



Shipston Forum

The community newsletter for Shipston-on-Stour

June 2013

Councillor Ronnie Murphy takes over as Mayor of Shipston

Councillor Ronnie Murphy was unanimously elected Town Mayor at the Annual General Meeting of the Town Council in May 2013.

On accepting the chain of office from outgoing Mayor, Fay Ivens, Ronnie said, "It is a privilege to be appointed Town Mayor and I shall wear this chain with pride. I would like to thank Fay Ivens for all her hard work during her mayoral year – she has set a fine example".

All councillors thanked Fay Ivens for her tireless efforts to promote Shipston over the past twelve months – see page 13 for more details.

Although not present at the meeting, councillor Philip Vial was unanimously elected Deputy Mayor and will be presented with his deputy medal of office at the July meeting.

A review of the working groups has resulted in a few changes, including Melanie Trapp joining Planning in place of Alan Noyce, Brian Healey joining General Purposes and Adrian Jelf joining Emergency Planning.



Councillor Ronnie Murphy (right) accepts the chain of office from former Mayor, Fay Ivens

Shipston High School announces six-classroom expansion

Shipston High School has submitted a planning application for a six-classroom, two storey extension to help accommodate the growing number of pupils wanting to come to the school. The application is the first phase in the school's broader expansion plans, which will ultimately include the development of a new sports hall and all weather pitch, among other facilities.

Although the school was unsuccessful in its bid for capital funding to pay for the new extension, Warwickshire County Council, in its role as Local Education Authority, has put in a separate bid to fund the project, the outcome of which will be known later in June.

Warwickshire County Council has confirmed that expanding Shipston High School is its number one priority

in the secondary sector across the whole county. The school is already overcapacity, with 437 pupils now attending instead of the intended 388, and it will be expected to accommodate approximately 530 pupils within the next four to five years.

Jonathan Baker, Head Teacher, said, "this planning application is our first and urgent step in meeting the secondary educational needs of the local community. I am confident that the funding to complete this extension will be in place in time for us to begin work, subject to planning approval, in autumn 2013".

Anyone wishing to view the school's plans can do so at www.stratford.gov.uk/planning or by contact the school office on 01608 661833.



An artist's impression of what the new block could look like

Don't miss the Shipston Proms

June heralds the start of the 15th annual Shipston Proms fortnight. Check out page six for more details.



Photo courtesy of Philip Vial

Mayor's column

I would like to start my column with grateful thanks to Cllr Fay Ivens for her contribution to the town during her Mayoral year. It was a busy and demanding time with so many functions to attend. Both Fay and Arthur represented Shipston and the residents with dignity and care. Our thanks go to them both.



This year will bring more issues and opportunities for us all. Our town has changed and grown since my family moved here in 1969. Thankfully we still have the friendliness and the family connections that were present then, and I believe with the new expertise that is here now, and the help of the numerous volunteers within our society, we will work together to face the challenges ahead.

Hopefully the weather will improve in time for the many community events due to take place, including the Wool Fair, the Proms and continue to stay fair for the Shipston Food Festival in September.

Proud of My Town will continue with the litter pick on the 1st Sat of the month under Fay's direction and the 'Meet the Councillors' in the High Street on the 2nd Sat. Please come to see us or send an email to the Town Clerk - advice is always available.

I am delighted to announce that The Queen's Avenue Play Area will be one of the Mayor's fundraising projects over the next twelve months. Work on the park has now begun, and I hope the remaining funds needed can be raised to ensure the organisers' original vision can be realised.

Finally I will try and attend any function, when invited.

Veronica Murphy

New Rector to join Shipston Benefice

Rev. Andrew Coleby has been appointed as the new Rector for Shipston (with Tidmington), Honington and Idlicote. Andrew is currently the Social Responsibility Officer in the St Albans diocese.

Andrew, and his wife Marian will be welcomed to the churches of Shipston, Tidmington, Honington and Idlicote at a special service on Tuesday, July 16th at 7.30pm in St Edmund's Church. Everybody is welcome to attend the service.

The Area Dean, Rev. Dr Jill Tucker said "Everyone at St. Edmunds and its sister churches is delighted that Andrew and Marian will soon be joining them to begin their ministry here, and will make them really welcome and support them in every way. Shipston is a very special place, and I am sure that the whole town will welcome them with open arms as well." Rev. Coleby said "We are really looking forward to coming, and I can't wait to start!"



Pictured: Rev. Andrew Coleby

New model of care at Ellen Badger Hospital

Shipston Medical Centre, working in partnership with the South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust, is introducing changes at the Ellen Badger Hospital to improve healthcare for the local and wider community.

The new model includes changes to the way doctors support patients at the EBH to improve continuity of care and communication between the doctors and nursing teams as well as patients and their families.

New medical services such as intravenous antibiotics and blood transfusions are also to be introduced, reducing the need for patients to make trips to out of town hospitals and enabling care to be provided by local GPs and nurses.

Finally, community services are being increased, particularly the work of the CERT team (community emergency response team). This is a team of nurses, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and carers that provide rehab and care for patients at home. They also help facilitate a supported discharge from hospital once a patient is medically stable to continue their rehabilitation and assessment in their own home.

Earlier discharge, with on-going rehab and treatment at home, will allow the same number of patients, if not more, to be treated at the EBH despite a gradual reduction in beds, from 26 to 18. A 19th bed has been ring-fenced for patients needing palliative care and will always be available for this purpose.

Dr Paul Daniel, Partner at Shipston Medical Centre, said "We believe these changes present an exciting opportunity to make positive changes to healthcare provision in Shipston. Research shows that people prefer to be treated at or close to home and these changes will help us reduce the amount of visits patients will have to make to hospitals outside of Shipston. This new model of care will enable the Ellen Badger Hospital to provide a wider range of services to more people, while continuing to provide the popular day care and outpatient services already established."

For more details about the changes, see page 14.



May's hot topics

Untidy tarmac: Melanie Trapp has received several complaints about the poor quality job that has been done to replace the tarmac in some areas, especially at end of Berry Avenue. Chris Saint will raise this with the WCC highways department.

Issues with Spotted: a number of complaints have been received about the Spotted in Shipston Facebook page. Both comments and photographs are being posted on the site, many of which are very unpleasant. Jeff Kenner mentioned that he has already been working with the police to get some comments removed and reminded everyone that posts on Facebook are subject to libel and data protection laws.

60 years of angling: Brian Healey is supporting Shipston Angling Club with their 60th anniversary celebrations taking place in July. See page six for details of some of the activities planned.

Missing lines: Following complaints from town councillors, the Highways Officer will be inspecting the white lines around the town with a view to repainting taking place during the summer months.

Know your speed: The flashing 30 mph speed sign is now in place on Stratford Road. Roy Munden raised concerns about whether it was sufficiently visible due to the sunlight. The Town Clerk will check the unit is working effectively and can be read easily.

Potholes: Progress is beginning to be made on potholes around the town following the audit conducted by Shipston Town Council. However, a large pothole outside the entrance to the Primary School needs urgent attention.

Parking problems: Some Orchard Close residents would like residents' parking status for their street to prevent people using it as a car park when visiting the vets and town. This would have to be submitted as part of the bid to WCC for new highways schemes in January 2014.

Growing community facilities: Stour Valley Baptist Church is hoping to apply to the Crown Estate for use of the land on the corner of Beecham Road and Tilemans Lane. Shipston Town Council will provide some supporting information but will raise concerns about the increase in parking should a planning application be submitted for a community building on the site.

Campaigning for Shipston

A market for Shipston: Discussions are underway to look at the potential to hold a regular market in Shipston. The Finance Working Group will lead this activity, working closely with traders and other stakeholders.

Changes at the Ellen Badger Hospital: District councillors at the Town Clerk attended a stakeholder group meeting at Ellen Badger Hospital regarding a new approach to providing care. For more information, see pages two and 14.

Youth Shelter: The new youth shelter is now in place and being put to good use, although Adrian Jelf did warn that some children have been climbing on top of the shelter which could be dangerous.

Neighbourhood Plan: There will be a stall at the Wool Fair to promote the Neighbourhood Plan, with residents and visitors being invited to share their thoughts on the town. For more information, see the update on page 13.

Town Council business

Neat notices: The notice board at New Clark House will now only be used for STC and police notices.

Hiring New Clark House: Commercial hire rates for New Clark House have been agreed and are available on request from the Town Clerk. The Communications Group will give further consideration to an appropriate fee for charities and community groups.

Shipstononline.org: The new website is up and running and working well. Please send news stories to forum@shipstononline.org for both the website and Forum.

New Clark House Update



It's been a very busy period at New Clark House thanks to a combination of the Annual Town Meeting, Annual General Meeting of the Town Council and preparations for the Wool Fair. We're hoping June might be a little quieter!

New Allotment Fees

After careful consideration, Shipston Town Council has taken the decision to increase the allotment fees in the town from April 2014 as follows:

New Street Allotments:

£20 per full allotment to £40

£10 per half allotment to £20

Shoulderway Allotments:

£16 per full allotment to £32

£8 per half allotment to £16

Despite the rise, the allotments still represent very good value for money. The increase in fees is vital to enable the council to cover its costs in maintaining the allotments, including the provision of water, fencing and emergency repairs.

Many plots have now been divided in two, partly to increase the number of people able to hold an allotment and partly to make the plot sizes more manageable.

If you would like to be added to the waiting list for an allotment, please call or email the office using the contact details below.

Georgina Beaumont:

Town Clerk
01608 662180
e: clerk@shipstononline.org

**Minutes from
Town Council meetings
and electronic copies of
the Shipston Forum
can be downloaded from
www.shipstononline.org**

Work begins on Queen's Avenue Park

Following months of fundraising and bid writing, work is now beginning on phase one of the Queen's Park Avenue Playground. Goalposts, swing sets, benches and other play equipment are being installed over the coming weeks, with more trees due to be planted in the autumn.

The Queen's Avenue Park Action Group received a major boost in April with the award of a £20,000 grant from Orbit Housing, taking the total raised to £54,000. Community groups and local businesses have also been getting behind the project, with recent contributions from Shipston Slimmers, Transition Shipston, Fosseway Hire and Calypso Kids.

A further £35,000 is still needed to enable the original vision for the varied playground and community orchard facilities to be

realised, but the progress to date has been excellent.

QAPAG chair, Polly Taylor, said "I'm thrilled to see work starting on installing play equipment after months of planning. I would like to thank everyone who has helped us secure funding and look forward to continuing to work with the community to complete the Queen's Avenue Park project".



Work in progress at the park

New Scout Hut prepares to welcome the troops

Having fought for so long to secure the funding, progress on building the new Scout Hut has been swift and the building should be able to host its first meetings this month (June).

The new hut has been watertight for some weeks and is a smart addition to the Shipston neighbourhood. As the Forum went to press, the concrete floor base was drying out in preparation for the various new floorings to be laid. It hasn't all been plain sailing, however. Due to the high cost of gas installation, there have been a few holdups and some small items of work may need to be finished off once the hut is in use.

Although the scout groups hope to start using the building in June, the official opening will take place on 13th July at 3.00pm, with fun activities for scouts past and present and all scouting supporters running from 2.00pm to 4.30pm.

David Wright, Scout Leader, said, "We hope see as many 'old' Scouts and supporters as possible on the 13th alongside all the other organisations that have used the hall in the past and will be using it in the future."



The new Scout Hut is almost finished

Bestselling ICT Author enlists help of students

Two students at Shipston High School have had their computer programming skills praised by a best selling author of computer programming books, who has now asked them to trial his new book before it goes for publication.

The two students, Sam Bowers in Year 8 and Charlie Thomas in Year 7, with the help of their ICT teacher, Mrs Jo Peebles, set up a popular computer coding club earlier this year. The club is a new development within the ICT department and has been highly successful in designing projects and coding its own computer programmes.

On their own initiative the boys started corresponding with author, Chris Roffey, who writes books on computer programming for schools including the popular 'Python Basics' which the boys have been using in their club. Chris Roffey has been so impressed with the boys' knowledge and enthusiasm that he has included two of their programmes on his own website.

In an e-mail to the school, Chris Roffey, was hugely complimentary about the students and said the boys were a great credit to the school. He explained, 'The exciting thing for the boys will be that their feedback and suggestions may well result in changes to the final copy.'

Headteacher, Jonathan Baker, added, "you only have to talk to the two boys to be infected with their enthusiasm. What is particularly brilliant is that they are keen to share their passion for computer coding with other students so that we are building up a fantastic depth of ICT programming expertise in the school."



Pictured (left to right) Charlie Thomas and Sam Bowers with tutor, Mrs Jo Peebles

Apply now for local educational grants!

Small educational grants can now be applied for to support those needing financial help to undertake apprenticeships, further academic courses or professional/trade qualifications.

If you are a Shipston resident under 25 years old (or have parents living here), you can now apply for a small grant for the 2013/14 academic year. Application forms are now available from the Shipston Library or write to the Clerk to the Trustees, Mr D Squires, Pinnegar House, 49, Telegraph Street, Shipston, CV36 4DA, enclosing a stamped address envelope.

Completed forms must be received by Monday 2nd September 2013

Shipston Primary School

Shipston On Stour Primary School



The book stops here

Leading children's authors have been instilling a love of literature with Shipston Primary School pupils.

In conjunction with Stratford Literary Festival, the school played host to two writers - Alex T Smith and Lou Kuenzler.

Author and illustrator Alex T Smith worked with Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils. He read from his new book called "Primrose" and taught the children step-by-step how to draw their own Primrose character.

Alex then finished the story and told the children about how he wanted to become an author because his Grandad used to write him a story every night about one of his toys. When asked by the children about what the T in his name stands for, he replied "Trouble, Thomas or Tyrannosaurus!"

Meanwhile, author Lou Kuenzler worked with Year 3 and 4 children. Lou inspired the children to be writers by sharing her experiences of writing as well as reading an amusing scene from her latest book 'Shrinking Violet'.

She really gripped, entertained and inspired pupils as she re-enacted part of the story with them. The children were really imaginative with their choices of similes and adjectives to describe the main characters.

The children also had the opportunity to ask questions and suggest a new character for her novels too.

Year 4 pupils said: "Lou gave us some great tips for creative writing. For example, always make up similes that you haven't heard before. A simile is like a box of crayons that light up your work! It's like colouring in your story."

The children were also given the opportunity to buy signed copies of recent books by both the authors as a reminder of their special day.

In addition, Years 5 and 6 went to meet Young Bond series author and Fast Show comedian Charlie Higson. He began to describe in detail the gruesome zombies involved in his horrific new books and the quick, courageous young James Bond.

Pupil Millie Bryan from Year 6 wrote in the school newsletter: "We had an amazing time and we thank Shipston High School for letting us see the author who inspired us to be just like him. We hope to hear more from him in the future."



Alex T Smith working with children in Years 1 and 2

Shipston High School

Perfect Pi

Someone once said "Poetry is to prose as dancing is to walking"; We agree. Poetry lifts our spirits, delves our emotions and is the music which makes our hearts sing. So how does that link to the mathematical ratio that is Pi?

If you've never seen "A Beautiful Mind" you should. In it, the mathematician John Nash explores a new concept called "governing dynamics". Sounds riveting! Well in one way it is because through his research he discovers the beauty, rhythm and life of numbers through mathematical patterns and codes. In fact it's almost poetical. So the link really lies

in the fact that poetry and mathematics have common bonds, they share a beauty in shape, form and structure and are therefore natural partners.

With poetry and mathematics being so closely allied, the English and Mathematics department decided to join forces and create a cross curricular opportunity and hence the birth of the inaugural 1st Annual Pi Poetry Challenge which celebrates International Pi Day – the 3rd month and the 14th day – and National Poetry Day.



Steven Haynes with the Winner's trophy

The challenge was to write a poem on any subject using the first forty digits of Pi with each word of the poem having the equivalent number of letters as the digit. Quite a challenge but to the great credit of the students they were, as usual, up to the task.

After careful consideration the first winner of this prestigious award is Steven Haynes for his carefully constructed and witty poem on the subject of Chocolate. Well done to Steven for his mouth-watering effort – pity we can't have a chocolate Pi!

Steven's Poem:

CHOCOLATE!

Yay !

I love a milky chocolate
It tastes sweet and yummy
circular chocolate, popping chocolate
and as for guzzling down
Terry's is lovely
also has the segments
and an amazing chocolate treat
in coloured wrappers
make a wonderful evening



Playing the fame game at this year's Shipston Proms

Fame is the name of the game for this year's Shipston Proms. Organisers are calling for new talent to put their names forward for the Shipston Proms 2013 Fame Contest.

This year's Fame Contest will be held on the first Saturday evening of the Proms, 22nd June. It is open to solo singers, duos and groups of three or more, aged ten and over. The winners of each category will win £50, and will perform at the Festival's climax concert, the spectacular 'Last Night of the Proms' in the High Street.

Fame Contest entry forms can be obtained from R Clarke Electrical in Shipston High Street, Shipston High School, online at the Shipston Proms website, emailing shipstonproms@orangehome.co.uk or on the Proms website www.shipstonproms.org.

Shipston Proms highlights include Loyd Grossman's band, The New Forbidden, on 21st June, and Benjamin Britten's community opera Noye's Fludde, performed by Orchestra of the Swan on Friday and Saturday 28th and 29th June.



Fame contest winners, Longfellow, took to the stage at last year's Proms

The Britten work is part of celebrations to mark the 100th anniversary of the composer's birth.

Headline act on the Last Night of the Proms on 6th July will be the David Bowie tribute band 'Ultimate Bowie' plus the ukulele supergroup, Rinky Dinks. For more information on all the Proms events, visit www.shipstonproms.org

Celebrating 60 years of Shipston Angling Club

Shipston Angling Club is celebrating its 60th birthday by holding a three-day festival from 26th-28th July for any angler on the river Stour and lakes at Aston Magna.

The fishing will be followed by events at the sports club for everyone in the afternoon and evening on each day, including live music, a pig roast BBQ, Aunt Sally competitions, Casting Competitions, local talent, stalls, raffle, tombola refreshments and many other things.

The club has been given 600 goody bags and prizes to be handed out to juniors by organisers of 'The National Fishing Month', to encourage them into the sport. Any junior who attends will be offered free tuition the following week by the club and tackle will be provided.

The events at the sports field are open to everyone and there will be no admission fee to enter. For more information, please contact Stuart Fleming on 07543 613350 or any member of Shipston Angling Club.

Shipston to host its first Food Festival

On Sunday, 29th September, the town centre will be transformed into a food-lovers paradise for the first ever Shipston Food Festival.

The organisers are aiming to create an interactive event that sets itself apart from the standard farmers markets. From baking competitions to bread-making classes, chocolate workshops for children and cookery demonstrations, there will be plenty on offer for visitors to get stuck into.

Alongside the activities will be a range of stalls showcasing local produce from the Stour Valley and Cotswolds regions, with hot and cold food and sweet treats to tempt all tastes.

The event is in the early planning stages but you can keep up to date on progress by following @ShipstonFood on Twitter or liking the community Facebook page at www.facebook.com/shipstonfood To book a stall, please contact Dan Scobie at dan@shipstonfoodfestival.co.uk or call 07771 772511.



Don't forget to head to the town centre on 27th May to enjoy the town's annual Wool Fair. There will be plenty on offer to entertain, educate and eat! Join the fun from 10am until 4pm on Shipston High Street.

Make the most of Open Gardens in June

A number of Open Gardens events are being held this month in villages surrounding Shipston. Whichford and Ascott gardens will be open on the 9th June, while Cherrington, Stourton and Sutton Open Gardens takes place on the 23rd and 30th June.

Burmington Grange will also be opening its garden to visitors to raise money for Shipston Home Nursing on the 16th June.

All events will be showcasing beautiful gardens accompanied with refreshments and activities. See the What's On calendar for details.

cookery demonstrations - baking
competition - bread making talks
and demonstrations - children's
pizza making - raffle - best local
producer award

**SHIPSTON
FOOD
FESTIVAL**



Regular events:

- Mon Citizens Advice Bureau:** Mornings, New Clark House. To book a free appointment, call 01789 200136
- Mon Shipston Duplicate Bridge Club:** 7pm for 7.15pm, Catholic Church Hall, Darlingscote Rd, Shipston-on-Stour. Call Penny Law 663871
- Tues Stroke Club:** Alternate Tuesdays (4,18). 10am-12pm Room No 2, Ellen Badger Hospital.
- Tues Rhyme time for under 2s:** Now every Tuesday. 10:45am Shipston Library. Free. Contact: 661255
- Tues Age Concern Lunch Club** at Stour Court. Contact: Stella, 686224
- Tues Bingo:** Alternate Tuesdays. Doors open 6.30pm. Eyes down 7.30pm. Sheldon Bosley Hub. Contact: 661886
- Tues Shipston on Stour Rotarians:** Halford Bridge Hotel, 7.30pm. Contact Adrian Ramskill 0797 656 6525.
- Weds St John's Ambulance:** Adults division. Meet at Shipston Fire Station, 7pm. Contact: Josie Bayliss, 684834
- Thur Shipston Stitchers:** 10am to 3pm, alternate Thursdays (13, 27).
- Thur Age Concern Lunch Club** at Rainbow Fields Contact: Diana 01789 740627
- Thur Safer Neighbourhood Team:** Fortnightly (13, 27). Public surgery, 2.30pm to 3pm. New Clark House, West Street.
- Thur Age Concern gentle exercise and relaxation class:** 2:15-3:15pm, Rainbow Fields. Contact Leigh, 665995
- Fri Walks over fields with friendly group.** Leaves Old Mill car park at 10am. Contact: Marlene, 663616
- Fri Bridge** 10.15am – 12.15pm Catholic Church Hall, Darlingscote Road. Contact Val Young on 01608 238754 or 07516 091786
- Fri Shipston Probus:** alternate Fridays (14, 28)
- Fri Age Concern Lunch Club** at Stour Court. Contact: Linda, 662290
- There are lots of regular classes on at the Townsend Hall. They include: line dancing, badminton, short tennis, yoga, ballet, Calypso kids music, Little Kickers, Zumba, modern jazz dancing, t'ai chi and circuit training. For details, visit www.townsendhall.com or call Lisa Bryan on 07800771368.**

June Diary

- 1 Stour Valley Lions Book Sale:** 9am-2pm. The Coach House, Church Street, Shipston (opposite the Library). Books include fiction, children's, cookery, gardening, art etc. To donate books contact Lion David Squires on pinnegards@tiscali.co.uk
- Stour Singers:** Choral Workshop - Mozart's Mass in C Minor, directed by Adrian Partington. 10am-4pm, Townsend Hall. £15.00 inc. coffee, tea and biscuits (£5.00 for students). Contact: Yvonne Ridley 01789 269587 or Vic Twyman 01451 870361
- Shipston Town Council Monthly Litter Pick:** All welcome. Meet at New Clark House, West Street at 10am. Equipment & refreshments provided. Contact: Fay Ivens 662133 or fayivens@aol.com
- 3 Stour Valley Visually Impaired Group:** Outing. Contact: Shirley Pilkington 662684
- 4 Multiple Sclerosis Society:** 'Drop in' meeting. 10.30am at the George Hotel. Contact: Ann Bartlett 666161
- 5 National Organisation of the Widowed:** Lunch. 12pm. Contact: Barbara Bean 663230
- Shipston-on-Stour Women's Institute:** Gemstones of the World by Duncan Hastings. 7pm, Catholic Church Hall, Darlingscote Road. Contact: Jane Hanks 664519
- Shipston Neighbourhood Watch:** 7pm, The Council Chamber, New

- Clark House.** All welcome. Contact: George Houghton 662603
- 6 Story Stomp:** Storytelling for 2-5 year olds. 10.30am, Shipston Library. Free. Contact: 661255
- Shipston Home Nursing:** 'Aspects of Propagation' workshop with Head Gardner, Gwyn Perry. Armscote Manor, Armscote. Contact: Deborah Williams 682375
- 7 Shipston Dementia Resource and Support Cafe:** An entertaining look at World War II and rationing by Jane Arnold. 2pm-3.30pm, Stour Court, Old Road. Contact: Barbara Smith 662433
- 8 Mayor's Surgery:** 10am, High Street
- 9 Whichford & Ascott Gardens Open:** 7 gardens open to the public on behalf of NGS Charities. 1.30 – 5.30pm. Delicious teas, plants for sale and childrens competition. Adults £5, children free. Follow yellow signs on A3400 near Long Compton.
- 10 Shipston Town Council Monthly Meeting:** 7pm, New Clark House. All welcome. Contact: Georgina Beaumont 662180
- 11 Shipston Flower Club:** 'In Grandma's Day' by Glenice Yates. 7.30pm, Shipston Primary School, Station Road. Non-members welcome. Contact: 01295 788099
- Stour Valley Lions Monthly Meeting:** 8pm, The George Hotel, Shipston. All welcome
- 12 Stour Valley Lions Book Sale:** 10am-4pm, details as above
- Shipston and District Gardening Club:** Garden visit. Contact: Tony Mitchell 666933
- 13 Diabetes Testing:** See ad on page 8
- 14 Stour Valley Lions Book Sale:** 9am-4pm, details as above
- Stour Valley Lions Cinema presents Les Miserables:** See page 8
- Chamber of Commerce Business Advice Surgeries:** Free advice sessions by appointment at Stour Enterprise Centre, Astech Mill, Stratford Road. 1pm-4pm. To book, call 629693
- 15 Stour Valley Lions Book Sale:** 9am-2pm, details as above
- 16 Shipston Home Nursing:** NGS Garden Open - Burmington Grange, Cherington CV36 5HZ. By very kind invitation of Patrick & Fudge Ramsay. 2pm -6pm. Teas served supporting SHN
- Charity Cricket Match:** See ad on page 8
- 18 Shipston Arts and Crafts Society:** Naturally Abstract, Drawing and Photography. 7.30pm, Catholic Church Hall. Contact: Penny Law 663871
- 19 National Organisation of the Widowed:** Meeting. 10.30am-12pm, Coach and Horses. Contact: Barbara Bean 663230
- 20 Clare Teal & the Midland Youth Jazz Orchestra:** See page 16
- 21 Dementia Carers Drop-in Support Group:** 10am-12pm, New Clark House. Contact: Barbara Smith 662433
- Shipston Music Society concert:** See ad on page 9
- Shipston Proms:** Loyd Grossman and The New Forbidden, Townsend Hall. For details www.shipstonproms.org
- 22 Shipston Primary School Fete:** See ad on page 16
- Shipston Proms - Fame Contest:** See article on page 6
- 23 Cherington, Stourton and Sutton Open Gardens:** 1pm-6pm. Open gardens, plant sales, teas and cakes, art displays. £5.00 entry (under 12's free).
- 25 University of the Third Age:** See page 11 for details
- 26 Stour Valley Lions Book Sale:** 10am-4pm, details as above
- 28 Stour Valley Lions:** 9am-4pm, details as above
- 28-29 Shipston Community Production with the Orchestra of the Swan:** Noye's Fludde. 7.30pm, Townsend Hall. Contact: Frances Bridgewater at noyesfluddeshipston@gmail.com
- 29 Stour Valley Lions Book Sale:** 9am-2pm, details as above
- 30 Cherington, Stourton and Sutton Open Gardens:** details as above

DIABETES KILLS
1 PERSON EVERY 8 SECONDS
ANY AGE...

TAKE THE TEST
NOT THE RISK

13TH JUNE 2013 at 2PM - 6PM
AT THE ELLEN BADGER HOSPITAL

10% have diabetes without even knowing it.
Your life could be saved with this **FREE** test.



Ellen Badger Hospital
Stratford Road
Shipston-on-Stour
Warwickshire
CV36 4AX



Shipston Town Mayor

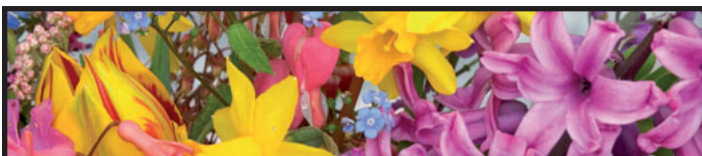
The Town Mayor
Cllr Mrs Veronica Murphy
of Shipston on Stour
is holding a
Charity Cricket Match
at Shipston Sports Club
London Road

on

Sunday 16th June from 1.30 pm



Cllr Murphy will be delighted to greet Shipston residents
We regret no dogs are allowed at the Sports Club



Shipston in Bloom 2013 amendment

Invites **EVERYONE** to participate in the
Annual Gardening Competition

Free to enter Judging by independent judges
will take place on Sunday 28th July.

Entries will be judged in the following categories

Front Garden	Public places	Children's Garden
Rear Garden	Town Businesses	Hanging Basket/ window box / manger

Allotments will be judged on Monday 1st July.

Displays, except **Rear Gardens and Children's Gardens**, must
be viewable from the roadside. Winners will be notified and
awarded a certificate of congratulations plus a trophy which will
be held for one year. There will be a presentation evening held in
the autumn, to which winners will be invited.

An entry form is required **ONLY** for Rear and Children's gardens

Complete the entry form and return to
Shipston in Bloom c/o Nick Nickerson 50 Furze Hill
Road, or Mal Lawrence at 3 Clark Close

Download the form from shipstononline.org

**Are you an organisation
working with young
people in Shipston?**

We can help you.

**Grants are available now from
The School for females Charity**

Contact: Chris skeath
cmskeath@hotmail.com

or 45 New Street
Shipston on Stour CV36 4EW

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Shipston Youth Club

We are very happy to say that the all new Shipston Youth Club have had their first anniversary in April so a big thank you to all of our volunteers and supporters who have made this possible.

Xfest 13 is on the 13th July in the grounds of Shipston High School. Please put this date in your diary as it is promising to be a truly exciting day for all. For those of you who haven't heard about Xfest, it's an all-day event with free activities which this year will include a climbing wall, quad bikes, laser quest, drama workshop, graffiti artist and zorbowalking to name but a few. Refreshments will also be available or bring a picnic and make a day of it.

We continue to provide a full programme for our junior and senior members with a full range of activities, which now include outdoor games and fun such as roller hockey, football, basketball, rounders and Frisbee, to name a few. Our numbers are increasing each week so please come along and see what you are missing.

For further information contact secretary Richard Baldwin 01608 662178.

Neighbourhood Watch

The next meeting of the Shipston Neighbourhood Watch will be on Wednesday 5th June in The Council Chamber, New Clark House, West Street starting at 7.30 pm. As usual, everyone is welcome to attend.



A change has been made to accommodate anyone who is unable to attend a meeting during school holidays. Although this room is on the first floor, a stair lift is available should one be required.

Shipston Twinning Association

Fifty members of the Torigni sur Vire Twinning Association spent the weekend April 26th-28th with their English exchange families in Shipston on Stour and surrounding villages. The annual exchange, one year in Shipston the next in Torigni, is now in its thirtieth year, with many families taking part for the first time this year.

After initial introductions and settling in, everyone met at Shipston Rugby Club for an evening of entertainment, including drinks and canapés provided by Bev Webb and team, a pig roast supper and entertainment by The Three Amigos.

On Saturday, the group left Shipston to enjoy a guided city tour of Gloucester, arranged by Shipston's Town Twinning group. The group learned that Gloucester was founded by the Romans under Emperor Nerva Augustus and was known as Colonia Glevum Nervensis. King Edward II, who was murdered at nearby Berkeley Castle, is buried in the cathedral. Many old houses were pointed out, among which, that of Robert Raikes who had created the first Sunday School in the nearby church of St. Mary de Crypt. The famous New Inn built in 1450 was originally a galleried

lodging house for pilgrims and it remains a most impressive building today.

Information about the trade of the port was given and it was explained that the Gloucester and Berkeley Canal (now the Sharpness canal) had been constructed to avoid the meanderings of the River Severn. Tramways and railways had come to the city during the nineteenth century. The group then toured the cathedral, including the wonderful cloisters, which in recent times has been one of the locations for the Harry Potter films.

Saturday evening and Sunday were spent with the host families. Everywhere people got on well with each other and the French were thoroughly delighted with their weekend. Shipstonians will make the return visit next year which also marks the seventieth anniversary of the D-day landings

Shipston in Bloom

Winners of the Shipston In Bloom Spring Garden Competition



Congratulations to Mrs Hunt and Mr and Mrs Spalding, (60/62 Railway Crescent) winners of the Shipston in Bloom Spring Garden Competition. Their delightful adjoining front garden was a worthy winner. The planning, colour and execution of the task enthused everyone.

Their award, along with the winners of our summer competitions, will be given at our presentation evening on October 19th. Please look out for entry forms if you want to enter our children's and/or rear garden competition (available to download from www.shipstononline.org). Entry forms for front gardens are not necessary (independent judging of children's garden and front/rear gardens takes place on Sunday July 28th).

Shipston Dementia Resource & Support Café

It's heartwarming to see a smile on the face of someone who has been struggling to come to terms with a life changed by a family member diagnosed with dementia. That's the effect the Dementia Resource and Support Café had on one new visitor on 3rd May.

We offer a safe place where you can talk to people who really understand how you feel and can help by listening, offering relevant information or signposting you to other ways of support, whether it is financial, practical or emotional. It was fortunate for this visitor that we had Amanda Jerman of Guideposts Trust with us who was able to reassure her that the organisation has many ways in which it can support people in all aspects of living with dementia. For information, call 0845 600 9980 or 02476 385888, or visit www.guidepoststrust.org.uk.

The next Café will be on Friday, 7th June, 2.00–3.30 pm, Stour Court, Old Road when we will take an entertaining look at World War II and rationing, presented by Jane Arnold. For details contact Barbara Smith, 01608 662433.

Spinal Muscular Atrophy Trust

Fancy walking the Cotswold Way from Painswick to Chipping Campden in aid of the SMA? Join others for a night time walk on the 22nd & 23rd June, or a shorter 10 or 20 mile challenge during the day on the 23rd. £25 to take part. Contact Mandy on 01608 663415 for details.

Shipston WI

'All the world's a stage' and it was almost a world stage for our speaker Ginny Davis...The Edinburgh Fringe to be exact. What a fantastic, amusing, entertaining evening Jenny shared with us. From her leaving school and not really knowing what she wanted to do, to training as a barrister and marrying one, then giving up her career to look after her family and eventually joining the school PTA! But it didn't finish there. As anyone who has served on a PTA committee knows, its main function is to find ways of raising money for all those school extras. Ginny had always enjoyed writing and suggested putting on a review as a school fundraiser. Her contribution was a sketch about family life with teenage children. She shared some of the sketch with us, herself alone playing all the parts. It was very funny and so true. The review was a success and led to others.

Over a period of time she has added more similar sketches to her repertoire. Eventually, she decided to invest in performing one of her plays at the Edinburgh Festival (The Fringe). She had to physically go out and find her audience every day. Adverts were on fliers, hats, aprons, anything to bring her one woman show to the notice of a possible audience. It was undoubtedly very hard work, but the experience, she told us, was amazing and one she wouldn't have missed.

She continues to perform wherever and whenever she is asked. She is currently writing another episode to her hilarious family saga. A vibrant, energetic, amazing lady who entertained us for an hour and could have entertained us all evening.

Our next meeting is on June 5th when Duncan Hastings will be giving a talk on Gemstones of the World. We meet at 7.00pm at the Catholic Church, Darlingscote Road.



Shipston Arts & Crafts Society

The Society met on Tuesday, 16th April to hear Mrs Lynda Kettle speak on Art and Design in the Theatre. Mrs Kettle is a British watercolour painter of renown, her paintings depict light and shade of both rural and city aspects. However it was not to talk of her talented art work which she both teaches and exhibits, but of her life from a young teenager in theatre, TV and stage design, progressing from 1st Class Honours in Theatre Design, becoming Art Director in the theatre to Production Designer for BBC Television.

Mrs Kettle brought cardboard "sets" of stage sets she had done, film of costumes she had designed and made - many tales of programmes seemingly some time ago, but

remembered well! Poldark, Howards Way, The Brothers, The Onedin Line to name but a few! She also did Production Design for news series, quiz and game shows. Mrs Kettle married, had a family and then left the BBC to work in a small theatre in Birmingham, finally returned to her lifelong love of art to become a teacher and painter. Her work goes all over the world and she has her own website - loving the life she returned to - leaving her high speed life behind and leaving her audience breathless with the admiration. An edge of the seat lecture!

Shipston's Safer Neighbourhood Team

Most people who call at your home will be genuine. But sometimes, people turn up unannounced, with the intention of tricking their way into your home. They are known as 'distraction burglars' or 'bogus callers', whose only aim is to get into homes to distract people and steal their money or valuables. You should always be aware when someone you don't know calls at your door.

Bogus callers may be smartly dressed and claim to be from the council, the police, health organisations or gas, water or electricity companies. They can be convincing and persuasive.

They use 'props' like an identity card or wear overalls with a company logo. If you are expecting the caller, remember to check their identification very carefully against the letter you have been sent or the password you have agreed before you let them in.

And, if in doubt, Keep them out.

These official visitors should always arrange an appointment with you beforehand. If you are not expecting them and are alone, ask them to call back when you have someone with you.

Bogus callers can also turn up as builders or gardeners and try to trick you into paying for unnecessary work. You should never agree to having work done by someone who is just passing, or take their word that work needs to be done at all.

Some bogus callers call on older and vulnerable people saying they need help urgently. They may ask you to help them outside the house or ask to come in to make a phone call or have a glass of water. Only go to help them if you have someone else with you. Don't worry if you choose not to help - it is not rude or unfriendly.

For more advice including tools and techniques to keep yourself safe, visit www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk

University of the Third Age

Following on from the official launch of Shipston's own University of the Third Age, the June and July meetings for the group have now been booked. The June meeting will take place at 2pm on Tuesday 25th at Townsend Hall, and will primarily be to complete the Interest Group sign-up process. The July meeting will be on Tuesday 23rd, also at 2pm. New members welcome.



Stour Valley Lions

Diabetes Testing

Did you know that Diabetes kills one person (all ages) every 8 seconds? Lions are supporting the Medical Centre who will be carrying out FREE testing on Thursday 13th June between 2 and 6pm at the Ellen Badger Hospital. Please come along and take the test not the risk.



Lions June Film

On the Friday 14th June the Lion's monthly film, which is held at Shipston High School will be the acclaimed film "Les Miserables". This film has received rave reviews and we are sure that our regular audience of supporters will enjoy the film.

Talking Shipston Forum

Lion Judith continues to provide the Forum on CD for the Visually Impaired Club and Shipston Senior Citizen Homes. Lion members, High School students and friends make up the voices on the recordings. If you wish to be included in our CD distribution please contact Shipston Town Council.

Exhibition of North Oxfordshire Quaker Clocks

Adderbury History Association is hosting an exhibition of approximately sixty, locally made, Quaker clocks on 8th June/Sunday 9th June 2013 at Adderbury Parish Institute. The village of Adderbury, in the eighteenth century, was at the heart of North Oxfordshire Quaker clock-making tradition of iron posted hoop and spike clocks with a distinctive ring and zig zag engraved dials and was the

home of the most prolific maker of Quaker clocks in the eighteenth century – Richard Gilkes.

The exhibition will include many examples of hoop and spike clocks, including some from Shipston on Stour. There will, also, be clocks made by the early eighteenth century clockmaker Thomas Gilkes sr. of Sibford, the Fardon family of Deddington and later members of the Gilkes family, as well as lesser known makers such as Thomas Harris of Deddington, John Paine of Hook Norton and William Green of Milton.

In conjunction with this exhibition Adderbury's Quaker Meeting House will be open on both days. The Exhibition is open from 10.30am to 5pm on both days, admission £5.

Probus

Richard Long spent much of his working life with the Foreign Office and the British Council based in Baghdad and many other Middle East postings. He therefore has an intimate knowledge and understanding of the Middle East and has already spoken to the club about Afghanistan. On 5th April, he spoke about the Arab/Israeli wars. Between 1947 and 1973, the Israelis were fighting for survival and sometimes took on all their neighbours at the same time. There is no prospect of a settlement in sight since even the Palestinians themselves in Gaza and the West Bank will not talk to one another.

The AGM was held on the 19th April when this year's president took office and several new members were formally introduced.

Meetings in June are on the 14th and 28th. The 28th is a special occasion when the visitors will be the RAF Demonstration Team, with the Stour Valley Club invited.



Neighbourhood Plan Update by Stephen Miles



Shipston's neighbourhood plan

Our town, our plan, our future.

One of the key tasks recently has been to develop materials which will help people identify with the Neighbourhood Plan and encourage involvement. Look out for the Neighbourhood Plan stall at the Wool Fair - there will be an opportunity to add your ideas to our 'blank canvases' and there's a quick quiz for children too.

In terms of taking the plan itself forward, the emphasis in recent weeks has been on gathering together up-to-date information about the town and surrounding area: statistics about who lives here, where people work, travel patterns, housing, businesses, and the many community facilities. Some is available from the Census and District Council, but we need in-depth local information as well. This will inform and guide the consideration of the important issues: environment, infrastructure, economy, and housing.

There will be two major new surveys. All households will

receive a confidential questionnaire about their housing needs, which will be independently conducted by Warwickshire Rural Community Council.

A survey of all local services and businesses will establish who is here, what they do, and how they think the town might best sustain their futures. This will be done by Action for Market Towns, an organisation at the forefront of work to revitalise communities across England. Tied-in with this survey will be ongoing work by Hidden Britain, an organisation helping the Town and District Councils to improve the tourism potential of the Stour Valley.

Getting together the volunteers to consider the choices and create a draft plan is the main task for June, with a public event planned on the 28th May. When the plan-making team is in place, and the information resource made available, the hard work will start.

A special thank you to Fay Ivens

Mayor, Ronnie Murphy, presented Fay Ivens with a beautiful bouquet of flowers on behalf of everyone at Shipston Town Council to thank her for her incredibly hard work over the past 12 months. Fay took office in an especially busy year, with celebrations relating to both the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the London Olympics adding to an already packed diary.

With support from her husband and fellow councillor, Arthur Ivens, Fay attended many local and regional events to help promote Shipston and was thanked by all councillors for being such a positive ambassador for the town. Her busy calendar did not take her away from hands-on duties, however. Over the last 12 months, there have been several sightings of Fay in either a bright orange emergency jacket, or a fluorescent yellow Proud of My Town vest!

On handing over her chain of office, Fay said "It has been a wonderful year and I feel very privileged to have been Mayor of Shipston on Stour. I wish Ronnie Murphy every success in her role as Mayor for 2013/14".



Fay Ivens was delighted to receive the flowers

Church Laurel tree cut down to size in David and Goliath-style battle featuring Stour Valley Lions

Lion Keith (David) Higginson cut down a Laurel tree (Goliath) that had grown 5 metres high and 7 metres wide and taken over a significant area of the church cemetery. Lion Peter (disciple) and helper Brian were hard pressed to keep up with Keith removing and stacking the cut down Laurel tree into a very large bonfire. Keith used a single hand saw to slash, trim and saw his way through boughs 12inch thick. A mountain of wood for tinder or mulching is now waiting for the council workers to remove.



The Laurel tree, after being cut down to size by Keith, revealing a hidden tree and a large expanse of bare ground ready for cultivation

It's a hat-trick for Norgren Bowls!

Congratulations to Norgren for winning The Frank Leadbeater Cup for a third year in a row! The winning team was: Roger Ashby, Dale Gooderham, Andy Prickett and Tom Bridgewater.

We run this League on a Tuesday evening from October to April and we would be very pleased to hear from any teams who would like to join us. Contact Bernard Smith on 01608-664317.



The Norgren winning indoor bowls team proudly show off their trophy

Congratulations to Councillor and Mrs Noyce

We've persuaded town councillor, Alan Noyce, to let us publish a wedding photo following his marriage to Pat in October last year. Congratulations to you both.



Readers' Letters

Letter from David H. Kennett

I wish to record how pleasant it was on Saturday 4 May 2013 to be able to get on the bus at 09.32 to Chipping Norton (for Oxford) at the bus stop on the east side of Church Street rather than having to hike out to the middle of the street. This was entirely due to the absence of cars parked on the still clearly marked 'Bus Stop'.

Those of us who regularly use the south-bound bus service often have to climb aboard the non-low floor bus, frequently used on the service, from the street level because cars are parked across the bus stop. Access to the bus can be difficult for the moderately disabled (I walk with the aid of a stick) when a bus with a centre pole and the split entry to the bus is provided. This design would prevent those using a wheelchair from any access to the bus, even if it were able to use the bus stop, which it rarely can. Saturday 4 May 2013 was the first time I recall being able to access the bus at the actual bus stop in the past two years and I am a frequent user of the service, often two and three times in a week.

District Council update

The District Council has finally approved a timetable for developing its housing master plan, known as the Core Strategy Planning Policy document. The date for final adoption of this document is set to be November 2014. The majority group on the Council has decided that 9,500 houses are to be built in the district between 2008 and 2028. What this means for Shipston is unclear as no decision has yet been made as to where these houses should be sited. My view is that in order to accommodate this number of houses, a new settlement should be considered rather than trying to attach large numbers of houses on the edges of towns such as Shipston.



Meanwhile, Banner Homes has written to say it is going to put forward a planning application to build 'circa 65' houses on the field behind Old Butt Road, adjacent to the Campden Road. Once again I feel this is a case of developers moving in with proposals before new planning policies are in place and should be resisted on those grounds if not many others.

I recently attended a meeting at the Ellen Badger Hospital to learn of the new coordination of care for our elderly population. There will be a reduction in the beds at the EBH from 26 to 18 but we were assured there would be no loss of service for those needing medical and nursing care as these will be increasingly provided at home.

County Council update

Elections

Can I thank all of those who supported me in the County Council elections on 2nd May. I had a number of challenges and challengers and the margin of victory was narrow. I am nevertheless pleased to have been re-elected to serve you all for another four years.



Warwickshire
County Council

Whatever, your political preference, I shall continue to serve you all to the best of my ability.

At the time of writing, it is not clear how the County Council will be governed, as it is now under 'No overall control', with no single group having a majority of seats.

Health and Wellbeing Board

Public Health, as distinct from clinical health, was transferred back to Local Government on 1st April when the Countywide Health and Wellbeing Board became operational. Its duties are to advance the health and wellbeing of people in its area and encourage persons who arrange for the provision of health or social care services to work in an integrated manner. The board includes four county councillors as well as representatives of district councils.

Warwickshire Police and Crime Panel

This is a countywide body to support the effectiveness of the Police and Crime Commissioner. In Warwickshire, the Panel comprises 10 councillors (two for each Warwickshire district) and two independent members.

The 10 seats for councillors are allocated according to the number of seats held by each group across the County. The allocations will have changed after the 2nd May elections. For the coming year, there will be 5 Conservative, 3 Labour and 2 Liberal Democrat members on the Panel.

Shipston Medical Centre

Shipston Medical Centre is now working in partnership with the South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust to provide more care in patients' own homes (see article on page 2).

There are many benefits for patients receiving care at home, including building patient confidence in their own environment, providing more tailored care plans and reducing the risk of falls.

Rather than multiple doctors sharing responsibility for patients at the EBH, we now have two doctors providing all the medical cover with daily ward rounds improving both continuity and communication with the nursing and rehabilitation team, as well as patients and their families. Dr Ian Philp (clinical director of South Warwickshire Foundation Trust) is also attending ward rounds once a month to provide support with his expertise in the care of the elderly.

The new medical services being introduced will allow us to provide better assessment and treatment locally, with care provided by the local GPs and nurses who have a better

knowledge and understanding of their patients' needs and wishes. The closer links with community services will also enable a quicker supported discharge home for inpatients.



The increase in community services represents a positive step forward in reducing hospital admissions and enabling a quicker, supported return to home from hospital, reducing the risk of patients becoming institutionalised or picking up other infections.

Last year, this model was introduced in the Nicol Unit at Stratford upon Avon Hospital. Although the number of beds reduced, more patients were treated through better use of beds and enhanced and expanded services in the community. We look forward to a similar success rate in Shipston.

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Something exciting to share?

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– but the sooner you can notify the editor of a potential story the better.

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Copies of the Talking Shipston Forum can be requested via New Clark House.

Large print copies are available to read at the Library, New Clark House and the Medical Centre.

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Shipston Forum	01865 600262
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