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REFUSE COLLECTION

Recycling and green waste bins (blue and green bins) will be collected on Tuesdays 12th and 26th February.

The grey rubbish bins will be collected on Tuesdays 5th and 19th February.

MOBILE LIBRARY

The library van will continue to visit Oxhill, stopping at the Village Hall at 10 am and staying there for 20 minutes. The van will visit us on Wednesday 13th February. It calls every three weeks.

WEEKDAY WALKERS

The following walks are planned for February:

February 8th – A 4.5 mile circular from Todenham with 300 feet of ascent. Lunch will be at The Farriers Arms Todenham – Leaving Oxhill at 9:45am.

February 22nd – A 3.8 mile circular walk from Shenington with 170 feet of ascent. Lunch will be at The Bell Inn, Shenington – Leaving Oxhill at 10:00am.

Due to the numbers on the walk Jim Saxton now contacts regular members to get numbers, so the pub can be informed, unless otherwise stated meal decisions will be made at the pub prior to walk. Those who wish to join us are most welcome, but please contact Jim Saxton on 01295 680613 or at saxton @ talktalk.net before the Tuesday evening prior to the walk.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE OXHILL NEWS

The editors welcome any pictures, photographs, drawings, poems, puzzles, recipes, announcements or items of local news for possible inclusion in The Oxhill News. Please email news-editors@oxhill.org.uk or place paper contributions in the box labelled 'The Oxhill News' in the village Church. Deadline for the March issue is 15th February 2013.

ST.LAWRENCE'S CHURCH, OXHILL

SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

All are warmly welcome

Sunday 3rd Sexagesima	9.30am Holy Communion (ML)
Sunday 10th Quinquagesima	9.30am Sunday Praise (BR)
Ash Wednesday 13th	9.30am HC at Brailes, 10.30am at Tysoe
Sunday 17th Lent I	9.30am Parish Communion (ML)
Sunday 24th Lent II	9.30am Family Service (NM)

For other services in the benefice please see porch notice board

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Funerals: remembered with thanksgiving

January 4th Val Ewen (At Oakley Wood)

VICARAGE NOTES

RESTORATION PROJECT

The P.C.C. has accepted the English Heritage grant offer for the first stage of development work. We have received expressions of support from folk and we felt confident in going forward. The heritage of St.Lawrence's is valued by many in the village in addition to the regular congregation, and fund raising suggestions have already been made. We will, of course, be applying to charitable trusts both local and national, and if anyone has contact details of potential donors, please let me or one of the wardens know. St.Lawrence's belongs to the whole community, and any support given is valued. We will be keeping everyone as fully informed as possible!

LENT 2013

As Easter is quite early this year, Lent begins in the middle of February. A glance at the village diary will reveal a busy time as organisations and committees start up again. Perhaps the reflective time of Lent will encourage us to ensure that what is now called "life-balance" is achieved. Stillness is there in the open church and the surrounding countryside – do we value it enough? The first of the B.C.P. comfortable words is: "Come unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you" (Matthew 11.28). A timely reminder in our busy age!

Best wishes and God bless,

Nicholas Morgan 01608 685230 braileschurch@gmail.com

DEANERY NEWS for FEBRUARY 2013

The next **Deanery Synod** will be on Tuesday, 5th February, 2013, at 7.30pm at St. Edmund's Church. Shipston. Following on from the last Synod, when we heard about working to help those who are struggling to find work, and those coping with debt, we want to look further at how we can help in our communities within our various Benefices. We shall also be welcoming Kay Dyer, who is our local General Synod rep, to tell us a little about the events of the General Synod in November. Booklets for the Deanery Lent Services will also be available – see below.

Lent begins a little earlier this year than last: Shrove Tuesday is 12th February, and Ash Wednesday is 13th February. Our **Lent Series of Services across the Deanery** will therefore begin the week after. This year we are following the York Course 'Glimpses of God'. The booklet that accompanies it was written by David Winter: not only do we have copies of the booklet available (£3.99) for those who would like to use it in house groups, David Winter himself is coming to give the fourth address. Dates and places are as follows: all services are on Tuesdays at 7.30pm. As ever, all are welcome, and we look forward once again to meeting up to worship together in this way during Lent.

February	19 th	Tysoe	The God who hears our cry
	26 th	Halford	The shepherd who guards and guides his people
March	5 th	Sutton-u-Brailes	The Son, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.
	12 th	Burmington	The God who shares our pain
	19 th	Idlicote	The God who calms our fears.
	26 th	Ilmington	Deanery Eucharist for Holy Week

Blessings, Jill

GARDEN CLUB

A happy New Year to all gardeners!

Dates for the diary :

- February 21st The Wonderful World of Sweet Peas with Rev John Carrier
- March 21st AGM at 7pm with re-election of committee and chairman and cheese and wine
- April 18th Down the Garden Path with Adrian Jones

Reminders:

- Keep snapping for the photographic competition – Summer Flowers or Winter in the Garden, usual rules apply
- Bring a single stem flower for the monthly competition.

Ann Saxton

Our speaker at January's meeting, Tony Cleary, spoke quite enthusiastically on making your own alpine troughs from hypertufa – a material made from a combination of 3 parts sand and cement mortar and 1 part peat or organic equivalent mixed with water to produce a sticky bonding mixture which is then pressed onto a Belfast sink or a container made up from firm boxes. This material hardens and is very robust and will last for many, many years. He advised how to layer the containers (eg compost, grit etc) and suggested many alpine plants that could be used to decorate the containers. He advised that these troughs be prepared now in readiness for summer blooming, so off we should all trot to the DIY centres for all our needs.

Next month's speaker will be the Rev John Carrier on "The wonderful world of sweet peas" and don't forget March's AGM where not only do we indulge in wine, cheese and biscuits but at the same time would very much welcome any suggested names or volunteers to form our new Committee for the coming year. Please, think this through as a Committee is the only means of keeping the Club running and new blood brings new ideas.

Sue Hedley, Secretary

OXHILL VILLAGE HALL – UPCOMING EVENTS

Illustrated talk on Upton House in the 1930s – Friday, 22 February

Here in Oxhill, we are lucky to live close to one of the National Trust's most popular country houses. You may have visited it, you will have certainly driven past it, but do you really know what it was like to live there in the 1930s and how the house connected with our community?

Come along to a fascinating talk and discover what Lord Bearsted, Upton's owner and the founder of Shell, hid under his bed, the high spending Lady Bearsted hid from *him*, and what the butler saw in the greenhouse? This and many more interesting facts, figures and stories will be revealed on the night by Upton House's Mhairi Peters, Interpretation and Events Assistant, and Michelle Leake, House Steward.

Talk starts at 7.30pm. Cost is £3 per person. Refreshments available to purchase.

Please call Gaynor van Dijk on 680349 for tickets.

Friday Night Event – 15 March

Our ever-popular Friday Night event returns so keep the date clear and more details will appear in the next issue of the News.

Village Hall Committee AGM – Thursday, 25 April

The Village Hall Committee AGM will take place on Thursday, 25 April at 8.00pm and there are opportunities for new faces and new ideas to influence the way that the Village Hall is run and the sort of event that is available. Even if you do not want to stand for a committee post, please come along and enjoy a glass of wine and let us have your thoughts on how you would like to see the Village Hall develop.

KNIT and NATTER

The dates for our February get-togethers are Thursday 7th, when we will be making cards (so please bring along scissors and glue if you wish to

take part) and Thursday 21st, when Mick Shepard (our First Responder) will be coming along to give advice on basic life support techniques.

Everyone is welcome and you can join in the craft/Activity, bring along your own hobby (or knitting) or just come along for a cup of tea and a chat with friends.

The afternoons start at 2.00pm, finish at around 4.00pm and cost £1 per session.

SCARECROW WEEKEND 15TH-16TH JUNE 2013

To keep the church of St Lawrence in good repair we have to raise thousands of pounds each year and the scarecrow weekend has always been the most profitable fund raising event. We understand that it is not to everyone's enjoyment and some villagers would rather not take part. Those who have chosen to join in have always had wonderful ideas year on year and we hope that you will welcome the return of the scarecrow weekend and make lots of scarecrows for people to enjoy. I am unable to make my usual scarecrows so it would be good if a few people could get together to revamp scarecrows for the village signs entering into the village and for the village hall grounds. All of the scarecrows I have made are stored at Heather and Phil Brennans so would only need redressing.

In the future we will be grateful of any tombola prizes and any unwanted items would be ideal for the church bric a brac stall. We will also have our usual plant stall so please think of us in the spring.

Many thanks to all of you.

Lilian 01608686934

AT THE PEACOCK

Quiz Night

Quiz night on Sunday 3rd February at 8pm.

Village Events

Village Lunch on February 20th at 12:30.

The Village Coffee morning will be on Wednesday 6th February at 10.30am.



WOT2GROW YOUR COMMUNITY ORCHARD



The winter has been mild so far with lots of rain and very little frost and no snow. This has allowed us to get down to the orchard and put up the protection for the peaches and nectarines we planted in December! We will be fan training them along the post and wire system we have built and in order to prevent peach leaf curl we have put polythene “tents” over the new trees to stop the rain from splashing spores on to the trees. This involved reinforced polythene, golf balls and beautiful tent pegs hand made from ash wood! This protection is needed from December to April.

John Edgeley will be with us on **Saturday 9th February at 10:00am** to teach us about pruning all the trees, especially those planted last year. This really is a not-to-be missed event for anyone unsure about caring for the fruit in their own gardens. John joins us again on **Wednesday 20th February at 10:00am** to continue the pruning of the canes and fruit bushes. Everyone is welcome to come along to these sessions and learn from a real expert who is a fantastic teacher, look out for posters giving details.

The “car park” is pretty much under water after all the rain but we do have a new pedestrian gate giving access from the footpath at the west side of the orchard. Good news for those who walk to the orchard from the village!

There are still plenty of things to be done at the orchard and we welcome new members as well as anyone who wants to come and help. Just get in touch with one of the team, details below.

Check it out at www.wot2grow.co.uk

Find us off the Shenington Road behind the allotments – entrance gates at the far end of the allotments and now off the footpath!

If you would like more details please contact one of the following who are co-ordinating the community involvement

Liz Atkinson (680045), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080), Graham Collier (680127), Julia Stirman (01608 686776), Pam Bennett (01608 685606)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KEEP BEES?

A lot of people keep bees because they produce honey, one of the healthiest and most natural foods and one which has been valued by man since prehistory as a sweetener. Others keep bees because they are interested in the study of bees and of their habits; bees are fascinating creatures and there is always something new to learn about them. With no means of dealing with the varroa mite that is now present in all UK honey bee colonies, a feral honey bee nest is unlikely to remain viable for more than a couple of seasons. With the help of beekeepers it is only managed colonies that can survive to



carry out the essential pollination of our food crops. Beekeeping is an enjoyable open air hobby bringing you in contact with people from all walks of life. Bees can be kept by almost everyone except a very small minority who are allergic to bee stings.

Shipston Beekeepers are holding an “Introduction to Beekeeping” day on Saturday 9th March at the Old Free School, Brailes OX15 5HT. The day will deal with the basics of beekeeping for the complete beginner or those with very limited experience of this craft.

Arrive at 09.30 for coffee prior to a prompt 10.00 start. Refreshments, a light lunch and a practical beekeeping reference manual are included in the day’s price of £40. The event is scheduled to finish at 15.30 approx.

Contact Douglas Nethercleft on 07850 352905 or djn0001@aol.com to book your place. Numbers are limited.

NOTES OF THE OXHILL PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 8th JANUARY 2013 AT 8.00 PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL

The meeting, chaired by Grenville Moore, was attended by Parish Councillors Carol Taylor, Tom Heritage, David Hill and Brian Badger

MATTERS DISCUSSED

Planning

Oxhill is now classed as a Service Village and pressure is being applied for more housing with builders already identifying plots for development. As a result a Housing Needs Survey is being carried out and when the results of this are known a Public Meeting will be held to consult with the village.

Parish Council and village representatives attended a Planning Meeting where it was sought to remove the S106 Legal Agreement restriction to build on land by the church. This item has now been passed to the Cabinet Meeting on 18th February.

Finance

Precept for the year 2013/2014. Expenditure for the next financial year was discussed against balance sheet presented. Established charges for mandatory insurance, audits, clerks expenses and new minute book were agreed. The Oxhill News will continue to be supported at its present cost. Grants towards insurance of equipment for the First Ambulance Responders will be paid and grants towards mowing the Village Hall ground and the churchyard will be considered. A precept of £2400 was agreed by the meeting.

Highways

There are several items outstanding, i.e. cattle grid repair Nolands Road, state of road either side and through Honington, and LH Bend sign replacement, Tysoe Rd, which have not received attention for several months. We are now asking for a dated plan when these repairs will be carried out.

Shipston Link Service

This bus service runs on a Wednesday, picking up outside the "Peacock at 09:18 arriving in Shipston at 09:34. Returning from Shipston 11:20 arriving back in Oxhill 11:36.

Oak Tree at the top of Rouse Lane

WCC have asked to move this tree so that when it grows it will not foul overhead lines. We have agreed for this to be carried out

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 12th March 2013 at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall.

Angela Kean, Clerk

PUBLIC MEETING
Tuesday 19 February 2013 at 8.00 pm in Village Hall
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IN OXHILL

Last year Stratford District Council updated their definition of Local Services Villages, adding village halls and public houses to the qualifying list. Together with a regular bus service, Oxhill now has the minimum three out of seven ‘public services’ and is therefore subject to future housing development. The Parish Council has already been approached by one large developer and a private developer, and more will follow. The District Council is keen to see Parish Councils and the community become more involved in the future planning of their villages. Oxhill needs a Parish Plan and to identify housing need.

Parish Plans will form part of the bedrock of new local development frameworks that will be prepared by every local planning authority to replace existing local plans. So, to this end, I am calling a public meeting to explain the formation of a Parish Plan and to elect a steering committee. The committee will look at the needs of our village and areas that we, the people of Oxhill, would find acceptable for current and future development. We need a good cross-section of residents on the committee, but for obvious reasons, owners of land fit for development should not sit on the committee.

Sarah Brooke-Taylor from Warwickshire Rural Community Council will be present to explain and guide us through the process of setting up a Neighbourhood/Parish Plan. We will need a committee of six to eight residents, along with one member of the Parish Council. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but would like to be put forward for this committee, please phone me – 680664.

This is your chance to have your say and influence the future of housing within the community (see www.countryside.gov.uk).

Grenville Moore
Chairman – Oxhill Parish Council

ADAM CROWTHER – CYCLING for CHARITY in VIETNAM

In April, I'll be cycling from Vietnam's capital city, Hanoi, to Ho Chi Minh City (the city where I've been living and working for 18 months). The journey distance is 2000km and will take me just under a month. I'm sure this wasn't the wisest decision I've ever made. However, it's a challenge that I'm really excited about and better still, it's all for charity! We'll be visiting orphanages on the trip and raising money for various children's charities. With your help I aim to raise around £750, and we'll be doing fundraising events in the city to add to this sum. So if you have any spare pennies, it'd be very much appreciated if you could contribute. A small amount of money really does go a long way sometimes. Your pound sterling donation, however big or small, will go a long, long way out here in Vietnam.



Please spread the word, and refer friends and other like minded souls to my page. Thanks again for your time!

<http://www.justgiving.com/AdamCrowther-03>

OXHILL COMMUNITY RESPONDERS BECOME TRAINERS.

CARDIAC ARREST.

We could give you many facts and figures, but the only one that is important is that a Cardiac arrest is when the heart stops pumping blood around the body. Applying a controlled shock within five minutes of collapse provides the best possible chances of survival, this shock is provided by a Defibrillator also called an AED, and there are now over 6,000 public access defibrillators in the UK. Knowing how to use one, and being able to carry out chest compressions, (CPR) is the other skill, which goes with using a Defibrillator. Having the knowledge to carry out CPR and an AED could possibly help you to save someone's life wherever you happen to be. If there is NO AED available then being able to carry out CPR could be vital to keeping the blood supply going around the body until an AED arrives. As Community Responders for West Midlands

Ambulance Service we are now trained to teach these skills. We will also continue to take blood pressures, at every opportunity, because high blood pressure is a contributor to heart conditions and strokes.

2012 has had its highs and lows for us. Receiving our Queen's Jubilee Medal for our service to the Community was indeed a high point.

Periodically we have to go out on the Ambulances, and in December Barbara survived a 12 hour shift. I'm still trying to convince her that this was another high point! Then, recently, Val, a dear friend to Barbara of some 35 years suffered a Cardiac arrest, outside the village hall, Barbara was first on scene within 2 minutes, giving CPR and Defibrillator shocks, sadly though the outcome was not what we wanted, however hard we tried. Like many others who knew her, this was a big shock and hit us hard, we shall all miss her.

As volunteers we do not receive any funds or payments from the Ambulance Service, we do however get the very best of training, so should you feel we are a worthy cause, please contact us.

DEFIBRILLATOR OR AED

AED Stands for Automated External Defibrillator. The type of Defibrillator that is available to the public to use is called a semi-automatic AED. AEDs are very sophisticated, reliable and safe computerised devices, providing they are used correctly. They will NOT shock, without there is the right Electro cardiogram (ECG) rhythm of the heart. When a shock is delivered, it is **imperative** that there is NO contact, in any form, from the casualty receiving the shock, to anyone else. Public Access Defibrillators can now be found in many locations around the country, so should one ever be needed, when the 999 call is made for an Ambulance, the caller can ask if one is nearby. If so Ambulance Control will give the box location and code, and helpful instructions. The defibrillator itself also prompts the user when it is being operated. There should be no delay in starting Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, (CPR) as soon as the unconscious victim is found not to be breathing. Should there only be one person in attendance with the collapsed person, then the priority is to carry out CPR.

Two photos of Public Access Defibrillators, one with lid closed the other with the lid open showing the pads in the lid that are applied to the patients.



The Ambulance service, has a range of options to call upon, so should you have a medical emergency, CALL 999 asking for THE AMBULANCE SERVICE.

Take care out there. Barbara and I wish you all a very Happy New Year for 2013.

Mick / Barbara Shepard

3, The Leys Oxhill

Warwick CV350QX.

viper@viperrecovery.co.uk

Non Emergency, Private Mobile 07976298228.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2012

Once again these were well supported.

First of all thank you to the helpers who assisted with getting the tree (no mean task) and to those who helped decorate it and then to those who put out all the candles and then cleared away for the flower ladies to do their work with Christmas arrangements.

The Crib and Cringle Service was well attended and it was great to see the children there receiving their Cringle Oranges (made by Linda Synge- thanks Linda).

There was a wonderful attendance for the Candlelit Carol service. Thanks to Gaynor Van Dijk the choir was gathered and sang beautifully conducted by Ruth Gibson. Everyone enthusiastically sang Carols and the Lessons were read clearly. Mulled wine and mince pies finished off the evening. So a very big thank you to all who took part and who helped with every aspect of this lovely Christmas Festival

CHURCH CLEANING

The PCC would like to take this opportunity of publicly thanking the team who turn out each month to make the church clean and tidy. Your help is very much appreciated.

We do have a vacancy still for the 3rd weekend each month, so please contact Carol Fox (680223) if you can help fill this gap.

OXHILL FESTIVAL CHOIR

Sorry this report is in February but the deadline had passed for the January News before we had had the Carol Service.

Many thanks to all who participated in the Choir at the Carol Service just before Christmas. Despite several significant absences due to illness we managed to do ourselves proud. It was a lovely sound and was much complimented by those in the congregation. Well done to our three new members who did very well learning all the music in such a short time. Thanks also to Colin and Jill Tucker who kindly lent us the Chapel for the rehearsals. Special thanks to Ruth Gibson who bravely stepped in at the last minute to lead us. It is not an easy job when we never actually had all the members of the choir there at any one rehearsal. However, she soon whipped us into shape and we did pay attention 'on the night' I promise, just look at the result! Well done. everyone.

If anyone would like to have another outing before next Christmas, say in the summer, let me know and we will see what we can do. We are always very pleased to see new members and there are no auditions. We are especially short of tenors so if there is anyone in the village who can sing tenor (I do know of some lady tenors!) please contact me. Otherwise I will be pestering you all again come October!! Keep on singing till then.
Gaynor Van Dijk (680349)

WHATCOTE CHRISTMAS PUDDING SALES

Once again many thanks to our regular and some new customers. Sales of the puddings have again proved to be very popular.

The total profit for the tenth year is £481.28.

May I thank you for all your support and send you every good wish for 2013.

June Wreford

Cantamus

Musical Director - Richard Emms

MAD MARCH HARES

Sunday 3rd March 2013 at 3.00.p.m. in the
Townsend Hall, Shipston-on-Stour.

Tickets cost £10

(no charge to accompanied children)

Telephone 01789 269587 for further information.

SHIPSTON-ON STOUR – A CENTRE FOR SINGING

Shipston-on-Stour is a small, thriving country town, and in terms of its music, it truly has much to be proud of – a long tradition of the Town Band, an innovative Music Society, the well-established Shipston Proms, and two significant choirs, at the very least.

Stour Singers is a large community choir, numbering more than 80 members – and attracting its singers from a wide geographical area surrounding Shipston. Cantamus is an accomplished unaccompanied choir of more than 20 singers. The musical director (and founder) of both choirs is Shipston resident, Richard Emms – teacher, conductor, composer – who provides the energy, inspiration, and enthusiasm to engage the interest of experienced singers and newcomers alike.

Stour Singers' annual Christmas Concert in December 2012 presented Bach's exquisite Christmas Oratorio, attracting again a wonderful quartet of professional soloists, and the experienced Cherwell Orchestra. With St. Edmund's as the concert venue, the audience members – led by Mayor, Fay Ivens – were able to luxuriate in the baroque masterpiece. Less than a week later, the Stour Singers led a "Grand Carol Sing" in the Townsend Hall (an innovation for the choir), where audience participation was of the highest order, and refreshments plentiful. Stour Singers have a tradition of making

music with members of the community who are not able to be out and about, and enjoyed a convivial carol evening at Rainbow Fields just before Christmas. Sadly the Ellen Badger Hospital had succumbed to norovirus, so the choir was unable to sing there. Spring plans for the Stour Singers focus on a wonderful “double bill” of Vivaldi’s Gloria, and Dvorak’s Mass in D – so do book the date now in your diary – Saturday 11th May, at 7.30.p.m. in St. Edmund’s Church.

Richard’s chamber choir – Cantamus – also had a very busy musical December, singing a beautiful blend of madrigals, motets, folk-songs and carols at Compton Verney for the award-winning gallery’s winter weekends. Cantamus’ next concert is the popular annual afternoon event (now in its third year) on Sunday 3rd. March (another date for your diary) – this year we have a concert for Mad March Hares (but not exclusively) – with music, readings, and opportunities for the audience to sing, not to mention tea and home-made cakes. The venue for this is the Townsend Hall – and the time is 3.00.p.m..

If you would like to know more about the choirs, and the concerts, here are some contact details:

For Stour Singers: Richard Emms, Director – 01608 662163
: Vic Twyman, Choir Manager – 01451 870361
: Yvonne Ridley, Deputy Choir Manager – 01789
269587

and Cantamus : Richard Emms, Director – 01608 662163
: Yvonne Ridley, Concert Manager – 01789 269587.

OFFICES AVAILABLE TO RENT

Suite of 3 self-contained offices available to rent, individually or as a complete suite

Reasonable rates, off road parking, lovely central village location.

For more information call 01295 680624



Warwickshire County Council's Trading Standards Service.

Don't Unwittingly Help the Spread of Rabies

Increasing numbers of puppies are being imported illegally from Eastern Europe in to the UK where puppy prices are much higher and are being sold via adverts on the Internet and in newspaper small ads as UK bred dogs.

They are accompanied by bogus animal histories (breed and pedigree information) and forged documents.

Smuggled puppies and kittens may carry diseases including rabies! Rabies remains a problem in Eastern Europe.

New advice on buying dogs and cats is now available:

- **Buy your animal from a reputable supplier.** Advice is available from organisations such as the RSPCA.
- **Check the animal's history by speaking to a previous owner.** If you are buying a puppy or kitten, you should ask to see it with its mother and the rest of the litter.
- **View the animal and its documentation before you buy.** The documentation must be correct. For information visit: www.defra.gov.uk/wildlife-pets/pets/buying-cat-dog/

**Safety + Consumer + Business + Scams
= Trading Standards Twitter**

Warwickshire County Council's Trading Standards Service is now on twitter.

The Service has been using Twitter to provide businesses and consumers with information and advice on safety issues, consumer rights, Trading Standards law and the latest scams and frauds.



Remember this? A nice picture of Mr Rouse's Oxbill bus at Stratford-upon-Avon. Thanks to Tony Martin.

Justina
Presents
SPRING FASHION SHOW

at the fabulous
Walton Hall 14th March 2013
7pm Champagne & canapé reception
7.30pm 2-course dinner
Jewellery auction kindly donated by Howard Jewellers

Auction by
Nick Hewer
of *The Apprentice*

£40 per person, Limited places. For tickets please contact
Rebecca on 01608 674 929 or Justina on 01789 841 562
In support of Shipston Home Nursing & Chedhams Yard Trust

WHATS ON IN & AROUND OXHILL

February

Sunday 3rd	20:00	The Peacock - Quiz Night
Tuesday 5th		Grey bin collection
Wednesday 6th	10:30	The Peacock - Village Coffee Morning
Thursday 7th	14:00	Village Hall - Knit & Natter
Friday 8th	09:45	Weekday Walkers
Tuesday 12th		Green and blue bin collection
Wednesday 13th	10:00	Village Hall - Mobile Library
Saturday 15th	23:59	COPY DEADLINE FOR THE NEWS
Tuesday 19th		Grey bin collection
Tuesday 19th	20:00	Village Hall - Public Meeting Housing Development in Oxhill
Wednesday 20th	12:30	The Peacock - Village Lunch
Thursday 21st	14:00	Village Hall - Knit & Natter
Thursday 21 st	19:30	Garden Club The wonderful world of Sweet Peas with Rev. John Carrier
Friday 22nd	10:00	Weekday Walkers
Friday 22nd	19:30	Village Hall - Talk on Upton House
Tuesday 26th		Green and blue bin collection

March

Tuesday 12th	20:00	Village Hall - Parish Council Meeting
Friday 15th	20:00	Village Hall - Friday Night Event
Thursday 21st	20:00	Village Hall - Garden Club AGM

April

Thursday 18th	20:00	Village Hall - Garden Club - Down the Garden Path
Thursday 25th	20:00	Village Hall - Village Hall Committee AGM