

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARDWICK and WEEDON

St. Mary's Parish Church
Weedon Methodist Chapel



September 2026

Parish Magazine and Village Newsletter

Dear Friends,

I had an experience on holiday with which my mind is still trying to come to terms. We ventured to Spain this year beginning with a few days in Madrid so that my wife could take something off her list of places she wanted to visit.

In one of her previous schools she taught an A Level unit on the Golden Age of Spain centred upon King Philip II, the one who married Mary Tudor and was behind the ill-fated Armada. One of the abiding legacies of Philip is a palace called El Escorial. When it was built it was partially a royal residence and partially a monastery. It is the place where Spanish kings have been buried. It is a historical gem I suppose. So, we booked a tour, followed the guide around and it was all really interesting and a source of great delight to Louise. It is a stunning piece of architecture unlike any British palace. It was well worth the adventure.

What came next though made us both stop and ponder. On the way back from El Escorial, the tour we had booked also included a visit to something called the Valley of the Fallen. This was built in the time of Franco, the Spanish dictator, and was intended to be a reconciliatory act. Franco was buried there but his remains had been removed and relocated.

So, we turned off the main road and came to a rather shoddy looking guard post where our guide showed her documents. We then drove on for about two miles up the road before she invited us to look to our right to see a monumental cross sitting atop a hillside. It was adorned with symbols representing the Gospels and looked totally out of the place in what appeared to be the middle of nowhere. After a little while we arrived at what appeared to be quite a small car park, before setting off behind the guide to look at this monument. We arrived on what looked like a parade ground stretching over 100 metres in each direction, then we turned to see a very grandiose doorway into a huge space hewn out of the hill on which the cross we had seen previously stood. It was like walking into a Catholic Cathedral with side chapels and at the far end a worship area.

Then came the harrowing bit as the guide advised us that hidden behind the walls of this monumental space were the remains of about 38,000 people whose demise Franco had organised. The guide's simple yet profound comment was "the Spanish don't know what to do with this".

The place felt cold, bleak and barren. Catholic mass was still celebrated there and the monastery was still functioning. It just felt so wrong and standing on the parade ground outside afterwards we could see how the other small handful of visitors as well as those on our trip stood dazed by the experience.

I suppose it is symbolic of how people of influence have abused religion to serve their own purposes. They felt themselves above the standards expected of everybody else, maybe even hoping that the building of a monument like that we had experienced might somehow atone for the horrors which they had perpetrated in their lifetime.

To me the Christian message is all about love and hope, and sadly history is littered with those who have used religion as an excuse for attacking those with whom they disagreed. Historically the institutional church does not have a great history when it comes to how it has responded to events but the reality is that where the faithful live out the way of love, they hopefully show something of the reality of what faith should be about and point to a new way of being church.

A quick listen to the of the spirituals that came out of slave communities in the Americas shows how these downtrodden and disadvantaged people found in Jesus a rallying call of hope to challenge a church that lost its way and, by their legacy, to invite us all to seek to sing a new church into being.

Blessings

Richard

Churches Together in Hardwick and Weedon

Sunday 6th September 2026

At 9.00 a.m. in St. Mary's Parish Church

Rev. Noreen Daley-Lee will lead a Holy Communion Service

Sunday 13th September 2026

At 9.30 a.m. in The Weedon Methodist Chapel

Arthur Sara will lead a Family Service - all children welcome

Sunday 20th September 2026

At 9.30 a.m. in St. Mary's Parish Church

Rev. Janet Bayly will lead a Family Service
(no communion)

At 5 pm in The Weedon Methodist Chapel

Big Sing! - Circuit-wide community hymn-singing and worship
service led by **Rev Richard Atkinson**

Sunday 27th September 2026

At 9.00 a.m. in St. Mary's Parish Church

Rev. Richard Atkinson will lead a Holy Communion Service

Sunday 4th October 2026

At 9.00 a.m. in St. Mary's Parish Church

Rev. Noreen Daley-Lee will lead a Harvest Festival and
Communion Service

CHURCH DUTIES ROTA – SEPTEMBER

Date	Sidesperson	Reading NRSV	Reader	Prayers	Teas & Coffees
SEPTEMBER 6 9am	-	Romans 14:1-12	Penny Stevens	Noreen	Penny & Mike
SEPTEMBER 13 9.30am	Service at Weedon Methodist Chapel				
SEPTEMBER 20 9.30am	David R	Philippians 1:21-30	David R	Children	Valerie & Stephen
SEPTEMBER 27 9.00am	Isla	Philippians 2:1-13	Isla	Debs Mitchell	Carol & Martin

In Memoriam – September Anniversaries

Bill Sanglier	1989
Eveline Fincher	1990
Eva Aiston	1997
Irene Cox	2003
Johnnie Johnston	2006
Harry Hounslow	2009
Nan Davis	2009
George Chapman	2013
Marion Best	2018
George Woolnough	2022
Graham Delaney	2024

***Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they shall see God***

Matthew 19:30

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARDWICK WITH WEEDON

THE BIG



SING

A JOYFUL GATHERING FILLED WITH HYMNS, MUSIC
AND SINGING! EVERYONE IS WELCOME

20.09.2026 | 5PM

LET'S FILL THE CHAPEL WITH SONG

weedonhardwickchurches@gmail.com

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARDWICK WITH WEEDON

WANTED

WINDFALL OR PICKED



GOT SPARE APPLES?

We would love your rot-free apples to make this year's Churches Together Apple Juice.

GET IN TOUCH!

BAG 'EM • BOX 'EM • CRATE 'EM

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Sarah - 07545 350035 | Anna - 07972 290776

REWARD

FEWER APPLES ON YOUR LAWN...AND THE
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Come and drop in at ...

*Have a chat
Catch up with the news
Chill out ...*

Proceeds to Schoolroom funds

Pay by cash or card

The Schoolroom Café
WEEDON



**Friday 10.30 am to 12 noon
September 4th**

**The Schoolroom Café
is normally on the
FIRST FRIDAY in each
month**

*Freshly brewed coffee & tea
Home baked cakes & cookies
Including gluten free
Eat in or takeaway*

Book Swap Corner

... bring one to take one ...



TUESDAY CLUB WEEDON

Tuesday September 8th at 8 pm
in Weedon Old Schoolroom

“SMUGGLERS, PIRATES AND PRESS-GANGS”

A knowledgeable and entertaining talk by Mr Colin Oakes.

We look forward to seeing you.

Please contact Judy Nagele on 01296 641278
for more details.

**Deadline for October Magazine
End of Wednesday September 16th
Contact saskiawelman@yahoo.co.uk**

The Royal British Legion



Whitchurch & District Branch

**George Anson,
the President of the Branch and his wife Kirsty
invite you to visit their gardens at Lilies in Weedon
on Friday 11th of September from 2 pm until 4pm.**

**Soft drinks will be available
Admission is free but donations
to the local Branch of the Legion
will be most welcome.**

WEEDON PARISH COUNCIL

Consultation on Draft Bucks New Local Plan **DEADLINE 11.59PM 6 SEPTEMBER**

Weedon Parish Council will be submitting a full response to Bucks Council questioning the soundness and legal compliance of the plan generally, plus detailed comments on the two potential housing site allocations in the village and the proposed "New and Expanded Settlement" extension of Aylesbury to the north.

Everyone can make their own comments at <https://buckinghamshire.gov.uk/local-plan>.

There is an **extra Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 2nd September at 7.30pm** in The Old Schoolroom to approve the Parish Council's submission.

Next general meeting

Our next general meeting is on **Tuesday 15th September 2026** at 7.30pm in The Old Schoolroom.

Parish Council General Meeting Dates

Third Tuesday of odd numbered months 7.30pm in The Old Schoolroom
2026 – Sept 15th, Nov 17th 2027 – Jan 19th, Mar 16th, May 18th, July 20th

www.weedonbucks.org.uk

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARDWICK WITH WEEDON

HARVEST 2026

EVERYONE HAS SOMETHING TO GIVE!

GIVE A PROMISE

Whatever your age, everyone has something to give! Donate your time, talent or a helping hand to our Auction of Promises — big or small, every promise counts.

- A dog walk
- A car wash
- An afternoon of gardening
- A homemade afternoon tea
- A home-cooked meal
- Some DIY help
- Or surprise us!

GOT A PROMISE?

Email weedonhardwickchurches@gmail.com or text Sarah 07545 350035 or Anna 07972 290776

FILL THE VINEYARD

This Harvest, we're again supporting Aylesbury Vineyard Storehouse, providing food and essentials to local people and families in need. Your donations help keep the shelves stocked and make a real difference to people across our community.

Please donate unopened, in-date, non-perishable food and everyday essentials. Every tin, packet and contribution, big or small, really does help.

GOT A DONATION?

Pop it into the collection boxes outside:

- St Mary's Church, Hardwick
- Methodist Chapel, Weedon



HARVEST PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH

Sunday 4 October | 1–3pm | St Mary's Church, Hardwick

SCAN TO BOOK YOUR PLACE • RSVP BY 28 SEPTEMBER



£12.50 Adults
£5.00 Kids
£30 Family (2+2)

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARDWICK WITH WEEDON
CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO JOIN THE 2026

PLOUGHMAN'S **HARVEST** **LUNCH**

ON THE 4TH OCTOBER
FROM 1-3PM IN ST. MARY'S, HARDWICK



Please RSVP by the 28th September by emailing
weedonhardwickchurches@gmail.com or
scanning the QR code

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN HARDWICK WITH WEEDON

ALL-AGE APPLE JUICE LABEL DESIGN COMPETITION

COULD YOUR DESIGN BE ON THIS YEAR'S BOTTLE?

Churches Together Apple Juice is back — and it needs a 2026 look! We're inviting creative minds of all ages to design this year's label. Draw, paint, collage or create digitally — anything goes!

THE WINNING DESIGN

Will feature on this year's bottles, and the winner will receive 3 bottles featuring their very own label!

READY TO GET CREATIVE?

Scan the QR code for the template and mandatories, then hand it to Anna or Sarah at any service or email your design to weedonhardwickchurches@gmail.com



ENTRIES CLOSE 20 SEPTEMBER

ALL AGES • ALL STYLES • ALL IDEAS WELCOME

We can't wait to see what you create!

WEEDON OLD SCHOOLROOM

available for hire

The Old Schoolroom is available for community, group or personal bookings, including parties. Full of historical character and atmosphere, but equipped with all up-to-date facilities, it's suitable for a wide range of activities. Fibre broadband wifi is provided free.

The upstairs meeting room is keenly priced and ideal for small groups.

We have 100% green and clean energy with an electric boiler and renewable electricity supplier.



Interested in hiring?

Bookings Secretary **Louise Sellers**

Phone, Text, WhatsApp **07778 542592**

Email oldschoolroom@weedonbucks.org.uk

See the Old Schoolroom pages
at weedonbucks.org.uk



MEET UP LUNCH CLUB

Tuesday 8TH September
(every 2nd Tuesday of the month)

Join our Cublington community lunch
to make new or connect with old
friends.

Come along to a friendly welcome,
have a chat to your neighbours over a
two course lunch.

We look forward to seeing you,
pavilion open from 12.15pm with lunch
served at 1pm.

**Biggs Pavilion
Stewkley Road
Cublington**

 [cafedujardinwingrave](https://www.facebook.com/cafedujardinwingrave)



MENU

Salmon, new potatoes & seasonal
veg with a white wine sauce

Chicken & Mushroom Pie with
new potatoes & seasonal veg

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Mixed Berry Eton Mess

Cheeseboard

Two courses £20

Please bring your own drinks (BYOB)

Contact Emma to book with your menu choice, closing
date for bookings Friday 4th September
(vegetarian option available on request)
07787 838167

cafedujardin8@hotmail.com

CASH & CARD ACCEPTED

JOIN US FOR A FUN-FILLED ROVING SUPPER WHERE YOU WILL
ENJOY DIFFERENT COURSES AT HOMES ACROSS THE VILLAGE

SATURDAY, 26TH
SEPTEMBER 2026

@7:00 PM /£15
PER PERSON



HVA PRESENTS

You are invited to
ROVING SUPPER

FIRST COURSE: MEET AT THE VILLAGE HALL FOR A WELCOME DRINK AND YOUR FIRST
DESTINATION ENVELOPE.

THE ROVE: MOVE TO DIFFERENT HOST HOMES FOR YOUR STARTER AND MAIN
COURSE, MEETING NEW FACES AT EVERY STOP.

GRAND FINALE: EVERYONE REUNITES AT THE VILLAGE HALL FOR DESSERT & COFFEE

GET INVOLVED - WE ARE LOOKING FOR ENTHUSIASTIC DINERS AND HOSTS TO MAKE
THE NIGHT A SUCCESS! IF YOU CAN HOST A COURSE FOR SIX OR MORE PEOPLE OR
WANT TO GRAB YOUR TICKETS, PLEASE MESSAGE DEBBIE ON 07711 702641.



WEEDON & HARDWICK Village Show

**SATURDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2026
WEEDON OLD SCHOOLROOM**

See classes and entry forms in the magazine.

**All donations for the raffle are welcome and should be delivered to Clare please in advance or on the day.
For further information contact Clare on 641039.**

HVA PRESENTS

‘Coffee Connect’

Mornings are better together with coffee and cake

THURSDAY 8TH OCTOBER

11AM - 12.30PM

**ST MARY'S
CHURCH,
HARDWICK**

**Enjoy a chat and catchup
over a hot beverage and
homemade cake.**

Donations welcome





Free event but donations welcome

HVA presents

TEA DANCE & BINGO

Come and join us for an afternoon of
Dancing and Bingo games.

All ages welcome

15TH NOVEMBER
JOHN BRIDLE'S HALL
2PM





HVA QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY
16th
OCTOBER

7pm for
7.30pm start
John Bridle's
Hall

Teams; 2-6 people
£3.00 per entry (cash please)
Bring your own drinks and snacks
to reserve your table message
Liz on 07976442534



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Weedon Old Schoolroom

Thursdays 9.30-10.45

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Visit the website for more info



Melanie Olu Abiola
Trusty Guts
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WEEDON & HARDWICK



**SATURDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2026
WEEDON OLD SCHOOLROOM**

**Delivery of entries 10.00am – 11.15am
Doors open again 2.30pm
Auction of items around 3.15pm
Entry Form on back cover – for
information or further copies,
contact Clare on 641039**

Weedon & Hardwick Village Show 5th September 2026

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

1. 2 Potatoes*
2. 4 Runner Beans
3. 4 Any other Beans
4. 2 Courgettes (less than 15cm/6in long)
5. 4 Tomatoes
6. 4 Cherry Tomatoes
7. 2 Carrots (leave 75 cm/3in tops)
8. 2 of Any other Root Vegetable*
9. 3 of Any other Vegetable*
10. 1 Longest Runner Bean
11. Plate of Soft Fruit*
12. 4 Apples on a plate*
13. 4 Pears on a plate*
14. 6 Plums on a plate*
15. 3 different salads veg on a plate including lettuce

FLOWERS (no buds or extra flowers to be on the stem)

16. Single specimen Rose*
17. Single specimen Dahlia*
18. Single specimen any other Flower*
19. Vase of mixed garden flowers (max 6)*
20. House plant owned for 3 months or more (max size 60x60cm
24/24inches)

FLORAL ART

21. Mini floral arrangement (max 23cm/9 inches overall)
22. Arrangement of Roses max size 60cm/24inches
23. Vase of flowers from the garden (max size 60cm/24inches)
24. Harvest arrangement using flowers/seed heads/foliage/berries/
grasses 3in/85cm overall

PRESERVES (Max Jar Size 450/1lb)

25. Jar of Chutney*
26. Jar of Relish/Piccalilli
27. Jar of soft fruit Jam*
28. Jar of "stoned" fruit Jam *
29. Jar of any other preserve*

COOKERY Adults and children over 12 years (state age) Provide your recipe with each item

30. Your favourite Cake
31. An iced cake for a special occasion
32. Fruit Pie OR Tart/4 individual or family sized (Home-made pastry)
33. 6 home-made Sausage rolls using FLAKY PASTRY
34. Tea Loaf/Fruit Loaf (a 1lb sized tin)
35. 6 Ginger Biscuits (own recipe)
36. Loaf of Bread OR 6 rolls/buns (state if bread maker is used)

ART Adults and Children over 12 years (state age)

37. Picture using water -based paints or pencils (max size A2)
38. Picture using mixed media (max size A2)
39. Picture using pen and ink or charcoal (max size A3)
40. Picture using any other medium* (max size A

CRAFTS Adults and children over 12 years (state age)

41. ANY Knitted item or Crocheted item
42. ANY clothing made from material
43. ANY embroidery, tapestry, OR needlework (max size 90/90, 3ft /3ft)
44. ANY “upcycled” OR “recycled” item (max size 90/70, 3f/28inches)
45. AUTUMN themed collage (any materials)
46. (max size 90/90, 3ft by 3ft)
46. Home-made card OR notelet
47. Favourite Photo of 2026 taken by you Max size A4
48. Any MODEL made from ANY materials incl. fruit/veg. state if kit is used Max size 90/90 3ft/3ft
49. ANY other CRAFT max size 50/50, 20in/20in

CHILDREN 12 years and under (state age)

50. Make 6 biscuits of 1 flavour of your own choice/can be decorated
51. Any MODEL you have made/any materials/State if kit used
52. Your FAVOURITE Picture or card you have made (A3 max size)
53. Make a GARDEN on a Dinner Plate
54. Paint a PICTURE on a Stone OR China/Plastic Plate or Pot
55. A POSY of flowers in a cup or mug (not shop flowers)

SHOW RULES

1. A competitor may only enter one exhibit in each class, except those marked with an asterisk where two items can be exhibited, provided they are different (e.g. 1 strawberry jam and 1 of raspberry jam).
2. Exhibits must not have been produced for sale.
3. Vegetables and flowers must be grown in your own garden or allotment.
4. No exhibit to have been shown at a previous Weedon or Hardwick show.
5. Entry fee of **50p** per exhibit.
6. Exhibit cards will be issued on submission of Entry Form and payment of fee and should be placed face down on, or in front of, the exhibit on the day of the show.
7. All exhibits must be STAGED by 11.15am in The Old Schoolroom. The doors will be closed for judging, and NO LATE entries will be accepted. Doors will be reopen, at 2.30pm.
8. Exhibits are shown at the owner's risk. Although every care will be taken, the organisers cannot be responsible for any loss or damage to exhibits from any source
9. Disqualification could occur if entries vary from sizes stated in the Schedule, or if trade names are on jars or bottles or if exhibits have been used or worn,
10. All food exhibits must be clearly labelled as to content, your own recipe supplied, and food covered with cling-film.
11. All pastry and cake mixes must be home-made. Home-made bread can be made in a bread maker.
12. All classes are open to Junior Entrants. Junior classes will be judged in groups appropriate to the number of age of the entrants.

ENTRY FORM

Name

Child's Age

Class Numbers

Email/Phone Number

Number of Classes entered at 50p

Total Fee

Or email entries to macclaire@btinternet.com

THE FIVE ELMS WEEDON



SET LUNCH

AVAILABLE THURSDAY - SATURDAY 12PM-2.30PM
TWO COURSES £25, THREE COURSES £30

A LA CARTE MENU

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SUNDAY LUNCH

TRADITIONAL ROAST SERVED EVERY SUNDAY

SUPPER CLUB

EVERY WEDNESDAY
ENJOY 3 COURSES AND 1/2 A BOTTLE OF WINE
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WEEDON Golf Society
The Absent Friends Trophy
Match Report – The Millbrook GC – 8 July 2026



Our fourth fixture of the 2026 season was our second visit to Millbrook GC; a woodland course nestling in rolling hills near the historic town of Ampthill in Bedfordshire. The course is Par 74 with five par 5's, several blind drives plus two 'heart attack' hills on the 1st and 11th holes. The course sits on the Greensand Ridge and consequently the fairways were scorched and rock hard giving plenty of roll out but erratic bounces at times. With temperatures in the 30's and the aroma of Factor 50 in the air, 12 players competed for the Absent Friends Trophy with a concurrent with a team Waltz competition. Given the temperature, this fixture was very much a test of who would bloom and who would wilt in the heat

The Absent Friends Trophy gives us the opportunity to reflect on former golfers and friends of the Society who are sadly no longer with us: Mike Moore (former Treasurer), Janet Jones, Mike and Joan Hayes, Bob Courtis and his wife Eileen, George Chapman, Nigel Jones, Sir Ronnie and Rosemary Mason, Chris Campbell, Angie Smith and most recently Graham Delaney and Lucy Orchard.

The respective teams were; Team 1 - Peter Upperton, yours truly, Morley Jones and Mark Cowdrey; Team 2 – Dave Yates (guest), Alan Marks, Adrian Bystra and Colin Rose; Team 3 – Terry Curtis, Jason Churchill, Lawrence Hinds and Glyn Thomas. Glyn is the Society's lifetime president and took to the course sporting a fresh out the packet Wales/Cymru bucket hat (available online for £6.99 from Welsh Gifts). Purportedly this was to celebrate his birth country's win in the Rugby Nations Championship against Fiji though we all knew it was a vain attempt to fly the flag for Wales who did not make the World Cup unlike England and Scotland. The team competition was won by Team 2 with a total of 68 points, so well done Dave, Alan, Adrian and Colin. Team 1 scored 66 points; Team 3 scored 61 points.

The individual competition for the Absent Friends Trophy was won by Alan Marks with 34 points with yours truly and Jason Churchill in second place on 30 points. This is Alan's second win in a row so drug testing has been commissioned and of course his handicap will be duly tweaked. Yours truly won nearest pin on the 7th, Terry Curtis on the 10th and Dave Yates on the 16th. Nearest pin in two shots on the 4th was won by Terry Curtis. Peter Upperton won longest drive on the 12th hole and Alan Marks won a cumulative Par 5 points competition with 10 points; Jason Churchill was in second place on 9 points. On this occasion Lawrence Hinds wilted in the sun and was our Gallant Loser but can console himself with a favourable handicap adjustment.

Based on each player's individual performance at this event, handicaps will be adjusted going forwards as per the attached results sheet. As ever, please note that the assessment of WGS handicaps is not a democracy and there is no right of appeal. Anyone wishing to complain will run the risk of further repercussions. Our next regular monthly fixture is at Studley Wood GC near Oxford (OX33 1BF) on 6th August when we will play for the Club Championships with Joe Ward and Sarah Gibbs defending their titles.

Yours not sincerely at all,

John Jones
Handicap Secretary, Weedon Golf Society

WEEDON Golf Society
The Men's and Ladies Championships
Match Report – Studley Wood GC – 6th August 2026



Our fifth fixture of the 2026 season was a return to Studley Wood GC in Oxfordshire; this is a par 73 course over 6358 yards with 14 lakes and is a favoured venue for many members. Like last year, the temperature was pushing 30C, the fairways were straw coloured and baked solid, the lakes were evaporating in front of our eyes but the greens were in excellent condition; green, lush and running true..... provided you picked the right line. As a result of several new members plus a couple of guests, we had our largest turn out for several years with 20 players vying for the respective championships; well 19 for the men's and one for the ladies. As this event was for the club championships, there was no team event at this fixture but in compensation there was a cornucopia of prizes on offer.

The competition for the day was an individual Stableford and the WGS Men's champion for 2026 was Lawrence Hinds returning a total of 36 point. A significant positive handicap adjustment after last month's fixture at Millbrook GC may well have had some part to play in his victory so I will obviously have to apply a negative adjustment this month; sorry Lawrence you know the rules! Gus Orchard and Colin Rose pushed Lawrence hard both coming in with 35 points. The defending champion Joe Ward put up a spirited defence returning 34 points as did Francis Habgood, and Fin McIntyre (Guest); of course you will all have a negative handicap adjustment. The winner of the WGS Ladies Champions Shield was Charlotte Simpson in her first appearance in the competition returning an excellent 32 points. Although a relatively new member, Charlotte has quickly gained a fearsome reputation which appears to have discouraged the other WGS ladies from playing on the day; maybe you will have some competition next year. Both winners were rewarded with a bottle of wine. Regrettably my own performance of the day was abysmal and I shall take absolutely no pleasure at all in making a positive adjustment to my own handicap.

Other winners on the day were; Fin McIntyre (Guest) nearest pin on 4th hole, Terry Cooper (Guest) nearest pin on 8th Hole, Ben McIntyre nearest pin on 11th hole and Colin Rose nearest pin on 16th hole, all the winners received a sleeve of balls. Fin McIntyre also won a cumulative par 5 competition with 13 points with Lawrence Hinds and Steve Simpson in joint second on 10. Gus Orchard and Colin Rose shared top spot on the cumulative par 3 competition with 10 points. Phil Hughes won longest drive on the fifth hole. Performance of the day was undoubtedly by Fin McIntyre (Ben McIntyre's grandson) who at only 17 years of age returned 34 points in total which included 4 blobs. He also won a nearest pin and in winning the cumulative par 5 competition scored 3 points on four of the five par 5's with 2 net birdies and had at least two putts for eagles. His drives were often almost twice the distance of his geriatric playing partners; awesome!

Based on each player's individual performance at this event, handicaps will be adjusted going forwards as per the attached results sheet. As ever, please note that the assessment of WGS handicaps is not a democracy and there is no right of appeal. Anyone wishing to complain will run the risk of further repercussions. Our next fixture is the WGS v RAGS challenge match on Tuesday 8th Sept at Dunstable Downs and our next regular monthly fixture is at Silverstone GC (MK18 5LH) on Thursday 10th September when we will play for the President's Trophy.

Yours not sincerely at all,

John Jones
Handicap Secretary, Weedon Golf Society

Hill's Canine Rehabilitation

ABOUT US

We are a small friendly team comprising of Veterinary Physiotherapists and Hydrotherapists.

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We are lucky in our village to have a fabulous village hall that is available for hire. It has seen many birthday parties, club meetings, games nights, pantomimes and quiz nights. It is a great space for entertaining with a large hall area and a smaller section at the back that can be closed off.

There are two toilets (including a disabled toilet and access) and a well equipped kitchen. It also has a fenced hard standing court yard and a stones throw away from the small village green with a slide and swing.

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WHITCHURCH & Oving YOUTH CLUB FUND

INVITATION TO APPLY FOR GRANTS

The Trustees of Whitchurch & Oving Youth Club are pleased to announce the establishment of a charitable fund designed to assist the young people of Whitchurch, Oving and designated surrounding villages with single grants for educational and personal development purposes.

Applications for single grants are invited from, and on behalf of, individuals between the ages of 5 to 21 years inclusive who are resident in Whitchurch, Oving, Pitchcott, Hardwick, Weedon, Creslow and Dunton, to a maximum of £500 per award.

Applications for single grants are also invited from not-for-profit clubs, societies and organisations operating primarily for young people between the ages of 5 to 21 years and who predominately reside in Whitchurch, Oving, Pitchcott, Hardwick, Weedon, Creslow and Dunton, to a maximum of £3,000 per award.

Grants will be awarded three times per year, with the deadline for receipt of completed application forms being the 20th of each February / May / October – grant application review meetings will be held shortly after these dates.



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Well it's almost Autumn so I'm going to make no mention of heatwaves, droughts or climate change! Suffice to say I hope you've enjoyed a wild summer. The natural world has to take everything the weather throws at it in its stride and cope though, and Barn Owls seem to have had a particularly good year.

Following the disaster that was 2025 for this iconic bird, they have bounced back well and plenty of other birds also seem to have done well. The Swallows in my garage managed three broods and will now be considering their plans for flying south to Africa for the winter. The Swifts (of which we have precious few in the villages) have already gone and if you were lucky enough to hear a Cuckoo this summer it will already be south of the Sahara! Soon the winter visitors will arrive (mainly from Scandinavia) to feast on the berries in the hedgerows and on the trees; if our resident Blackbirds, Thrushes and Starlings have left any that is.

The warm evenings mean the bats are still out and we have arranged a guided Bat Walk in Weedon with a member of the North Bucks Bat Group. The route will depend on the bats of course but we anticipate making our way through the village and down to Glebe Farm and/or The Lilies. Meet at the village pond on Friday 4 Sep 27 at 7:15pm and expect the walk to last for an hour and a half or so. If you need to drive then the Websters' have kindly agreed that cars can be parked in their driveway at Shawfield, Stockaway.

Please share photos of wildlife, flora and fauna on our Wild Weedon facebook page and your image might get selected for our next calendar.

If you've any ideas for Wild Weedon projects in the coming months just contact us at our new email address:
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BAT WALK

*Do you know your bats? Wild
Weedon is organising a guided*

Bat Walk

*A chance to identify and listen to
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06-Sep								8.00 BCP SF			
Trinity 14	11.00 FS PE	10.00 FS DH			9.00 HC NDL	11.00 FC GE	11.00 FS JV	9.30 FC JV	11.00 FC C'w/NB	9.30 FC C'w/NB	
Green								6.00 EP SF			
13-Sep											
Trinity 15	11.00 FC JB	9.30 HC JB	11.00 Har PE	9.30 MP LL	9.30 FS Weedon	11.00 FC GF	11.00 FS SF	9.30 FS SF	11.00 MP LL		9.30 HC C'w
Green								6.00 EP SF			
20-Sep											
Trinity 16	11.00 FS LL	9.30 FS LL			9.30 FS JB	11.00 FS JB	11.00 FS SF	9.30 FS JV	11.00 Café C'w/NB		
Green								6.00 HC SF			
27-Sep											
Trinity 17	11.00 Harve MP	9.30 HC MP			9.00 HC RA	10.45 United Methodists	11.00 FC SF	9.30 FS SF	11.00 Michaelmas all together C'w/NB		
Green								6.00 EP SF			
04-Oct											
Trinity 18	11.00 FS LL	10.00 FS DH			9.00 Harvest NDL	11.00 FC GE	11.00 FS JV	8.00 BCP SF	11.00 Harvest C'w/NB	9.30 Harve C'w/NB	
Green								6.00 EP SF			
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