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Tue 10 Dec	green bin
Tue 17 Dec	blue recycling
Tue 24 Dec	green bin
Thur 2 Jan	blue recycling
Wed 8 Jan	green bin
Tue 14 Jan	blue recycling
Tues 21 Jan	green bin
Tue 28 Jan	blue recycling



Please take donations to **Byways Corner**. To stop us being swamped, please only leave them if you have spoken to **Dave Illing**.

If you would like to volunteer to help rotate the books than please get in touch.

Thankyou

*Cathy Miah
17 Springfields*

Food waste bins are collected on each of these dates.

Note: Please note the **changed collection days** during January. Garden waste collections, for those who have paid for them, normally coincide with the collection of the blue recycling bins. However there will be **no garden waste collections after Friday 13th December**. Garden waste collections resume from **Monday 27th January**.

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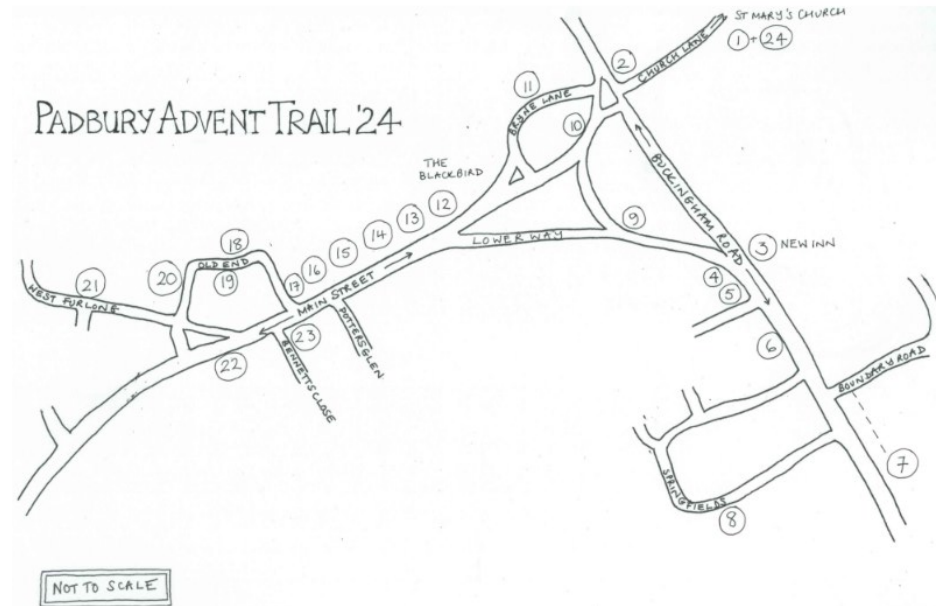
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December 2024 / January 2025



The **Padbury Living Advent Trail**, now in its third year, brings cheer to the village throughout December.

Starting at St Mary's Church on **1st December** and finishing at the church on **24th December**, the trail shown on the map guides you along a lively course through the village, with Advent windows on display at a host of village locations. Each window will be lit from dusk until about 9pm from the specified date in December, circled on the map.

We're thrilled this year to include some new locations on the Advent tour, including The New Inn and The Blackbird.

Merry Christmas!

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ST MARY THE VIRGIN, PADBURY – DECEMBER AND JANUARY

8 December - 2nd Sunday of Advent	10.30 am - Holy Communion
15 December - 3rd Sunday of Advent	9 am Holy Communion 5 pm Carol Service
22 December - 4th Sunday of Advent	No Service
Christmas Eve	4 pm - Christingle
25 December - Christmas Day	10.30 am - Holy Communion
5 January - 2nd Sunday of Christmas	10.30 am - Village Praise
12 January - 1st Sunday of Epiphany	10.30 am - Holy Communion
19 January - 2nd Sunday of Epiphany	9 am - Holy Communion
26 January - 3rd Sunday of Epiphany	No Service

For details of other services within Lenborough Benefice, see the notice in the church porch or the Lenborough Lantern.

PADBURY PRE-SCHOOL

Pre-school Update – Term News and Important Information

Many new families have joined us over the past few weeks. The children have settled in to the Pre-school so well!

Last half term, there was a focus was on healthy eating. The Pre-school had lots of fun preparing lunches together, including jacket potatoes, soup, sandwiches, and pizza. The children loved learning about where food comes from and how it grows. A big thank you to everyone who kindly donated ingredients to make this possible! The Pre-school also opened its doors to Grandparents last term, a heartwarming event, with many grandparents joining the Pre-school for breakfast and playtime.

This term, the focus topic will be “Healthy Eating, Oral Health, and Exercise.” The children have shown great interest in healthy eating already.

Phonics has been a big hit with the children and each week, they are looking to pair sounds with a book and a song. Recent books have included *Inside the Igloo*, and the song *Inky the Mouse* from the Jolly Phonics series. We’ve been using some fantastic resources from *Sounds Fun Resources*, which have really kept the children engaged.

Christmas Fete – The Padbury School PFA and Pre-school Committee are in process of organising the annual Christmas Fete. This is on **7th December**. We’re looking for local businesses and crafters who would like to have a stall – if you’re interested, please get in touch!

Registrations – We are taking registrations for **September 2025 to July 2026**. Don’t delay, get in touch with **Claire McHenry** to book your sessions on theark@padburypreschool.co.uk

Preschool Committee

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, PADBURY – CHRISTMAS EVENTS

Christmas is coming!

There's lots going on, both at St Mary's & in the village

Friday, 6 December – at 6pm in St Mary's Church

Children from the village will tell the Christmas Story through words and music and will then place the Holy Family in the Outdoor Stable, which remains until Twelfth Night (Epiphany). **Tina Mitchell** with a group of musicians from U3A, will accompany us all singing carols. **DO SUPPORT US!**

Saturday, 7 December – 10am to 4pm in Padbury Village Hall

Visit St Mary's 'Preserves, Candles and Craft' Stall. Great selection and prices!

Sunday, 8 December - 2.30pm to 4pm - in St Mary's Church

Join us for Afternoon Tea – homemade cakes, tea or coffee and plenty of chat!

Sunday, 15 December – 5pm in St Mary's Church

Carol Service – Five Lessons and lots of Carols - so much part of Christmas - followed by wine and homemade mince pies (or tea or coffee).

Christmas Eve - 4pm – in St Mary's Church

Christingle - for everybody, not just the children! **Revd Jenny Shields** will lead this joyful service which as a bonus, raises money for **The Children's Society**.

Christmas Day – 10.30am in St Mary's Church

We are fortunate to be able to welcome **Revd Roger Hale** from Wendover to celebrate Christmas Holy Communion. With organ and bells too, this service is for all the family. 'COME AND SEE'



As usual, there will be a Christmas Tree OUTSIDE the church. In the porch will be small wooden baubles and Christmas Tree shapes waiting for your message. You might like to write a wish, a prayer, or just a name – then hang your wishes on the tree.

There is more information in the **Lenborough Lantern**. If you would like to receive a copy, hard or electronically, contact **Kay Bradley** 01280 812965 kaybradley@sky.com.

Worried about a vulnerable friend, relative or neighbour?

Buckinghamshire Council's Adult Social Care team is checking in with all vulnerable residents.

Please let the team know if you know of someone who might need their help by calling the Adult Social Care team on **01296 383204**.

WELCOME TO THE DECEMBER '24 / JANUARY '25 ISSUE



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COPY DATE: Items for the Pump should be sent to the editor by email no later than Friday 25 January 2025 please.

I want to start this editorial page with a sincere 'thank you' to all the contributors who have articles and advertisements included in its pages. Because this is the issue that covers the Christmas period, I was determined to get it ready for printing and distribution in good time, and the early supply of its content has made that possible. Thank you everyone!

The Parish Council pages acknowledge the dedication of those who are involved with the distribution of The Pump, and I would like to add my thanks to that team too. They venture out in all weathers to bring this mundane little publication to you, and they deserve recognition.

Christmas and the New Year are when families and friends to get together for the pleasure of each other's company. This year will no doubt be the same for most of us, but there are also many who, for whatever reason, are unable to do that. Maybe they are away from home or are unable to be with the ones they love because of work commitments—service workers providing us with the energy to keep ourselves warm; emergency services ensuring our safety; military and others who are serving overseas on hazardous duty for example. These too are in my thoughts at this time of year.

The deadline for the next issue is **25th January**, and anything received after **27th January will not be included!** As usual, I'll send an email to regular contributors to remind them.

I'm grateful to the Parish Council for helping to fund The Pump's production costs. I've said this is a mundane little publication, but I know from unsolicited comments I've received that it is appreciated by many in the village.

As before, there will be a colour copy of this issue available on the Padbury Parish website after it has been circulated to all households in the village.

All that remains is to thank everyone for continuing to make living in Padbury such a pleasure and a privilege, and to wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year.

Dex

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PADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM PADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Padbury Parish Council would like to send our very best wishes to all our residents at this special time of year.

PADBURY CHRISTMAS TREE

Thank you to the **Webb family of Folly Farm** for kindly donating the Padbury Christmas tree situated next to the New Inn, and to **Councillors Morris and Dickens** who have kindly put it up for all to enjoy.

VILLAGE STEWARDS – THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK THIS YEAR

Thank you to all the stewards and volunteers who helped maintain our village this year, including **Roger Shelton, Sharon and Chris Hill, Neil Gibbard, Colin Smith, Mary Payne, Councillors Dickens, Morris and Barnes**. Jobs have included tree work, mowing the greens and verges, clearing vegetation, installing new benches, keeping pathways clear, repositioning a dog waste bin and maintaining the flowers around the war memorial. Thank you also to our new recruits.

If you have half an hour or longer that you could spare to make a difference; please contact the Parish Clerk. You don't need to have any special skills. You would be most welcome. All materials will be provided. We look forward to hearing from you.

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE INVOLVED WITH THE PUMP

Thank you to the editor, the distribution co-ordinator, the distributors and all those who contribute to the articles in the Pump. We very much appreciate all that you do throughout the year to deliver the village newsletter to our doors.

SUPPORT FROM BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL INCLUDING PENSION CREDIT SURGERIES AND HELPING HAND SERVICE

Pension Credit Surgeries have been set up to help those who may qualify to apply for Pension Credit. These free surgeries will be run from libraries and other locations across the county between now and the 21st December, with advisors available to answer questions and guide people through the process of applying for Pension Credit. **You can find out more about these surgeries, including a list of dates and locations, on the council website.**

Additional support is available through Buckinghamshire Council's **Helping Hand service**, which includes the **Household Support Fund, Welcoming Spaces, and help with buying or accessing food**. The **Family Information Service** is also available, providing guidance for families and ideas for activities, clubs, place to visit and things to do with the children - many of which are free or low cost.

To find out more about Energy Doctor (energy saving resources for pensioners with an EPC of D or below) please visit Buckinghamshire Council's website at: www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/energy-doctor. For Pension Credit: www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/pension-credit

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INTER-PUB DARTS COMPETITION AT THE BLACKBIRD



A big thank you to all the participants of the first inter-pub darts competition organised by Mike from The Blackbird.

Twenty players competed for the "Poppy" memorial trophy, with the losers then going on to compete for the runners-up plate.

A big thank you to Padbury local **Jim Lawson** for his excellent wood working skills for both the trophy and the plate.

The final saw Jim, the first worthy winner of his own trophy!

Another success saw local resident **Jamie Beckenham** finishing as runner up for the plate.

Special thanks to Mike from The Blackbird for getting this first competition off to a successful start.

Good luck to all teams for the Winter league season.



Jim Lawson receiving his trophy from Lewis (Landlord, Blackbird)

We have about 100 wine glasses available for free-of-charge loan.

Please contact **Vicky Murray** on 822827 or mummymurray@hotmail.co.uk

Do you need a lift?

Do you need help with transport for hospital or any other appointments, or perhaps collecting shopping or prescriptions?

If so, there are people in the village who are happy and willing to help. Initially, please call **Sara Birch**; although she may not necessarily be able to help you herself, she should be able to find someone who can!

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PADBURY COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH GROUP

Do you have a couple of spare hours a month?

Would you like to tackle the problem of speeding within Padbury Village?

If your answer is 'YES' to the above, then please get in touch and join the existing volunteers of the **Padbury Community Speedwatch Group**.

Please contact Pam



Any Buckinghamshire household facing financial hardship can contact the council's Helping Hand service. Find out more at: www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/helping-hand.

PADBURY PLAY AREA UPDATE

Following our successful award of a project grant from **Winslow and Villages Community Board**, we have ordered both a Wicksteed 25m steel cableway (zipwire) and a Galaxy Spring Mobile (springy). Match funding was provided by Padbury Parish Council (to match the value of the reward). Donations were also received from the sale of the Padbury Through the Years book and the former youth club. The new equipment should be in place by the Spring. Please note that it is likely that the play area will be closed during the ground preparation and installation phase for Health and Safety reasons.

TO ALL DOG OWNERS AND DOG WALKERS

We would like to remind residents that the Parish Council pays an annual fee for the waste from the red dog waste bins to be collected. We have added more of these lidded bins to the village for the convenience of residents.

Recently, it has been reported that dog waste has been found in untied poop bags in regular open bins where there is a red bin present. Please consider others and use the red bins where possible or return the waste to your green general waste bin at home. Thank you for your co-operation.

ROAD CLOSURES

For up-to-date information regarding road closures please check out Padbury Parish Council website, our Facebook page, or visit <https://one.network/>

HIRE OF PADBURY PAVILION

Please visit the Parish Council website for details of the hire charges and conditions of hire. Alternatively, please contact the Parish Clerk who can provide further details and check availability.

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

You may have noticed the Community Speedwatch volunteers out in the village collecting data and deterring speeding motorists in their hi-vis jackets. By becoming part of the village Speedwatch campaign, you can play a part in sharing this data with Thames Valley Police to help prevent vehicles travelling at excess speeds in Padbury. As well as increasing Police presence this could lead to further traffic calming measures being implemented. Full training is offered for all new volunteers.

You would be gathering data with two other volunteers at the roadside as vehicles pass. The Parish Clerk can provide further details if you would like to join.

USEFUL LINKS – A REMINDER

FIX MY STREET <https://fixmystreet.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/>

FLOOD ALERTS <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

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ROAD CLOSURES <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-transport/check-for-roadworks-and-closures/>

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HIGHWAYS - to report fallen trees etc. Tel. **01296 382416** (during office hours) or **01296 486630** (out of hours emergencies).

DOG FOULING <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/street-cleaning/report-dog-fouling-inline/>

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE – news <https://padburyparishcouncil.com/news>

PLANNING

Decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council (Aylesbury Vale Area):

- 24/02136/APP – Householder application for dropped kerb and driveway - 4 Monument Cottages, Main Street. REFUSED
- 24/02852/APP – Householder application for two storey and single storey side extensions and conversion of existing garage – Dairy Lands, Main Street. APPROVED

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Full copies of the agendas and minutes from meetings can be viewed on the Parish Council website or outside the village hall on the village noticeboard. Our meetings will be held at 7pm at Padbury Pavilion on the following dates:

10th December 2024

11th February, 15th April (TBC) and 13th May (TBC) 2025

Residents are welcome to attend.

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44TH PADBURY PRODUCE SHOW – REPORT

We're thrilled to share that the 44th Padbury Produce Show was even more successful than last year, with an impressive increase of 67 entries! It's wonderful to see our village show going from strength to strength, with the quality of entries and level of competition continuing to rise each year. For a small village, Padbury certainly knows how to put on a fantastic produce show!

This year, we introduced some exciting changes, including the shift from a men-only cookery class to a new 'one-for-all' category. The response has been fantastic, with increased entries and strong support from the community. We're always looking to enhance the show and connect more with the village, so we've been sharing monthly 'what to sow' tips and judges' insights on our Facebook page. If you have any ideas or suggestions to help make the show even better, please don't hesitate to reach out via email:

padburyproduceshow@gmail.com.

A huge thank you to everyone who participated, donated raffle prizes, and supported the event—your involvement is what keeps the show thriving. Special thanks to **Rita** and **Brenda** for their hard work in the kitchen, and to **Fred** for presenting the trophies. Below is a list of this year's trophy and rosette winners:

Clarkes Shield – **S. Dickens**

Neighbourhood Watch Shield – **S. Dickens**

Sparkes Cup- **S. Dickens**

The Morley-Fletcher Challenge Cup- **K. Carleton**

The Reg and Joan Award- **M. Akduman**

The Howes Cup- **J. Hartshorn**

Padbury WI Produce Cup- **C. Dickens**

The Vicar's Pot- **T. Kelly**

The Miss Liz Duckett Award- **R. Plumridge**

The Mary Down Cup – **A. McHenry**

The Collings Cup- **T. Jozefowski**

The Thatcher Cup – **C. Kelly**

The Pre-school Cup – **D. Baldock**

The Tearle Cup- **T.J ozefowski**

Parish Council Cup – **J. Hartshorn**

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Best Exhibit (Fruit)- **C. Dinwoodie**

Best Exhibit (Drinks)- **R. Taylor**

Best Exhibit (Pot Plants)- **K. Carleton**



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PADBURY VILLAGE FOOTBALL CLUB



On the pitch Padbury has had mixed results in the autumn across all its teams. The 1st team has found the Spartan South Midlands league a step up in standard and is consistently being challenged by competitive opponents. With Christmas and New Year fixtures against MK Irish Res (21/12 - H), Pitstone (28/12 - A), and Codicote (04/01 - A), hopes are high that the festive period will bring some positive results.



Padbury Raptors U15s are well placed in their division of the MKDDL league, following home & away victories against Deanshanger (4-1 and 4-6 respectively). Through to the 2nd round of the Shield competition, they face a local derby against Winslow Pumas U15s (H - 30/11) with a Qtr final place at stake. Padbury Cougars U13s are through to the next round of their Shield competition, (H v Wixams on 07/12), having recently enjoyed a 3-1 success against MK City.

In the non-competitive age groups, mini-kickers; Pumas U9s; Panthers U10s & Falcons U11s, training and friendly fixtures continue with good numbers of boys and girls enjoying playing across all age groups. Newly formed Padbury Eagles U7s have secured their first victory as a team and grow stronger each week.

Padbury Village Football Club is raising funds to purchase additional grounds maintenance equipment, which will enable Club volunteers to undertake necessary pitch maintenance activities more financially sustainably than contracting with 3rd parties. PVFC is currently participating in the following local community funding projects and is seeking support to maximise the opportunities:

Stronger Starts. The Tesco Stronger Starts programme provides grant awards of up to £1,500 to local community projects, with a particular focus on children and young people. Please support the Club by collecting tokens from the checkout at the Buckingham Tesco stores and selecting PVFC from one of the three local projects to support.

CHOOSE US AS YOUR LOCAL CAUSE PVFC is part of the @Coopuk Local Community Fund, to find out more about our project and to choose us as your local cause, click here <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/92339>. Funding of up to £6,000 is available to local community projects supporting Youth and Wellbeing activities in our local community.

Information including fixtures, match reports, newsletters, and events can be found at www.pvfc.org.uk. Anybody interested in playing, volunteering, refereeing, running the match day tuckshop, or sponsorship, should contact Peter (Chairman), petermchenry@hotmail.com, 07740 930913 or Mike, Director of Football, Mikey.marsh71@gmail.com.



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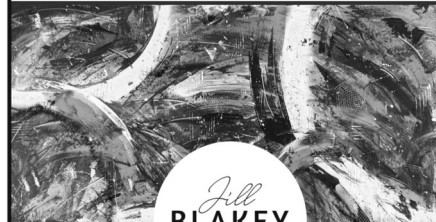


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PADBURY VILLAGE HALL

Diary dates.

Village Hall Committee- Annual General Meeting.

The AGM will be held on **Thursday 5th December at 7pm**, in the village hall. It will be open to village hall users and village residents.

A celebration of local crafts and produce.

Local people will be displaying and selling their crafts and produce in the village hall on **Saturday 7th December**, between **10am and 4pm**. Refreshments will be available throughout the day. Come and join us.

Fundraising.

The village hall committee would like to thank local people who have supported and attended our fundraising events throughout the year. The most recent of these were the Opera Dudes, and then the quiz with fish and chip supper. Both events were sold out and raised much needed funds for the village hall.

FCC Communities Foundation Grant.

An application was made to the FCC for the money to cover the cost of replacing the village hall roof. The application was successful, and work will commence to replace the old roof on the 1st March 2025.

100+ Club.

Notice of November winners.

1st prize £50, No 165- **Mrs Carol Venn**. 2nd prize £50, No 98- **Mrs A Smetts**.

Coffee Morning.

There is a coffee morning in the village hall on the first Friday of every month, from 10.30 to 12:00. Why not come along for a cuppa, a slice of homemade cake and a chat?

Hiring the village hall.

Sue Paxton has taken over the role of Booking Secretary for the village hall.

To hire the hall please contact her, susanpaxtono2@outlook.com or 07725 565219.

Padbury village hall committee members would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Wendy Bull, Secretary.

Advertise your business in the Pump for just £50 a year

The *Padbury Parish Pump* is published six times a year and is delivered to every house in the parish.

For information about advertising in the *Pump* please contact **Sue Paxton** on susanepaxtono2@outlook.com



**Winslow And
District
Art Society**



Join Us!

Winslow and District Art Society was established over thirty years ago by like minded people who enjoyed creating art. This is a friendly group that meets regularly to paint, and watch demonstrations. We support each other and all media and abilities are most welcome.

Exhibitions are held twice a year in Spring and Winter. This is an opportunity to show and sell your work and take an active part in a very rewarding weekend.

Demonstrations are on the evening of the last Thursday of the month in Winslow Bowls Club hall. Weekly painting groups meet in Padbury village hall on Tuesday mornings and Winslow Bowls Club on Thursday mornings. Places are dependant on space and there is a small charge to cover the cost of the hall

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE OUR WEBSITE
www.winslowart.org.uk
or our Facebook page
Or contact : Cheryl, Monica or Jackie

Winslow And District Art Society Contacts :

Chair : **Cheryl Wilyman** 01296 640755
Treasurer : **Jackie Chambers** 01296 713607
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GREENER PADBURY GROUP

This autumn we've been sowing yellow rattle at the top of the wood to make way for more wildflowers, we've put up a canopy in the forest school area, and we're putting up more bat boxes. We have also run two Go Wild for Change sessions and a block of Muddy Toddlers sessions at the allotments, connecting children with nature – all free to families.

Coming up: our AGM on Monday 3rd February in the Springfields Pavilion, 6.30 for a 7pm start. Please join us to find out how we are making Padbury greener and what we have planned for 2025. We will be providing a simple and sociable supper afterwards and hope you will stay to share this. Please look out for more details on our website:

www.greenerpadbury.com

Eco Tips

The leaves are nearly all off the trees. When clearing paths and patio, collect them into a bag or bin to make leaf mould for next year. You might like to take some off the lawn, but worms will take any leftover loose ones down which helps to aerate the ground.

Christmas: Try to buy gift wrap that is not covered in plastic. Many cards and wrapping paper are fully recyclable. Have a happy [plastic free] Christmas!

*Greener Padbury Group
Tina Mitchell*

PADBURY FRIENDLY AFTERNOON CLUB

In October, **Roger Edwards** gave us a most informative and interesting talk about the history of Pantomime. At our November meeting, **Margaret Templeton** and **Anna Taylor** came to share their flower arranging skills with us and we all went home with some lovely seasonal arrangements. Each one has an electric candle, which comes on at about 4pm every day and stays lit for five hours, to remind us of our lovely afternoon.

Our December meeting on Wednesday 11th will be a Christmas tea, with Secret Santa, cake, mince pies etc. Please bring along some favourite seasonal music and / or some poems or stories to read to each other. The next day, we and the Anna Chaplaincy group have been invited by the school to watch the Nativity play. Please arrive by 1:45, as the show starts at 2pm.

In January we will be sharing a festive meal with the Anna Chaplaincy at Epiphany, on **Monday 6th January at 12:30** in the church. This will replace our usual meeting on Wednesday 8th. Everyone is invited to this social occasion.

Merry Christmas, everyone, and a Happy New Year!

Tina Mitchell 01280 814544

THE BLACKBIRD, MAIN STREET, PADBURY

Festive events

Saturday 14th Dec	Ladies' social evening
Saturday 21st Dec	Music bingo with Drag Queen Sandy Flaps £10 per person BOOK NOW!
Saturday 21st Dec	9-11am and 12-2pm Santa's Grotto Book your slots now! £5 per child. Meet Santa, gifts, games, and more. Book now!!
Christmas Eve	7pm Free jukebox
New Years Eve	7pm—late Karaoke and music

Regular events and Food

First Tuesday of the month:	Quiz night 7:30pm Fizz prize and rollover Killer Question
Wednesdays	5-8pm Burger night
Thursdays	5-8pm Curry night
Alternate Saturdays	4-8pm Luigi's wood-fired Pizzas
	4-6pm Family deal available (Takeaway available)

BINGO

Pleased to say numbers have increased at Bingo lately, which is good to see.

We have started a new Snowball running, but you do have to have been at least 3 times to qualify.

Our **Christmas Bingo** will soon be here, I have to point out that unless you have been 4 times since start of October you will not qualify. The reason this is done is because in the past we have had people turn up from all over the place that have never been before and walk away with lots of prizes, I find that very unfair to those that support my bingo all year round.

We have only 3 bingo's left apart from the Christmas one this year, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone, all my helpers and supporters, A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Hopefully, maybe, in the New Year we may see some new faces from the Village come and join us – that would be so great! Everyone is very welcome. We are a friendly crowd, we take nothing too seriously, just a fun evening with a game of Bingo, lots of laughs, and maybe if you're lucky, a nice win.

Carol Bloxham

WINSLOW AND DISTRICT ART SOCIETY (WADAS)

As we settle into our new programme of demonstrations for 2024/25, members have been treated to a masterclass by wildlife artist of the year finalist, Chris Church. Using watercolour pencils, Chris produced a meticulously detailed painting of an elephant's eye.

In October **Anne Blankson-Hemans** drew on her cultural heritage to create an oil painting of a bustling market scene from a photograph she took whilst visiting Ghana.



Our next demonstrations are on November 21st and January 30th.

November's demo will be by portrait artist, **Matt Waruszynski**, who will be working with oil paints. This will be followed in January by artist **Jan Gaska**.

Meetings are held in the Bowls Club, Winslow and start at 7.30pm; visitors are always welcome. The entrance fee of £5.00 includes light refreshments.

WADAS weekly art groups (Tuesdays 10am to 1pm in the village hall, Padbury and Thursday 10am to 1pm in the Bowls Club, Winslow), offer a chance to paint, chat and enjoy refreshments and share helpful hints and tips and, occasionally, receive friendly positive critique.

To find out more about these meetings, contact

- **Cheryl Wilyman** (Chair) 01296 640755
- **Jackie Chambers** (Treasurer) 01296 713607
- **Monica Gilbey** (Secretary) 01296 711915

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Snow in Millennium Wood

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Padbury War Memorial in spring

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Padbury cottage sunset

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Padbury Main Street sunset

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**PADBURY COMMUNITY
SPEEDWATCH GROUP**

Do you have a couple of spare hours a month?
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If your answer is 'YES' to the above, then please get in touch and
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Padbury Community Speedwatch Group.

Please contact Pam (Parish Clerk) via: Tel: **07961 827302** or
Email: padburyparishcouncil@gmail.com

