting and went over salient points arising - one of which is our next big village event "The Big Breakfast" to be held on Sunday 9th October. This will be open to everyone and has always been a very popular event so make a note of the day in your diaries.

Our speaker for the evening was a lovely lady called Joanne Todd who had come along to speak to us about trying to change the ways in which we clean our houses using environmentally safe and sustainable products: to reduce the amount of harmful chemicals we use and help to eliminate single use products around the home, essentially doing our bit to help the environment. She was a very keen advocate of all things "green" and an enthusiastic and entertaining speaker.

The next meeting will be 14 July at the slightly earlier time of 7pm as it is our Garden Meeting. This year we are able to hold the meeting at the Oak Room near the church in Hinxworth - a really delightful setting. There will be a quiz (set by Patrick) to test our knowledge about St Nicholas Church and a raffle followed by summer gateaux, strawberries, cream all provided by the committee members. Members, partners and friends all welcome. Look forward to seeing you then.

**Chris Hook**

## Soup Lunch

Thank you to everyone who came to the June soup lunch. A donation of £100 has been made to Baldock & Ashwell Action Aid Ukraine fund which I hope everyone will agree is a good and also local organisation. The next Soup Lunch will be 15th July 12noon to 2pm. See you all then.

**Chris Hook**



## Celebrations For The Late Chris Valley



9th June 2022 was the date when my late husband, Mr Chris Valley, would have celebrated his 70th birthday. He really wanted to make it to 70 and so I wanted to mark the occasion. Charlie, Patrick, Joe, Abby, Leo, Alice and I shared his favourite meal of fish and chips, (take away provided by the three horseshoes) in our garden with family and oldest friends. (grandson Joe was finishing his exams at Uni). I made a cake decorated with 36 mars bars - his chocolate of choice.

The guys from the village had a pint for him in the pub that evening and I was very touched to find them sitting around a photo of him.



Thanks to everyone for making it a special day.

**Chris Valley (Mrs Chris)**

## Refugee Week

As we have two refugee families being hosted in Hinxworth, we think you will all be interested to know that every year the United Nations designates June 20th as World Refugee day. In the UK various groups, including Amnesty International, are using this opportunity to hold a Refugee Week of events from June 20 – 26. This is especially being focussed on recognising and praising the contributions, creativity and resilience of people who are either seeking asylum in the UK, or who have been granted it (a difficult task!). This year's theme is 'healing' – a very appropriate choice as many refugees have been deeply traumatised – some physically, and nearly all mentally. What a privilege it is to help support them and try and get them on their feet again.

World-wide, the figure of both internally displaced people and those seeking refuge away from their own country is depressingly large – 89.3 Million (Compare that with the current UK population of 67.22 million). Of these, 36.5 million are children. And in our own neck of the global woods, over 13 million Ukrainians have fled their homes since Russia's invasion. Almost five million have left for neighbouring countries, while eight million people are thought to be displaced inside Ukraine.

But this cloud of dreadful statistics does have a silver lining. And this is the extraordinary kindness of thousands of individuals and groups who are responding to this crisis and continuously go the extra mile to do what they can to help.

**Simon Marlow**

## The Three Horseshoes Golf Day - 2022



**Richard Cobb, winner of the Golf Day Cup pictured with organiser Simon Cheshire & our landlord Gerry Methven**

It was our 12th 'Shoes' Golf day and we had a great turnout of 19 golfers.

Fortunately, the weather was the best we have ever experienced in June with a scorching 30 degrees and everyone made it round with some refreshments along the way.

We had a great evening meal in the pub marquee, followed by the prize giving including the Bazza 'Brush' Trophy (in memory of Barry Huber, kindly sponsored by his Family) and then our favourite band Corruption to conclude a wonderful day.

During the evening we had our usual charity Raffle and everyone was very generous as usual, I am pleased to say we raised £1,350 for the Herts based charity 'Cancer Hair Care' who care for and support patients on Chemotherapy with hair loss during this difficult time. This year will be their 10th Anniversary and this money will go a long way to help their cause.

In total over the 12 Golf Days, we have raised around £15,000 for many local charities that have been close to the families using the Three Horseshoes.

I would like to say a big thank you to all our golfers for supporting our 12th event, to all the guests in the evening, to the individuals who donated auction and raffle prizes and to Gerry and his team at the pub that made it a great day.

You will be able to find pictures soon of the golf day and presentation, on the Three Horseshoes Facebook page.

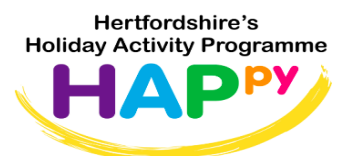
Well done everyone and thanks again to all.

**Simon Cheshire**

## HAPpy activity summer camps

Herts CC are helping local families by funding free HAPpy activity camps, giving eligible children and young people the chance to enjoy free food, sports and craft activities this summer. HAPpy camps are for children and young people who attend a Hertfordshire school and are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals. Around 190 HAPpy camps are running across Hertfordshire this summer, with 45,000 free places available from 25 July to 31 August.

Search:  
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Hertfordshire' for more info...



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