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	Tue 16 Jul	blue recycling	
	Tue 23 Jul	green bin	
	Tues 30 Jul	blue recycling	
	Tue 6 Aug	green bin	

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# The Padbury Parish Pump



June / July 2024



After such a wet couple of months, I thought it would cheer us all up to have a picture on the magazine cover to remind us what summer should be like. There's still time for the weather to improve however, and maybe temperatures might start to rise and the sun make a prolonged appearance after the summer solstice.

We're rapidly approaching the 'silly season' in the UK, when the news often features many frivolous stories. However, we're living in a topsy-turvy world at the moment, and I fear we'll continue to see pictures, and hear news stories, that will shock and horrify us for some time to come. We're lucky to live in a peaceful, rural village, so let's give some thought to those innocents who are less fortunate and who are caught up directly in the madness of wars, stabbings, mass shootings, and general mayhem that is demeaning the only planet that we know for sure supports allegedly intelligent life.

## The Padbury Parish Pump

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## June services

Date	Readings	Adstock	Gawcott	Hillesden	Padbury
9 June 2nd after Trinity	Genesis 3.8-15 Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 4.13 - 5.1 Mark 3.20 - end5	No Service	No Service	No Service	10.30 am Holy Communion Common Worship
16 June 3rd after Trinity	Ezekial 17.22 - end Psalm 92, 1 - 4, 12 - end 2 Corinthians 5.6 - 10, 14 - 16	10.30 am Morning Prayer <i>Service of the Word</i> Rev'd Chris Murray	10.30 am Care and Share	No Service	9 am Holy Communion <i>Book of Common Prayer</i> Rev'd Jenny Shields
23 June 4th after Trinity	Job 38.1 - 11 Psalm 107. 1 - 3, 23 - 32 2 Corinthians 6.1 - 13 Mark 4.35 - end	No Service	10.30 am Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i> Ven Guy Elsmore	No Service	No Service
30 June 5th after Trinity <i>Potterico</i>	2 Samuel 1.1, 17 - end Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 8.7 - end Mark 5.21 - end <i>(These readings may change)</i>	No Service	10.30 am <b>Benefice</b> <b>Holy Communion</b> <b>Common Worship</b>	No Service	No Service

## July services

Date	Readings	Adstock	Gawcott	Hillesden	Padbury
7 July 6th after Trinity	Ezekial 2.1-5 Psalm 123 2 Corinthians 12.2-10	9 am Holy Communion <i>Book of Common Prayer</i>	10.30 am Café Sunday	10.30 am Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>	10.30 am Village Praise Café Church
14 July 7th after Trinity	Ezekial 17.22 - end Psalm 65. 8 - end Ephesians 1.3 - 14	No Service	No Service	No Service	10.30 am Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>
21 July 8th after Trinity	Jeremiah 23.1 - 6 Psalm 23 Ephesians 2.11 - end	10.30 am Morning Prayer <i>Service of the Word</i>	10.30 am Care & Share	No Service	9 am Holy Communion <i>Book of Common Prayer</i>
28 July 9th after Trinity	2 Kings 4.42 - end Psalm 145 10 - 19 Ephesians 3.14 - end John 6. 1 - 21	No Service	10.30 am Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>	No Service	No Service

Every effort will be made to keep to the scheduled services and readings but there may sometimes need to be changes.

Shortage of clergy makes it difficult to have services in all the Lenborough Benefice churches every Sunday. Please be assured that you will be warmly welcomed at any of our lovely churches, to any of the services. If transport is a problem, contact Kay Bradley - 01280 812965 - [kaybradley@sky.com](mailto:kaybradley@sky.com) and something will be arranged for you.

## ST MARY THE VIRGIN CHURCHYARD AND PRAYER GARDEN

We are so fortunate in Padbury to have a beautiful churchyard, which is lovingly cared for chiefly by **Neil Gibbard** and a few other folk who I know help but don't make themselves known. Thank you and bless you all. Many people walk the public footpaths that are accessed from the churchyard and it is lovely to see them so well used. The church is always open if you want a quiet sit down.



Have you visited the Quiet Prayer Garden presided over by a seat in memory of Bill Thatcher, a real stalwart of Padbury throughout his life? The expansive views give a feeling of peace and tranquillity in all weathers.

In order to keep the churchyard as we would all wish, I would like to draw your attention to the fact that there are strict national rules and regulations regarding the care of all graves, ledger stones and memorials. These rules are there not just to ensure that the area can be enjoyed by everybody but also to protect the flora and fauna so important to the green environment.

The following will be removed:

- Plastic flowers, which are not permitted at any time.
- Withered or dead cut flowers and wreaths.
- Silk and good quality artificial flowers ARE permitted, but once the type of flower is out of season it will be removed.
- Faded or decaying artificial flowers or those out of season.
- Teddy bears, photographs, balloons or other sentimental items if they are left for more than 6 weeks following interment.

Kerbs, railings, posts or chains to enclose a grave are NOT permitted

Artificial poppy wreaths are allowed at the time of Remembrance but should be removed by the end of November.

Christmas Wreaths are also allowed and should be removed by the end of January.

I do hope that it is appreciated that these rules are for the benefit of us all. I hate removing items from graves or memorial ledgers – it is upsetting but has to be done if things are not to get out of control.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

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## WELCOME TO THE JUNE / JULY '24 ISSUE



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**COPY DATE: Items for the Pump should be sent to the editor by email no later than Friday 26 July 2024 please.**

It seems I'm always apologising for something or other with each issue. This one's no exception – this time it's because a sudden increase in my professional writing workload has meant this issue is late getting to you. In particular, I apologise to those contributors whose articles have announced events for early June – before The Pump had even gone to press.

I hope you all planted the seeds that the GPG team included with the previous issue. I certainly did, and they seem to be growing ... unless it's those pesky weeds coming back again after I made great efforts to eradicate them. My rose is flourishing though.

With school holidays just a few weeks away, I'm sure many in the village will be taking a well-earned break to recharge our batteries either here in the UK or abroad. Wherever you are going for your break, I wish you a safe journey, and a truly wonderful holiday doing what you most enjoy with your family and friends.

As usual, my thanks go to everyone who contributed to this issue of The Pump. I'm also grateful to the Parish Council for helping to fund The Pump's production costs.

The deadline for the next issue is **26th July**. Please make sure you send articles for inclusion in good time. 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.

Dex

4 Parish Council	8 Bingo	20 Padbury Produce Show
6 Padbury Friendly	12 Village Hall	22 The Blackbird
7 WADAS	14 Padbury Tennis	23 Pre-school
7 Preston Bissett Fete	16 Greener Padbury	26 St Mary's Church
8 Padbury WI	18 Padbury Football	

## PADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

### PADBURY PAVILION OPENING AND ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Thank you to all those who attended the opening of the extended and refurbished pavilion and Annual Parish Meeting which took place on Monday 20th May. Several village groups attended including the Village Hall, WI, Greener Padbury, Padbury Tennis Club, Padbury Produce Show, Padbury Pre-school, Padbury Sick Benefit Society, Padbury Table Tennis Club, Padbury Football Club and St. Mary's Church with their wonderful bellringers. The displays were excellent. Thank you also to the two Buckinghamshire Councillors, John Chilver and Billy Stanier who attended.

### PADBURY THROUGH THE YEARS

Several residents have expressed an interest in having their own copy of the Padbury book published to mark the millennium. 'Padbury Through the Years' is full of old photographs to show all areas of the village up to the year 2000. If sufficient orders, with a suggested minimum donation of £20 per copy are received, we will arrange printing. All proceeds after costs will go towards the proposed new zipwire at Padbury Play Area. Please contact the Parish Clerk by the 1st July if you would like to order a copy.

### BUCKINGHAMSHIRE BEST KEPT VILLAGE

We would like to remind residents that the judging period for the Buckinghamshire Best Kept Village competition will take place between the 1st June and 14th July. Communal areas will be judged as well as verges, hedges, and flower beds so please help us work together with our village stewards to show Padbury at its very best. Thank you.

As a reminder to all residents, if your hedges/trees overhang the footpaths or roads, please ensure these are cut back where required. Also, please remove any cuttings from the verges.

### VILLAGE STEWARDS

Padbury Parish Council is looking for volunteers to join our group of village stewards. 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. All materials will be provided. We look forward to hearing from you.

### COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

Thank you to our new volunteers who signed up at the pavilion opening. By becoming part of the village speed watch campaign we can give data to 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.

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Opening Dates and Times

**June 2024**

Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr
8	9				13	14
15	16		18		20	

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**Sat:** 10.30am-4pm  
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**ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

At the meeting held on 21st May Cllr. Peter Burton was re-elected as **Chairman** and Cllr. Stephen Dickens was re-elected as **Vice Chairman**.

**HORSES IN MILLENNIUM WOOD (WINDMILL PIECE)**

We remind horse riders that the Millennium Wood is not a bridleway and therefore horses are not allowed. Details of local bridleways can be found on the Public Rights of Way Map on the Buckinghamshire Council website. Thank you for your co-operation.

**RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERS**

Thank you to all the responsible dog owners in Padbury who dispose of their dog's waste in the dedicated red bins and walk their dogs respectfully around the perimeter of the playing field.

Unfortunately, we continue to have negative reports including one where dog waste was smeared on the children's slide next to the pavilion. Sadly, a child had not realised this before they used the slide.

If you spot anyone not clearing up after their dog, please report via the following link: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/street-cleaning/report-dog-fouling-inline/>

**USEFUL LINKS – A REMINDER**

- FIX MY STREET** <https://fixmystreet.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/>
- FLOOD ALERTS** <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>
- 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** - <https://padburyparishcouncil.com/> - lots of information is available on our website including further useful links and contact details.

**PLANNING**

Decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council (Aylesbury Vale Area):  
NO DECISIONS MADE AT THE TIME OF GOING TO PRESS

**PLANNING APPLICATION FOR 79 HOUSES**

Application 22/03695/AOP, for outline permission for up to 79 dwellings on the outskirts of the village, will be considered by Buckinghamshire Council planning committee on the 26th June. The meeting starts at 2.30pm and will be held at the council offices at the Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury, HP19 8FF (near the new Sainsbury's). Although parish councillors will be attending, this is a public meeting so why not come along and see democracy in action.

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## 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:

9th July, 10th September, 10th December 2024

11th February, 15th April 2025

Residents are welcome to attend.

### PARISH COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

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## PADBURY FRIENDLY AFTERNOON CLUB

Our April meeting was attended by a number of guests, who had come to support a duo comprising John Burgess and Sue Herring performing songs from 'The Sound of Music'. It was a very entertaining afternoon.

In May, Roger Young came to give us a talk about pearls, which was informative and thought provoking.

Our June meeting is to be our Strawberry Tea. It will be held at **Field View, 8 Bowlers Lane** on Wednesday 12th June 2 – 4pm, with the kind invitation of Annie Tinson.

In July, our outing will be to be entertained by the children of Sycamore class at Padbury school. We shall have to meet there earlier than usual – possibly 1:15 – 1:30 to start, as the school day finishes at 3:15. I will confirm the meeting time at our June garden party.

If you know someone who would be interested to come to either of these events, please let me know and bring them along.

*Tina Mitchell 01280 814544*

## PADBURY PRE-SCHOOL

The Preschool is learning about “growing” this term. The children are enjoying bug hunts and learning about Frog cycles and new Lambs as well as how different vegetables grow. Our preschool forest school sessions continue and we would like to thank anyone who has kindly donated. We are still in need of some different items (trowels, hand drills etc.) so any donations would be appreciated.

We have some exciting events lined up with inviting family members in for the Father's Day breakfast and the children are excited to start practising for Sports Day later this Summer.

We have 12 children starting school in September with settling-in sessions having already started. The children are enjoying meeting their teachers and learning how to be ready for school.

After 14 dedicated years to preschool, Fiona will be retiring in July. She has been SENCO lead, deputy, and has been a key resource for the team! We wish her all the best for the future and will miss her lots! We would like to thank Fiona for her continued effort to support the children and running of Padbury Preschool.

Thank you for your continued support.

<https://www.justgiving.com/padburypreschool>

*Shauna Hayward  
Preschool Committee*

### DONATION REQUESTS

If you are clearing out your cupboards and you don't need any of the following, **Padbury Preschool** will gladly make use of them.

**Please drop at the preschool or 17 Springfields.**

Many thanks in advance.

Shaving foam, Flour, Cornflour, Cornflakes, Rice crispies, Salt, Oil, Rice cakes, Rich tea biscuits, Paper, Bin bags, Toilet rolls, Crackers, Breadsticks, Fruit bread, Tissues, Kitchen rolls, Dishwasher tablets Washing up liquid, Sugar

### 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**.

## EVENTS COMING UP AT THE BLACKBIRD

Here at The Blackbird we are proud to serve you all a range of real ales on tap, a collection of continental lagers, wines from Burkman Wine Cellars London and an array of 0% and low-alcohol options.

The first Tuesday of every month we host a quiz night! It is £2 per person with teams up to 6 people. The winning team gets the prize of a £50 bar tab

Every Wednesday we serve burger-night deals, for £11.50 we include a local Padbury meat burger, fries and a drink of choice being a pint, medium house wine or soft drink. Every other weekend (please keep an eye out on social media and the board outside to find out the next date) Luigi's pizza box visits the blackbird ready to serve hand-stretched sourdough pizza to order.

### Luigi's at the blackbird dates -

Friday 7th June	Saturday 8th June	Friday 21st June
Saturday 22nd June	Friday 5th July	Saturday 6th July
Friday 19th July	Saturday 20th July	

Coming up over the next two months we have a Father's Day food event across all 3 venues, please pop in or enquire via email at [EVENTSSGB104@GMAIL.COM](mailto:EVENTSSGB104@GMAIL.COM).

We are also holding an AC/DC tribute act at The Shoulder of Mutton on **July 13th**, tickets are available to purchase from the blackbird bar or via the email [EVENTSSGB104@GMAIL.COM](mailto:EVENTSSGB104@GMAIL.COM).

At the Blackbird we are a part of the summer darts league and encourage all to pop in and play a game on our dart board.

Please get in touch if you want to find out more about any events or are interested in having an event at any of our venues.

You can find us at

- Facebook - The Blackbird
- Instagram - Theblackbirdpadbury
- Instagram - Luigis\_Streetfood
- Email - [EVENTSSGB104@GMAIL.COM](mailto:EVENTSSGB104@GMAIL.COM)



*The Blackbird*

## WINSLOW AND DISTRICT ART SOCIETY (WADAS)

April was a very busy month for WADAS members, because they spent much of their spare time completing their "artistic items" for the Spring Exhibition held in the Winslow Public Hall. However, their endeavours were much appreciated, with many compliments about the diversity of exhibits and the excellent standard. Our visitors also said that they enjoyed the excellent refreshments, the raffles and the children's activities.

Then a few days later, on the 25th April, we enjoyed our monthly demonstration in the Winslow Bowls Club. As always the door opened at 7 pm for a start at 7.30 pm.

We always make everybody welcome and the visitor's fee is only £5, which includes refreshments. So why not join us?

This evening our Demonstrator was David Wilcox who is a professional watercolourist. David painted a large image of two ballet dancers. He talked about his journey of creation by explaining his technique of projecting the drawing onto the paper and mixing the paint on the paper using a limited palette for speed and accuracy. We all agreed the evening was inspirational and enjoyable.

So why not join us? I've included details of our next demonstrations below.

Paul Berryman. 30/5/24 ..... Demonstration medium TBC.  
Karen Thomas 27/6/24..... Medium graphite.

*Cheryl Wilman chair 01296 640755*  
*Jackie Chambers treasurer 01296 713607*  
*Monica Gilbey secretary 01296 711915*

## PRESTON BISSETT VILLAGE FETE

Preston Bissett is holding its annual village fete to raise funds for the church and local community.

The fete is on **Sunday 30 June 2024** on the village cricket ground, in the centre of the village. There is plenty of parking. It starts at 13:00 with registration for the dog show from 12:00 until 16:30, when the raffle is drawn.

Come along for a relaxing afternoon and enjoy food from BBQ, teas and cakes, ice-creams or a drink at the bar. Activities include the dog show, children's games, craft talent show, tractor rides, vintage cars and vehicles, tombola and other stalls.

It is a very traditional fete and we look forward to seeing you there!

## PADBURY WI

In April we found out all about volunteering in Cambodia with a most interesting talk by **Carol McCutcheon**. We welcomed six visitors to our May meeting where **Carmela Hayes** of Carmela's Kitchen showed us how to make pasta and a delicious sauce. The Village Hall smelt wonderful!

**theWI**  
INSPIRING WOMEN

For our meeting in June we will hold an open evening for anybody who wishes to know more about Power of Attorney and Living Wills. This will be at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and everybody is welcome. Entry £4 and refreshments available.

On **11th July** we will have an afternoon visit at 2.30pm to Kingsbridge Gardens as part of the NGS scheme. This will replace our evening meeting.

A member has kindly offered the use of her garden for a barbecue on **Sunday 28th July**. As usual we will have no meeting in August.

To find out more about Padbury WI please visit our website [padburywi.weebly.com](http://padburywi.weebly.com) or email [padburywi@gmail.com](mailto:padburywi@gmail.com).

*Sue Christelow, Secretary*

## BINGO

I'm very happy to say that Bingo is still going strong.


Since the last Pump, our Snowball has been won and a new one started. The lucky lady was one of our supporters from Buckingham.

As most people know, myself and lots of other people in Padbury have recently lost a very dear friend **David Lafford**. Having been friends with David and Shirley for 57 years, sharing lots of times and memories of us doing Bingo and with David calling, I decided we had to do something in his memory, so I organised a Bingo on the Thursday evening before his funeral. I'm so pleased to say that the sum of £150 was raised for "The Medical Detection Dogs", which was a cause very close to David's heart. I would like to thank everyone who came along and joined in the evening. We had lots of laughs just as David would have wanted.

If anyone is interested in joining us any Friday night at 8pm, you will be made very welcome. Just keep an eye on Padbury Facebook, as sometimes during the summer there won't be Bingo. Also, now and again, it will be on a Thursday.

Again big thanks go to all my helpers. Without them there wouldn't be a Bingo, as I certainly couldn't do it on my own.

*Carol Bloxham*







### 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 (Parish Clerk) via:  
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This year's show will be on the 7th September & the theme will be 'Sunset'.



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U18s 8th; and the Adults 2nd in the North Bucks Premier Division. In the non-competitive groups, from Mini Kickers aged 4-6; Pumas U8s; Panthers U9s; and Falcons U10s; all the boys and girls have enjoyed their training and friendly fixtures as part of their football development.

The pavilion refurbishment, including improved showers and toilets in the changing rooms and officials area, are particularly appreciated and the Club would like to express its gratitude to the Parish Council for their delivery.

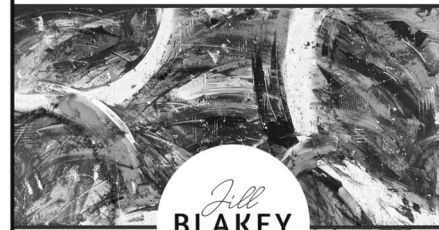
In 2023/24, the Club has invested in ground maintenance work at the Recreation Ground including scarifying; verti-draining; weed spraying; resurfacing and reseeded activities. With regular enquiries for new members to join the Club, combined with the continued support of the local community; volunteers; and sponsors; we will continue to aspire to provide a voluntary, inclusive, community and family orientated football Club next season.

All fixtures and further information including match reports, newsletters, events, and key contact details can be found at [www.pvfc.org.uk](http://www.pvfc.org.uk). Anybody interested in playing, volunteering, or sponsorship, should contact either Peter (Chairman), [petermchenry@hotmail.com](mailto:petermchenry@hotmail.com) or Mike Marshall, Director of Football, [Mikey\\_marshall71@gmail.com](mailto:Mikey_marshall71@gmail.com).



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## PADBURY VILLAGE HALL

### Fundraising.

#### An evening with Miles Nottage.

The village Hall Committee would like to thank Miles and guitarist Paul for an evening of fabulous music. The event was enjoyed by everyone and raised much needed funds for the village hall.

### Dates for your diary.

**Opera Dudes** – this unique and entertaining act will be performing at the village hall on **Saturday 28th September**. Look out for details in the next edition of The Pump.

**A celebration of local craft and produce** – this opportunity for local people to sell their craft and produce will be held in the village hall on **Saturday 7th December**. For information about the event, or to book a table, please contact Pam Sirett – [pamsirett725@btinternet.com](mailto:pamsirett725@btinternet.com)

### Coffee Morning.

There is a coffee morning at the village hall on the on the **first Friday of every month**, from 10.30am until 12midday. We look forward to seeing you for coffee, delicious home-made cake and a chat.

### Hiring the Village Hall.

To hire the village hall please contact the Booking Secretary, Shirley Hemes – [sahemes55@gmail.com](mailto:sahemes55@gmail.com) or **01280 812617**.

## REPORT ON PADBURY VILLAGE HALL

**This report on Padbury Village Hall was presented to Padbury Parish Council, 20th May 2024.**

Padbury Village Hall is the heart of the village. It is home to fourteen activity groups and hosts a variety of events for the entertainment of the community. It is maintained solely by income derived from the hire of the hall, fundraising events organised by the committee, and donations.

In the past the hall has staged some highly successful pantos and has hosted several drama productions. It has been the venue for various children's playgroups and both adult and children's birthday parties. In other words it's a venue for the activities of both young and old. It has an excellent, well-appointed kitchen comprising two fridges, a dishwasher, two cookers and an extremely popular bar! The disabled facilities in the women's toilets have been improved and now the men have separate toilets of their own!

Now to the clubs that hire the hall. Of all the groups who have used the hall regularly, the WI is the longest standing, having clocked up more than 60 years. The Camera Club has a tally of over 30 years. The groups that use the hall most often are the Pilates groups.

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## GREENER PADBURY GROUP

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**STORY WRITING COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN:** Do you like writing stories? Then why not enter our new story writing competition! This is being organised by Beatrix, one of Padbury's young Eco Warriors. The theme is 'the environment' and there are three age categories: 7 and under, 8-10, and 11-14. There is no minimum word count (very short stories just as welcome!) but no more than 1000 words please. There will be prizes – and all winning stories will be published in a booklet to be sold at the Day of the Bee (where winners will be announced). Deadline: **Friday 21 June**. Please send your stories to: [agreenerpadbury@gmail.com](mailto:agreenerpadbury@gmail.com). Waiting eagerly to read your story is our fantastic panel of judges: local author **Nancy Peach**, Learning Without Walls director **Julie Lloyd Evans**, and keen reader/writer **Beatrix Rigg**. Happy writing!

**SCYTHING WORKSHOP – Saturday 6th July:** There are still a couple of spaces on this FREE workshop. To book your space, please use the QR code.



**BEE SQUARED:** If you haven't yet sown the seeds that came with your last Pump, it's not too late! And then do let us know: head to [www.greenerpadbury.com](http://www.greenerpadbury.com) and select 'Bee Squared' on the menu – and you'll see a map that is steadily turning yellow and black!

**VOLUNTEER WORK PARTIES:** We've been thinking about how to make it easier for interested residents to get involved with the practical side of our work in the village and the woods – and have decided regularity is the thing! So, on the first Sunday of the month at 10.30 we will meet at the Main Street play park – if you're free and would like to spend a couple of hours outdoors and making Padbury greener, please meet us there! There may be a party heading to the woods to put up bat boxes, clear areas, plant bulbs, etc. or to plant/maintain our green spaces in the village. There's always plenty to do and we'd love to have your help.

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Older villagers appreciate the companionship of the Friendly Afternoon which meets monthly. The hall is also home to the Compassionate Friends and Bucks Vision, the visually impaired group.

On a Tuesday morning the enthusiastic members of the Art Club convene to paint and draw together. Sylvia Patchett who leads the group says, "The hall is light and airy and always warm (a bonus in the cold winter months)". She praises the kitchen facilities and concludes, "We are lucky to have such an excellent facility on our doorstep".

The hall is also the meeting place for the Table Tennis and U3A music groups. But by far the best fundraiser is the well-attended and very profitable Friday night Bingo session run by Carol Bloxham.

On an annual basis villagers have the opportunity to go to the hall for a Saturday dance organised by the over 100 year old Sick Benefit Society whose members and guests have a feast on the Monday and, in September every year, everyone can admire the produce of fellow villagers at the popular Produce Show.

The monthly Coffee Mornings have attracted a variety of villagers, ranging from babes-in-arms and toddlers to mothers, grandparents and even great grandparents! The money raised from these meetings is shared with the Church.

Aside from the groups who enjoy their meetings in the hall, the Village Hall Committee work hard to organise fundraising events for the benefit of the community. In the past there have been an Italian Evening with Italian food and an opera singer, a French Evening and an Indian Evening with Indian food and a display of Indian dancing.

More recently a Quiz Night with Fish and Chips tested the brains of both young and old and the very successful Cheese and Wine Evening with singer, Paul French, even had people on the dance floor!

In the future and with the cooperation of Thornborough and Thornton Village Hall committee we have booked Miles Nottage to play in Botolph Claydon Village Hall on May 11th for everyone's entertainment and to raise money for both halls. Also in the future the Opera Dudes are due to appear on September 28th and, later in the year, on December 7th, there will be a Christmas Celebration of Local Crafts and Produce which will run all day.

Another fundraiser is the 100+ Club: every year in the Spring members of the committee collect £20 subscriptions which, at the monthly draw, might result in a £100 prize for the lucky winner!

Padbury Village Hall was built as a school in 1840 and is a characterful, old building. But old buildings need repairs, all of which have been paid for, so far, by the revenue from the hall hire and fundraising events. At some time in the future, although not imminently, the roof will need to be replaced. Hence the committee will be applying for grants, planning yet more fundraising events and hoping for donations.

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Whilst the members of the Village Hall Committee are dedicated to maintaining and preserving the old building, they urgently need some new blood to help them in this task, specifically a new Chairperson and a Treasurer, both of whom wish to step down in the autumn. Put bluntly, if these two posts are not filled, the committee will be unable to carry on. Anyone interested in helping should contact **Trish Iliff-Rolfe** on **822643** or **Shirley Hemes** on **812617** so that we can continue to keep this hub of the community thriving!

*Judy Austin  
Padbury Village Hall Committee Member*

## PADBURY TENNIS CLUB

The tennis season is fully with us, with the match season underway. First league match completed with a draw 4-4 in sets against Wolverton on the 13th May. An away match, the team pairings of **Jason Brogden** and **Chris Hill**, **Will Wrigley** and **Freddie Green** both beat the Wolverton second pair. Although early in the season with not too many matches played, this puts Padbury in 4th place from 7 in Division 4.

The team played the first round of the knock out cup on Thursday 23rd May. The team of **Jason Brogden**, **Paul Armitage**, **Ken Orledge** and **Freddie Green** had a tight match against the Stony Stratford D team at home in Padbury. The final result was a close loss with Jason and Paul picking up 3 sets.

Social tennis night is on Tuesday nights from 7.00pm and Saturdays at 4.00pm. We would like and welcome more people to join in. If any villagers would like to come up for a go, drop the membership secretary a message at the number below. Come and try for a couple of times without joining. Club night is for teenagers upwards.

The Club's coach, **Ed Harwood** has sessions running for juniors at 5pm -7pm on Tuesdays, and for adults on Wednesday nights at 7.30pm. The groups are well subscribed, but Ed can fit more in and will add groups as required. He will also be running a day-time group for beginners or lapsed players. All welcome. Contact Ed Harwood on **07548 254948** or on email: [eddharwood@hotmail.com](mailto:eddharwood@hotmail.com).

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