

Tetsworth Newsletter



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Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

TETSWORTH

POPPY COLLECTION - 2010

Total collected £ 550.00

I thank all who have donated so generously and those who have assisted me in the house to house collections.

We have collected £22.00 more than last year which has continued the upward trend over the last five years and can then consider that once again the TETSWORTH Poppy Appeal has been a success.

Thank you all once again,
Alan Martin

Remembrance Service

There was a very good congregation at the War Memorial on Sunday 14th November 2010 for the Service of Remembrance.

Approximately 60 villagers attended to remember the fallen servicemen of the two world wars especially those from Tetsworth, Lewknor and Stoke Talmage.

A wreath was laid by Alan Martin on behalf of the Parish Council and individual crosses were planted by the congregation including all of the many children, for each of the names as they were called.

The service was carried out by Reverend Peter Waterson.

Speeding in the Village

Following complaints from school parents and others about speeding on the A40 through the village, the police and County highways authorities have recently conducted spot checks and more continuous 24-hour monitoring of speeds - despite findings in November 2008 that the mean speed outside the school over a 24-hour period was only 26mph Eastbound and 28mph Westbound, with fewer than 5% of vehicles exceeding 36mph.

Experience, initially in Holland and Denmark, has shown that the removal of visual indicators from roads makes drivers more cautious and thus drive more slowly. Accordingly it has been agreed by the Highways traffic engineer and the police that the white lines in the centre of the A40 will be removed for an experimental period of 12 months (despite the fact that they have only just been repainted!). The recent monitoring will be used as the "before" case, with further monitoring after a year to see what difference, if any, has been made.

The police rule of thumb is that speeding is a problem if more than 25% of vehicles are exceeding 36mph during the day, and more than 40% over a 12-hour period. Spot checks at ISIS during the morning rush hour on 26 October 2010 showed 27% exceeding 36mph Eastbound (i.e. leaving the village), and 22% Westbound (i.e. entering the village). A similar exercise in the middle of the day on 6th

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE

SATURDAY
4TH DECEMBER

1 0AM - 2PM

Tetsworth Memorial Hall

Craft Kits	Jewellery
Plants	Preserves
Natural decorations	Cushions
Wreaths	Aprons
Cakes	Canvasses
Christmas Cakes	Wooden Gifts,
Skin Care	Books
Candles	Cards

COFFEE, CAKES AND LUNCHESES

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June 2010 showed 19% exceeding this limit Westbound.

The continuous 24-hour survey conducted from 15 to 21 September 2010 was carried out at ISIS, and on the way out to Milton Common opposite the West end of Marsh End. This showed that:

(i) At ISIS the mean speed Westbound was 33mph, with 25% of vehicles at 37mph or more, 15% at 40mph or more. The comparable Eastbound figures were 34mph, 39mph and 41 mph.

(ii) West of Marsh End the speeds were the same as the Eastbound ISIS figures.

In all cases the highest average speeds were recorded between 8.00pm and 6.00am, with the lowest average speeds between 9.00am and 5.00pm. It will be interesting to see if the removal of the white lines makes any differ-

Tetsworth Senior Citizens Christmas Party

This years party was held on Monday 22nd November. The event was well attended, and we have received many thank yous. Many people helped to set up the evening before, and on the day. We would like to thank everyone that helped with the party, and to everyone that has supported our fundraising events throughout the year, and the various people & organisations that have made donations. We would like to wish you a very merry Christmas, and happy 2011.

Chris & Paul.

Pub Quiz Night

Do you enjoy quizzes?

You may have glanced at the notice board outside the pub and wondered what a rollover quiz could be.

We have a monthly quiz night on the third Thursday of each month and the rollover is the prize money.

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Each participant pays a pound to join the quiz; if your team wins you have a 1 in 6 chance of winning the prize money.

Sheila, the landlady, has 6 envelopes for you to choose from, five of them have other prizes – a bottle of wine or chocolates perhaps and the sixth envelope contains the winnings which by next month will be nudging towards £100.

The next quiz on the 16th December will have a Christmas theme so come and try your luck and start memorising the Christmas Carols!

See you there

The Quiz Mistresses

Park for free this Christmas

Shop locally!

Get the Christmas shopping done locally, without the hassle and cost of going to a big city. We're offering free parking in any South Oxfordshire District Council owned car park, every Saturday afternoon from midday in December.

Dates as follows

Saturday 4 December

Saturday 11 December

Saturday 18 December

Councils encourage residents to join race to infinity

Vote for high-speed broadband

South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils are encouraging residents to vote for their area to get high-speed broadband in BT's race to infinity.

The five areas in the country with the highest percentage of votes by 31 December 2010 will get BT infinity fibre optic

cables installed in their area. Many parts of the districts have not got these cables and are not included in BT's five year plan to roll out fibre optic broadband.

Ann Ducker, Leader of South Oxfordshire District Council, said: "We're keen to support towns and villages to get high-speed broadband to attract more businesses and home workers to the area. The internet is such a valuable resource, we want to ensure everyone can use it quickly and easily."

Unsuccessful areas will still be in with a chance to increase their internet speed as the councils will try to help areas with the worst connection. Residents simply need to note down the speed of their broadband and report it to their parish council.

Individuals can register online for BT's race to infinity by visiting www.racetoinfinity.bt.com

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Tetsworth Primary School

Thanks to everyone who attended our Open Morning / Children in Need Appeal in November. All the children had a great time and really enjoyed their Teddy Bear's Picnic!

Thanks to the money donated by Waitrose recently, we will see the arrival of our new play equipment soon, which will be installed during the Christmas holidays ready for the New Year.

The children have been having lots of sporting fun - with Year 5 children taking part in an athletics event in Thame, and all the children have been enjoying football coaching from Oxford United coach Peter Rhodes-Brown.

The children also all had a fantastic time at the Theatre watching 'Joseph' in November. By the end of the show nearly all the children were singing, clapping and dancing. We would like to say well done to the children for their be-

haviour during this school trip, which was excellent. We are so glad to be able to provide this type of opportunity for ALL our children to enjoy.

KS2 children are all currently busy learning the words for the Festival of Christmas Music concert in December. We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and thank again for supporting us over the year.

Tetsworth Primary School Association News

I would like to say a huge thank you to Julie Eggleton for organising her 'Girls Night In' shopping evening. A brilliant £270 was raised which Julie will put towards the purchase of the school pet and its home! It's a fantastic amount, so thank you Julie for generously hosting the evening. Thanks to everyone who supported this.

In the next issue we hope to report back on the success of our Bingo Night on December 3rd and our cake stall at the Village Christmas Craft Fayre on December 4th.

Thanks to everyone in the village who helped the children fill up their Smartie tubes with 20p's over the half term. It was a great fundraising idea and every little helps us to pay for things like the children's theatre trip and their football training.

If you have already bought your 2011 diary please add in our TPSA Quiz Night for Friday 11th February. More details to come nearer the time!

Petra Eden-Parish
TPSA Chair

Memorial Hall

We had a great response to our fundraising jumble sale on Saturday 6th November which raised in excess of £170.00. Our thanks for all the help of so many people which enabled the event to take place.

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We have a number of event coming up through the winter months, December will see our Christmas Craft Fayre and our favourite event of the year Carols around the Christmas Tree.

This year's **Craft Fayre** will be on Saturday 4th December from 10 am until 2.00 pm, we will be serving teas, coffees and cakes as well as a selection of lunches. The stall holders have an array of gifts and festive treats, some of which are detailed below:

Craft Kits by Tina Wells
Plants by Swan Gardens
Natural decorations by Swan Gardens
Wreaths by Swan Gardens
Cakes by dotty about cakes
Christmas Cakes by dotty about cakes
Cakes by Tetsworth School
Skin Care by 4 ever living products
Candles by Anthea Dudley
Jewellery by Karen
Preserves by Linda Holmes
Cushions and Aprons by Becki
Canvasses by Boudoir
Wooden Gifts by Terry Castle
Osbourne Books
Pheonix Cards

Carols around the Christmas Tree will be on Wednesday 22nd December from 7.30 pm. As we said earlier this is our favourite event of the year at the hall. Everyone is invited to come and sing all the great carols of the festive season around the Christmas tree at the front of the hall (we retreat inside when we get cold) and enjoy a glass or two of mulled wine, hot chocolate and mince pies. If you would like to come along but need transport please call us on 01844 281442 . We hope you will join us for this great festive

evening.

Rescheduled waste collections

Scheduled

Mon 27th December
Mon 3rd January
Mon 10th January
Mon 17th Jan

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Wed 29th December (Green)
Thurs 6th January (Grey)
Wed 12th January (Green)
Tues 18th January (Grey)



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and mince pies
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The Swan Restaurant
Fresh- foliage Christmas wreaths for sale
and to order

New Years Eve at The Swan

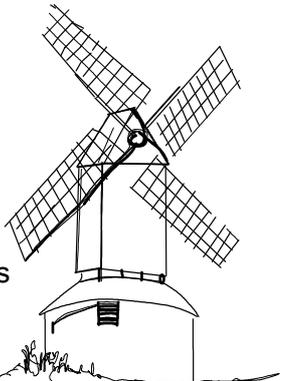
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Saturday 11th December



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Adults £20.00 OAP £15.00 under 16 £12.00

Call 01844 281576 to reserve a place

this workshop is being held in Towersey, transport can be arranged

Services at St Giles Church, Tetsworth

Carol Service 6.30 pm Sunday 19th December
Family Communion 10.30 pm Christmas Day

Carols by candlelight

A traditional Christmas Carol Service in a wonderful setting.
Refreshments after.

All warmly welcome

Thursday 23rd December 7.30 pm at Stoke Talmage Church

Wreaths for sale

A variety of fresh foliage handmade Christmas Wreaths, to put on graves or as ideal gifts for friends, family and neighbours, for sale at Stoke Talmage Church from 1st December.

All proceeds to Church funds.

People invited to "Visit Midsomer" in South Oxfordshire

People visiting South Oxfordshire are now able to follow in the famous footsteps of Detective Chief Inspector Tom Barnaby following the launch of a new website highlighting the district's starring role in TV's Midsomer Murders.

South Oxfordshire District Council has launched www.visitmidsomer.com to highlight the locations in the district where Midsomer Murders is filmed to help attract more visitors to the area.

An interactive map shows key Midsomer locations and a blog highlights themes and topical news items connected with the district's towns and villages.

Filming depicting scenes in the series' main fictional town of Causton takes place in and around Wallingford, and other locations in South Oxfordshire are also featured predominantly in the show. The new website will encourage visitors to spend time relaxing in, and exploring the real life locations.

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by Neil Duffield

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Saturday 5th February

7.00 pm

Tetsworth Memorial Hall

Ticket enquiries 01844 281442

A perfect gift for Christmas

Midsomer Murders draws many visitors to South Oxfordshire who want to walk in the footsteps of the characters, drink in the same pubs and explore the gorgeous locations seen on screen. For many overseas viewers Midsomer represents quintessential England at its green and pleasant best – a place of character buildings, village greens and parish churches.

**Leisure Centre refurbishments
- Park Sports Centre, Wheatley**

Residents who use the Park Sports Centre in Wheatley will be aware that refurbishment work started on 4th October. The work will last for about 18 weeks and the centre will remain open during this time.

The refurbishment will upgrade the facilities on offer and will include:

- an extension to the gym
 - new school and team changing rooms
 - an upgrade to the disabled changing facilities
 - new changing facilities for our users of the gym, dance studio and squash courts
 - a new school entrance
 - automatic front doors
- improved reception area and desk

Thame on Ice!

We hope you'll join us for Theme's big Christmas Lighting Event. Yes, it's time to get your skates on and strut your stuff on the festive ice rink – a great way for all ages to start the Christmas celebrations. For younger children there will be fairground rides while the grown-ups can enjoy the market stalls, eateries and some late night shopping.

The stage will be alive with the sound of the of the Thame

Carols Around the Christmas Tree

Wednesday
22nd December
7.30 pm

Come and sing all
your favourite
carols around the
Christmas tree
with mulled wine,
hot chocolate and
mince pies

at the
Memorial Hall,
Tetsworth



CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE

SATURDAY
4TH DECEMBER

10AM - 2PM
TETSWORTH MEMORIAL HALL

COFFEE, CAKES
AND LUNCHEES

Craft Kits
Plants
Natural
decorations
Wreaths
Cakes
Christmas
Cakes
Skin Care
Candles
Jewellery
Preserves
Cushions

Concert Band, carols led by local schools, and an appearance by the Thame Players panto stars and the big moment – the switch-on of the magical Christmas lights.
 Thame Town Hall Ice Rink 3 pm—8 pm
 6 pm Music and events on Stage 6.45 The big switch on!
 Parking will be available behind the Co-op, the Upper High Street and the Cattlemarket

Dates for your Diary

Tuesdays
 2.00 pm - 4.30 pm
Thursday
 8.00 pm
2nd Monday of Month
 7.30 pm

The Coffee Shop
 Memorial Hall, Tetsworth
Bingo
 Sports and Social Club, Tetsworth
Tetsworth Parish Council Meeting
 Tetsworth Memorial Hall

**Tuesday
Coffee Shop**



Every Tuesday from
2.00 pm until
4.30 pm



Everyone welcome

Fri 3rd December
 From 6.00 pm
 3.00 pm– 8.00 pm
Sat 4th December
 10.00 am—2.00 pm
Sun 19th December
 6.30 pm
Sat 11th December
 10.00 am—4 .00pm

Thame Light Switch On
 Ice Rink, Thame
Craft Fayre
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Carol Service
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Carols around the Christmas Tree
 Christmas Tree, Tetsworth Memorial Hall
Carols by Candlelight
 St Mary Magdalen Church,
 Stoke Talmage
Family Communion
 St Giles Church, Tetsworth
Alice in Wonderland
 By Oxford Touring Theatre Company
 Tetsworth Memorial Hall

Wed 22nd Dec (TBC)
 7.30 pm

Thurs 23rd December
 7.30 pm

Sat 25th December
 10.30 am
Sat 5th February
 7.00 pm

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Friday evening	£50.00
Saturday evening	£60.00

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 For details**

Planning Applications at SODC 30th October, 2010—27th November, 2010

[P10/E1767](#) **Attington House High Street Tetsworth**
 Demolition of existing dwelling and attached service wing, attached outbuildings, detached garage/annex, separate garden/sunroom and pool building. Erection of new country house with attached garage block, home office, au-pair suite and outbuilding. Formation of new drive and parking area. Detailed landscape

[P10/E1746](#) **Little Acre High Street Tetsworth**
 Erection of an agricultural barn

The above information is taken from the SODC
 web site www.southoxon.gov.uk

Planning Decisions from SODC 30th October, 2010—27th November, 2010

[P10/E1223/RET](#) **Barn Adj Harlesford Cottage Stoke Talmage Road Tetsworth**
 Change of use from agricultural barn to vehicle repair workshop (as amended by letter received from Applicant dated 8 November 2010).
 Granted

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