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There are lots of events coming up: teas in the Church Hall, a Food Truck Event, The Scarecrows and the Farm Run. Do participate and enjoy being part of our lovely community.

All contributions and information from clubs, societies and general community interest items are welcome, the editor reserves the right to make decisions on content. Please e-mail contributions to: [chronicles@clifton-beds.co.uk](mailto:chronicles@clifton-beds.co.uk)

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Kathy Blackmore, Editor

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Dear Friends

Some of us are back in school and for others this is the time of year that you take a holiday.



Where have the last 365 days gone, I can't believe it is almost a year since our late Queen Elizabeth died and her son King Charles III ascended the throne and he celebrates his first anniversary on succession day 8<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

I get nostalgic at this time of year as I re-read one of my favourite poems: Ode to Autumn by John Keats. In line seven he writes about plump hazel shells. Not the lovely beach shells that you may have collected over the year but the ones you grow! Those beautiful pumpkins, that you may be preparing to eat or harvest for competitions! I'm sure we'll see a few of them out along with the creative scarecrows ready for our yearly village competitions around our counties.

Whatever the season presents to us may we take heart from Genesis chapter 8 verse 22:

As long as the earth endures,  
seedtime and harvest,  
cold and heat, summer and winter,  
day and night, shall not cease.'



Every blessing Revd Caren

## All Saints' Church, Clifton From the Registers



### Burial of Ashes

22nd August Roderick Patch

### Funeral followed by burial

17th August Jennifer Warburton

# Messy Harvest

## September 24th

### Church Hall, 10:30 am



- ✓ Craft activities for all the family
- ✓ Stories and songs
- ✓ Hot lunch
- ✓ No fixed cost- donations welcome
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**Come and join the fun!**

Always on 4th Sunday of the month

## All Saints' Church Clifton Services



### Sundays:

- 11.00 am Parish Communion 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Family Communion, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Morning Prayer, 4<sup>th</sup>
- 10.30 am Messy Church 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday (Church Hall)
- 6.30 pm Evensong, 3rd Sunday
- 10.00 am Benefice Service 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday at Clifton, Haynes or Southill  
(see **opposite** for details)

### Mondays:

Toddler Church, 2nd and 4th Mondays, 2.00 pm

### Wednesdays:

10.00 am Holy Communion or Morning Prayer

For details of church services see: <https://www.clifton-beds.co.uk/>



# CLIFTON GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

## AUTUMN JOY



By the time you read this it will be early September and daylight hours will be reduced and nights will be drawing in. But sometimes in early autumn a period of unseasonably warm dry weather occurs and along with it trees take on a wonderful array of colours - yellows, red, brown, orange with the odd bit of green for good measure. To see a spectacle of nature like this can be really beneficial in relieving the stresses and strains of daily life and particularly so for those who might be recovering from a bout of ill-health or coping with a family bereavement. If you know someone who maybe struggling please encourage them to get out in the Autumn air, visit one of the local woods or nature reserves, kick up a few leaves and enjoy all that nature has to offer at this lovely time of the year. It can do a lot to help with your general well-being.

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..... and one of our co-ordinators will do their best to help. And to assist us in meeting requests please try and give at least 24 hours notice.

## Tea & Chat on Wednesdays

Church Hall, Stanford Lane, 2.00 - 4.00



- ★ 13th September
- ★ 27th September
- ★ 11th October



2nd & 4th Wednesdays each month

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# Clifton Cricket Club



The last time I wrote to you all was to inform that the Duck Race had been affected by the rain.

I can confirm that since then it has done nothing but continue raining...and raining...and raining. However it hasn't been all doom and gloom (and rain) down at the Claybridge this month.

We warmly welcomed the Clifton WI for their annual barbecue and the sun shone on the righteous as the food and drink went down a treat. We hope they all had a good time and look forward to welcoming them back next year.

On a cricketing front games have been very limited due to aforementioned weather, but we have had two youngsters in Oscar Willmott and Jake Edwards make their senior debuts, both of whom took their first adult wickets as well which is a heart-warming moment for all at the club. We look forward to them playing for many years to come and becoming established adult cricketers alongside the others who have made their senior debuts this season.

Jake has also been very busy this year. Back in May he set out on a 40 mile bike ride around the local cricket clubs in Bedfordshire to raise funds for the club following the flooding of our pavilion. Jake managed to raise over £1,000 in sponsorship which is a fantastic and mightily impressive achievement.

Off the back of this we nominated him to Cricket East for the Rising Star award. It gives me great pride to announce that Jake won his category and will be off to Northamptonshire CCC on the 4<sup>th</sup> of September to watch them from a box as his prize. A very well done to you Jake, we are all incredibly proud of your achievements on and off of the pitch and you fully deserve your rewards.

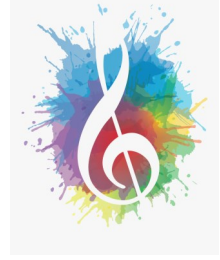


Our U15 side were also crowned league winners by the barest of margins (1 point) as they beat Biggleswade and subsequently pipped Blunham to the post. They will now go to finals day over at Flitwick CC on the bank holiday weekend with victory in their sights. We wish them all the best for the day and say well done boys and girls on a fantastic league campaign!

Coming up soon we have our Presidents Day match at the Claybridge on the 16<sup>th</sup> of September. All are welcome to join and watch a lot of elderly gentlemen run around a field...we will also be playing cricket. We hope to see you all soon.

Daniel Good, Clifton Cricket Club – Chairman

**Afternoon Concert**  
**Saturday 30th September**  
**3.00 pm**  
**All Saints' Church**



**Adrian Cosker - flute**  
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**Peter Maundrell - piano**

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## **Clifton All Saints' Church Choir**



All Saints' Church Choir leads the music in worship at most services in Clifton Church and some at Southill Church, and often participates in weddings and funerals, and sings choir items in special services such as A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols at Christmas, and during the administration of Holy Communion during Eucharistic services.

New members in the Senior Choir and Junior Choir are always welcome. If you are interested in [joining the Junior or Senior Choir](#), please contact the organist, Peter, on [peterdmaundrell@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:peterdmaundrell@hotmail.co.uk), or telephone 01767 314621.

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Peter Maundrell



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# All Saints' Church Clifton

## Let there be Light



Our church is floodlit at night as part of our efforts to keep our building safe and secure. To help us to meet escalating costs we are offering people the opportunity to celebrate a special occasion or commemorate a loved one's anniversary by sponsoring the floodlighting.

Just give us the month or months in which you wish to sponsor, your name and the dedication which can include a specific date. If you wish to remain anonymous and don't wish to give a dedication that is fine too. Your chosen donation can be made annually or as a one-off. Details of each month's sponsorship will be published in the Clifton Chronicles and on the church pew sheet.

To mark your special occasion in this way please and help us keep our church safe contact: [benefice.admin@clifton-beds.co.uk](mailto:benefice.admin@clifton-beds.co.uk)

### Church Floodlighting Sponsors for September

Month	Sponsor	Dedication
September	Not published	In memory of Patricia Florence & Margaret Panton.

### Poppy Appeal 2023

The Poppy Appeal will officially start on 26th October. We plan to sell poppies in Clifton outside the Tesco local shop on the weekends following this date to Remembrance Sunday.



Would anyone like to come and join our team of volunteers in selling poppies for this worthwhile cause? We man the stall in shifts - mostly an hour at a time. If you can give up an hour of your time to come and help, please contact me on 01462 632754 or 07778429766.

Many thanks, Denise Panton



# Churchyard Working Parties

This year we are repeating our new approach! We are going to have regular Working Parties on the morning of the second Saturday of each month between March and October.

**Final dates for 2023:**

- **9th September**
- **7th October**

**9:30 am - 12:30 pm**



Do come along to help, bring tools if you can, enjoy working together and refreshments will



## Clifton Walking Group

The Clifton Walking Group is a friendly bunch of local people who like to walk in the local area and chat along the way. We go out most days for about an hour, and once a month do a longer route of about 6 to 8 miles. We also arrange social events over the year which has been rather limited of late, but as restrictions are lifted we will organise more of these.



If anyone is interested in joining us please contact Suzanne on:  
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Clifton All Saints Academy's

## CASA CUP

# Charity Golf Day

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Cainhoe Wood Golf Club**

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↻ **Raffle**

↻ **Refreshments**



**Shefford Community Hall**



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# Clifton Scarecrow Festival

16th & 17th September 2023

10 am till 4 pm

Head Quarters to be at:

17 Whiston Crescent

Here you will need to pick up a copy of the programme.

This will have a map, a list of where the Scarecrows are resting and a voting slip - **you are the judges**.

Refreshments will also be available over the weekend.



Clifton Residents' Association

# Clifton Scarecrow Festival

16th & 17th September 2023



## Booking Form

You can enter either or both categories.

Entry to the competition is **FREE OF CHARGE.**

Complete the below & email to [cliftonscarescrow@gmail.com](mailto:cliftonscarescrow@gmail.com)  
or post to either 3 Lime Tree Road or 17 Whiston Crescent.

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### Adult Competition:

Adult Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Scarecrow: \_\_\_\_\_

Scarecrow Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### Child Competition (for 16 year and under):

Child/rens name/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Child/rens ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Scarecrow: \_\_\_\_\_

Scarecrow Name (s): \_\_\_\_\_

***Cut off date for entries: Sunday 3rd September 2023***



# GLGS

Our August competition was played at **Brampton Park Golf Club** on the 15<sup>th</sup> August for the Classic Trophy. The course was in good condition with the water hazards causing many players issues. It was a close game with first and second only being separated on countback. Our winners were:

1 <sup>st</sup> with 38 (20) pts	Brian Sapsed
2 <sup>nd</sup> with 38 (18) pts	John Wall
3 <sup>rd</sup> with 36 pts	Alan Mason

Nearest the Pin – Alan Mason  
Longest Drive – Kevin Gray



Our next competitions will be played at St Neots Golf Club on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September and our October competition will be at Cambridge Meridian Golf Club Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact **John Wall** on **01462 814097** or **Brian Sapsed** on **07399623543**.

## Clifton WI

### ANNUAL BARBECUE

Great weather, food, bar and company. What more could we want for our Annual Barbecue? Thank you to Clifton Cricket Club for your warm welcome and running the bar. A big thank you also to those who contributed to a very successful evening.

### 6th September, Meeting in the Community Hall 2-4 pm

We have Jo from Discolicious talking about local and seasonal food. We may have Tasters!!! Tea ladies: Mary Morgan, Jennifer Watts and Pat La Sage.



For our October meeting David Daker, a local Author, will be talking about Pilot Squadron Leader Victor Ekins DFC's remarkable war time experiences, which were taken from personal diaries. It is a tale of human endeavour. Tea ladies: Val Brace, Bayliss and Maureen Gravell

Visitors are welcome, age is no barrier, we hope you will join us.  
Lesley Burton 01462 231657



## Meet the Henlow Singers We need your voice!

The Henlow Singers were founded in 1968 by the late John “Jimmy” Alexander, MBA, who directed until he passed away unexpectedly in 1986. David Barker, an Air Force musician took over directing until 2017, when he sadly passed away. The current director is Beth Hutton. The Singers originally rehearsed and performed at the station church, St Andrews, RAF Henlow and in local churches, chapels and village halls. Then security was tightened on base, so rehearsals were moved to St Mary's Church, Henlow, where they have continued ever since. Membership was made up of about 40 Air Force officers and was open to everyone including wives, but most of these members have now moved on.

The Henlow Singers are actively seeking more members of all ages, abilities and voice parts. You do not have to be able to read music, but it would be an advantage, and there is no audition required, just come and try us out! You may not have sung for a while and feel ‘rusty’, but singing is good for the soul, makes you happy and is great exercise. You also do not have to live in Henlow, as we have members from several of the surrounding villages and towns, and lifts can be arranged.

We are a very friendly community (not church) group, who sing mostly classical and sacred choral music, and rehearsals are fun, relaxing and social.

Rehearsals are every Monday from 7:30 - 9:00pm in Saint Mary's Church, Henlow SG16 6AN, beginning again on the 4th of September 2023, but you can join in the following couple of weeks from then. We perform twice per year in the same church: a Christmas concert this year on 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> of December (TBC) and a Spring concert on 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2024, after which we break up for the summer. We also sometimes sing Christmas Carols at Jordan's Mill one afternoon in December. We would love to see you there as a member or in the audience.



Please contact Mrs Beth Hutton, music director at [bhutton966@gmail.com](mailto:bhutton966@gmail.com) or on 07891 504994 as soon as possible if you are interested in joining the Henlow Singers, so that we know how many singers to expect. We look forward to hearing from you!

# Oh Crumbs, Bob Takes the Biscuit!

## Bob's Biscuits

from Gini Fenske in *favourite recipes* from ASCE

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1 cup **sugar** (I use Demerara)

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1 egg

1 tsp vanilla essence (or lavender essence)

½ **tsp** cinnamon (optional)

#### Sift and add:

½ tsp soda

½ tsp salt

1¼ cups plain flour (I use gluten free)

#### Stir in:

¾ cup oatmeal (I use porridge oats)

¾ cup chopped raisins (I use currents – or cranberries)

½ **cup** chopped nuts

**Form into balls**, roll in granulated sugar on plate. Flatten and bake at 350° for 12 minutes (I bake at 150° for 20 minutes in a fan assisted oven and turn off the heat and wait for 10 minutes before removing).



## Back to School

# WARDEN ABBEY



*The community vineyard*

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Beds RCC was originally set up in 1953 as part of the Rural Community Councils set up across the United Kingdom. During the first three years, they became associated with many social aspects of rural life – such as playgrounds and playing fields; clubs and services for the elderly; village halls and Parish Councils – which promoted improvements to their local communities. Many of this work still continues today, alongside new projects and services which have evolved over the years.

Over the past 70 years, both past and current staff and volunteers here have been an integral part of improving the lives of those living in Bedfordshire. Beds RCC's projects and services benefit local communities in areas such as rural development, wellbeing, and community transport. The charity also owns two non-profit businesses:

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The Platinum Ball is Beds RCC's main celebratory event of the year and will be held at The Bedford Swan Hotel, overlooking the River Great Ouse.



**There are limited tickets available, so book your ticket soon to ensure you get a space.**

**Tickets are £85 per person and include a drinks reception, three course dinner, after dinner entertainment, DJ, silent auction and raffle.**

**Purchase your ticket here:**

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# Clifton Planning Applications Update

Central Beds Decisions at 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023



**CB/23/02568/FULL** 2<sup>nd</sup> August – 16, Spring Road  
SG17 5RE, Single storey rear extension.

**Consultation Period.**

**CB/23/02323/FULL** – 13<sup>th</sup> July – 35, Church Street SG17 5ET.  
Single storey rear extension. **Consultation Period.**

**CB/23/01922/FULL** – 16<sup>th</sup> June – 174, Clifton Road, SG17 5AH.  
Erection of 2 single storey dwellings. **Consultation Period.**

**CB/23/01902/FULL** – 8<sup>th</sup> June – 64, Church Roa, SG17 5EY. Two  
storey side extension. **Awaiting Decision.**

**CB/23/01470/FULL** – 4<sup>th</sup> May – 16, Haycock Gardens, SG17 5QN.  
Erection of single side extension. **Decided.**

**CB/23/01344/FULL** – 26<sup>th</sup> April – 39, Shefford Road, SG17 5RO.  
New bungalow at rear of land. **Awaiting Decision.**

**CB/23/01371/FULL** – 25<sup>th</sup> April – 27, New Road, SG17 5JH.  
Amended plans for new dwelling. **Decided.**

**CB/23/00962/FULL** – 22<sup>nd</sup> March – The Willows, Stanford Lane,  
SG17 5EU. Single storey rear extension, front porch and  
conversion of garage to create larger first floor. **Decided.**

**CB/22/03825/FULL** – 29<sup>th</sup> September – Railway Steamer SG17  
5AH. Demolition of existing building. Erection of single retail unit  
with front parking. **Awaiting decision.**

Tony Hyde – Clifton Residents Association



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## Bike`n Hike

### Saturday 9 September 2023

### 9am - 5pm

All Saints Church, Clifton will be open

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## HARASSMENT

04/07/2023 Undisclosed

## SEXUAL

11/07/2023 Undisclosed

## STATE OR PUBLIC ORDER

11/07/2023 Earl Close

## POSSESS OF CONTROL DRUGS (CANNABIS)

12/07/2023 Pedley Lane

## CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO A VEHICLE

12/07/2023 Fairground Way

## ASSAULT WITHOUT INJURY

13/07/2023 Legate Place

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18/07/2023 Broad Street



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# Shefford Craft & Produce Show

## Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023

### Not long now!



The 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Show will be held as usual in the Methodist Schoolroom, Ampthill Road on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September. The schedules are now available and can be collected from the Library, the Post Office, Rosebuds Cafe, the Newsagents and other locations. Please collect one and have a look at all the exciting classes we have planned. There is something for everyone, whether you are a gardener, crafter or photographer.

In the morning the competitors will bring their entries into the Hall for judging. From 2pm, visitors are very welcome to come to see how clever our local residents, both young and not so young, are at growing and making. Refreshments of tea and homemade cake will be served whilst you wait for the Prizegiving at 4pm.

The Annual Quiz sheets will also be available for £1 as this creates interest and helps to support the Show.

We hope to make this year's Show bigger and better.

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**The Committee of Shefford Craft and Produce Show**

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St Francis                      11.00 am

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