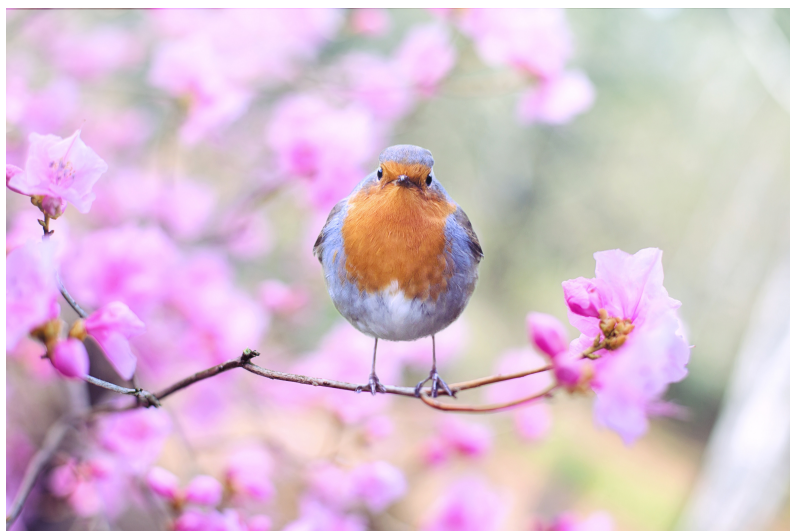


# **The North Marston & Granborough magazine**



**June 2021**



Village  
Gallery

The Bell, 2009  
*by Alan Williams*

“Far up in the deep blue sky, Great white clouds are floating by; All the world is dressed in green; Many happy birds are seen, Roses bright and sunshine clear Show that lovely June is here.”

— F. G. Sanders

**Join the North Marston & Granborough Community Group Facebook Page.**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/151408138823746>

It's a community group created to share and discuss our villages. It is not a selling site.

**WELCOME**

## **Thank you for your support of the local community magazine**

Welcome to the June edition of the magazine.

With lockdown being lifted slightly, events have started again. Look out for the Winslow rambler walks and other events taking place.

June 5th is World Environmental Day so come and help with the Great British spring Clean in North Marston, meeting at the Village Hall at 9.30.

Another exciting event is the North Marston Summer Event on September 4th, see details inside.

Please continue to support local businesses and STAY SAFE!

If you would like to volunteer to support the magazine, there are a few roles, please let us know at [editornorthmarston@gmail.com](mailto:editornorthmarston@gmail.com)



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## COVID-19 Update

### Granborough Support Network

The Granborough Support Network has many volunteers willing and able to help you. As before, collection of prescriptions, shopping and dog walking can all be sorted, along with someone to talk to if daytime TV has lost it's sparkle. Please don't hesitate to ask.

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### **The North Marston Village Support Network still wants to help YOU!**

If you still need help with shopping, prescriptions or a friendly voice on the phone, please contact Pete, Tricia, Aly or Rachel; they will coordinate a volunteer to provide the help you need:

Pete York 670479 or 07969 303 967

Tricia Mc Sweeney 670484 or 07875 085 363

Aly Perrett 670302 or 07814 972629

Rachel Callander 07538 363187

Thank you to all the volunteers

### **SAMARITANS**

Anyone can contact Samaritans. Talk to us any time you like, in your own way and off the record. We offer emotional support any time for free from any phone on 116 123 - This number won't show up on your phone bill. Or email [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org), or you can go to [www.samaritans.org](http://www.samaritans.org) to find details of your nearest branch, where you can talk to one of our

## EVENTS

# JOIN OUR MILLION MILE MISSION

## GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN

HELP TO KEEP NORTH MARSTON CLEAN  
OF LITTER!

**SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 9.30 – 11.30 AM**

**COFFEE AND CAKE AFTERWARDS**

**MEET AT THE VILLAGE HALL WITH YOUR  
GARDENING GLOVES. LITTER PICKS &  
OTHER EQUIPMENT WILL BE PROVIDED.**

**SEE YOU THERE!**

**Great British Spring Clean  
28 MAY - 13 JUNE 2021**

**#GBSpringClean**

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# **SAVE THE DATE**

## **NORTH MARSTON SUMMER PICNIC & OPENING OF THE PLAYGROUND**

**4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**TIME 12-3pm**

MP Greg Smith will officially open the playground at 1pm

**Bring a Picnic, Enjoy the BBQ, Live entertainment, Ice cream Van,**

**Games and entertainment for all age groups**

**AND LOTS MORE!!!**

### **Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II**

**Big Plant Day Saturday 2 October 2021 from 10am – 12 noon** - St Mary's Church Restoration Fund Committee are organising a sponsored bulb planting in North Marston in Autumn 2021 for everyone to take part.

### **To Be or Not To Be? That is the Question**

**Poetry Evening Friday 15 October 2021 7.30PM**

### **Beaujolais Nouveau Evening**

**Saturday 27 November 2021 7.30**

If you have any questions about the events above, please ring Jennifer on 670273 or Val on 670479



**Your Walk. Your Way  
For Your Hospice**

**NOT  
THE Midnight  
WALK**  
2021

**5 miles. 5 am.  
Saturday 10th July**

*In aid of  
Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity*

[www.fnhospice.org.uk](http://www.fnhospice.org.uk)

## **GRANBOROUGH CHARTER FAYRE 2021**

The GCF Committee have decided to cancel this year's event & target there time & energy into 2022. Let's hope we can enjoy the family fun event next year & raise lots of money for local good causes. Stay safe.

## **HOBBY HORSE RACING 2021**

On the North Marston & Granborough sports field in August / September. The first ever hobby horse event to be staged in our area for all ages! Date to be confirmed. Family fun for all with exciting fences (sponsored by local firms) to jump & rosettes to be won. Prizes for the best homemade hobby horse. Bring a picnic & enjoy the afternoon of fun. More details will follow soon.

You said we should do another one....  
so here's a date for your diary

**Saturday 9th October 2021**

The Big  World  
Challenge

**QUIZ  
NIGHT**  
...and Raffle!

**Wesley Centre, North Marston**

**£10 Quiz Night Ticket**

to include Curry/Chilli & Rice

To reserve tickets—tables of 6 or 8

**amy.dell28@gmail.com or 07392 294376**

Raising money for Amy & Matthew's World Challenge trips to Peru  
with Waddesdon School & Swaziland with Aylesbury High School,  
postponed until July 2022

## **G'RAN'BOROUGH & NORTH MARS'RUN' 2021.**

Raised over £200.00 for the Sportsfield in 2020 & we hope to go even higher in 2021. This local fun run will be a 5K, 10K or 12K (whichever suits you on the day). Virtual or real we will target August 22nd at 9.00am to meet in the Sportsfield. More details will follow. Tell your friends!



# CONTRIBUTIONS



## **Your New Councillors representing the Great Brickhill Ward**

**May 2021**

Dear North Marston Parish Council

We are delighted to announce that we have been elected as unitary councillors for the Great Brickhill Ward, of which North Marston Parish is a part.

As we made clear during our campaigning, we are keen to actively support your residents and the Parish Council.

The Great Brickhill ward covers a wide area, so we believe the best way of serving you is for one of us to act as the primary contact for most day-to-day matters. Phil Gomm will act in this capacity for Stoke Hammond and North Marston.

We should emphasise that all three of us are accessible, as and when required on major issues, providing the weight of the full team. We will also engage our Member of Parliament when required.

We hope that you will find this a useful arrangement and we look forward to serving you over the next four years.

Yours sincerely,

**Phil Gomm**

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## **WINSLOW & DISTRICT COMMUNITY BUS**

[www.winslowbus.com](http://www.winslowbus.com)

### **Scheduled Service Update**

We are now running our Wednesday Winslow Market Service and our Friday & Saturday Aylesbury Market Service.

Due to government restrictions, and the need to keep yourselves and our drivers safe, we have put in place strict guidelines for our drivers and passengers.

To comply with current 1 metre + social distancing, we have removed some seats as we are only able to transport 6 passengers at any one time. It will also be impossible to use the tail lift while maintaining a socially safe distance, so you will need to be able to board the bus unaided using the main door.

Please contact the Coordinator for more details.

### **Winslow & District Community Bus need Volunteer Drivers**

If you are aged between 30 and 70 years of age, have a D1 on your licence, and have some spare time, please consider becoming a driver for your local Community Bus. You can do as much or as little as you like, from shorter local runs to some of our longer day trips. We visit all kinds of places, garden centres, stately homes, shopping centres, countryside drives as well as our regular bus services, and the people who use the bus are a very friendly crowd!

We offer certificated training to MIDAS standard, and pay out-of-pocket expenses.

Please call or email for more info!

### **Is your Bus Pass still valid?**

For information on how to apply for and renew visit

<https://www.buckscc.gov.uk/services/transport-and-roads/buses-and-trains/apply-for-or-renew-an-older-persons-bus-pass>  
or call the automated telephone service on 01296 873 011.

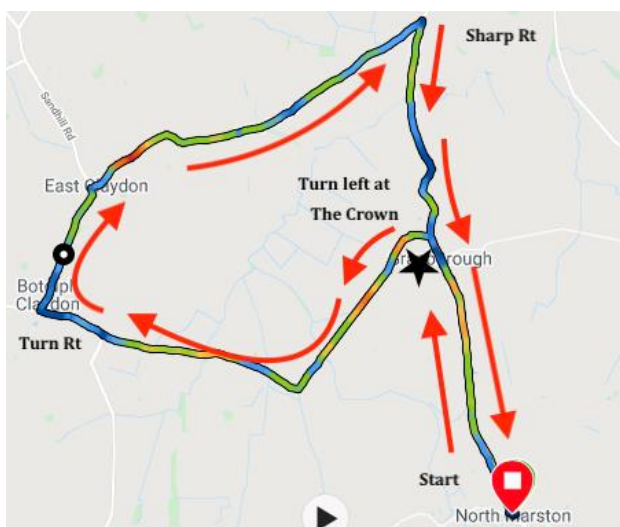


## Marston Family Rides by John Spargo

I've been a keen cyclist for over 50 years, and I was lucky to be introduced to the joys of the bike as a child. Nowadays, family cycling is just as much fun and as a bonus we live in one of the best places in the country for two-wheeled adventures. So I thought you might appreciate a few routes for safe (and not too strenuous) family rides from North Marston. Each ride is between 8 and 10 miles long, and there is a refreshment venue on each ride too!

If it's dry and bright, why not dust off your bikes and get some healthy exercise in the fresh air?

**1. The Claydon Loop via Granborough:** (9 miles, with four gentle climbs), refreshments at The Pilgrim on returning







Very generous donations have continued to pour in every month, for which we are very grateful. We are proud to be able to deliver a car boot full of food from North Marston, Dunton and Whitchurch to the Foodbank on the first Monday of every month.

Monetary donations are always welcome too, and we have received these from the villages. One of the ways money is spent is to top up food where stocks of certain items are running low.

The following dry and/or tinned foods are in **very short supply** and would be welcome this month:

**powdered milk  
powdered mashed potato  
long-life milk  
fruit juice  
sponge puddings  
toothbrushes**

At the moment the food bank does **NOT** need: pasta, breakfast cereals, tea, tinned tomatoes, tomato soup, baked beans, biscuits, fish or meat.



**Please leave your donations in the  
wheelbarrow at the back of 47 High Street  
on Sunday 6th June**

**Thank you!  
Aly and Dave Perrett**

## **Winslow and District Ramblers Group**

We are happy to say that we are back rambling after the lockdown. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome to try a walk free and pay later. For details visit our website [www.e-voice.org.uk/winslowdistrictramblersgroup](http://www.e-voice.org.uk/winslowdistrictramblersgroup)

Facebook Winslow District Ramblers Group.

or contact our membership secretary on 01296 670045

### **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2.00pm WOLVERTON**

Meet in car park on left on Haversham Road from Wolverton

**GR817422.** Walking east beside the River Ouse to New Bradwell to join canal towpath at aqueduct, then past sculptures to riverside. **4.5 miles**

### **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am BOTOLPH CLAYDON**

Park and meet at small car park on left of Calvert Road out of Botolph Claydon **GR729246**

Walking around Runts Wood. Hard tracks, paths and fields. Dogs on leads. **4.2 miles**

### **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2.00pm SWANBOURNE**

Meet opposite the Betsey Wynne MK18 OSH. Park tidily on roadside or in Betsey Wynne car park. Walking through village to join Swans Way and take permissive bridleway back to village. Grass tracks and hard paths, short road sections. **4 miles**

### **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am Furzton LAKE, MILTON KEYNES**

From A421 (H8) to Milton Keynes, turn left on to V4 Watling Street. After signposted road on left for Furzton, turn left into unmarked car park just before concrete footbridge **GR851358.** Walking on hard paths around the lake. Lovely scenery and wildlife. **3.5 miles**

### **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 10.30 am Thornborough**

Park and meet by green pub **GR745336**

Walking past pond in Main St to go up Back Street, cross ford taking footpath on right up track across pasture meeting road at Crossbridge Cottages. After half a mile take footpath on right. Following along field edges and spinney behind Crossbridge Farm continuing down to Thornborough over stiles and footbridge. **3.5 miles**

### **Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am Silverstone**

Take A413 through Whittlebury turning left to Silverstone. Park in roads around St Michaels Church **GR667442.** Exploring points of interest in the village then walking to Hucknell Woods following footpaths and bridleway. May be muddy in wood. 1 stile. Dogs on leads **4.5 miles**

## *The Cutting Garden in June*

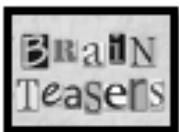
With the coldest, driest spring it's been such a challenge for the garden to get going. Hopefully by now with the warmth and definitely moisture we are expecting a blooming June!

A few jobs for June

- Thin out hardy annuals to 30cm spacing to allow more roots, leaves and flowers and a longer life eg nigella, cornflowers, marigolds. Be brutal to get good healthy plants
- Pick sweet peas as soon as they start to flower to encourage more blooms. Give them a weekly feed.
- Dead head roses if they are the repeat flowering type.
- Stake tall or floppy perennials to prevent wind rock (I am writing this on a very windy day here in May!)
- Direct sow poppies now as many varieties flower in 8 wks.
- Deadheading flowers as they go over this month eg hardy and half hardy annuals can result in a second flowering.
- Cut back delphiniums right to the ground and most plants will give you a second flush in August and September.
- Stake and tie in dahlias as they grow
- Harden off hanging baskets and containers growing in the greenhouse and move to final outdoor position.
- Wait for bulb foliage to die down naturally before cutting back. Lift and divide overcrowded clumps of bulbs.
- Sow next spring's biennials, such as wallflowers & honesty, as need time to establish. Direct sow or short on space in pots and plant out in the autumn.

Any questions by all means email me and I will do my best to answer  
[rosie@wildroseflowercompany.co.uk](mailto:rosie@wildroseflowercompany.co.uk)

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## **For All The Saints Quiz**

Answers on page 20

- 1, Which British saint gave his name to the town the Romans called Verullanium?
- 2, Which saint is the internationally recognised protector of people who are travelling?
- 3, Which saint is associated with Christmas?
- 4, What date is his saints day?
- 5, Who is the patron saint of England?
- 6, When is his saints day?
- 7, Which saint is celebrated on 14<sup>th</sup> February?
- 8, All Saints Day is on 1<sup>st</sup> November. What name is given to the night before?
- 9, The singing group All Saints had how many number one hits?,
- 10, In the TV series The Saint, what was the name of the character played by Roger Moore?
- 11, Which football club is known as "The Saints"?
- 12, Who is the patron saint of Cornwall?
- 13, What is the name given to the process whereby the pope confers the status of a saint on somebody?
- 14, Which saint is associated with 40 days of rain?
- 15, Which virtual saint is associated with North Marston?

## **Children's Society Box Collection**

Hello

I've been given the go ahead by the Children's Society to now collect the coin boxes and count the donations for this year. I am the registered collector for St Mary's Church group. The collection and drop off of the boxes needs to be socially distanced.

If you are able to drop your box off to me at [21 School Hill, North Marston](#), I would be very grateful. Please leave your box in my enclosed front porch. I will return the box to you as soon as it's ready. If you would prefer me to come and collect your box in person, it's no trouble at all, please phone me on 01296 670183 and we can agree a time.

If anyone would like to start collecting and would like a box please let me know!

Thank you for supporting The Children's Society.

Tam Butterworth

01296 670183 (Evenings and weekends)

07591 056097 (Mobile, texts are welcome)

## **British Lung Foundation**

Zoom meetings

**last Wednesday of each month, from 2.00pm**

Breathe Easy groups are a patient led voluntary organisation that aims to support and provide information to patients affected by respiratory conditions, their friends, carers, and family.

Everyone is welcome.

For more information please call Zoe on 07732 867864

[be.wnslw\\_bcknghm@btinternet.com](mailto:be.wnslw_bcknghm@btinternet.com)

[www.blf.org.uk](http://www.blf.org.uk)

*Charity no.326730*



@mindful.eco



With environmental issues becoming progressively worse, it would be great if we could each do our bit for the environment. So, each month 'mindful eco' will bring you tips, recommendations and information on how you can be more eco-friendly :)

Changing our food & drink consumption, even only *slightly*, can make a *huge* difference!



Try to consume less dairy



Reduce food waste



Buy seasonal products



Avoid buying drinks in plastic bottles



Buy plant based milk



Reduce meat consumption especially beef



Eat more veggies and plants



Eat less fish (or none)



Get products containing no (or sustainable) palm oil

Check out @mindful.eco on Instagram or Facebook to learn more about how altering our diet is one of the best things we can do to help fight climate change and save our planet. Upcoming newsletter articles will touch on this topic too :)

## Thought for the month

*When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues[a] as the Spirit enabled them. The Book of Acts, Chapter 2, verses 1-4*

How appropriate that our first gathering back in Church should have been on Pentecost Sunday, 23rd May. It has been so long since we have all been “together in one place”. The past year has been extremely traumatic for all of us and we have all missed deeply, the sense of community which in kinder times we simply took for granted.

There has been much to be proud of in the past year. Our Zoom services and the numerous acts of neighbourly kindness, especially those directed at the clinically vulnerable, have been a wonderful expression of true Christian community and while we have not all been “together in one place”, we have been, in another way, in words used a couple of chapters later in the book of Acts “of one heart and mind”.

It will take time for all of us to get used to being physically present to one another again. Some will take longer than others to emerge fully from the hibernation of lock-down and of course we remain for now with the strangeness of social distancing, risk assessments, masking and, for now, very limited music as we are not yet allowed to sing together.

Our Pentecost is not marked by the sudden changes which marked the day of Pentecost as told by St Luke in the Book of Acts, but this is nonetheless a season of new beginnings and fresh blessings, thanks be to God!



## North Marston woman charged with being topless on London

New York Times, August 1964

LONDON, Aug. 21 — The first topless dress prosecution in Britain was completed today amid roars of laughter in a Bow Street court. Mrs. Diana Gorton, a 30-year old housewife who posed for photographers in a black topless dress on Westminster Bridge, was found guilty of indecency. But she was given a conditional release. The star of the court performance was not the defendant, however, but Leonard Winter, an elderly street photographer who objected to the intrusion of his territory. There was laughter as Mr. Winter began to describe the day “a woman who appeared to have no top to her dress” posed on his “pitch” near a bridge statue. He said he went up to the woman in the topless and said, “You ought to be pinched.” “You mean arrested?” the prosecuting attorney asked. “Yes,” Mr. Winter replied. “What did you feel about all this?” Mr. Winter was asked. “It was annoying people,” he replied. “I was standing there to get my living and people were complaining about the obstruction.” When the laughter subsided, Mr. Winter was asked whether he had seen anything like this before, “I have a wife,” he said. “That is at home,” the prosecutor said, “but this was Westminster Bridge on a Friday afternoon. Did it have any effect on you personally?” “No,” replied Mr. Winter, “I am 70 years of age.” Then Mrs. Gorton, modestly attired in sweater and skirt, cross-examined the street photographer. “Were you personally annoyed?” she asked. “Yes,” Mr. Winter replied amid a roar of laughter. “Why should you come on my pitch? I am licensed there.”

(Diana Gorton lived in Mill House, North Marston).



## ***Whitchurch WI***

Open meeting on Zoom

7.30 pm, Tuesday 1st June 2021

The Secret Meaning of Pub Names

Speaker: Terry Penny

To book a place, contact:

Linda Nicholls on [lindanicholls2016@gmail.com](mailto:lindanicholls2016@gmail.com)

### **For All The Saints Answers**

1. St Alban
2. St Christopher
3. St Nicholas
4. 6<sup>th</sup> December
5. St George
6. April 23<sup>rd</sup>
7. St Valentine
8. Halloween or All Hallows Ee'en
9. Five
10. Simon Templar
11. Southampton
12. St Perrin
13. Canonization (Beatification is a step towards this)
14. St Swithin
15. John Schorne

## COMMUNITY ROUND UP & VOLUNTEERING

### Granborough Village Hall Needs You

Granborough village hall is a registered charity run by a group of Trustees who are responsible for maintaining the hall and grounds. The hall is for everyone to use and is hired regularly by many age groups for meetings, classes, parties and other events. The Church use it as a hall and the Parish Council meets there. We should have a minimum of eleven Trustees who include the Vicar, the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Parish Council. We would welcome more residents to join us. The only qualifications required are that you live(ed) in Granborough and have an interest in the future of the village hall. We are approaching exciting times as we plan to re-open a fully restored hall in Summer 2021 with a new calendar of exciting events.

We meet between 6 and 8 times a year and organise several social events during the year. We also support other village events such as the Charter Fayre.

Granborough residents have told us how important the village is to all of us! Please consider becoming a Trustee and helping to maintain our historic and rather lovely village hall.

For further information please contact any Trustee or the acting Secretary, Davina Thorogood on 670596.



## **Grass cutting on the Sports Field**

At this time of year we begin cutting the outfield and open spaces on the Sports Field. This is done weekly during April, May, June & July. After this the grass growth usually slows down and the frequency of cuts is generally not as regular.

With up to 25 grass cuts during the season (April – September) we try to get as many people as possible to volunteer for one of these cuts. It spreads the load. To cut the whole field takes around 3 hours so it's not unduly time consuming and on a warm summer's day/evening it can indeed be an enjoyable way to spend a few hours.

We have a ride-on mower which is easy to use and all new volunteers will be given a short demo on how to operate the mowing machine. This can be done beforehand, usually on one evening with a group of others new volunteers.

If you use the Sports Field in any capacity, I'm sure you will appreciate how much effort and goodwill goes into the upkeep. If you would like to contribute to its upkeep this is one way that you can help us. We always find it difficult to fill our mowing rota and often 3 or 4 of the stalwarts end up having to do 2, 3 or 4 grass cuts to fill in the weeks where we are short of volunteers.

We operate a rota for the mowing and this is filled on a weekly basis as volunteers respond. There are 25 weeks to choose from. Some have already been filled but we have many more weeks still to fill.

If you would be interested in helping us maintain this wonderful facility by taking a turn on the mower (or in some other way) please reply to me asap. Contact details as follows.

Trevor Lane 07768 625550  
[tlane@lanelandscaping.co.uk](mailto:tlane@lanelandscaping.co.uk)

North Marston & Granborough Community Sports Field

## **SMALL GRANTS SCHEME NOW OPEN**

Granborough Parish Council has opened the small grants scheme for applications to groups and charities directly benefiting residents of Granborough. The Council has set aside a total budget of £2,500.

Application forms are available on the website ([www.granborough.org](http://www.granborough.org)) under the Parish Council's Finance page, or please email the Clerk for a copy of the form ([clerk@granborough.org](mailto:clerk@granborough.org)).

Applications must be received by the Clerk before 12<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

Grants will be considered at the meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021.

Eligibility and conditions are listed on the application form.



## **LIVESTOCK WORRYING IS A CRIME**

**Your dog MUST be on a lead  
from 1st of March - 31st of  
July and at All TIMES when  
livestock present** 🐑🐑

## GATHERINGS, CLUBS & GROUPS



# JUNIOR CRICKET

## IS BACK

North Marston and Granborough Cricket Club  
Junior Cricket Coaching.

All are welcome

Friday evenings 6:30 to 7:45

Starting 9th April

at the Community Sportsfield, North Marston

This season we will be running 4 sides:

Under 9's – school years 3 & 4

Under 11's – school years 5 & 6

Under 13's – school years 7 & 8

Under 15's – school years 9 & 10



Just turn up or call  
Trevor Lane on 01296 670100  
or 07768 625550

North Marston and Granborough Cricket Club

North Marston &  
Granborough



Cricket Club  
(Founded 1887)

### Junior Cricket Fixtures 2021

Day	Date	Team	Venue	Opposition	Result
Monday	26th April	U11	H	Haddenham	
Friday	30th April	U15	A	Stewkley	
Thursday	6th May	U15	H	Haddenham	
Wednesday	12th May	U11	H	Chearsley	
Thursday	13th May	U15	A	Buckland and AC	
Friday	14th May	U13	A	Wendover Red	
Monday	17th May	U13	H	Thame Town	
Wednesday	19th May	U11	H	Waddesdon Red	
Monday	24th May	U11	A	Stewkley	
Thursday	27th May	U15	H	Waddesdon	
Tuesday	8th June	U11	A	Haddenham	
Tuesday	8th June	U13	A	Stewkley	
Thursday	10th June	U15	H	Stewkley	
Wednesday	16th June	U13	H	Chearsley	
Thursday	17th June	U15	A	Haddenham	
Thursday	24th June	U11	A	Chearsley	
Thursday	24th June	U15	H	Buckland and AC	
Monday	28th June	U13	A	Haddenham	
		U11	A	Waddesdon Red	
Monday	5th July	U13	H	Waddesdon	
Tuesday	6th July	U11	H	Stewkley	
Thursday	8th July	U15	A	Waddesdon	

\*Home fixtures are highlighted in yellow.

# North Marston & Granborough Cricket Club

## Fixture List 2021

### Seniors

Showing H/A as per last year's schedule, not the proposed venues

<b>Date</b>	<b>Opposition / Venue</b>	<b>Time</b>
9 May	No fixture	
16 May	No fixture	
23 May	tbc (was Bank Hol 2020)	
30 May	Marsh (A) (note B/Hol weekend)	2.00pm
6 June	Stewkley (H)	2.00pm
13 June	Kimble (H)	2.00pm
20 June	Mursley (A)	1.00pm
27 June	Simmons (L Buzzard) (H)	2.00pm
4 July	Cublington (A)	1.30pm
11 July	Marsh (H)	2.00pm
18 July	Maids Moreton (H)	2.00pm
25 July	New Bradwell (H)	2.00pm
	School Holidays	
5 September	Mursley (H)	1.00pm
12 September	Simmons (L Buzzard) (A)	1.00pm
19 September	tbc	

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Despite the filthy weather our courts are being well used and our league teams have recommenced matches as things slowly return to normal. Our LTA accredited coach, Paul Hobday, has children's Easter tennis camps scheduled for 1 and 2 June – call him on 07967 514081 if you are interested.

If you think you are interested in joining the club why not come along to one of the club sessions to meet us and see what you think. You have a choice between 18.30 on Wednesdays (under floodlights later in the evening) and 10.30 on Sunday mornings with 'Rusty Racquets' on Tuesday afternoons at 14.00.

Our annual fees for 2021/22, which are just about the lowest in the area, are Adults £80, Families £150 and juniors and unemployed £30. If you are interested in joining please contact Gary Paul on 07599 478295 or visit our web site [Oving Tennis Club - Welcome to Oving Tennis Club](https://www.ovingtennisclub.co.uk).

We hope to see you on court soon.

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Paul Hobday 07967514081  
paulhobday@tiscali.co.uk

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## **1st Granborough Scout Group**

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If you are interested in your child joining please do e mail us on  
[1stgranborough@gmail.com](mailto:1stgranborough@gmail.com)

### **Adults (18+)**

We would still love to hear from any adults (anyone above the age of 18) who have a bit of free time to help. We are an amazing and incredible collection of leaders and you would have “such fun” with us

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### **Football**

If you have a child who wants to play please contact the following coaches:

Under 8: Nick Thompson, [nickasjt@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nickasjt@hotmail.co.uk)

Under 9: Dave Williams, [daveivorwilliams@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:daveivorwilliams@hotmail.co.uk)

Under10: Graeme Foster, [graeme@crackerjack.co.uk](mailto:graeme@crackerjack.co.uk)

Thank you

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Village  
Gallery

Moon  
by Robin Brown

## KIDS & PARENTS

### North Marston School learn all about the history of the village

This term we have been learning all about the history of North Marston. When we were on our walk around the village we learnt a lot about the history of the village. Here are some of the facts our tour guide Mrs Chaplin told us.

- Mrs Chaplin told us where the blacksmith worked. He made the gates to the church.
- Mrs Chaplin said that there used to be a lot of different shops and not just the shop we have now. Such as a sweet shop, boot shop, general store, police house and a tailors and clothes shop.
- Mrs Chaplin showed us what the pub used to be called and it used to be called The Bell and not The Pilgrim.
- Mrs Chaplin told us that where our school is built now used to be where the old schools field was and where the playground is was where the old school actually was.

By Phoebe and Dexter Class 3



## CHURCH NOTICES

**St Mary's  
Church,  
North  
Marston**



**St John  
the Baptist  
Church,**



### **St Mary's Church, North Marston and St John the Baptist Church, Granborough – Notices for June**

We are very glad to announce that our churches are re-opening in June, after so many months of restrictions on our communal worship. All services from now on will be face-to-face, in both churches, though current Government and Diocesan restrictions, for example on mask-wearing and social distancing, will apply. For the time being, a booking system for services will still apply. If you would like to attend, please contact Alyson Perrett for North Marston, or Petra for Granborough. There may well be a further easing of restrictions on 21st June, though this is by no means certain. We look forward to welcoming you in church!

Services for June:

#### **North Marston**

6th June 10.00am Family Service  
13th June 9.30am Family Communion  
20th June 9.30am Family Service  
27th June 9.30am Holy Communion

## Granborough

6th June 11.00am Family Service  
13th June 11.00am Family Communion  
20th June 11.00am Family Service  
27th June 11.00am Holy Communion

### Prayers and Support

If you have particular concerns that you would like to share and talk through with someone, then please let Petra or Janet know.

In both parishes we have a long-established prayer ministry. To request prayers for family or friends, please contact the Granborough co-ordinators or either minister directly. Requests for prayers will be dealt with sensitivity and confidentiality.

#### Prayer co-ordinators for Granborough Church:

Jayne Evans [jaynegranborough@hotmail.com](mailto:jaynegranborough@hotmail.com)

Alison Rosser [paulandally1979@gmail.com](mailto:paulandally1979@gmail.com)

**Morning Prayers** are open to all. These take place on Thursday mornings from 10.00am – 11.00am in The Wesley Centre, North Marston.

#### Clergy

Rev Petra Elsmore: 07557045703 [petra.elsmore@gmail.com](mailto:petra.elsmore@gmail.com)

Rev Janet Bayly: 670245 [janet.bayly@gmail.com](mailto:janet.bayly@gmail.com)

#### Churchwardens North Marston:

Aly Perrett 670302 [alysonperrett3@gmail.com](mailto:alysonperrett3@gmail.com)

Tricia McSweeney: 670484 [tricia.mcsweeney@btinternet.com](mailto:tricia.mcsweeney@btinternet.com)

#### Churchwardens Granborough

Alison Rosser 670504 [paulandally1979@gmail.com](mailto:paulandally1979@gmail.com)

Robert Kemp 670204 [rookery4@aol.com](mailto:rookery4@aol.com)

Useful resources on mental health can be found here: <https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-action/mental-health-resources>

For services and organisations that can offer help and support you can check this link:

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/your-mental-health/getting-help>

### **NM Church Cleaning Rota 2021**

#### **June**

6 Jenny Morgan + Val York

13 Jo Radcliffe

20 Jan Quinn + Pip Hitchen

27 Jean Wright

#### **July**

4 Valerie Price & Gill Warner

11 Penny Anderson

18 Carol Webb & Jane Docwra

25 Bev Davis & Anne Lane

### **Church Pedestal Rota 2021**

#### **June**

6 Valerie Price

13 Gill Warner

20 Sally Moore

27 Jennifer Heffer

#### **July**

4 Helen Shotton

11 Linda Rowett

18 Angela Martin

25 Paul Ketteridge

## Granborough Church Flower Rota

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> June  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> June to 2<sup>nd</sup> July

Jo Williams  
Jenny Dean

I am pleased to say that since the church is reopening for Sunday services the flower rota is up and running again. We have a dedicated team who take it in turns to decorate the church with flowers. Unfortunately our numbers have dwindled to just a few and we urgently need new volunteers to keep the roster going. Each person is responsible for a three week period (flowers usually last 3 weeks in the cool environment of the church). You do not have to be a practiced flower arranger as there are plenty of vases in the church. We would welcome new volunteers to our team. If you feel that you would like to join us then please contact me for further details.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jenny Morris who has arranged flowers in church for many years but is now 'retiring' from her duties. Your contribution is much appreciated Jenny.

Davina 670596



## COUNCIL UPDATES

### **Public Rights of Way (PRoW): Footpaths and Bridleways: Responsibilities for Maintenance**

The Parish Council is not responsible for maintaining footpaths, responsibilities are divided between landowners and Buckinghamshire Council (BC). This is a quick guide, detailed information is at <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/environment/public-rights-way/>

Trees and hedges: it is the landowner's responsibility to maintain hedges and trees adjacent to PRoWs. BC has powers to require owners to remove overgrowth (Highway Act 1980 section 154). Undergrowth: BC are responsible for clearing any vegetation naturally growing on the surface of a path, and respond to requests for clearance as required.

There is nothing to prevent walkers from clearing PRoWs and Ramblers Association Path Clearing Groups do so in some areas. Leave the landowners vegetation: it is their property.

Autumn cultivation and PRoWs: Legally, a farmer may plough a PRoW only if it is not convenient to avoid disturbing the path, but must reinstate it within 14 days of first disturbance, and the path must be levelled and made visible, and within 24 hours of any subsequent disturbance. Reinstatement must be: at least 1 metre for a cross-field footpath, across the cultivation; 2 metres for a crossfield bridleway across the cultivations.

Report an issue on a public footpath, bridleway or byway online.

<https://prow.buckscc.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx>

Eg: broken stiles; overgrown vegetation or fallen trees; damaged or dangerous path surfaces; damaged or dangerous bridges; damaged or missing signposts and waymarks.

Or, The Ramblers Association: Report path problems through Pathwatch and they will alert the local highway authority. <https://www.ramblers.org.uk/advice/pathwatch-report-path-features-and-problems.aspx>

The Ramblers have their Pathwatch App you can download and then report problems on your walk as you come across them.

## **Village Maintenance**

### **Potholes & Highway Maintenance**

Potholes and Highway maintenance can be directly reported using the following link <https://www.fixmystreet.buckscc.gov.uk> You can ask for a reference number so that progress can be tracked. (please pass this onto the Parish Council). In an emergency, for instance a severe road defect, a flooded road, or a tree in the road, call Transport for Buckinghamshire on 01296 382416 or 486630 (out of hours).

### **Lighting**

In the event that you see a light not working or is broken please email the clerk ([editornorthmarston@gmail.com](mailto:editornorthmarston@gmail.com)) with the following information: Road Name, Light Number (will be displayed on the column) OR nearest House Name/Number. Your Contact Details

### **Important Links:**

BCC waste webpages – [www.buckscc.gov.uk/HRC](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/HRC)

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### **Bin collections dates:**

#### **Recycling Bin**

Monday 7th June

Monday 21st June

Monday 5th July

#### **Waste Bin**

Tuesday 1st June

Monday 14th June

Monday 28th June

### **North Marston Village Hall Hiring Calendar**

*Please also see [northmarston.org](http://northmarston.org) for calendar*

Please contact [northmarston@gmail.com](mailto:northmarston@gmail.com) for 'Zoom' ID & password for parish Council meetings



## **Draft Minutes of the North Marston Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall 11th May 2021 at 8.00pm**

**Attendees:** Cllr Mordue, Cllr Symonds, Cllr Du Plessis, Cllr Newman, Cllr Hogbin Mills, Cllr Gomm, Clerk Rachel Callander & 2 members of the public

**May 100 Club Draw:** 1<sup>st</sup> prize 17 Pete Butler, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize 56 Neil Mobsby, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize 54 Karen Bunyan

1. **Parish Council Elections:** Ian Mordue was elected as Chairman, no Vice Chairperson was nominated. All councillors received the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Register of Interests. Andrew Boyt and Jon Martin were co-opted as councillors
2. **Minutes:** Approved minutes of the meeting dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021
3. **Working Parties;** The following councillors were appointed  
Neighbourhood Plan – Cllr Du Plessis  
Sportsfield Committee – Cllr Mordue & Cllr Martin  
North Marston Community Speed Watch – Cllr Martin  
Poors Piece & Clocklands – Cllr Martin & Cllr Symonds  
Playground Project completion– Cllr Du Plessis  
Playground upkeep & maintenance – Cllr Du Plessis & Cllr Newman & Cllr Martin  
Wildlife Group – Cllr Hogbin-Mills (Trevor Jenkins heads up this group)
4. **Outside Bodies;** The following representatives were elected:  
Village Hall Trustees (must be Chairman) – Cllr Mordue  
Village Hall Committee (to be reinstated) – Cllr Mordue  
Community Board - Cllr Boyt  
North Bucks Parishes Planning Consortium – Rota  
Parish Liaison Meeting – Rota
5. **The council documents for 2021/2022** will be uploaded onto the website

### **6. Buckinghamshire Council**

3 new Councillors have been elected as unitary councillors for the Great Brickhill Ward, of which North Marston Parish is a part. Phil Gomm will act in this capacity for North Marston.

Cllr Gomm provided the following update: The Unitary has now started and are tasked how to address the Covid Recovery. HS2/East West Rail - 60m has been obtained to help local communities blighted along the HS2 route. Roads - 90m over the next 4 years has been allocated. Why the roads are not surviving our weather is being looked into. Schools - 90% of schools in the country are good/outstanding by Ofsted. New Police Commissioner is Matthew Barber. 260 officers are allocated to Thames Valley. Speeding and rural crime are some of the main priorities. Planning - There is a shortage of planning officers which is being addressed and PCs can request an application be "called in" via their Unitary Councillor to be placed in front of a committee for decision.

**7. Planning Application:** Objection: 21/01380/ACL – Three Corners Piece Granborough Road. Based on a previous objection 10/00307/ App, the application is not in line with the draft neighbourhood plan, it is outside of the proposed settlement boundary of the development plan.

**8. Neighbourhood Plan:** The Chairman confirmed the final draft will be agreed on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The plan will be discussed with the PC during June before the definitive plan is made.

**9. Village Upkeep:** The planting of a cherry tree outside 10 Granborough Road, inline with the other trees, was approved

#### **10. Parish Action Plan/Projects:**

**Playground** - Cllr Du Plessis confirmed the levelling and seeding has been completed. The fencing, paving and the gate – date tbc. A grass cutting regime will be produced, the basketball backing will be replaced and the football posts painted. Cllr Mordue confirmed that following an investigation with the installation company, manufacturer and ROSPA, the swing basket met the manufacturers standards and ROSPA safety standards. The swing basket has been reinstated at a higher level to provide a higher ground clearance, making it even safer with the correct usage. Playground opening – Confirmed the opening of the playground on the 4<sup>th</sup> September 12.00-15.00 in line with a Church Event. Cllr Gomm to ask Greg Smith to open the playground. The school and parishioners to be asked to come forward with a name for the playground. Playground toilet facilities – it was agreed, that in line with other village playgrounds, there would not be any toilet facilities made available at the request of the shop.

**Traffic Calming** – Cllr Gomm confirmed that an inter village group would be set up to tackle such solutions.

**Great British Spring Clean** – Confirmed the date as 5<sup>th</sup> June 9.30-11.30. Agreed a budget of £150 to be allocated to cover cost of litter pickers/hiviz and gloves. These will be used by the village and the school.

**Church Committee Request** – Confirmed in principle the planting bulbs of different colours on the green in front of the Red House in the shape of a crown for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, is a nice idea, but in practise the area will still need to be mowed. The Church committee to be asked to propose a plan to address this.

**Pond** – Agreed Cllr Mordue will be in charge, with Trevor Jenkins, to decide on the water source to fill the pond. As minuted in December 2020 well water will be used if the nitrate and phosphate levels are within the acceptable limits and if not then Anglian Water will be used. Trevor Jenkins to be asked to provide a pond plan update.

**Village Hall Rentals** – Agreed that apart from Pre School and guitar lessons, the VH will not open up to rentals until step 4 of the Covid Plan.

**Land opposite 29 Quinton Road** – Agreed the PC boundary needs to be re-established asap. Cllr Martin & Cllr Mordue to cut back and reinstate by the June Meeting. £100 budget was allocated for equipment/materials.

**Magazine** – Confirmed there had been 204 visitors to the website and 48 magazine hits. Agreed that an email list of parishioners that would like to receive the magazine will be created by Cllr Mordue in line with GDPR.

### **Next Parish Council meeting:**

There will be no Annual Village meeting on the 18th May. All reports will be available on the website.

June 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 Annual Parish Council at the Village Hall

***A complete copy of the minutes can be found on  
[www.northmarston.org](http://www.northmarston.org)***

# **North Marston Neighbourhood Plan Update**

The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group has only been able to hold monthly “Zoom” meetings during the past 12 months, and, while we have made significant progress since lockdown began, this has necessarily been at a much slower pace than we had contemplated a year ago.

In particular, our inability to carry out any form of group outside research has hampered our progress greatly until very recently, and we have, of course, been unable to hold many face-to-face discussions with residents and stakeholders. This has resulted in the whole Neighbourhood Plan process taking much longer than either the Parish Council or the Steering Group would have wished, and we apologise for any frustrations the delays may have caused.

However, the Steering Group has now completed all our fact finding and evidence-gathering, and we have produced sets of agreed objectives and draft policies in the four general areas covered by the Plan:

- History and Heritage
- Green Environment
- Community and Sustainability
- Built Environment (including Traffic and Transport)

We are currently in the process of developing versions of the Neighbourhood Plan itself, and we intend to have an agreed preliminary draft version of the text ready for discussion and comment by the Parish Council within the next month. After these discussions we will move on to producing the text of the final Draft Plan, for the Parish Council’s endorsement and acceptance.

The Group has also started work on devising a North Marston Design Code which will eventually be our recommended blueprint for the design and form of any new building in the parish. This project was started following Guidelines for Planning issued last year by central government which are aimed at giving communities a louder voice in the appearance of their surroundings. The Design Code will be published at the same time as the Neighbourhood Plan and will be a

formal annex to the Plan. Its contents will be referenced in relevant Plan Policies.

When both the Draft Neighbourhood Plan and the Design Code have been finalised, a period of consultation with the parish community and other interested parties can begin. This lasts for a period of 6 weeks or more, and the Steering Group is planning to hold Open Parish Exhibitions during the consultation period to display and discuss the Plan with all residents and stakeholders, and, importantly, to receive representations about the Plan's contents. The Group must consider these representations, and, if appropriate, make amendments as a result of them. We intend that the Draft Plan will be available in both hard and soft copy versions throughout the consultation period.

Following this consultation and any necessary amendments, a finished Neighbourhood Plan can be prepared ready for submission to statutory outside bodies for examination prior to the formal parish referendum.

This programme is, of course, dependent upon the continued increased freedom from restrictions and, especially, that larger public meetings will be able to take place safely in the Village Hall later this year.

Steering Group members: Michael Lane (Chair), Trevor Jenkins (Vice-Chair and Secretary), Katherine du Plessis (Parish Council Representative), Marie Cowen, Bev Davis.

If you have any queries, please contact [chair.nmnpsg@gmail.com](mailto:chair.nmnpsg@gmail.com)

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Date	Event	Where	Time
5th June	NM Spring Clean	NMVH	9.30
22nd August	G'Ran'Borough & North Mars'run SF		9.00
28th August	Sunflower Comp		deadline 28th Aug
4th September	Produce & Handicraft Show	GVH	tbc
4th September	NM Summer Event & Playground official opening 1-3		
2nd October	Big Plant Day	tbc	10-12
9th October	World Challenge quiz	Wesley Centre	tbc
15th October	Poetry Eve	Wesley Centre	19.30

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