# **THE OXHILL NEWS**

# May 2019 No. 534 A VERY LOCAL WEDDING - SAM & LIZZIE

**ROBERTSON** 

Sam Robertson, son of Malcolm & Maria Robertson of Oxhill married Lizzie Smart, daughter of Martin & Julie Smart of Edge Hill on the 6th April at Primrose Hill Farm, Arlescote, Warwickshire.

Love and congratulations from both families.

Sam & Lizzie first met many years ago at the Baby & Toddler Group in Oxhill Village Hall. They have made their home in Charlbury, Oxon.

Malcolm and Maria

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# 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-editor@oxhill.org.uk or place paper contributions in the box labelled 'The Oxhill News' in the village Church.

#### SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS THE 15TH OF EVERY MONTH.

## MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library has books with large print, ordinary print, picture books, children's books, paperbacks, non-fiction, novels, sagas, crime, mysteries, adventures, westerns and romance. The van has talking books, cassettes and CDs.

The library van will continue to visit Oxhill, stopping at the Village Hall at 14:30, staying there for 30 minutes. The van will visit us on Friday May 3rd and May 24th.

## **REFUSE COLLECTION**

Recycling and green waste bins (blue and green bins) will be collected on Tuesdays 14th and 28th May. The grey rubbish bins will be collected on Tuesdays 7th and 21st May.

#### WEEKDAY WALKERS

This walking group usually walks on 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. If you are interested in joining or to find out further information, please contact Jim Saxton on 680645 or email admin@jimsaxton.co.uk

## AT THE PEACOCK

#### **Village Events**

The village coffee morning is on May 1st at 10.30 am. The village lunch is on Wednesday May 15th at 12:30pm.



# **DEANERY NEWS FOR MAY**

May and June seem to be extraordinarily busy - so here goes:

The next **BCDM course in the Deanery 'Introducing Christian Ethics'**, is taking place at St Edmund's Shipston in April/May. Chris Goble is delivering it, on Tuesday evenings 7:00-9:30, 30th April - 14th May, with the final two sessions on 4th and 11th June. Any queries to him, or check out the BCDM part of the Diocesan Website.

The **Archdeacons' Visitation**, at which Church Wardens are licensed and affirmed in their ministry, is this year in St. Edmund's, Shipston, on Thursday, May 16th at 7.30 pm.

There will be a special **Open Deanery Synod** in Tredington Church on Tuesday, May 21st at 7.30 pm. The Deanery Videos we have been making will have been put together into a single presentation, which will allow us to discover a little of the work of the wider diocese, and make an informed decision about the level of Support Fund contribution for 2020. I am delighted that Katie Wilson, the Resourcing Churches Mentor is coming, to explain about the Parish Giving Scheme and Contactless Giving (on which she is an expert) – which should be really helpful to all of our churches. All are invited, particularly Church Wardens, Treasurers and PCC members, as well as Deanery Synod reps.

The **Deanery Ascension Day Service** will this year be led by Bishop John, and will be on **Thursday**, **May 30th at 7.30** pm in Stretton on Fosse Church.

There will be a **Confirmation Service**, jled by Bishop Christopher, on **Sunday**, **June 23rd at 4.00 pm** at Tysoe Church.

And finally, **Deanery Synod** will also meet on **Tuesday**, **June 25th**, **at 7.30 pm in Long Compton Church**. This is the regular June meeting, and we are delighted to be able to welcome Richard Cooke as our speaker that evening, leading us through Luke's Gospel.

Enjoy the summer! *Blessings, Jill* 

# **KNIT and NATTER**

Dear all

We have received a note from Warwick Hospital thanking all those who knitted tiny hats and mittens for the premature babies. They were delightful little items - so well done knit and natterers!

We are not sure if we will hold further meetings in May - it depends on the weather. I will keep everyone on the mailing list posted but if you wish to be included on that please get in touch.

Jane, 07530 629114

# TYSOE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL APRIL UPDATE

Recent work has focused on different aspects of history. Silver Birch Class have visited Chedworth Roman Villa and were impressed by the wellpreserved mosaic floors and the baths, complete with under-floor heating. Year 6 went on an exciting trip to view the Ancient Greek exhibits at the British Museum. The children focused on the Parthenon frieze, where they also did sketching. They were also able to identify many of the artefacts, especially images on the Greek pots. The younger children in Oak Class have been researching about Captain Scott and his explorations to the South Pole.

As always, sport has had many highlights. This term all children from Years 2 - 6 have been competing in the weekly running challenge. Certificates were awarded for a range of distances including the marathon, achieved by 21 children. The top Sapphire Award for running over 70km went to three boys: Josh B, Jack P and Matthew M. Two Year 5 hockey teams have also competed against seven teams at Kineton High School. The first team came third overall. However, all children played well, encouraged each other and enjoyed the event. Finally, sixteen children were trained and tested on riding their bikes safely for their level 2 Bikeability Award. This was a real success because the weather on the two-day course was very cold.



Bikeability for Year 5 Children

#### **Reception children participate in the Springs Project**

The highlight of the end of term has to be the creative dance workshops led by dancers from the Christian Springs Dance Project. Each class took one aspect of the Easter Story to perform to music. The children quickly learnt their routines and enjoyed the new experience of expressive dance. The two days of workshops culminated in a moving performance by Silver Birch Class to tell of Jesus' crucifixion. The children learnt how to work

together in a team and were complimented for the quality of their performances by the lead instructor.

If you are a prospective parent and would like to visit, please contact Mrs Horrocks on 01295 680244.

Jenny Coates, Head of School



# ST LAWRENCE CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PCC

On 4th April, the annual meeting was held in Church. Reverend George Heighton chaired the meeting.

Vestry meeting. Linda Synge was re-elected as Clerk to the Vestry. Carol Fox and John McKail were re-elected as Churchwarden and Deputy Churchwarden .

Annual Reports were presented on Electoral Roll, (49 members), Finance and Deanery Synod.

Churchwarden's annual report included notes on churchyard, church interior and social events. The diocese has presented the church with a crab apple tree to mark its centenary. This will be planted later this year and a plaque is ready to signify this gift. The PCC had requested that the boundary of the wild life area be upgraded to new rope and stakes. This had been carried out thanks to Grenville Moore and looks very good. A new permanent, engraved sign will be positioned by the Slaves Grave.

The chairman's report both thanked and praised the PCC for all the work done during the year and emphasised how friendly and welcoming and caring he found our committee and congregation to be.

The PCC. was elected on bloc and members are James Synge (Treasurer), Linda Synge (secretary) Belinda Marklew, Martin and Sue Hunt, Diane Harper, Douglas Nethercleft (while he is still in the village.)

Carol Fox

# WHAT LIES BENEATH - A DIRTY STORY

Three times in the last six months the sewer under Green Lane has become blocked and Severn Trent engineers have had to attend and clear the blockage. The blockages have occurred towards the Church end of the lane, (unsurprising as that's the direction of travel). The first was "an accumulation of wet-wipes" (which are made of plastic fibres and clog drains and pumps easily). The second was a "collection of old rags", hmm, and the third, 9 April, was "a build-up of fat and grease".

I understand that there are similar problems in Whatcote Road too, so I think we all have to acknowledge that we have a very fragile, small-bore, sewage system and need to be very careful what we put down it. Councils can supply special sacks for material which should not go down the toilet.

Peter Britton

# **CARERS4CARERS**

Friday 24th May 10.30 - 12 noon (extended to 12:30 for those who are able to remain): Carers4Carers monthly meeting at Kineton Village Hall. Come and join us for coffee, biscuits, and a chat.

Our topic will be "Make your voice heard - a chance to exchange carer experiences in order to feedback and influence local and national services".

Please let us know in advance if you would like us to look after your loved one in our Companionship Group.

For more details, including help with transport, please phone Gillian on 01926 640203/07947 893504.

Lisa

Carers4Carers, Lisa Barnett – Assistant Co-ordinator

# CYCLISTS FIGHTING CANCER



Hugh Rowse, Brian Emmerson and Liz Finlyson are planning to cycle 62.5 miles on Sunday 26th May in aid of the above charity.

This annual event, starting and finishing at the Racecourse in Stratford, is supporting the provision of bikes ( some specially adapted ) to children and young people living with and beyond cancer.

We have set up a 'Just Giving' page linked to the CFC site 'Hugh, Brian and Liz'. Here it is:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Hugh-Brian-Liz-Oxhill

Please support this cause if you feel able to.

Thank You

Hugh, Brian and Liz

# PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

A few updates:

#### Community Litter Pick

This was not very well attended but it was a successful exercise. Around 20 people attended the Community Litter Pick on the morning of 6 April and armed with litter pickers and black bags scoured the village for litter that has accumulated over time. We collected about 8 bags of assorted litter from a car tyre to crisp packets and sandwich boxes (I wonder where they came from – perhaps we won't see any more once the building on Whatcote Road & Leys Field is finished!). Litter Pickers, Teas, Coffees and Cakes were all kindly donated by Villagers as a reward for the volunteers' efforts. Thank you to all who participated.

• Precept

Another increase. It's true that we have increased the Precept again and I suspect that we will have to increase it again next year. Why? Well, firstly, the Government is heavily cutting the funds it provides to County and District Councils and so they have less money to do the things that we need done in our community like improving our road safety environment so we are having to fund these items at Parish level. We have been advised that the Government subsidies will go down again next year. Secondly, we need more money to enable us to better resist the Developers who are trying to change our village. Again the County and District Councils are more or less approving any development and we need (a) better trained Councillors to be able to submit objections based on accepted Planning Principles, and (b) to be able to afford Professional advice. Both of these actions cost money. Having said all of this, our Precept is still amongst the lowest, comparable villages, in Warwickshire.

• New Councillors

You will recall that Grenville and Duncan have opted to stand down from the Parish Council and we have been very fortunate in recruiting Peter Rivers-Fletcher and Malcom Robertson to take their places from 2 May. Both of them have lived in the village for some considerable time and been active on the Village Hall committee, and Peter is still on the Garden Club Committee. There are short profiles of all of your Councillors, and our Clerk, on the Parish Council website if you want to know more about the team that represents you (<u>www.oxhillpc.uk</u>).

Derek Harbour

# PRESENTATION FROM SHIPSTON POLICE ON IMPROVING THE SECURITY OF OUR POSSESSIONS

On Wednesday **May 8th** there will be a Presentation from Shipston Police on ways that we can better protect our possessions from Chainsaws to Paintings and TVs to I-Pads and Bicycles! Stratford District Council Rural Crime Advisors working with Shipston Police and Neighbourhood Watch have negotiated some special deals (see below) with the suppliers of some very clever security technology for us to use and adopt.

We have, sadly, recently seen some examples of thieves taking advantage of the number of 'white vans' in the village to rob village properties. One way of trying to prevent this is by better marking our property and letting outsiders know that our possessions are security marked and therefore of less value to thieves because the true owners can easily be identified. If a high percentage of us use these various security marking methods and we make it known that people in Oxhill are doing this then we expect thieves to leave our village alone.

There are 3 main security marking techniques available:

- **CREMARK** this is ideal for Mowers, Chainsaws, Hedge Trimmers, etc
- SmartWater this is ideal for TVs, Pictures, Antiques, etc
- Special Marker Pens ideal for Mobile Phone, I-Pads, etc

For items that would benefit from the **CREMARK** treatment, the plan is when you attend the above meeting you will book a time on **Saturday 11th May** and someone from the Police and the PC will come to your property and 'mark' your items. There will be no cost to you as this is a joint effort by the PC and Neighbourhood Watch and we are funding the cost. It will also be possible to mark any bicycles you may have, again at no cost.

For items that would benefit from the **SmartWater** treatment, you will be able to buy at a heavily discounted price of £10, a personal, coded bottle of the liquid to apply yourselves to items in your home that you want to 'mark'. You will be able to register your personal SmartWater with that company at no additional cost to you and there will be no annual fee to pay. If you search for SmartWater on the internet, you will quickly realise what a great deal this is. In addition, you will get a sticker to go on your window informing any potential thieves that your possessions are marked and therefore more unattractive to steal.

For items that would benefit from the application of a code from a **Special Marker Pen**, the presentation will inform you of what brands are recommended and where they could be obtained from and their low cost. To make this effort worthwhile, we need to involve as many villagers as possible so please come along at **7.00pm on Wednesday May 8th to the Village Hall** to listen to the brief presentation and Q&A session to find out more and potentially book an appointment for the marking of your tools. There will be tea, coffee and biscuits available at no cost for all attendees.

# MACMILLAN FUNDRAISING JURASSIC WALK

As I write this in mid April, it is just over eight weeks until we undertake our challenge of walking 26 miles along the Jurassic Coast. This epic hike takes place on June 15th.



We have now begun our training to try to build up to the distance.

Katy has gone one stage further and has walked part of our route. It looks very beautiful but scarily steep.





# **MEANWHILE in OXHILL on JUNE 1st**

## We have our

# MACMILLAN FUNDRAISING AFTERNOON TEA & BEAUTY RAFFLE

Please join Belinda, Catherine, Karen, Katy & Kieren for a scrumptious afternoon tea on Saturday 1st June 2pm in The Old Chapel. Our second Macmillan fundraiser in aid of our Macmillan 26-mile hike along the Jurassic Coastline.

There will be a lovely spread of sandwiches, fresh baked scones and cakes accompanied by a selection of teas.

Tickets are £10 for afternoon tea. Prosecco is available for purchase.



Whilst enjoying afternoon tea, prizes can be won, including a manicure and pedicure for those who enjoy a little pampering. Raffle tickets can be bought on the day.

To reserve a place please contact Katy on 688194 or email <u>kdowding@me.com</u> to get your tickets.

We hope to see some of you at the afternoon tea on Saturday 1st June, but if you would like to know more or donate to MacMillan Nurses, please visit our Just Giving page

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/partyyyy-girls

Karen Barker, Katy Dowding, Catherine Kimmins, Belinda Marklew & Kieren Roebuck

# OXHILL VILLAGE HALL NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS TUESDAY 30th APRIL – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Come to the Village Hall about 7.30pm and enjoy wine and cheese provided by the Committee. The AGM will start at 8pm. The formal business shouldn't take very long, and you will be able to hear an outline of the results of the recent questionnaire survey about the future of the Hall, and comment on any aspect of the running of the Hall that interests you.

#### SUNDAY 26th MAY - CYCLISTS FIGHTING CANCER

Jo Sweby (07720 401691) is running the feed station at the Village Hall for this event which sees cyclists riding 30, 62, 100 or 130 miles to raise funds for this worthwhile cause. She is in need of volunteers to help serve refreshments between about 11am and 3.30pm so <u>do contact her if you can help</u>, even if only for an hour. She would also appreciate cake donations, so that more of the proceeds of the event can be used to fight cancer.

#### THURSDAY 6th JUNE – THE WARMINGTON HOARD

We have arranged to have a speaker on a topic of local interest, namely the discovery in 2008 of a hoard of 1141 Roman coins near Warmington. The subsequent discovery of another significant hoard has only recently been made public, and David Freke, a local archaeologist is coming to tell us about these exciting discoveries and how they fit into the pattern of Roman occupation of this area.

So do come along for a <u>7.30pm start</u>, and learn about the Roman occupation of our locality.

A small entrance fee of £2.50 will be charged to support further archaeological investigations, and liquid refreshment (chargeable) will be available, if required.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

# SUNDAY 14th JULY - FAMILY GAMES, BOULES AND BBQ EVENT

Come along for an afternoon and evening of fun and good food! The Gardner Trophy will be up for grabs, as it has been too long in its current abode. But there will be children's games as well. This traditional event has been blessed with good weather in recent years and we've put in an order for more of the same (but if wet, we will keep calm and carry on anyway!). More details in the June edition of Oxhill News.

# **OXHILL GARDEN CLUB**

#### Half day garden visit to Morton Hall Gardens

#### 11th June at 2pm

Our visit this year is to Morton Hall Gardens, near Redditch, where we have booked a guided tour and refreshments for 15 people.

Please take a look at the website, mortonhallgardens.co.uk , to see the details. Please note that this garden is not suitable for wheelchairs.

The cost including refreshments is £13 per head.

We travel in our own cars and will arrange for lunch at a nearby pub for those who want it.

Please let me know by mid-May if you will be coming, as the numbers are limited.

#### **Peter Rivers Fletcher**

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# **OXHILL GARDEN CLUB**

On the bright sunny evening of Thursday 11th April, members of the Garden Club went for a walk in the Swiss Alps. We were led by Diane Clements of the Alpine Garden Society who pointed out an amazing

number of alpine flowers growing in the wild at different altitudes. We soon learned that it was *de rigueur* to include a mountain and blue sky as a backdrop when taking photographs of these flowers and to achieve this one invariably had to lie on the ground in a most uncomfortable position.



True alpine plants are natives of mountain heights above the tree line. Alpines have evolved to withstand extremes of climate, often with sudden fluctuations – intense heat during the day as the sun beats down through the thin mountain air and often freezing temperatures at night , even through the growing and flowering season. Most true alpines are buried under snow all winter and need a completely dormant dry, cold rest period.

The higher the mountain, the shorter the growing season for plant life. Alpines overcome this limitation in two ways – by being able to grow at low temperatures and by growing very fast as soon as warmer weather arrives. We were shown plants springing into life within inches of the slowly retreating snow line.

The Swiss 'countryside code' prevented us from digging up specimens to plant in our own gardens but Diane explained that we were walking on tracks at 5000ft or more and most of the alpines we saw would not transplant. The good news was that varieties of most of the species were readily available at specialist garden centres and that all we had to do was to replicate the growing conditions favoured by particular plants. Rocks with crevices, gravel 'scree', and attention to watering at the right times were key. Cups of tea soon revived us after our return from the walk and John McKail, our treasurer, was pleased to issue the new season's programme card on receipt of a member's £10 annual subscription.

The next event in the Club's calendar is the annual Plant Sale on 9th May. Join us for the 'opening' at 7.00pm prompt at the Village Hall. Items for sale from 6.15 onward please.

Douglas Nethercleft

#### PAELLA NIGHT AT THE VILLAGE HALL

# APRIL 13TH

Another great night in OVH – this time with a Spanish theme. Derek and Jo made an exceptional job of cooking a very impressive paella for no less than 45 people – no mean feat! It was lovely to see so many guests – not only from Oxhill but surrounding villages – and a very sociable and relaxed evening was had by all.



Thanks to everyone who came, and to

all those who helped make the evening such a success.







# WOT2GROW COMMUNITY ORCHARD

A quiet month apart from some gusty wind keeping the temperatures low



which is most unwelcome at this time of year. The apple blossom does not know what to do and although showing on the early apples it is waiting for some warmth so it can emerge! The cherries have also been a little slow. There will be a lot less blossom compared with last year but we will have fruit. The pears are in full blossom and the Perry Pears are superb this year - Hendre Huffcap, Gin and Brandy are looking so good and great names. Spraying has again been delayed due to the weather but we always catch up in the end!

Plenty

of maintenance work at this time of year and the wind break trees and hedging needed a good cut to thicken up the protection. After eight years the original weed suppressing material had come to the end of its life and so is being replaced, time consuming work but does have benefits around the soft fruit. It also gives us a chance to incorporate slow release fertiliser (fish, blood and bone) into the soil.

We will be working hard with nature to increase the biodiversity at the orchard



this summer. It is amazing what we have achieved so far with our organic and ecological approach transforming a barren field into an environment full of different species and varieties of wild flowers. Our bees are just one success producing delicious honey and aiding pollination but there are many butterflies, moths, bumble bees and insects doing their bit.

Why not help out and support the environment as well as getting great fruit!We are just behind the allotments on the Shenington Road in Tysoe!



More information? Liz Atkinson (680045), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080) or see the website <u>www.wot2grow.co.uk</u>

# **OVH FAMILY TEA PARTY**

Organised by Jo Sweby with the help of some Village Hall Committee members on March 30th, the event was a great success. Lots of young families came along and enjoyed toys and games both inside the Hall and outside. Mums and Dads enjoyed chatting with others over a cup of tea, and the children kept themselves busy doing what children do!





# Coust d'Ilmington June 30th **The Cotswold Tour**

David Lockwood Memorial Ride





# A Great Day of cycling for the Family and Enthusiasts

On-line registration £15 Juniors (12-16 yrs) £6 On-the day registration £18 Juniors (12-16 yrs) £8

The Start times

**10 Mile Family Ride** 10.00am **30 Mile Climbing Challenge** 10.00am 100k Eroica Ride 8.30am

Start and Finish at Newbold on Stour Village Hall

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# The Cotswold Tour d`Ilmington

# Family Fun Ride.

10 miles of gentle cycling visiting the picturesque village of Ilmington cradled in the hills of the North Cotswolds. At the halfway point there is a feed station for thirsty and hungry cyclists before returning to the finish at Newbold Village Hall.

## **Hilly Ride**

Just over 30 miles of the Cotswold escarpment around Ilmington. Featuring over 2500ft of hard climbing. Riders pass through the feed station on two loops of the route. Throughout this ride the riders will be rewarded by stunning views. "Ideal training for your next sportive"

#### **Erol**ca Ride

Designed with the connoisseurs of classic steel racing cycles in mind. The first part of this 100k ride goes through the rolling countryside of Warwickshire and the Vale of Evesham. After ascending the 'Col de Stanway' the undulating returnroute takes riders back to Newbold by the ancient market town of Chipping Campden.



"A wonderful day of cycling for everyone in the heart of the North Cotswolds. Tea, coffee, hot snacks and delicious cakes await your return-and a medal to mark your achievement"

# A TALE OF TWO CITIES – IN CONCERT!

Stour Singers, directed by Richard Emms, will be presenting a concert reflecting two cities (Venice and London) and two centuries in their concert at St. Edmund's Church in Shipston on Saturday evening 11th May, at 7.30.p.m..

Handel composed the Foundling Hospital Anthem in 1749, in support of Thomas Coram's Foundling Hospital. Handel not only wrote this anthem for a benefit concert, but he also donated an organ (a musical one!) to the hospital, and gave an annual performance of Messiah in the chapel there for the last nine years of his life.

Some 50 years earlier, Venice's "red priest", Vivaldi, composed his 'Dixit Dominus' for soloists, double-choir and double orchestra, with the two choirs echoing and blending voices, combining with solo arias and the double orchestra.

Together with a solo performance of Handel's 'The Trumpet Shall Sound', from 'Messiah', these are the treats in store for the audience in St. Edmund's Church, with soloists Susannah Fairbairn (soprano), Cathy Bell (mezzo), Tom Raskin (tenor), Julian Debreuil (bass-baritone), and the Queen's Park Sinfonia.

Tickets are available from A. Clarke, 27 High Street, Shipston, at £12.50. Under 16s are welcome to come, accompanied by an adult, at no cost. For additional information, contact the choir's coordinator, Yvonne Ridley on 01789 269587.

# **DENE VALLEY U3A**

Dene Valley U3A will host a presentation by Adrian James on "Courtyard Gardens - How the Middle East has Led the Way". This will trace the history, design and influence of courtyard gardens, from early "chahar bagh" origins at the Taj Mahal, through Moorish Andalusia in Spain, early and modern courtyard gardens in Morocco, and early UK monastic influence through to modern enclosed garden spaces in the UK.

This will take place at St Peter's Church, Wellesbourne, on Tues 11th June starting at 2.30pm. Non-members welcome to attend at a nominal charge of £2 which includes refreshments. If you would like to know more about us and possibly even consider joining our organisation, then please visit our website at <u>http://www.denevalleyu3a.btck.co.uk</u> or visit our Facebook page.

# Unique opportunity to see Heal's original advertising posters on display for the first time outside of their iconic London store.

From now until the end of July, visitors to Upton can enjoy an exclusive collection of vintage posters dating from 1920s-1980s from London's Tottenham Court Road furniture store: Heal's. The posters are currently on display in The Squash Court Gallery at the National Trust's Upton House and Gardens in Warwickshire.

The exhibition, curated by a dedicated team at Upton, dovetails perfectly with the 'Made To Measure Home' story that Upton House has shared with visitors since March 2017. "Lord and Lady Bearsted totally transformed the house when they came in in 1927 and switched all of the heavy Victorian furnishings for the latest mod cons and home comforts, turning Upton into a luxurious country weekend retreat," said Dr Celia Hughes, National Trust Visitor Experience Officer – Research & Interpretation.

In addition to the Heal's posters, visitors can also see a striking selection of original 1930s Shell advertising posters, such as the 160 miles an hour racing car and the Imperial Airways posters, on loan from the National Motor Museum. Having the two collections together, in a building which epitomises the opulence and sophistication of the inter-war period, really helps to evoke the spirit of the age.

Speaking at the launch event, Daniel Boden-Wilson, Heal's Senior Marketing and PR Manager said: "I speak on behalf of the current custodians of the Heal's brand when I say how delighted we were when we were first approached by the National Trust. To see such a varied array of the posters in this setting makes me feel incredibly proud and pleased to work for Heal's."



# WHAT'S ON IN & AROUND OXHILL

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Wed	1st	10:30	Village Coffee Morning, The Peacock	
Fri	3rd	14:30	Mobile Library, OVH	
Tue	7th		Grey Bin Collection	
Wed	8th	19:00	OVH, Improving Home Security	
Thu	9th	19:00	Garden Club Plant Sale	
Sat	11th		Property Marking with police	
Sat	11th	19:30	Stour Singers, St Edmund's Shipston	
Tue	14th		Blue and Green Bin Collection	
Wed	15th	12:30	Village Lunch, The Peacock	
Tue	21st		Grey Bin Collection	
Fri	24th	14:30	Mobile Library, OVH	
Fri	24th	10:30 12:00	Carers4Carers, KVH	
Sun	26th	11:00 15:30	Cyclists Fighting Cancer	
			Feeding Station at OVH, and at	
			Stratford Racecourse	
Tue	28th		Blue and Green Bin Collection	
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- Sun 30th Tour d'Ilmington, Newbold