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## FODS News - Welcome

elcome to the second issue of our FODS village magazine. We have been delighted by the very positive response that the first issue received and we hope you find this edition just as informative and interesting. We aim to make each issue as diverse and as inclusive of as many of our village community groups and

organisations as possible. We are grateful to all those who have already sent in contributions.



Please do keep us informed of any forthcoming events or news — we would love to hear from you by email at friendsofdunchurch@gmail.com.

# **FODS Archive**

Our website www.friendsof-dunchurchsociety.org is now up and running. Here you will find all you need to know about FODS plus links to many other websites including the WI, Parish Council, Village Hall, Pantomaniacs and the Festival Group. However, we are particularly proud to announce our archive section, which over the coming months will build to provide a wealth of information about our historic village.

Paul Waller writes: 'The Dunchurch Village Archive will always be free to access worldwide. Contributions are welcome and warmly encouraged on that basis. We can photograph or scan any loaned photographs or documents, or if preferred we can copy at the donor's home. Over time, historical snippets will be added from newspapers or other publications. We are keen to see any items of village interest including event programmes, issues of 'Shepherds Pie', business letter headings, business cards

and advertisements. We would love to add photographs of changed areas, new estates, new roads, old church fetes, new summer festivals, old petrol stations, demolition, new trees, old trees, long gone businesses, the old doctors' surgery, the old scout hut, groups/clubs (such as over 60s, girls' brigade, football club) and anything else of local interest. For example, we have recently added to our 'street views' section a photo of an old roadside house on Rugby Road being demolished in 1982. Coming soon, a set of photographs of the village cleaned and decorated for the 2002 Queen's Golden Jubilee.'

To the best of our knowledge, there has never been a 'one stop shop' for our village history and the FODS website will provide a safe and secure place for a wealth of invaluable information which may be viewed and enjoyed for generations to come. Please send any submissions or questions concerning this to FODS archive at our email address.

Front cover: Dunchurch in bloom 2019 - (inset) the winning logo by Lauren aged 8

# FODS Neighbourhood Watch

We have big news! We are delighted to inform you that we have started a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme. Its success will depend on the participation of residents, so please 'sign up' for regular communications. Full details are on page 4.

# **FODS Coffee Mornings**

Thank you to everyone who held one of our fundraising coffee mornings. We are delighted to say that we raised a total of £625 with a combination of donations and raffle tickets sales. However, and just as importantly, it gave opportunity to meet up with old friends and to make new ones. Even Santa joined in! This is definitely an event worthy of repeating in the future.

# **FODS Social**

At our December Christmas Social held at the Social Club, we were delighted to have hosted an 'address' by Theo Claassen from the Rugby Aviation Group who requested FODS support for a 2019 re-commemoration of the Rugby Road memorial to the Halifax Bomber crew. Next year marks the 75th anniversary of the tragic crash and the request was unanimously

supported by members. FODS looks forward to working with the aviation group in support of this most worthy cause.

# Dunchurch in Bloom

We have now officially registered for Rugby in Bloom and Heart of England in Bloom and



Angels knitted by Friends of Dunchurch appeared around the village, free to anyone to take home for their tree

are therefore starting on an exciting new venture for our village — more on page 9. Please help us transform the centre of the village into a colourful spectacle by registering as a helper. Together, we can achieve great things.

## **FODS Newsletter**

Finally, don't wait for the next magazine issue to find out about village news. Just

sign up for our regular newsletter by emailing friendsofdunchurch@gmail.com and head it 'Register me as a member of FODS.' Or visit our website www.friendsofdunchurchsociety.org and choose 'please click to join.' Membership is completely free and will enable you to keep right up to date with all that is happening.



# Neighbourhood Watch Scheme



# Rugby Borough

# **Neighbourhood Watch**





As part of our strategy in progressing the FODS to further enhance the community we have decided to create and grow a Neighbourhood Watch scheme for our village.

FODS has joined the national Neighbourhood Watch scheme and is now part of the Rugby Borough Neighbourhood Watch. Our scheme will be known as Friends of Dunchurch Society NHW Scheme.

Like all similar associations in the UK we are an independent, self governing, voluntary body constituted on democratic principles. Its inclusive nature is based on equal opportunity for all of us, along with the police and local partners, to build a safe

and friendly community and to help make Dunchurch and Warwickshire a healthier and happier place in which to live and work.

Communication within the group is very important and this will be encouraged by email, Facebook and website circulation, followed up by the FODS newsletter email and FODS magazine. In this environment we are able to receive and also supply information and advice on police and national NHW alerts together with relevant crime prevention.

We therefore encourage as many people as possible, young and old, to join us in helping to achieve our aim by signing up to your local community on:

Website: www.friendsofdunchurchsociety.org

- a new NHW page will appear soon.



Facebook: 'Friends of Dunchurch Society' or www.facebook.com/groups/283143168981777

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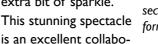
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# Christmas Magic

ollowing tradition, the village Christmas tree was in place by the first Sunday in December and it provided an excellent backdrop for the annual outdoor nativity organised by the combined churches of the village. The service heralded the start of the Christmas festivities and was a wonderful mix of worship, music, song, and storytelling involving a variety of groups and organisations with a representation of all ages.

As usual, the centre of our village looked resplendent with its night time illuminations. The large village Christmas tree provided annually by the Parish Council and erected and decorated by the good men folk of the Dunchurch Festival Group had never looked better as it

stood proud with its 'crowning glory' of a shining star and dazzling cascade of white lights. Meanwhile, the trees above the shops, (the purchase of which is also organised by the Parish Council but financially supported by the traders) added that extra bit of 'sparkle.' This stunning spectacle



Another tradition - in December the statue was secretely transformed

ration and a sight that must surely lift the spirits of weary Christmas travellers as they pass through our village during the festive season.

# **Dunchurch Festival Group Donations**

If you attended any of the many enjoyable events organised by the Dunchurch Festival Group, you will have contributed to yet another successful year of fundraising. To help spread their own seasonal joy, the DFG enlisted the help of Santa to hand over a marvellous £9,200

in donations to 15 other village organisations who had requested funding for a variety of projects. (A further £3,000 is being kept in reserve to invest in other necessities to assist with the village fete and for training members to enable the group to officially close part of the road

for the fete day procession.) Judging by the smiles of the recipients, the funds were gratefully received and no doubt. will be put to very good use in 2019.

# **Carol Singers**

Dunchurch Festival Group members braved the cold to have a good old-fashioned sing song of 'Christmassy' songs and carols — just what was needed to get us in the mood for the run up to Christmas. There were two Santas this year (Dad and Lad) and a motorised sleigh offering tunes from its "high tech sleigh entertainment system!" This proved invaluable while we all enjoyed our half time refreshments of mulled wine and mince pies thanks to the

#### by Rob Collings

generosity of residents on Vicarage Lane. The night ended at the Dun Cow where we stood on the stairs and gave of our best while the sleigh proved quite a sight, parked in the car park outside. Customers must have appreciated the singing (we guess it must have been the beer) as all together we collected £250. This will be donated to Hope 4 Rugby, a homeless charity based in the town. Thank you to everyone who gave up their time and to all those who donated.

# Holiday at Home

oliday at Home events are organised by Dunchurch Churches Together throughout the year to provide an opportunity for people to meet and who also might otherwise find it difficult to get out and about.

Events are quite varied and have recently included a boat trip at Stratford on Avon, Kenilworth Castle, a Guy Fawkes talk, a beetle drive, school dinner and entertainment at the Junior School, Christmas lunch at Draycote, a tea dance, a visit to Stoke Bruerne Canal Museum including a canal trip, and a songs of praise event. All events include food!!

Our events are open to everyone of retirement age who live in the parishes of Dunchurch and Thurlaston or who are members of the participating churches.

#### By Bob Fricker

We advertise in the village and make booking forms available in Dunchurch Library, Tanser Court, the GP surgery, and the churches. We also send out booking forms to our 'regulars' so if you might be interested in joining us in future you can register an interest by contacting Sandy Fricker on 01788 810957 or sandy[16@gmail.com.

### Thinking of others

Several months ago, a new 'live in' scheme manager was appointed in Ferrieres Close. Since arriving, Donna has introduced a variety of initiatives including a Christmas collection for the Rugby food bank. Leaflets were delivered asking residents to donate items, which they did most generously. Several bags were filled with food items and toiletries, and all were delivered prior to Christmas and no doubt, most thankfully received.

# **Dunchurch Parish Councillor Elections**

re you interested in becoming a Parish Councillor? Elections will be held on the 2nd May 2019. For more information, contact Lindsey Foster, Clerk to the Parish Council, email clerk@dunchurchpc.org, telephone 01788 817550.

To be able to stand as a candidate at a parish council election in England you must:

- be at least 18 years old
- be a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any member state of the European Union, and meet at least one of the following four qualifications:
  - You are, and will continue to be, registered as a local government elector for the parish/community in which you wish to stand from the day of your nomination onwards.
  - You have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the parish/community area during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your nomination and the day of election.
  - Your main or only place of work during the 12 months prior to the day of your nomination and the day of election has been in the parish/community area.

4. You have lived in the parish/ community area or within three miles of it during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your nomination and the day of election.

Nomination papers are now available and should be returned before 4pm on Wednesday 3rd April 2019.

Detailed guidance may be found on the Electoral Commission website www. electoralcommission.org.uk or contact our local council for advice.

Local Electoral Registration Office Rugby Borough Council Electoral Registration Officer, Town Hall, Evreux Way, Rugby CV21 2RR, tel 01788 533595 email elections@rugby.gov.uk www.rugby.gov.uk

## Dunchurch Parish Council — Neighbourhood Plan Committee

IMPORTANT. Expected consultation April 2019. Keep a look out for a flyer that will soon be arriving through your door advising of the imminent Neighbourhood Plan Survey. You are strongly encouraged to express your views, in particular with respect to planning and housing needs. Please take up this opportunity to voice your opinion.

Thank you.

Formed by likeminded residents who love Dunchurch and its heritage and wish to protect and enhance its environment in order to make the village a better place to live in, work in and visit.



# DUNCHURCH IS ENTERING



**RUGBY IN BLOOM 2019** 

HEART OF ENGLAND IN BLOOM THESE EVENTS WILL SET THE STANDARDS OF CARE VILLAGERS

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WANT FOR DUNCHURCH.
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# DUNCHURCH IN BLOOM

WILL GIVE US THE FOCUS FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS WE ARE ALL AIMING FOR IN OUR VILLAGE

You can help to make Dunchurch the village so many want to see

We are hoping that every property in Dunchurch including all homes, businesses, shops, pubs, Schools, restaurants etc will this year join in what we believe is the first ever attempt by our whole community to make all of Dunchurch BLOOM!

If each property in our village has a floral display on their main roadside frontage (judging our village will be carried out from the roadside) it will greatly enhance the environment of our lovely village and we just might win the large village category of the Britain in Bloom competition! Rugby Borough Council have set the theme for 2019 as 'Green in Action' and the chosen colours for the event are pink and purple. Trixi Million Bells petunias 'Pink Petticoats' are our chosen plant for Dunchurch in Bloom.

## It's not just about flowers!

Heart of England judges will be looking at and marking on floral displays, well-kept village greens and clean well maintained street furniture and signage and they will also be looking for a litter free environment. FODS volunteers will be working with villagers towards this end.

Dunchurch in Bloom will be judged on Friday 19th July.

For More information about Dunchurch in Bloom contact
Tony and Sue Kember: info@vghrugby.co.uk

Trixi Million Bells Petunias

Pink Petticoats

# 1st Dunchurch Scout Group

by Mole

hortly into the autumn term, after briefly struggling to fill the post of Scout leader, I foolishly, courageously and happily took on the role. My name is Carol Bostrom but in Scouting I am known as Mole. Formerly, a Beaver and Cub Leader and a primary school teacher to boot, I was happy to help out.

Our first meeting coincided with National Poetry day and we kicked off with poetry, lyrics and riddles to get everyone in the mood. Over the weeks, we continued with our writer's activity badge including, composing poems, writing a blog and finished by interviewing Jason Moss, our local Rugby FM DJ about his children's stories. After varied questioning, Jason read and signed some of his stories and with the support of our Young Leader (Explorer Scout) Harry Bennett, we managed to get a shout out on radio the next morning.

When completing badges and awards, we mix a varied programme to ensure that every child is catered for. As part of our Physical Recreation activity badge, we began learning hockey, gaining basic skills and knowledge of the game thanks to the help of a parent/hockey player who kindly volunteered his time and skills. Sport skills were gained, vital exercise taken and all with good fun too. A true Scout recipe.

Across Warwickshire County there is an annual 9km Christmas BEAR TREK across fields and toe paths in which 'Dunchurch Trekkers,' adorned with festive hats, compass and maps took part. Leaders including myself and Paddy were assigned on one of eleven stations where the Scouts participated in a variety of fun activities. By the end of the day the 'trekkers' had overcome adversity, learnt new skills and formed new friends.

We also made some super Christmas gifts of scented lavender bags and wall decorations under the guidance of Lucy aka Golden Eagle. We had our Christmas party at an indoor trampoline park, where we also invested two more Scouts. Frankly, we would need a whole book to tell you about all of our activities but I hope this gives you a little insight into our scouting adventures at 1st Dunchurch Scout Group.



# Doctors in Dunchurch 1830-1930

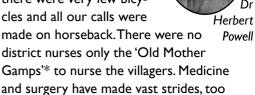
By Dr John Airlie Hunter, Dunchurch GP 1963–1998 and Dr Ian Czerniewski, Dunchurch GP since 1991

he history of Medical Practitioners in Dunchurch can be traced back to at least 1830 during the reign of King William IV when Dr Thomas Ellis (the brother of William Webb Ellis) began his practice in the village which went on to span 38 years. Little was recorded about him or his successors in the role of 'Medical and Vaccination Officer for Dunchurch District' until the arrival of Dr Herbert Powell in 1909.

Dr Powell appears to have been a very popular and remarkable stalwart of the village. Apart from running his practice and caring for soldiers wounded in the Great War at Bilton Hall and Fitzjohns, he was a Churchwarden at St Peter's for 18 years, Chairman of the Dunchurch Parish Council for 12 years and the President of Dunchurch Cricket Club and Dunchurch Bowling Club amongst others. One senior lifelong Dunchurch resident fondly recalled his immaculate demeanour and his house calls in a horse-drawn trap. It is interesting that Dunchurch traffic problems were already a major issue in the 1920s, as described by Dr Powell in the Rugby Advertiser at the time of his retirement, age 69:

"Since I began practice 47 years ago (1883) the whole of life has undergone a remarkable change. When I began, the motor car was unknown, there were very few bicycles and all our calls were

in the intervening years.



The most noteworthy change, however, has been brought about by the great increase in the motor traffic. When I first came to Dunchurch (1909), this was a very quiet little village. The only accidents we were called upon to treat were the occasional farm labourer who had fallen off a wagon and broken a limb or to a cyclist who had gravel rash. Now there is a constant stream of traffic through the village. Accidents, many of them fatal, occur with appalling frequency and it is nothing unusual for me to be called out two or three nights in a week to a road accident. These accidents have thrown an enormous amount of work on the doctors and L feel that the practice at Dunchurch calls for a younger man."

In 1930 that younger man was Dr Reginald Edmondson who will feature in the next issue of this magazine...

> \* from Mrs Gamp in Martin Chuzzlewit, Charles Dickens

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# **Dunchurch Band**

#### By Louise Balsom

Dunchurch Band is a friendly community-based brass band comprising two groups, the Training and the Main band.

#### **Training band**

We teach brass instruments and musical education from reading the first note to playing in a full band; for a nominal fee we provide instruments, uniform, and musical education to the community. Our primary objective is to encourage and provide opportunities for people of all ages to learn a musical instrument. Rehearsal venue — WI Hall Dunchurch Monday nights 7pm — 8.30pm

#### Main band

The main band is currently a progressive brass band in the 4th section concentrating on improving our standards and



entertaining the community through concerts, charitable events and contests. We provide music, instruments and uniforms.

Rehearsal venue – WI Hall Dunchurch Tuesday nights 7.30pm – 9.30pm

If you are a budding brass player, fancy a new hobby or are looking for a friendly family-orientated brass band please contact Louise Balsom:

dunchurch.band100@yahoo.com 01327361564, 07548276993 www.dunchurchband.co.uk

## Girlguiding volunteers

Girlguiding girls have fun, adventure and the space to discover their potential. However, adult volunteers are needed to help with the 1st Dunchurch Rainbows, 3rd Dunchurch Brownies and the 1st Dunchurch Guides. If you feel you have what it takes to help, a warm welcome awaits you. Visit www.girlguiding.org.uk for more information and to volunteer. Thank you.

The full Community Directory can be found in issue I and on the website - the GirlGuiding information has been updated as below:

Dunchurch Girlguiding including ar

GirlGuiding girls have fun, adventure and space to discover their potential

www.girlguiding.org.uk is where parents/ carers may express their daughters' interest in joining. Adult volunteers welcomed.

1st Rainbows 3rd Brownies 1st Guides Age 5 – 7 yrs.Wed. 3.45 – 4.45 pm Age 7 – 11 yrs.Wed. 5 – 6.30pm

Age 10 - 14 yrs.Wed. 6.45 – 8.15pm

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CONNOISSEURS STARTERS
Sheek Mach£5.50 Rainbow trout roasted in clay oven.
Chandu £5.50 Silver promfret fish roasted in clay oven.
Masala Mach Biran£5.50 Cod fish cooked on the grill with fried onions and tomatoes.
Stuffed Roshun Pepper£4.50 Green pepper roasted in clay oven with minced lamb or vegetables V.
Murghi Kofta Kebab£3.95 Chicken shallow fried in batter. Lamb Chops£5.95
Spicy marinated chops grilled in clay oven.
Chat Masala£3.95
Chicken or potato   Cooked in a tangy sauce.  Paneer Tikka   £3.95
Indian cottage cheese roasted in clay oven.  Jhinga Puree 6
King prawn cooked in spices with spinach & served in puri bread.
Chot-Poti £3.95 Chicken or lamb cooked with chana dhall and green chilli.
Chingri Puree 5 £3.95 Prawn with spinach cooked in spices & served in puri bread.
Tandoori Stir Fry£3.95 Chicken fried with onion, capsicum & mushrooms.
King Prawn Bahar£5.95 King prawn roasted in clay oven with capsicum, tomatoes
and onions.
Garlic Chicken Tikka
CHEFS SPECIALITIES Khasia Lamb£7.95
Mouthwatering Madras- hot lamb, slowly simmered and sliced with garlic and authentic herbs tip soft and melting.
Masala Chom Chom£10.50  A hot spicy dish with shelled king prawns, infused with ginger, garlic, capsicum and chefs own aromatic spices.
Naga (HOT) Lamb, chicken or prawn
Shatkora£7.95 Traditional bangladeshi shatkora (Citrus) vegetable from
Sylhet cooked with lamb or chicken, enhancing the flavour
Handi
chefs own extensive aromatic blended spices and herbs
Tawa£7.95 Tawa cooked with onion, green pepper, strongly spiced
and herbs, served on a sizzling pan.
Lamb Chops Akbor-E£7.95
A medium spiced bhuna dish served piping hot in a traditional Khorai dish, garnished with conander & tomatoes.
Allergy Guide
If you suffer from food related allergies please inform us at the time of ordering.  Diary Gluten Nuts V Vegan

## TRADITIONAL MAIN COURSE

Prawn	£6.95
Chicken	
Lamb	£6.95
Chicken or Lamb Tikka	
Tandoori Chicken (Off the bone)	
King Prawn	£9.95
Keema (minced lamb)	
Paneer O	
Mixed Vegetable V or Mushroom	V£6.50
Fish Tikka	
All of the above items can be cooked using a s	auce of your

choice from the following selection:

#### CURRY

Basic medium spiced sauce.

#### KORMA 🔘 🛈

Very mild sauce cooked with coconut & almond.

#### MALAYAN 0

Cooked with pineapple, in a mild smooth sauce.

#### BHOONA

Cooked with onions, green peppers, tomato & fresh herbs

#### DOPEAZA

Medium dish cooked with anions.

#### ROGAN JOSH

Cooked with green herbs & spices, garlic, onlons & tomatoes.

#### DANSAK

Cooked with lentils in a thick, hot, sweet & sour sauce.

#### PATHIA

Cooked with tomatoes, onion, fresh herbs & spices in a hot & sour sauce.

#### MADRAS

Cooked in a fairly hot spiced sauce.

#### SAAG WALLA

Cooked in garlic and spinach sauce.

#### VINDALOO

A very hot dish made from red chilli.

Any vegetable can be added to your dish, such as mushroom, potato, spinach, cauliflower, chick peas, bhindi, lentils, mixed vegetables and peas for an extra 65p.

#### POPULAR BALTI DISHES

The strength of these dishes can be prepared to taste. You can ask for mild, medium, slightly hot, madras or vindaloo hot.

Mixed Vegetable Balti V	£6.50
Keema Balti	£6.50
Chicken Balti	£6.50
Lamb Balti	£6.95
Chicken or Lamb Tikka Balti	£6.95
Tandoori Chicken Balti (Off the bone)	£6.95
Paneer Balti 🛈	£6.95
Prawn Balti	£6.95
King Prawn Balti	£9.95
Fish Tikka Balti (Cod)	

### CELEBRATION SPECIALITIES

Some fish dishes may contain bones Sunar Bangla Mach ......£7.95 Bengal fish cooked with aubergine and a touch of green chilli. Tandoori Trout Masala 🛛 🛈 ......£7.95 Rainbow trout cooked in a mild creamy sauce. Roop Chand Masala @ O ......£7.95 Silver promflet fish cooked in a mild creamy sauce. Fish Bengal Masala @ 0......£7.95 Bengal fish cooked in mild creamy sauce. Murghi Masala @ 0 ......£6.95 Chicken cooked with mince lamb, egg and tomatoes. Spicy but mild dish. Chicken/Lamb Tikka Masala @ 0 ... £6.95 Cooked in a mild, creamy sauce. Tandoori King Prawn Masala @ 0 ...£10.25 Cooked in a mild creamy sauce. Jhinga Zafron 🚨 🛈 .....£10.25

King prawn cooked in a mild sauce with zafron. Tandoori Murghi Chana Palak ....... £6.95 Chicken cooked with chick peas & spinach, medium. Pasanda Nawabi @ 0 ......£6.95

Lamb cooked with pistachio, a very mild dish, Dakeswari ......£6.95 Lamb cooked in a spicy sauce. Slight hot.

Badami 🛭 🛈 .....£6.95 Chicken or Lamb cooked with various nuts and cream, a very mild dish.

Rajeswari......£6.95 Chicken cooked in a spicy sauce. Slightly hot. Makani @ 0 ......£6.95

Chicken or Lamb cooked in a slightly hot sauce with plum tomatoes and cheese.

To suit your taste the next selection of dishes may be

cooked with any of the following.		
Mixed Vegetables V	£6.50	
Chicken		
Lamb	£6.95	
Chicken or Lamb Tikka		
Paneer 0		
Prawns	£6.95	
King Prawns	£9.95	
Fish Tikka (Cod)	£7.95	
Tandoori Chicken (off the bone)	£6.95	

ZALFREZI Cooked with capsicums, onion, fresh green chillies and fresh herbs in a hot sauce.

#### ACHARI

Cooked with homemade pickles, medium with tangy taste.

#### GARLIC MASALA

Cooked with garlic, spicy or medium

#### SOUTH INDIAN CHILLI MASALA

Cooked in a smooth, spicy hot sauce.

#### JAAL JHUL

Cooked Bengal style with garlic, cinnamno and herbs. Hot and spicy.

#### ROTHON MASALA (1) (1)

Cooked with fruit cocktail and cream, very mild dish.

#### KARAHI

Cooked with tornatoes, onion and capsicum, spicy medium dish.

SELECTED BIRIANI DISHES	RICE
You may ask for a different strength sauce, madras, vindaloo, etc	Lemon Fried Rice£2.70
Chicken£7.50	Garlic Fried Rice£2.70
Lamb or Prawn£7.95	Chilli Fried Rice£2.70
Chicken or Lamb Tikka£8.50	Aloo Fried Rice£3.50
Paneer Tikka 0£7.95	Steamed Basmati Rice£2.50
King Prawn£9.95	Pilau Rice£2.60
Tandoori Chicken (off the bone) £7.95	Fried Rice£2.60
Mixed Vegetables V£7.50	Egg Fried Rice£2.70
Special Combination£8.95	Vegetable Pilau Rice£2.70
Persian or Malayan extra 65p. Extra Mushroom 65p	Special Pilau Rice£2.70
A 4 7 . N. S.D. A. S.J. (1) P.	Mushroom Pilau Rice£2.70
EUROPEAN DISHES	Keema Pilau Rice£2.90
Following dishes are served with chips Sirloin Steak £11.95	Chana Pilau Rice£2.70
Chicken or Prawn Omelette£8.25	Rothon Pilau Rice£2.70
Mushroom Omelette£8.25	NAAN & SUNDRIES
Prawn Omelette£8.25	Special Stuffed Naan @ @£2.80
French Fried Chicken£8.25	Finely chopped chicken tikka pieces topped with
Fried Scampi£8.25	green chilli and cheese.
VEGETARIAN COURSE To accompany your main meal we have selected the following vegetable dishes. We recommend them to	Stuffed Fruit Naan ① ③£2.80  Naan bread stuffed with small pineapple pieces, giving it a fruity taste.
compliment the meat that you order.	Naan 0 @£2.50
Side Main	Keema Naan @ @£2.70
Saag Cream Mild 9£3.25£6.50	Garlic Naan @ @£2.60
Vegetable Bhajee V£3.25£6.50	Peshwari Fruits & Nuts Naan @ @ @ £2.70
Mushroom Bhajee V£3.25£6.50	Kulcha Naan @ @£2.60
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# **Dunchurch and Thurlaston Educational Foundation**

#### By Paul Smith

n Ist October 1941 a field, which is now the site of Done Cerce Close, was given to the Diocese of Coventry to use as a site for a secondary Church of England School in Dunchurch. By 1967 it was clear that such a school was not needed, the Harris School having been built. The land was sold to the former Rugby RDC for housing and the sale proceeds went partly to Harris School and partly to setting up this Charity.

The Foundation is run by ten Governors (trustees). It can make grants for educational or training purposes to young persons who have not attained the age of 25 years and who reside, or whose parents reside, in the parishes of Dunchurch and Thurlaston and who

# Warwickshire Step-parents Group

Are you a step parent or step grandparent? If so, you might like to know that a new support group is being formed and is holding its first meeting at the Dunchurch Methodist Church, 8pm on Monday 11 March. Here you will be able to talk to others in a similar position, share experiences, find support and learn from each other. Find out more at warwickshiresteps.blogspot.com Anyone interesting in attending should email warwickshiresteps@gmail.com

in the opinion of the Governors are in need of financial assistance. It can also make grants to voluntary organisations which provide educational or certain other benefits for such young persons. In addition the Foundation can help the Dunchurch Infant and Junior Schools with benefits which would not normally be provided by the Local Educational Authority.

The income of the Foundation is fairly modest – about £2,700.00 last year, but if anyone wants to be considered for a grant please contact the Clerk to the Governors, Paul Smith at 11 Bilton Lane Dunchurch Rugby CV22 6PY, telephone 01788 810635 or email pppsmith80@ hotmail.com.

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#### Village fete

This year's fete will be held on Saturday 15th June and the theme is 'Fairy Tales, Scary Tales.' Make sure you put the date in your diary. The Dunchurch Festival Group is already working hard to make sure it provides entertainment for all, and in our next issue we will focus on the history of the group and tell you what you can expect on fete day. In the meantime, if you can give up just a little of your time to help please contact Chairman Rob Collings on 01788 817307. For more information about the Dunchurch Festival Group, go to www.dunchurchevents.org

# **Dunchurch and Thurlaston WI Centenary Year**

#### Freda Bennett, Publicity

ur centenary walk through the village was held on a very windy but bright morning in early December. Suitably dressed in the styles of 1918 and with hands on hats, we followed behind our new centenary banner, eventually ending up at the WI Hall in Southam Road for tea and cake with visiting friends.

On 10th December we celebrated the 100th anniversary of the foundation of Dunchurch & Thurlaston WI. We were joined by not only our County Chairman, Anne Bufton-McCoy, but also our National Chair, Lynne Stubbings. What an honour, ladies.

After the singing of 'Jerusalem' – not something we do every month – our talented committee had arranged that everything should be linked to the time

our organisation began in 1918. Starting with our dress code for the evening and the recipes of the three course meal, there followed a raffle, with prizes wrapped in newspaper and string. The prizes were a surprise — a brace of pheasants, a rabbit and many others, including Camp coffee, tins of spam and corned beef, and lavender bags. To round off the

evening, we were entertained by our WI version of 'Bathing Belles', attired in colourful bathing



costumes, who danced to the music of the time. One of our members had made a beautifully decorated celebration cake and we carried our slices homeward with memories of a wonderful evening.

In January six members from our History Group descibed events and projects undertaken by our WI over the past century, including amongst others sport groups, a choir, the gloving industry, the churchyard survey, lectures and courses.

When Lord Waring donated our hall in 1924, he could not have foreseen its uses during WW2 as a First Aid Centre,

for making camouflage nets, as a child welfare clinic and for school meals, not forgetting the joint venture with Bilton WI, when an amazing amount of jam (what else!) was made in our hall.

Today it is a pleasant well-maintained building and is let out on a regular basis to groups and for local events and parties.



# Art in Dunchurch

his summer will see a group of local artists from Dunchurch and the surrounding area showing their work during Warwickshire Open Studios fortnight in June. With over twenty artists signed up for the event in Dunchurch, it promises to be a great venue to visit. For some, it will be the first time they show their work to the public but others, professional artists, have many years of experience in creating and showing their work. This will be a great chance to

gather together to share experiences and skills and get inspiration from the wide variety of art forms on display. The Open Studios event showing in Dunchurch will be held right in the heart of the village in three venues adjacent to the Village

Green. Some artists will be demonstrating their techniques and there will also be a chance for the public to try a new skill, perhaps throw a pot, have a go at weaving or print your own picture.

The local event, part of Warwickshire Open Studios 2019, is being organised by Adam and Jo Sheridan of 'Mud and Wool'. Adam and Jo took part for the first time last year, Adam showing his terracotta pots and Jo her Japanese saori weaving. Adam said, 'We had so much interest from local





people and artists asking if they could join us next year, we just wanted to do it again'. Their aim is to bring together likeminded people interested in sharing their love of creative arts to form a community of artists in this area of Warwickshire.

Warwickshire Open Studios 2019 will be at The Old Post Office, Fosse House Gallery and Inglenook on Coventry Road in Dunchurch, 15th,

> 16th 19th, 22nd, 23rd, 26th and 29th June 2019.

Further information from josheridan9@gmail.com

'Deep in the forest' a textile collage piece using a variety of techniques including both hand and machine stitching, by Julia Sanders

# **School News**

s mentioned in the last issue, the staff at Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery are planning an event for the whole community on Saturday 4th May from 11am to 2pm to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the schools opening. The event will be opened by our youngest current pupil and our oldest ex-pupil. The oldest we have currently found is in their eighties; if you can beat this, we would love to hear from you! Regardless of that, we welcome all ex-pupils and local residents to this event. Some people have kindly come forward to offer the loan of photos and documents from the history of the school. If anyone else can help in this way then let please let us know.



#### by Ian Dewes, Headteacher

Local residents passing the Junior School late at night may have wondered why the lights were on. This was because Year 5 children spent two nights enjoying Space Camp. Children are immersed in a subject of space through the novelty of sleeping in school overnight. The children take part in activities such as star gazing with equipment loaned by a national organisation run by teachers in Learnington. As well as learning about space, staying away from home for the night is a great personal development opportunity for the children which supplements our programme of residentials which sees children in years 4, 5 and 6 spending gradually increased amounts of time away from home.

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# **Junior FODS**

#### Where's Walter?

ongratulations to
Amber age 9
who won a £10 National Book Voucher courtesy of the

Dunchurch Pantomaniacs. Amber spotted Walter sitting on top of the library in issue I. Walter is once again hidden somewhere in this issue. Search the pages and see if you



can find him.
Email your
answer with
your name
and age and
we will enter
you into a
prize draw
for a £10

book voucher.

#### **Easter Fun**

We have it on good authority that the Easter Bunny will be visiting Dunchurch over the Easter weekend, 19th – 21st of April.



As if by magic, a 'herd' of bunnies will be appearing around the centre of the village. If you find one, please take it and give it a good home. We would love to receive a photograph of you with it so we may print it in our next issue. Happy searching!





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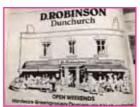
# Focus on Business

#### **Anne-Maries Florist**

wner Anne-Marie is now in her 32nd year of successful trading and follows in the footsteps of a long line of family village traders who have conducted business in Dunchurch for nearly 90 years. In the early 1930s, her grandfather George Nutt opened The Corner Shop where he sold a variety of items including fruit and veg which he grew in his own garden at Trentham House, School Street. George went on to open adjoining shops, one of which was The Stocks Cafe (where the Huntsman Carvery is now) which became a very popular meeting place for visitors and locals alike.

Following the tradition that George had set, Anne-Marie's parents opened their own successful haberdashery store which later progressed into a general store. (Residents who lived in Dunchurch during the 1980s will remember fondly that 'Robinsons' on the Southam Road was the go-to place for anything and everything from hardware to fruit, veg, cut flowers!) It was here that the 8-year-old Anne-Marie developed a pas-

sion for flowers and decided that she wanted to be a florist. True to her word, at the age of 19, she began her first



year of trading in her present shop which for many years previously had been the site of a very successful butcher's business run

by her mother and stepfather. Nowadays, whilst still concentrating on her first love of flora, Anne-Marie also sells an excellent range of small gifts. However, she is the first to admit that trading hasn't been without its challenges.

"There have been many changes and struggles over the years, particularly when the opening of a supermarket close by almost crushed the retail efforts of our village. I am proud to say I am still here to serve and listen to the stories of so many people who have a passion for the history of our village and its future, so I am pleased to share with you a little piece of my family's history and our contribution to the village of Dunchurch."

Anne-Marie's mother as a girl serving at the cornershop (inset) her grandfather outside Stocks cafe



# **Dunchurch Baptist Church**

BC continues to meet together with the Methodists at Dunchurch Methodist Church on Cawston Lane while we prepare to get started on our new purpose-built church. We have now jumped through almost all the hoops required to allow clearance of our site on Coventry Road. We are considering the tenders from five builders and hope to make our decision in April.

We hope to dismantle the remainder of the old building over the next few weeks - it may have already happened by the time this magazine reaches you! Part of our old building is even going to be recycled as a classic car workshop! Once the

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#### By Claire Siddaway

site is cleared all you will see for a while are a welfare unit and a storage container. Although there is a fence around the building site there is still access to the graveyard at the right hand side.

In the meantime, our activities continue at DMC including: Messy Church for families, Noah's Ark for toddlers, Beech Tree Coffee Shop, occasional breakfasts and our weekly Sunday services. All are welcome to these and details can be found on our website http://www.dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk or in the leaflets in the church entrance.

Easter is an important occasion for the Christian Church. We celebrate the death and resurrection of our Saviour, Jesus, the One who we believe not only reveals to us the God who created us, but also provides a way for us to get to know Him. You will be very welcome to celebrate Easter with us!

#### The services at Easter are:

Thu April 18th Churches Together
Maundy Thursday Communion Service at
7.30pm at DMC
Fri April 19th Churches Together
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# The Thatched Bus Shelter

our years after the second world war ended, the thatched bus shelter was erected as a war memorial and protected by law as a Grade II listed building. First proposed in 1945 by the WI, a telegraph pole and a telephone kiosk had to be relocated to accommodate it. Its positioning seems apt, so close to the site of the original Working Mens Club which was bombed on the night of 19th November 1940 when two men Arthur Mason and

Victor Eley so sadly lost their lives.

Donated to the village by the then Chairman of the Parish Council. Alderman Arthur Adkinson, the structure was built to the rustic design of Mr R G Castle and officially opened on the 14th December 1949, More recently, following the disappearance of its original plaque, the local branch of the British Legion considered its reinstatement a worthy project and with the support of the Parish Council, a rededication



took place on Sunday 13th December 2009 to mark its 60th anniversary. The current plaque is set into the pavement to the right of the bus shelter.

# Fly the Flag

When the maypole was commissioned by the Traders' Association they had the forethought to include the provision of a flagpole, and the late Mr and Mrs Hancock of Coventry Road generously took on the role of flag management, flying 'the colours' on appropriate days. Sadly, since their 'passing,' this tradition has ceased and FODS would very much like to resurrect it. Following a survey by our Green Spaces Manager, WCC Forestry Department has trimmed the surrounding tree branches so a flag may fly unhindered. All we need now is a volunteer to take on the task of 'raising' the flag. If you are able to help with this, please email friendsofdunchurch@ gmail.com

### The Voice of the Clock

By Mike Bennett, Tower Captain

The Tenor bell at St Peter's Church is the heaviest of our peal of six bells and was cast by John Briant of Hertford in 1792. It carries the inscription:

I to the church the living call And to the grave do summon all.

It is 46 inches in diameter and weighs just over 17cwt. (The weights and sizes of bells are still quoted in Imperial measure.) The bell strikes the hours only and has been doing so since this clock was installed in 1910.

Tenor bell and clock hammer

Next time, we will have a look at the clock and its striking mechanisms.

# Dunchurch Community Directory – amendments

A complete listing was published in Issue I and can be viewed on the website, but due to space constraints will not be reproduced in this issue. However, there are two amendments: the email address for the Baptist Church minister is davewoods@dunchurchbaptistchurch. org.uk, and the entry for Guides and Rainbows has been updated under the heading **GirlGuiding**, and can be found on page 12.

To make any amendments or to add your Dunchurch-based, non-commercial club or organisation, please email friendsofdunchurch@gmail.com



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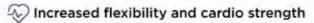
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