



The Breeze

Upper Rissington's Newsletter

Autumn 2021

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Well, here we are again, time for '*The Breeze*' to blow its way around the village! Welcome to our Autumn edition, though it would be nice to have had some summer before we got there. As Polly reminds us in her article ('Gardening on a Hill, p8-9), the seasons certainly seem to be changing. But '*The Breeze*' remains as full of news as ever, with reports of what's been going on and plans for what's to come. This issue also features a fascinating map of how the RAF base used to look (see p12-13), so you can see how much things have changed!

Once again, the effect of the Covid pandemic is clear from many of our articles. Despite the relaxing of restrictions, the virus is still very much with us, and many people are finding it hard to balance being careful with returning to a more 'normal' life. Let's continue to be as kind to one another as we can during this difficult time so that everyone can stay safe.

Thank you, as always, to all our contributors and advertisers, we couldn't put '*The Breeze*' together without you! And, of course, we are always more than happy to hear from new contributors, so if you'd like to write an article that will be of interest to the community, or if you've done or are planning something you'd like to share, please do get in touch. Just email us at URNEWS@btinternet.com with any contributions or comments.

Enjoy the Autumn

Sue Handy

Village News

SOCIAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Village Fete

We sadly had to postpone the Village Fete from our normal date on the first Saturday of July. It was a tough decision but one made with the best interests of the community at heart. Our focus is on bringing the community together by providing stimulating and fun events, so it was against our nature to have to change yet another event, but this really is a feature of the times we're living through.

The rescheduled date for the Fete is Sunday 19th September. It's the first time we've run the Fete on a Sunday, but given other events in the community and the availability of volunteers this was the first date after the school holidays we could target. So a Sunday it is and we hope for the best of Indian Summers to give us a warm day and a great opportunity to mingle safely outdoors with neighbours and friends. The Fete will start at 12pm and end at 4pm.

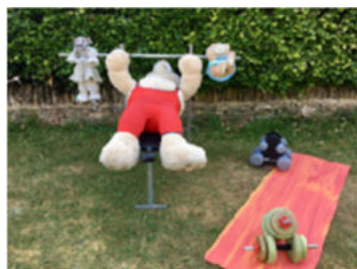
We are taking the precautions normal for the time with sanitiser available throughout. We've also arranged for everything except the bar and cake stall to be sited outdoors to minimise the risks of the event fuelling any spread of infection.

To the **cake-makers** of the village, please enter the cake competition so we can get a flavour of the skill in the village. You can just bring your cake along with you on the day, but if you let us know in advance that would really help with the planning. Our email address is URSC@btinternet.com or use the Facebook page for Upper Rissington Social Committee. If you're happy for us to sell your cake on the cake stall afterwards that'll be lip-smackingly good. But if you want to take your cake home afterwards with you to share with your loved ones that sounds pretty good as well. If you don't want to enter the competition, we would still welcome your cake donations for the cake stall; again if you let us know so that we can plan appropriately that would be hugely helpful.



To the **dog-lovers** of the village, please bring your dog a long to take part in the dog show. The competition is clearly focused on fun. Categories include fastest sausage eater, dog most like its handler, and dog the judges would most like to take home. We'll also be looking for best dog, bitch, and handler under 12, and best puppy in show.

The biggest change to this year's Fete is the loss of the bouncy castle/obstacle course. This is due to the issues around keeping the unit sanitised. Smaller changes relate to the time of year. Plant sales will be a little different but we would welcome donations of shrubs, seeds, produce or cuttings that we can sell to raise funds for future village events. Please let us know at our email address or FB page as above.



So come along on the day, enjoy the stalls, the demonstrations, the vintage cars, the live music, and the games and competitions. Our local celebrity **Bob the Bear** has taken a break from his radio career and subsequent retirement to make an appearance so that the children, and maybe a few adults, can get their photo with him. Bob's lockdown antics kept us amused as he took on each of his daily challenges. He's been quiet for a while but the Fete is an opportunity for his light to shine again.

We're also all curious to see how our other lockdown celebrities have prepared for the day. We've seen **the Pots** as characters from Alice in Wonderland and the Christmas Nativity, as well as in a variety of tableaux throughout the lockdown. Their most recent appearance was in the back of a vintage Rolls Royce as the Easter Bunnies. We can't wait to see how they turn out for the Fete.



You're also invited to come and support Alex as she starts and completes her 'Big Walk'. At 9 years old her determination is astonishing as she shows her tremendous spirit to raise funds for the equipment that will help her maintain her independence from the potential constraints of Cerebral Palsy. A one-mile walk for Alex is huge and she's been in training for months to have the best chance of meeting the challenge. Come along and cheer Alex, show how proud we are of her, and show her the generosity of Upper Rissington. Help her to get to her goal.

The catering will be top-notch as always, with the BBQ serving up great quality burgers, sausages and vegetarian alternatives. There will be a bar and a separate cake, coffee and tea stall manned by the amazing Upper Rissington Pioneers.

Fireworks Display

Remember, remember the 13th of November. It may sound an odd date for the annual fireworks display but our rationale has worked for us for a long time. By having the display a week after most others we enable our community to join in with families and friends in other villages at their fireworks displays, without having to miss out on our own. The display gets enormous support every year and it's helpful that by going a week later we save significantly on what would be the cost of running it the week before. As usual we plan to have a bar, a BBQ and a few attractions and stalls, so keep an eye out for the posters closer to the date. For those of you who attended the last fireworks display (back in 2019, due to restrictions last year) you're certain to remember the wonderful band 'Paige and The Red Shift'.



Well they've agreed to support the event again this year, so live music will add to what is always a terrific evening.

Future Events

We're arranging the Christmas Panto and have booked the troupe that gave us such a superb performance in 2019. The date we've got them booked for is January 2nd 2022 and the performance is expected for 4pm, but keep an eye out for our posters later in the year.



ALL ACTION IN THE EARLY SUMMER

It has been a very busy three months for Rotary in the Rissingtons (commonly known as RitR).

In June we spoke to the children in both Rissington schools about **Tools for Self Reliance**, explaining to them about life in Tanzania and how by providing hand tools we would be helping local people to help themselves. Music from the Lion King livened up proceedings and comments from the children were as entertaining as ever.

The result was that in two collections at the Village Hall we gathered sufficient tools to fill a trailer which we took to Crickhowell. Here we saw volunteers renovating tools and packing them in a container bound for Mwanza in Tanzania. Thank you everybody for helping us to achieve this. We shall repeat the exercise next year.



The **Charity Treasure Hunt** was held in July and raised £300 for our charities. Thank you to those who participated and to Andy and Peter from Great Rissington who organised and funded the event.

Late August saw the team at **Chastleton House** serving afternoon teas to visitors. We raised in the region of £700. As I mentioned last time, **Cotswold Riding for the Disabled** is the charity we support and so we shall be visiting them soon to present a cheque and see the great work they are doing.

The best is yet to come ... Saturday 11th September is our **Comedy Night** to be held in the UR Village Hall. This show is being put on by Flock Comedy, an award-winning company, bringing professional acts to the rural community. Get your tickets now at www.flockcomedy.com, have a glass of wine and enjoy a great evening.

RitR has returned to the UR Village Hall on the 2nd. and 4th. Thursday of each month. Come and join this quite unique group of folks, follow us on Facebook or contact me at andrew@rissington.uk.

Rissingtons Local History Society

We had a very interesting guided walk around Chipping Campden in **June**, our first since Covid appeared in our lives. It was wonderful to meet up with old friends and to meet new members face to face rather than on the screen. We are looking forward to hopefully meeting up normally in the coming months.

Forthcoming events:

Friday 24th Sep pm Guided private tour around Lodge Park by Mike Marshall

(– depending on restrictions and the National Trust.)

Following Mike Marshall's talk on the Duttons of Sherborne 18 months ago, he is planning to guide us around England's only surviving 17C Grandstand.

This visit is restricted to MEMBERS only, details to follow.

Friday 8th October 2021 @ 7.30pm "A Cotswold Story – Facing up to Father"

– a talk by David Worlock on changes in agricultural life in the 1950's which influenced societal changes in Cotswold villages.

A short AGM will be held prior to the talk.

Venue: Upper Rissington School Hall GL54 2PL

Friday 19th November 2021 @2.30pm "Einstein and the Refugee Scholars in Oxford"

–a talk by Victoria Bentata on their lives, contributions and legacies.

Venue: Upper Rissington Village Hall GL54 2QW

Visitors Welcome £3.50 to include refreshments.

For enquiries, please contact Sue Brown on 01451 820233/spsb@hotmail.co.uk
or Sue Lee on 01451 822692/sueleeoffice@gmail.com.

Pioneers is a group who meet on alternate Wednesdays, 11.15-12.45pm for coffee, cake and chat. We are currently meeting on the patio area outside the Community Room of the Village Hall on sunny days. If the weather is cooler we meet inside, with the doors open on to the patio.

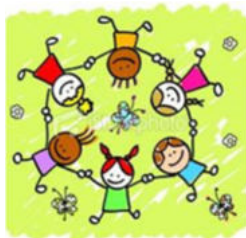
PIONEERS



Anyone is welcome to pop in. It is a great way to meet new people!

In September we meet on Wednesday 1st, 15th and 29th. We continue every 2 weeks after that.

For more information, email:
urpioneers@gmail.com



Little Hurricanes

Baby & Toddler Group for the under 5's and
their parents/grandparents/carers

Every Thursday during term time 9.30am to 11.30am
@ Village Hall, Wellington Road, Upper Rissington GL54 2QW
littlehurricanes@hotmail.com

Autumn Re-opening: Thursday 9th September 2021

After 15 months of being closed, Little Hurricanes finally reopened its doors back in June! Since then, we've welcomed over 40 different families from Upper Rissington and the surrounding villages and met lots of new parents and grandparents. Whilst playgroup looked slightly different during June and July (due to Covid restrictions) we were delighted to be able to get back to normal for our one-off summer session in August and we loved seeing the little ones sitting together and enjoying a snack whilst learning important social skills.



We are looking forward to reopening after the summer break on **Thursday 9th September**. The following week sees the first of our external

providers join us. We have been lucky enough to secure the wonderful Catherine Garrett from Lingotot West Oxford, who will be joining us once a month to do songs and games in French/Italian.



We have a number of organisations coming into the group between now and Christmas, including Gloucestershire Bundles and EauBaby. We're pleased to announce that The Pottery Place and Alistair Curriall Photography are also coming back and will be joining us in November to offer Christmas pottery painting and a Christmas photoshoot respectively. We're hoping to secure other providers; more details will be announced when confirmed.



As I write, the NHS Baby Hub still hasn't been given the green light to return to our community group. As soon as they have the go ahead, we will post on our Facebook page.

During the pandemic, Claire Barley made the decision to step down from the Little Hurricanes committee. We'd like to thank Claire for the countless hours she poured into making the group run so smoothly. She was a huge asset to the group and her presence and dedication will be missed. Since reopening, we've been lucky enough to have 7 mums lend a hand each week. Sadly, as circumstances change, when we reopen in September we will be down to just 3 mums who can regularly help. If you think you can spare a couple of hours a week (or ad hoc) to help out, in any capacity, please do get in touch. We would really appreciate your support in taking Little Hurricanes into 2022!

Finally, keep an eye out for our stall at the Village Fête on Sunday 19th September. Please feel free to come and say hi and see what's going on!

Donna, Jo, Kathryn, Lizzie, Molly, Paulina & Vicky
Little Hurricanes Committee



TREES



Hello, I hope you've seen the flyer for the delivery of trees to the Village.

As yet we haven't received a delivery date but hopefully it will be at the end of September. As explained in the flyer the trees will either be standard in containers or very small trees that will need more care when planting. You will receive all the planting information when you collect your tree.

Anyone wanting a tree please let me know. There will be limited varieties and not all will be suitable for gardens but many will be placed round the village to make it a more beautiful place to live, so it will be first come first served

It has to be the right tree in the right place as we have many rare grass areas that need preserving and I will be walking round the village with Tim, who works for the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust and will be advising me about the suitable areas to plant the new trees.

Please email me if you would like to help, there are 200 trees that will all need planting and I need your help! sandigarrett@yahoo.com

If you would like to dedicate your tree please included all the details and it will be put in a Book of Celebration and Remembrance.

Forest Church

We have so much enjoyed meeting up together once a month on a Sunday afternoon and being outside, giving thanks and marvelling at the beauty and order of the natural world.

We have taken a different theme each time we meet, sometimes we follow a trail pausing to reflect on God's creativity or do an activity. In recent months this has included donning gloves and using litter pickers to collect rubbish, doing leaf rubbings, writing prayers, protecting young trees and cloud spotting. All of these activities are suitable for all ages and abilities and aim to be a fun way of celebrating God's creation.

From September- December we plan to continue meeting on the first Sunday of each month at 3pm. We meet outside the school. Everyone is very welcome to come along and see what we get up to. It is highly recommended for anyone who loves to find God through His creation. Well behaved dogs are very welcome too.

Forest Church is a CUR:ve initiative fully supported by Rev Rowena King, Rector of St Lawrence Church, and Rev Nina Summerfield, Associate Priest for the Rissingtons.

For more information, contact: sendtocurve@gmail.com
or revd.nina@summerfieldrissington.uk



Gardening on a Hill

August is the time of bumper harvests in all parts of the garden, but especially in the veg plot. Lettuces, beans, potatoes and peas, all waiting to be harvested and enjoyed. Flower colours tend toward hot yellows, oranges and purples. Leaves are starting to turn too. We are almost in autumn, so take a little time to savour the delights of the summer.

Autumn can be dry so water plants well in dry spells - especially beans, cucumbers, marrows, leeks and celery. But watch out for potato and tomato blight, as well as mildew, in warm, damp weather. If you managed to add compost to the soil, the organic matter will help hold water well, even in dry spells. Keep mulching - with lawn cuttings, a light layer of compost, or even straw; last year's leaf mould is also a good addition. It's a good idea to only add the mulches after watering the soil as this will lock in the moisture.



Lawn care

Grass is a drought survivor. Let it go brown in dry weather, as it will recover very quickly when temperatures drop and rain arrives. Watering lawns with sprinklers is hugely wasteful and with climate-change affecting most of the world in one way or another we all need to do our bit to help out. When you can, use water butts to collect the water run off from roofs etc.

Hedges

Hedges and trees should also be planted now to make the most of the moist, warm soil. Incidentally it is also a good time to prune hedges and shrubs for the last time to prevent decaying if damp accumulates in the centre. Only cut deciduous hedges back as far as you can without creating any holes as these will not grow back over the winter, leaving the hedge looking bare.

I understand from the trade that we have a shortage of trees and shrubs at the moment, along with most building materials. Some say it's because of the lockdown effect: people spending time at home and wanting to make their homes and gardens more attractive. Then there's Brexit; and possibly the barge that was stuck in the shipping canal. I'm not sure about any of them being the whole problem behind the shortage, but it's interesting it's happening now after a long period when people have spent time at home.

It's great that people are spending more time in their gardens and being aware of their outside spaces. However there is a bigger picture that we all need to take on board when creating our new outside space. The climate is changing. When buying new plants try to be aware of the conditions locally. We have very shallow soil up here on the hill. It is stony and lacks nutrients. As the climate gets drier and hotter, we need to change the way we garden to suit these changes.

Planting a tree now will give shade in your garden as it grows. It doesn't have to be a big tree; you can get several trees for small gardens. Just talk to someone at the garden centre. The shade it creates will be welcomed by people and animals alike in the heat of the day. Other parts of the world are suffering with much more extreme weather conditions than us. Let's not be complacent. We all need to be aware of what is happening even if it's not on our doorstep. If we can help a little with a small gesture like planting a tree or hedge to help the wildlife and improve the air quality then we must try to do so. We also need to be more thoughtful when we purchase things these days.



Compost, clothing, household goods.

All these things have a great impact on our environment. Things are improving, but we can all do more. Look for greener and more environmentally-friendly alternatives when shopping. It doesn't have to cost us much to change one thing. It could be as simple as not buying that new top or T shirt when you already have plenty in the wardrobe.

I have been involved in a project for the past 3 months that has really opened my eyes to the amount of waste we make. The amount of plastic we use once then put in the bin is just incredible. The big companies blame us, the consumers, while we blame them; however we need each other to grow. If we choose not to buy items that produce plastic waste, companies will be encouraged to look for alternatives. So if you can change the way you shop or make companies aware that you would prefer a more environmentally-friendly product or packaging let them know. *If we walk together we can change the path we are on, if not for us then for the generations to come.*

OTHER AUTUMN JOBS

Creating your garden

If you are looking to expand your garden or have a complete overhaul, autumn is actually the best time of year to do this as new plants can make a strong start and 'bed in' before the cold weather takes hold and starts to make life difficult for them. The same is true if you wish to re-lay a lawn; the seed should be given a chance to take root and become strong before the cold weather takes over.

Rearrange your space

Autumn is a great time to do some rearranging in the garden. The days might be cooler but the soil is still warm. Most evergreen shrubs and perennials will transplant readily, but leave deciduous plants until winter when they are bare. Make sure the top of the root ball is kept level with the soil when you replant, and don't let the relocated plants dry out. Seaweed products are an excellent tonic for transplants.

Clump forming plants such as agapanthus, day lily, and iris can become congested, making them look messy and flower poorly. This is the best time to dig them up, and you don't have to be gentle about it. Put half the plant back to regrow and resite or offer the rest to friends and neighbours.

Create compost

If you don't have a compost heap, it's time to start one – or, if you have one already, empty it and refill with new material. Autumn leaves, a fantastic source of nutrients and organic matter, will soon be in plentiful supply. Compost is the best product for your garden, and you can make it for free while reducing the amount of waste going to landfill. The compost heap should be a mix of brown and green material in a roughly 50:50 ratio. If your heap is dry, water it and then add grass clippings, nettles or comfrey leaves to speed up the decomposition process. If too wet, cardboard or shredded/scrunched-up paper will create air pockets and prevent lawn cuttings going slimy.

Perennial weeds have roots full of minerals. Don't waste them. Add the foliage to the compost bin, and stuff the roots into a plastic bucket. Add water or a urine/water mix (1 part urine/20 parts water) and tie the top. Leave for a month or two, until the weeds are sludgy then added to the compost. You can also add leaves from floating plants if they are covering the pond surface too thickly, when you tidy your pond and prepare it for winter!

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Behind the Road Names in Upper Rissington

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Squirrel Close

The Eurocopter AS350 Écureuil (Squirrel) - the French Super Helicopter – was originally brought to life by a French aerospace company called Aérospatiale, who were looking to replace their aging Alouette II. The 'Squirrel' is quite literally a direct translation from Écureuil, which means 'squirrel' in French. From the initial build of the prototype, the company was looking to create an affordable civil helicopter which was both powerful and versatile.



RAN Squirrel Helicopter at the Melbourne GP. Taken in Victoria, Australia in March 2008

The Squirrel helicopter had its first flight on the 27th of June in 1974 and commenced full production in 1975. The first commercial release of the helicopter was the AS350B in March of 1978, which was launched throughout the world, except in North America. Another variant, the AS350C, was specifically designed for the North American market and was approved in December 1977.

As a single-engine light utility helicopter, Squirrels have a large presence in several military forces around the world. The single-engine AStar family of aircraft is one of the

most-produced helicopters in history. As of 2019, the AS350 Squirrel had a total production tally of 4,271 since its beginnings in 1975 and volume continues to climb.

In 2005, an AS350 B3 achieved the world record for the highest altitude landing and take-off. It was performed on the summit of Mt Everest at 8,848 metres and the record still stands today.

The Vintage Pair

The year 1972 saw the start of a new Historic Flight aerobatic team at the Central Flying School (CFS) at RAF Little Rissington. It was known as The Vintage Pair and comprised a Gloster Meteor TMk7 (WA669) and a De Havilland Vampire T11 (XH304).

Both aircraft were fully aerobatic and were in service with the examining wing of CFS until they started synchronised display flying.

The team continued until 1986 when sadly both aircraft were destroyed following a collision at RAF Mildenhall in May 1986.



Gloster Meteor and below it, the De Havilland Vampire

The name written into the annals of aviation history has been revived with two De Havilland Chipmunks.

Flying the venerable Chipmunks, display pilots Jon Higgins and David Petters spent the latter half of 2018 formulating and polishing their dynamic display for the 2019 season and were back for the Midlands Air Festival in 2021 (*where our intrepid reported caught them in action! – Ed*).



The new Vintage Pair — the two Chipmunks at the Midlands Air Festival June 2021, taken by David Harrison



Bonjour! Ciao! Hola! Unbelievably we have been operating classes in the village now since the Spring – time has flown and we have met so many wonderful families along the way. Most recently over the summer we held our first ever Summer Festival of European Languages, months of planning that started during lockdown with a gem of an idea

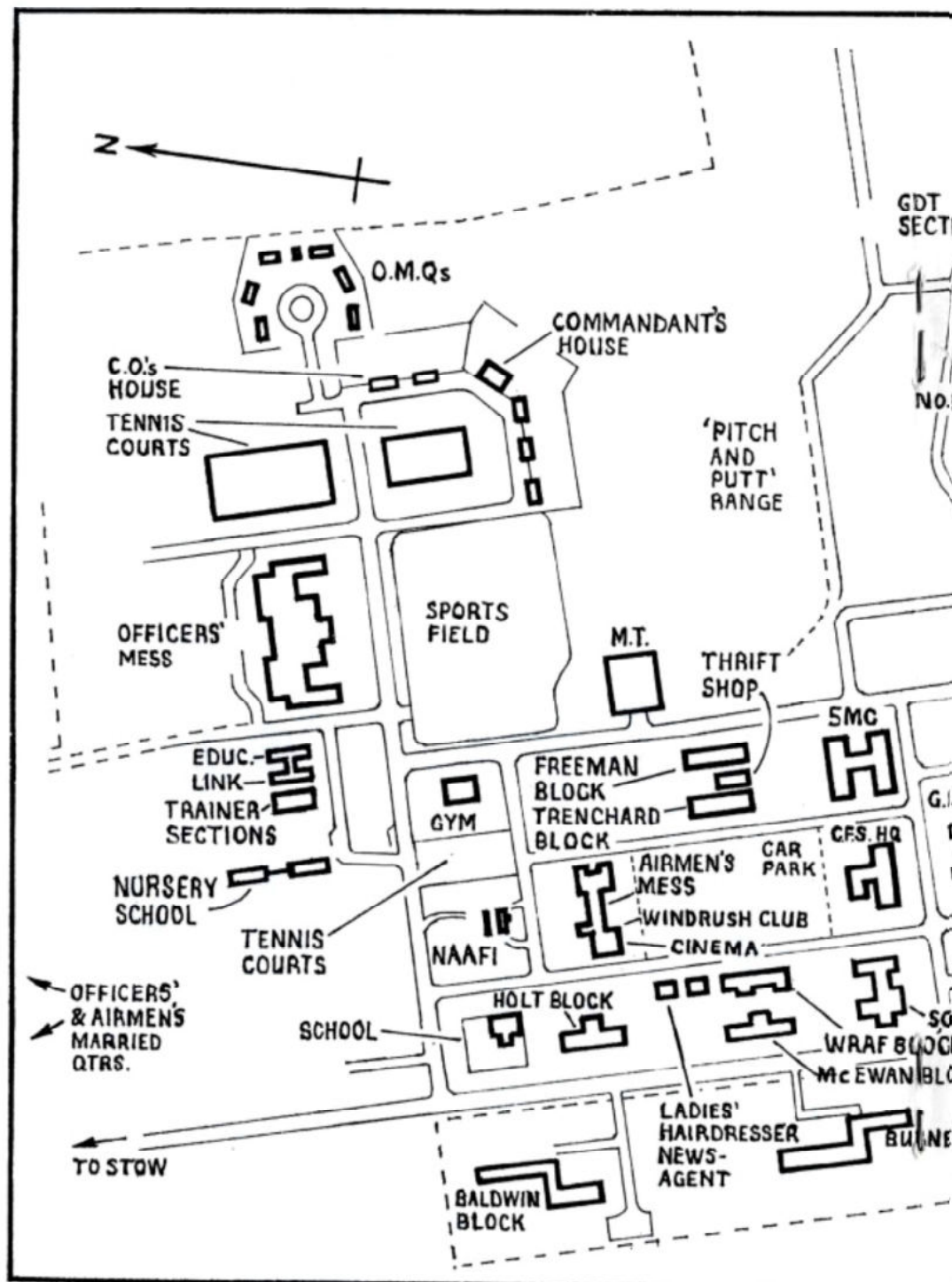
as I longed for our European holidays visiting family overseas and the missed memories for my children. But instead of being downbeat, I decided to bring a little piece of Europe each week to Upper Rissington. So we took a language and explored the language and culture of that country through the medium of songs, games, stories, crafts, challenges and of course eating!

Each week the children enjoyed visits to the Hangar where they ordered their croissants and drinks in the target language, enjoyed a gelato or two from John (our Sunday ice cream man), cooked with local small businesses, had moments of calm amongst the chaos with Happy at Heart CIC, and a whole lot more! Nearly 60 children joined our cultural journey pushing our creativity to new levels – we had challenges involving foam, spaghetti, marshmallows, balloons, water and of course the macarena! Nett result? The children had no idea they were learning. Winner. Thank you to all the parents who entrusted their children to our care and to the ongoing support of the Rissington School – it was an absolute blast, we loved every second and are now busy planning our Halloween adventures.

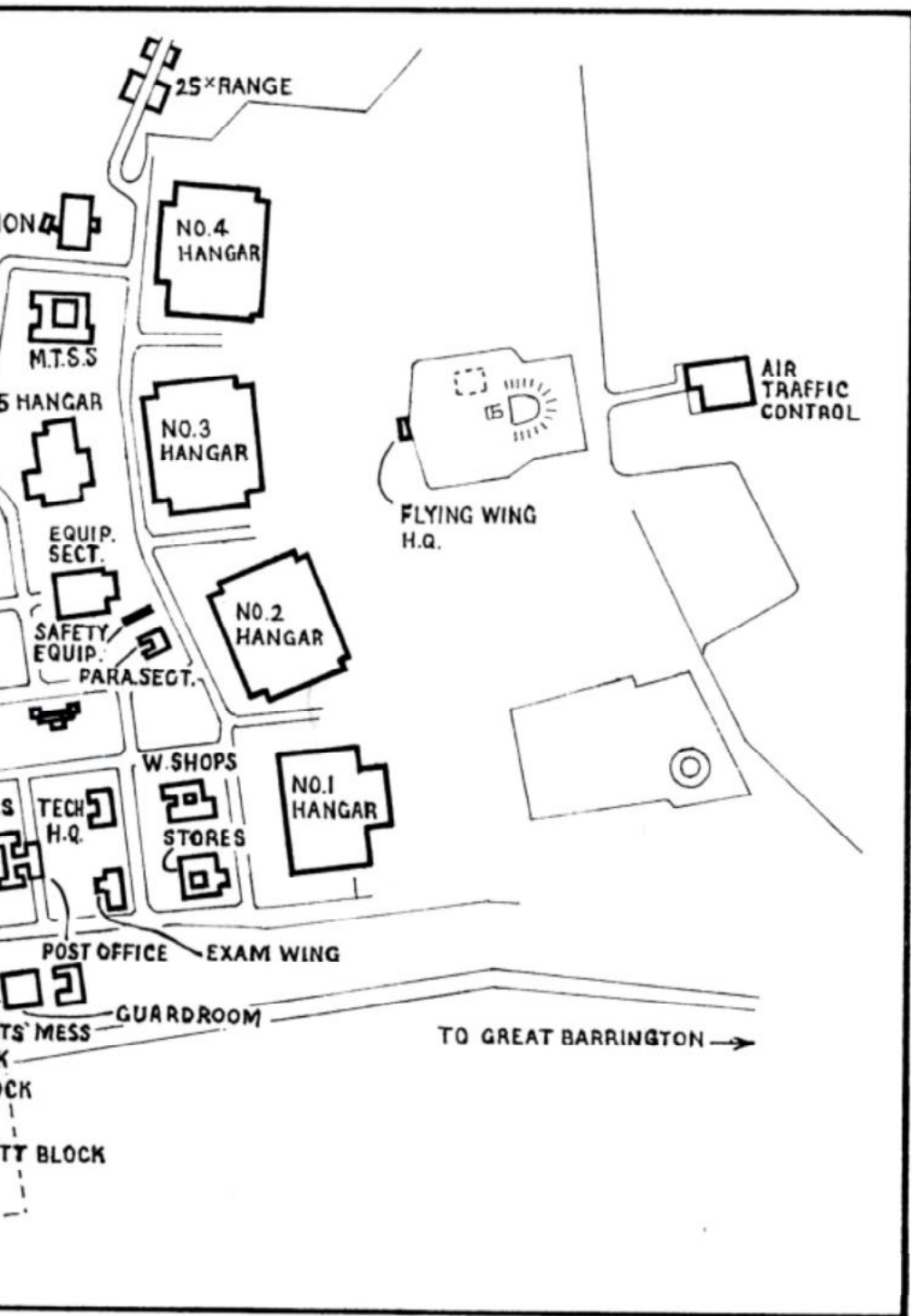
Contact me on westoxford@lingotut.com to register your interest or if you are a small local business and would like to be involved moving forward. Ci vediamo a scuola!



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COTSWOLD FRIENDS

NEW COMMUNITY GROUP & OTHER NEWS

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Cotswold Friends is delighted to announce that a new Community Group will be starting in Bourton on the Water. If you would like to get together with others for a chat and a cuppa, or to join in with a programme of social activities, please do come along. If you are a carer, we can support the person you care for to attend the group while you take a break – or you can come along together. The group will run on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month, from 10.30am til 2.30pm and will be held at The Lounge, Market Close, GL54 2HE. All day with lunch £4.50, am or pm with refreshments £1.00. If you would like to come along, please call Bridget on Tel: 01608 652019.

MEN IN SHEDS

Cotswold Friends is looking for volunteer Shed Leaders to help support the Bourton Men in Sheds project. This fantastic project, run out of The Royal British Legion site, provides a local facility for men (and ladies) to meet up, chat and get involved in a bit of DIY and some community projects.

The Shed Leader role involves helping to ensure the smooth running of the shed including opening up, helping members to get going on various projects and most importantly, the support and motivation of those that attend. Shed Leaders take responsibility for Health & Safety and Fire Safety procedures, but full training will be given and no previous experience is needed.

If you would like to find out more about the Bourton shed, or the Shed Leader role, please contact Rob Platts for an informal chat on Tel: 01608 698557 or email: sheds@cotswoldfriends.org.

DELICIOUS LUNCHES AT THE CRICKET CLUB

And don't forget our new Lunch Club at the Bourton Vale Cricket Club, held on the second Thursday of each month at 12 noon. The next date will be Thursday September 9th. Please contact Sam on Tel: 01608 692811 if you would like to come along and enjoy a chat and a delicious lunch in lovely surroundings.



Moreton Area Centre, High Street, Moreton-in-Marsh, GL56 0AZ

Tel: 01608 651415, Email: info@cotswoldfriends.org, Web: www.cotswoldfriends.org

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BARNARDO'S news

Greetings from Barnardo's! We hope you have all enjoyed the summer. We would like to start our article off this time with a massive thank you. As many of you will know, July marked our annual 'Roll the Rock' fund-raising month. This year we managed to raise a whopping £628 through our in-store events. This money will go directly to help some of the UK's most vulnerable children, so we are extremely grateful to everyone who popped in to support us. Well done to all our colouring-competition entrants and congratulations to our 2 winners! We hope you have enjoyed your stationery hampers!

With the winter months fast approaching, can we please remind everyone not to leave bags and boxes of donated goods outside the shop when it is closed. Not only does it mean potential stock gets damaged by the weather, it is also technically fly-tipping and therefore against the law. We are open 7 days a week, 9.30-5 Monday to Saturday and 10-4 on a Sunday. We try to take donations most days, so if we have to put our sign up to say we are full, it really does mean we can't take any more due to health and safety. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we know it can be frustrating.

We have recently taken delivery of an exciting new line of high-end clothing including brands such as Joules, Hobbs and Monsoon. These gorgeous garments are brand new with tags, directly from our head office, so if you want to freshen up your wardrobe for a fraction of the usual high street price, pop in and see what we have to offer!



If you are looking to fill a few hours a week or would like to get to know a few more people locally, please do feel free to come in and have a chat with us about volunteering. We have a friendly team of both paid staff and volunteers, it's a great place to spend time, and there's always a cup of tea brewed and ready!

Your local Barnardo's is now gaining quite a reputation across the area with customers travelling from as far as Cheltenham, Faringdon and Witney on a regular basis just to see what goodies we have in, so if you haven't been in store recently make sure you swing by to see what all the fuss is about.

Many thanks to all our lovely regular customers for your continued support and to our amazing volunteers who give up so much of their free time to help us run the shop. We couldn't do it without you!

We look forward to seeing you all soon!

Nicola, Heather and the team



Believe in
children
Barnardo's

COTSWOLD Festival of Motoring

Sunday 26th September 2021

Bourton Vale Cricket Club (10:30 – 4pm)



Great family day out!

Vintage, Classic, Sports Cars, Super Cars and Motion Picture Motors

Live music, bar, food stalls, retail stalls and children's entertainment

Adults £8, children £2 and £20 for a family ticket.

20% discount in advance from TicketSource (www.ticketsource.co.uk)



More information at www.cotswoldfestivalofmotoring.org

All profits will go to the charity Mind



and ROTARY IN THE RISSINGTONS
presents an evening of
STAND-UP COMEDY



Saturday 11 September 2021

a bar is available which opens at 7:30pm, comedy starts at 8:00pm



at The Village Hall
WELLINGTON ROAD
UPPER RISSINGTON GL54 2QW
DUNCAN OAKLEY

EARL OKIN, SAMANTHA DAY
& HARRY STACHINI

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Peter Elliott 07472 041265
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New Faces

Leading Cotswolds estate agents Harrison James and Hardie (HJH) is under new ownership. Effective from 1st April the leading Cotswolds agency will be owned and run by Andrew and Victoria Snell. A married couple with three young children and a combined 35 years of experience in the property market in rural, urban and suburban areas, most recently running their own estate agency in Fulham, South-West London.

Victoria and Andrew recognise that Harrison James and Hardie is a well-respected local brand and their focus is to enhance an already thriving business, with the help of the well-established and professional teams based at their offices in Moreton-In-Marsh and Bourton-On-The-Water. With investment in technology and the brand as a whole they will ensure the continuation of high-quality advice and support to property sellers and landlords across the Cotswolds.

Speaking about the move Andrew said "We're really excited to have made the move to the area and look forward to getting to know our vendors and landlords. We plan to be an active part of the local community both as a family and a business.



Acquiring Harrison, James and Hardie was a clear-cut decision for us - it has a great team and a great reputation coupled with amazing local knowledge and a commitment to great customer service that rivals anything we have seen in our time in the industry. We can't wait to settle into the area ourselves and make sure we keep delivering and improving the services HJH provide and feel confident our experience working in the London market and our connections there will add a positive new dimension, and importantly a great benefit to our clients. The property market is constantly evolving, as is consumer behaviour, but selling and letting property is and always will be a people business. And for that reason alone, our intention is to build upon and support our brilliant team of agents, because it is them that make the difference, set this agency apart, and keep people coming back."

Victoria adds "The past year has been tough for so many sectors, not least the property sales and letting sector. But HJH has really been at the forefront of making sure clients get great support in how and when they sell or let their property to get the best return. Demand is certainly outstripping supply and we are seeing the vast majority of properties we sell achieve their asking prices and very strong competition for rental properties - often going above asking prices - and we expect that strong performance to continue. With that increased demand it's important anyone looking to buy, sell or let a property gets great advice coupled with great local knowledge and that's exactly what HJH are known for."

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Puzzle Breeze

How many words of three or more letters can you find by tracking from one square to the next, going up, down, sideways or diagonally in order? Each letter may only be used once. What is the hidden nine-letter word?

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Other useful sources of information about the village include the facebook page and the independent website www.upperrissington.org. Please note that any opinions expressed on these sites are personal to the contributors and are not promoted by 'The Breeze'.

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