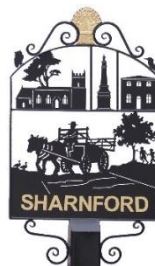


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“BEAT THE STREET” – We did!!

During March and April Blaby District council ran a scheme called ‘Beat the Street’, this is a fun, energetic sporty challenge and was open to schools and local charities in the Blaby district area. The idea was to encourage walking and cycling to collect points between certain “beat boxes”. These “beat boxes” were located in three places within the village.

In Sharnford our primary school registered with all the points going to the school. This then resulted in the whole village getting involved to support the school with children, parents and grandparents walking and cycling and in some cases children learning to ride a bike.

Children commented *“it was fun and enjoyable and hard work”*, *“One of the beep boxes meant you had to either go up or down a hill!”* Another stated, *“It was extremely good because you could win prizes (like a cuddly hedgehog) and we got lots of fresh air, It was a great experience and we think there should be more things like this in the future, with more prizes”* and another stated *“It was great that Beat the Street had all of Sharnford School involved and we worked as a team”*

The Beat the street project got lots of schools and communities involved and it was great spending time outside being active with each other.

Sharnford Primary School was first overall in the average points and was second overall on total points. The winning total was 381,125 with Sharnford School obtaining 356,610. This resulted in £500 for our school which is fantastic for our little school. **Well done all!**



SHARNFORD VILLAGE FETE

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ROAD WIDENING & TOMBSTONES

A letter dated 5 October 1954 from the incumbent Rector of Sharnford, W.R. Witcomb to the Area Surveyor Mr B.L.Wright (Leics. County Council), expressed concern about the dangerously narrow stretch of the main Leicester to Coventry (B4114) road, parallel with the Sharnford Church. 'There is no pavement on the church side, and as recently as September 12th the wall was damaged by one of the heavy vehicles passing along'. Concern was also expressed that the entrance/exit from the churchyard at the west end of the church 'is particularly dangerous, as there is no view of the road, unless one steps out beyond the boundary wall of the Church yard to see if there is any traffic approaching, particularly from the Leicester direction'.

Further correspondence between the Area Surveyor and the Rector suggests that the church boundary wall should be set back "some few feet nearer to the church and would be necessary to eliminate some ancient graves and remove at least some of the line of trees". It



would become necessary to remove some 30 to 40 graves, some of which contained multiple remains. A service of prayer for the re-internment of these remains in a communal grave, in the east end of the churchyard was to be conducted by Rev. Witcomb's successor, the Rev. W. Evans in August 1958. The larger headstones were to be re-sited along the path to the rectory next to Jarratt's farm wall. The smaller headstones were placed next to the rear of the church. The war memorial was also to be re-sited . After attempts were made to

contact relatives or descendants of the ancient graves - only three could be found.

Above – the original line of the church boundary wall was where the road kerbstones are seen today. Unfortunately the space freed up to provide a safer vision has now become car parking which defeats entirely the Rev. Witcomb's good intentions.

Right – the larger, mostly slate tombstones -in their new re-sited position next to Jarratt's farm wall.



Below (both) – to the rear of St. Helen’s church – a small group of small slate tablets and cast iron markers that were part of the removal, leaning against the building, peaceful and yet largely unseen and forgotten.



A listing by the Rev. Witcomb of the ancient graves for removal proves of great interest to me – several graves were unmarked and ‘known only to God’ -and some of the headstones contained only the briefest of inscriptions (example C.H. 1847) and presented a challenge . These smaller headstones now sited to the rear of St. Helen’s - have dates ranging from 1810 to 1898, and were often thought to be the markers of children; but this proved not to be the case. Using the facilities of the Wigston Record Office, I was fortunate enough to unravel these little mysteries and put names to most of them and have listed them below, commencing with the earliest date

Type	Initials	Year	Name
Slate	A.H.	1810	Ann Holyoak aged 42 yrs.
Slate	G.H.	1812	George Holyoak aged 20 yrs.
Slate	E.H	1819	Elizabeth Holyoak aged 22 yrs. (of Smockington).
Slate	T.C	1822	Thomas Corby aged 46 yrs.
Slate	C.H	1847	Chamberlain Holyoak aged 82 yrs. (of Smockington).
Slate	J.C	1853	Jane Corby aged 75 yrs.
Slate	J.H	1862	Joseph Bates Holyoak aged 63 yrs.
Slate	C.S./J.S	1868/1869	Catherine Scotten aged 75 yrs./ John Scotton aged 74 yrs.
Slate	T.S	1872	Thomas Saunt aged 39 yrs.
Iron	G.B.F	1872	<i>remains unknown.</i>
Iron	J.T	1874	John Townsend aged 55 yrs.

Slate	M.H	1881	Mary Holyoak aged 73 yrs. (of Burbage).
SLATE	E.S	1885	ELIZABETH SAUNT AGED 19 YRS.
Slate	M.T.C	1898	Mary Toone Campion aged 88 yrs.
Slate	J.S./C.S	undated	remains unknown.

It is always a tragedy when a young person dies – especially a child or teenager. Below I have chronicled briefly the short life of the youngest above – **19 year old Elizabeth Saunt**. Her tombstone (**right**) with the briefest of inscriptions - **E.S. 1885**.

Elizabeth Saunt was born in Sharnford in 1866 (no christening found), the 2nd. child of four. Her parents were Aaron & Elizabeth Saunt nee Whitmill. Aaron Saunt – a waggoner and labourer – was also born in Sharnford in 1847. The Saunt’s were an old Sharnford family whom I can trace back to a wedding in 1736 at St. Helen’s church.

Elizabeth’s mother died in 1877 aged 34 yrs – her uncle Thomas – a wheelwright & carpenter – died aged 39 yrs. He also appears in the listing above.

From the Sharnford school register of May 1876, **Elizabeth** is a bright 10 year old scholar. She had been successfully tested in writing and arithmetic (but unsuccessfully in reading) , attendance 291 times throughout the school year, entered school in June 1870. In 1876 there were 61 scholars. The Headmistress was Miss Josephine Rimmer.



25	Joseph Johnson	0 319	9	70	8			29
29	Elizabeth Saunt	0 291	10	70	6	1 st	III	30
30	Habe Bailey	310	10	72	1			31

In April 1881 **Elizabeth** was a 15 yr. old domestic servant at Abbey Farm, Wolvey.

Elizabeth died 5 July 1885 and was buried at St. Helen’s church. The cause of death was pneumonia, phthisis pulmonalis (tuberculosis) and dropsy (water retention) of feet and legs. Present at her death was her sister Hannah Saunt.

SHARNFORD METHODIST CHURCH



Our lay pastor is Mrs Anne Haddon. She can be contacted on 01455 617692. We have All Age Worship on Sundays, starting at 10am and all are welcome. A village choir group meets on Mondays at 6.45pm. Everyone welcome and no auditions are required!

Friday Prayer Time is an opportunity for quiet personal prayer and meditation. It takes place on the 3rd Friday of each month 10.30 – 11.00am.

In April we hosted 15 knitted bible stories and were open throughout the week, with lots of visitors admiring them and enjoying refreshments. We welcomed the children from Sharnford Primary School, one class at a time, for a visit to look at the different scenes and read the stories that went with them. Jonah and the big fish were definitely the favourites! They then heard the story of the lost sheep and took part in a craft activity, before returning to school with a sheep they had made.



The first Saturday of each month we have a coffee morning, with second-hand book sales, cakes and bring and buy. Lots of refreshments are consumed, lots of chat and laughter and money raised for good causes.

Saturday June 1st : Doctors without Borders
Saturday July 6th : The Leprosy Mission
Saturday August 3rd : Mtwapa Orphanage and School, Kenya
Saturday September 7th : Historic Churches

Our new venture, Tuesday Coffee and Cake, has been very well supported, with drinks, delicious cakes and lots of chat enjoyed by all. Quite a few people have been buying extra slices of cake to take home! Come along and enjoy. Bring your knitting, do a jigsaw or just chat with friends old and new. Bring your children or grandchildren along too.

The second Tuesday of every month 10.00 – 12.00
June 11th, July 9th, August 13th and September 10th

Advance notice: We will be holding a Christmas Tree Festival in December and will be inviting individuals, groups and businesses to enter a tree. More details in the next issue of Sharnford News.

Penny Ross



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Wed	CLOSED	5pm – 7pm
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The Evergreen Hall is available for Hire 7 days a week.

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£12 per hour for casual hire

Regular Groups enjoy a reduction in rates
Charity events are discretionary but usually village charity events are free or by donation

We now have a digital projector and screen. These can be hired for the showing of films etc. at a fee of £10 per session. All licences are in place for the showing of films.

Telephone: Margaret 01455 274038

SPRING QUIZ (answers p.21)

- 1. What is the first day of Spring called?**
(a)The Easter Equinox (b)The Spring Solstice (c)The Easter Solstice (d)The Vernal Equinox
- 2. Around what day does Spring begin in the Northern Hemisphere?**
(a)April 21 (b)May 21 (c)March 21 (d)February 21
- 3. Which holiday does not occur during Spring?** (a)Father's Day (b)Easter (c)St. Patrick's Day (d)Mother's Day
- 4. During the first day of Spring, where does the sun rise and where does the sun set?**
(a) Rises in due south and sets in due north
(b) Rises in due north and sets in due south
(c) Rises in due west and sets in due east
(d) Rises in due east and sets in due west
- 5. What myth is associated with the first day of Spring?**
(a)Only on that day can you balance a raw egg on its end.
(b)Body hair doesn't grow on the first day of Spring.
(c)You're most likely to get into a plane crash on the first day of Spring.
(d) Only on that day can you see Saturn with the naked eye from anywhere in the USA.
- 6. What does Spring symbolize?** (a)Love (b) Death (c) Rebirth (d) Faith
- 7. On the first day of Spring, it is said that the day and night are exactly what length?**
(a)12 hour day & 12 hour night (b)10 hour day & 14 hour night (c)16 hour day & 8 hour night (d)14 hour day & 10 hour night
- 8. Is Spring considered the first, second, third or fourth season of the year?**
(a)First (b) Third (c) Second (d) Fourth
- 9. For Australians, in what month does Spring begin?** (a)September (b) March (c) May (d)October
- 10. Why does daylight increase in Spring?**
(a)Because the Earth's axis is increasing its tilt toward the sun.
(b)Because the Earth doesn't spin as fast on its axis.
(c)Because the Earth is closest to the sun in its orbit.
(d)Because the Sun moves closer to the Earth in the Spring.

SHARNFORD EVERGREEN CLUB

It has been a busy couple of months since the last report. Our annual dinner in April was enjoyed by members, Committee and guests. After a delicious meal everyone received a surprise chocolate bunny with their coffee as Easter was fast approaching. The entertainer was excellent, singing a great mix of 1960's music. We even had a small area for dancing which was well used. It was a very happy evening. On 6th April members and Committee were very involved in helping with a fund raiser cream tea and stalls organised by Joy Dickens and friends. This event was a great success raising over £1000 for The Pulmonary Hypertension Association.

We held a Bacon Buttie morning on 27th April which was a very wet and windy Saturday. There was a good turnout despite the weather and was another chance for friends to meet and catch up.

The Club meets every two weeks on a Wednesday afternoon for games or just a chat,

followed by a high tea. Please join us if you are over 60 and live in the village or surrounding area - you would be very welcome. In addition to the fortnightly meetings we have a summer cream tea, a fish and chip supper in September, an outing to the Concordia pantomime in January and, of course, the annual dinner in April. Our advert includes further details or just contact Jean Dale, Secretary, on 274772.

Carol Hunter - Chair

EVERGREEN CLUB CINE DATE - 26th JUNE

We are having a tea party showing some Of the old Evergreen Hall Shows from the past 25 years on the big screen Richard Bacon will be our film producer

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SHARNFORD PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

By the time you read this a number of changes will either be occurring or have changed. The change is, we have a new website. After years of an unsupported website we have now fallen into line with the majority of Parish Councils in Leicestershire and have a website that links to Blaby District Council and Leicestershire County Council. This will give us the opportunity to access more information at the touch of a button.

Use the website as the main place to go to, for local news, parish council meeting agendas and minutes, historical photos of the village, and 'What's On' in and around the village. You will also find links to our Facebook site, doctors' surgeries and various services and community groups through the Community page.

The screenshot shows the homepage of the Sharnford Parish Council website. The header features the council's name and logo, contact information for Clerk Tracey Avis, and a search bar. A navigation menu on the left lists various services and news. The main content area includes a large photo of the Evergreen Hall with a caption, a news release about funding, and a 'Latest News' section. The right sidebar contains sections for Councillor Vacancy, A-Z of Services, GOV.UK, Leicestershire Police, Web Links, and a Gallery.

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Serving the people of Sharnford

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Parish Council
Thu, 19 Sep 2019 19:45
Parish Council

What's On
Wed, 05 Jun 2019 19:30
Sharnford Ladies Group
Sat, 08 Jun 2019 16:00
Sharnford Cine Club - The Lion King

Evergreen Hall in full bloom

Sharnford Parish Council provides your local services. We strive to make Sharnford a better place to live, work and play. Our website includes a wealth of information about how we conduct business and what we do. Use the search or browse the site to find whatever you are looking for. If you can't find the information you require then please [contact us](#).

Latest News
[Thousands in Funding Available](#)

NEWS RELEASE
Thousands in funding available for Community Groups

Community groups and sports clubs across the District of Blaby are being encouraged to apply to the Council's Community Grants scheme to help with their projects.

£90,000 is available during 2019/20. Even more funding has been made available thanks to the money raised through the Love Blaby Lottery and a £2,000 contribution from Everyone Active. [More »](#)

Councillor Vacancy
We are co-opting new Councillors now are you interested? If so please [contact us](#).

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Web Links
The District Council is Blaby District Council.
The County Council is Leicestershire County Council.

Gallery

The council website can be found at <https://www.sharnfordparishcouncil.co.uk/> . If you don't have access to a computer or the internet make sure to look at the notice boards around the village. The boards can be found on Park View, Post Office, and opposite The Bricklayers. In addition, we are allowed to make use of the Evergreen Hall notice board. The

notice boards are kept up to date with Parish and District Council information as well as notices from community groups and advertisers. Please post notices neatly and make sure out of date information is removed.

The changes that are occurring as you read this, are the new playgrounds on The Park, and Poors Meadow. Apart from the play equipment on Poors Meadow there will also be fitness training equipment for all ages and abilities.

The majority of funds that made the playground improvements possible have come as a result of the new development at the edge of the village, replacing The Limes with twelve houses.

Sharnford Cemetery, formally known as the Burial Ground, has seen improvements to its upkeep lately. This is all down to the hard work of the Environment Group who turn up, whatever the weather, looking after Blue Bell Green, Poors Meadow and the Cemetery. There have also been changes to the Parish Council. On May 2nd there should have been voting in the council elections. Voting didn't take place because only five candidates stood, with seven seats available. Your Parish Councillors are Sue Stanley, Jack Feast, Gary Peryer, Martyn Dalton-Brown and Mike Shirley. Contact details can be found on the website. We have space on the council for another two members so. If you are interested in joining please contact the clerk.

After several months without a Parish Clerk I am pleased to announce that the post has now been filled. The new Parish Clerk is Tracey Avis who has lived in the village for many years. Tracey can be contacted at clerk@sharnfordparishcouncil.co.uk and is the person to go to with any enquiries about Parish Council business.

Finally, there is now a new chairman of the Parish Council. After four years at the helm Jack Feast has become Vice Chairman having been replaced by Mike Shirley as Chairman. Normally a chairman sits for three years but, with no one feeling able to take on the role, Jack sat for another year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jack for his years as Chairman and will certainly be calling upon him to pass on his experience, and steer me in the right direction.

Mike Shirley, Chairman, Sharnford Parish Council



SHARNFORD TRAFFIC ACTION GROUP (STAG)

Even though there has been a marked reduction in speeds along the B4114, there is still driving at inappropriate speeds on the periphery of the village. The driver of a small Vauxhall Agila, travelling out of the village towards Aston Flamville, takes the bend at the top of Aston Lane with the driver losing control, and the result is the



car has crossed the road, hit a bush, and somersaulted onto its roof. Luckily the lady driver was

able to leave the vehicle shaken but unhurt.

Another week in April a BMW driver speeds down Frolesworth Road towards B4114. The driver cannot brake in time, loses control, and flies across the normally busy B4114, missing cars and hedges, ending up in a farmer's field. Luckily the field was empty at the time. Remnants of car, road signs and posts were left in the ditch on the corner of Frolesworth Road and Leicester Road showing that the car must have left the ground. Chitty Chitty Bang Bang it is not!



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STAG are now turning their attention to the abismal parking in the village. Cars parked inconsiderately can be be moved/shoved out of the way if they are blocking emergency vehicles. I very much doubt that your insurance company would be sympathetic if your car was damaged in the process. Parking outside our two public houses also suffers from inconsiderate parking. If it isn't the patrons of the Sharnford Arms, blocking the pavements on Chapel Street and Chapel Lane, it is the patrons of The Bricklayers totally blocking the pavement on Leicester Road. The landlord of The Bricklayers is becoming increasingly frustrated, telling one driver to move, only for the space to be

filled by someone else. STAG will be liaising with Leicestershire CC Highways to see what can be done. Finally we have to say goodbye to a stalwart of STAG, Mike Lee. Mike and his wife Theresa are moving on to pastures new.

Mike is a founding member of STAG and the driving force behind the installation of average speed cameras. Best of luck Mike & Theresa in your new life.

Contact Mike Shirley at mikelennox99@aol.com for more information.

Mike Shirley – Secretary

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Monday 7.30pm
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2nd Tuesday of the month

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2019 - June 11th, July 9th, August 13th,
September 10th

Take a break

Come along and meet friends old and new

Enjoy a drink and delicious homemade cake

Children Welcome

SHARNFORD ENVIRONMENT GROUP

Where do 3 months go? When it's time again for the review of what's been happening within our group. Our membership remains stable, and supportive in more ways than in past times. Yes, more can be achieved with those extra pairs of hands.

BlueBell Green and the Burial Ground (soon to be called Sharnford Cemetery) are the main sites that we try to keep tidy. It's a bit of a battle against who will win, with weeds seeming to triumph at times!! But we won't give up. The plan is to buy more suitable tools, and keep them stored safely near to both sites. More planting is needed too, but very probably in the autumn. Our new secretary Naomi has created a list of dates that go into the autumn for working parties on both sites – so forward planning is appropriate!

Hanging Baskets: We are on course with the support of Sharnford Garden Centre, to put the baskets up in June. We have chosen lots of begonias this year, which take a little longer to get going. A new variety called 'Bossa Nova' is on trial.....The planters will have the usual geraniums, but hopefully some of the colours will complement the hanging baskets. Those of you in the village who are watering volunteers will soon have a letter giving more details. Remember we can't do the job without you!

Fete June 9th: We shall have the usual plant stall, perhaps the maggot racing, if it's not too cold for the little 'critters', also the Nail in the Log game. New this year is the children's game 'Yucky Dip', sounds like fun so come and find on the Park.

The brambles haven't yet taken over Poors Meadow, so work there isn't priority at the moment, also the new play equipment planned, needs to be installed first.

We are hopeful of updating the group's information in the newly designed on-line parish web-site, so look out for that too. Have a happy and sunny summer.

Naomi Allen

FREE COMPUTING AT THE EVERGREEN HALL

Everyone is welcome to come along to these free computer classes. They are held at the Evergreen Hall on Thursday afternoons. Refreshments provided.

Thanks to generous donations, we now have 3 laptops and a tablet for people to use at the classes. Even if you don't have a computer or tablet you can come along and borrow one of ours.

We are still looking for more donations so if you know of anyone who has a laptop they no longer need, please contact Penny Ross on 01455 272797.

Dates

June Thurs 6th and Thurs 20th

July Thurs 11th

September Thurs 5th and Thurs 19th

Adult Drop In 2.00 – 3.15pm

A drop-in group for the terrified, beginners or experienced users.
Are you thinking about getting your first laptop, tablet or smart phone?

Is there something you want to do but don't know how?

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SHARNFORD EVERGREEN VILLAGE HALL

We are delighted to report that following an inspection of the premises by Blaby District Council in respect of Food Safety, we have been given a **5* rating**. Many thanks to all our volunteers, who make events such as Bacon Butty Mornings

and Teas for our Evergreen Club members such a success.

Our Bacon Butty Dates are 8th June and 10th August, We hope that you will join us on these dates. We are also running the Cake and Preserves stall at the Village Fete on the 9th June. All donations would be gratefully received, before or on the day. All proceeds to the Village Fete Committee and Village organisations.

Rosemarie Simpson



SHARNFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have some lovely topics happening in each class this term. All classes this term are learning about the environment in different ways. **Holly class** are studying the enchanted woodland, **Hazel class** are studying rivers and **Redwood class** are studying allotments.

Some classes have already been planting flowers and vegetables and other classes have made some outside art using flowers, grass, twigs and leaves. Hazel and Holly class have also had a fantastic trip to Rutland water! Next term we are looking forward to the KS2 production, water sports and end of year leavers' service. What a busy time ahead!

School Council

Sharnford news would like to thank the School council who provided the article for the front page of this issue of Sharnford News.

Sharnford news team

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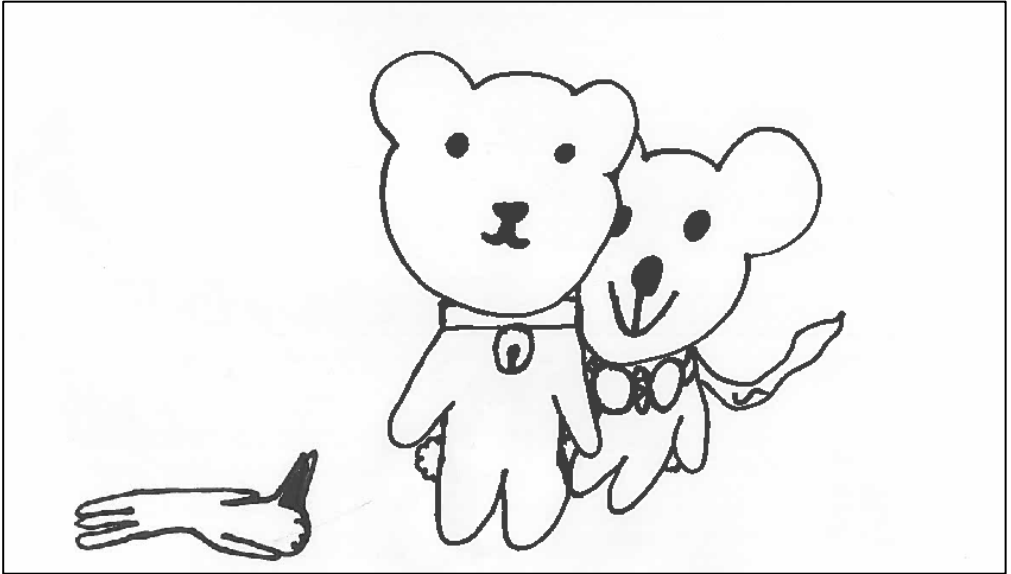
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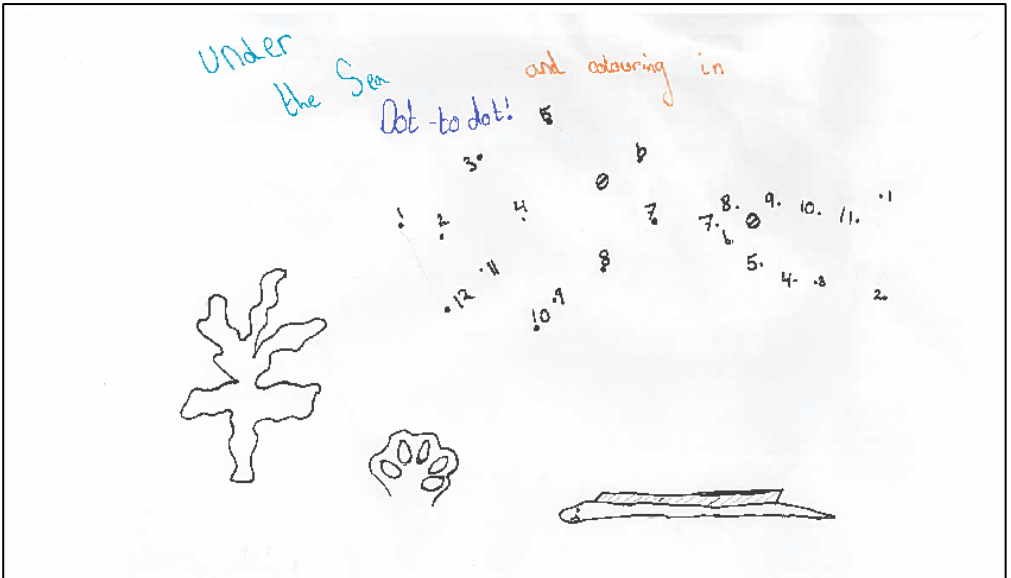
Children have created the following colouring in, word search and dot-2-dot activities for anyone to complete.

Sports	O	R	Z	X	Y	C	F	U	G	H	T	R	C	
Football	A	C	C	A	C	R	O	A	H	Y	L	S	T	I
Basketball	R	U	G	B	Y	I	O	C	R	A	A	A	A	A
Baseball	B	A	X	Y	X	C	T	A	R	O	A	A	A	A
Golf	Z	C	H	S	I	B	B	T	A	C	B	T	H	U
Rugby	Y	C	U	A	T	E	A	S	T	E	E	A	U	T
Cricket	A	M	U	U	I	T	I	T	C	R	I	L	K	
Squash	C	R	N	I	R	B	I	A	T	A	C	E	F	T
Table tennis	B	A	S	K	E	T	B	A	L	L	C	E	A	Y
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How is your colouring in skills?



Can you join the dots?



BLABY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Community groups and sports clubs across the District of Blaby are being encouraged to apply to the Council's Community Grants scheme to help with their projects.

£90,000 is available during 2019/20. Even more funding has been made available thanks to the money raised through the Love Blaby Lottery and a £2,000 contribution from Everyone Active.

A wide range of grants are available from £500 to £4,000 for both revenue costs, such as equipment hire and marketing, and capital projects, including building refurbishments. Most grants are awarded quarterly and the next deadline is looming, closing on Thursday 06 June. Three more application rounds will take place, with deadlines in September, November and February 2020. Youth Grant applications for up to £500 can be made at any time.

The Council has awarded hundreds of thousands of pounds through the Community Grants scheme since the initiative launched over a decade ago.

Local mental health support group Blaby Mind Matters received a grant last year to help pay for room hire costs. Jen Fielding, Local Area Co-ordinator for Blaby, who helped set up the group, said: "Community Grants funding has made all the difference for this group being able to continue to support people with mental health needs." Ann Dixon, Chair of the Blaby & Glen Parva Community Service, said: "The Drop-In centre is a lifeline for many elderly people who live alone and can feel isolated. Community Grant funding to upgrade our kitchen has helped us to achieve a five-star food hygiene rating and benefit many of the groups using our centre."

Community Grant applications can now be completed online. For more information, including terms and conditions, application deadlines and how to apply:

Visit www.blaby.gov.uk/communitygrants, email grants@blaby.gov.uk or call 0116 2727566.

Ian Cockerill

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SHARNFORD GOLDEN JUBILEE COMMITTEE

“Out of this World” Sunday 9th June 2019

The village fete this year will be on **Sunday 9th June 2019** from 12 o'clock to 4 o'clock, on the park in Park View. To celebrate 50 years since the moon landing and all things space related the theme this year is SPACE.

There will be the usual favourites such as raffle, tombola, duck races, cakes, refreshments, BBQ and bar. Try your hand at one our activities such as “Moon Boot” wanging, maggot racing (weather permitting) and space hopper fun in the main arena. Music will be provided by “Take It from the Top”, back for a third year by popular demand.

There will be a space themed fancy dress competition for the kids so get creative.

As in previous years, we will be asking for donations of tombola prizes, bottles for the bottle stall, toys and books, cakes etc. Your donations are really appreciated. Our door-to-door collection will be on the weekend of 1st/2nd June but items can also be dropped off at 15 Park View in the week up to the fete or you can deliver items to the park on the morning of the fete. Let's hope that the weather will be kind to us again and we hope that this event will be well supported by you all. Even if you cannot attend on the day, you can still take part by buying raffle tickets or ducks for the duck races. Profits made will be shared amongst various village groups to help them with their activities.

Sue Stanley (Tel: 273861) SGJC Secretary

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PCSO Mike Walker - Fosse Villages Beat Team

Spring Quiz Answers 1. Vernal Equinox, 2. March 21st, 3. St. Patrick's day, 4. Due East and due West, 5. (a) Raw egg answer, 6. Rebirth, 7. 12 hours each, 8. First, 9. September, 10. The axis increases its tilt towards the sun.

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SHARNFORD LADIES GROUP

So far this year the group has had an illustrated talk on our local National Trust property, Stoneywell, by Marea Roberts and some amusing anecdotes from Peter Coombs on his life as a film and TV extra. We also had our regular games and puddings night, the puddings, once again, proving to be very popular!

In June we are looking forward to a return visit by the popular Jane Arnold, who will be talking about Roman Women and Food and in July Mary Tyler is talking about Women's Aid in Leicestershire, in August there is a trip to Stoneleigh Abbey and in September we are having a talk on Mercy Ships by Alison Briggs, (this meeting will be on the second Wednesday).

Our meetings are usually held on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Evergreen Hall. Visitors are always welcome at a cost of £4 which includes coffee, biscuits and the raffle.

Wendy Kendall, 273889.



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ST HELEN'S CHURCH



Spring has been quite a busy time for everyone at St Helen's. On Mothering Sunday, a small posy of daffodils was given out to all Mums, Grannies and Aunties to pay tribute to them all on this special day.

We held a wonderful service with the children of Sharnford School at Easter and showcased the Knitted Bible Exhibitions for all to see. Bible stories were illustrated with knitted figures and an explanation for all to see. These knitted bible stories were available to St Helen's for exhibition and Sharnford Methodist Church also had different exhibitions denoting stories from the Bible. The exhibition was open to the village at the same time. Easter services were well attended and it was a joy to see everyone celebrating this special time. On the 17th March we held a united Service with All Saints Church in Sapcote and on the 12th May all the Methodist Church goes and St Helens and All Saints Sapcote joined in a special service at Sapcote Methodist Church.

On a sad note, on the 14th May the funeral service of Gary Higginbotham of Sharnford Lodge took place. Gary was the younger brother of Bill Higginbotham, our Church Warden and the youngest of the old Sharnford family. Gary had been involved in village businesses for many years, latterly involving his animal feeding business at Sharnford Lodge Farm. Our thoughts go to Bill, Janice and Lewis at this sad time.

On the 1st June I the combined churches in Sharnford and Sapcote Charity Fun run takes place and on the 9th June, we shall be serving teas at the Sharnford Fete.

Rosemarie



SHARNFORD CINECLUB

Sharnford Cineclub continues to delight audiences with its top-

rated family films

These have included Mary Poppins Returns, The Greatest Showman and Mamma Mia - Here we go again. Our next showing will be on the 8th June 2019 4:00PM at the Evergreen Hall - We will present the Lion King, a great family favourite, a wonderful story with wonderful songs. Don't miss it!

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**SHARNFORD PLANT SALE
VILLAGE SHOW**

A big thank you to everyone who came along to the plant sale, whether it was to browse, buy, enjoy a bacon buttie and catch up with friends, help or just enjoy. Again we were supported by Sharnford Garden Centre who supplied most of the quality plants, our group grew more so thanks to the team and also thanks to Rosemarie Simpson who allowed us to make full use of her greenhouse.

What has happened this year to late frosts? You have probably planted out your bedding plants already!

The Village Flower and Produce Show will be on Saturday the 14th September, like Easter it is late this year. It is our 10th Show, please enter, you have to be in it to win it. If you really cannot find anything to enter we would still like to see you in the afternoon. Only 50p to get in, refreshments available and you can admire the entries. Come prepared for the produce auction afterwards and pick up some quality prize winning bargains.

The categories are mostly the same as usual with the odd change to provide some variety and to keep you and our judges on their toes! We did a mail drop through the village a few weeks ago. If you have lost it already, pick one up from the Post Office, Sharnford Garden Centre, or contact Tony Curtis, Kaye & Andrew, or John & Barbara.

Please support the Show which is intended to be a bit of fun with some friendly rivalry. As a bonus we have, over the years raised funds to help contribute to village good causes such as; the Defibrillator, St Helen's toilet appeal, the War Memorial renovation, work at the Chapel, the Youth Club, the Evergreen Hall, a new garden at the school, a bowling mat at the senior youth club, plants for the Environment Group planter in the one way system, STAG and a replacement mower for the churchyard.

We have funds available now, so if you have a village project which needs help with funding please get in touch. Thanks to everyone who helped or bought plants at our plant sale.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY, VILLAGE SHOW SATURDAY 14th SEPTEMBER

AM for entries and PM for viewing, full details in the show guide.

Tony Curtis 01455 272532

OVER 60'S YOUTH CLUB

The Over 60s Youth Club has gone from strength to strength in the past year with new members arriving all the time. It is really quite uplifting to observe the spirited way in which people well into their 70s and 80s are able to meet the challenges of Table Tennis and Short Mat Bowls with great vigor. The Bridge players are perhaps a bit less active but probably more mentally alert!. With the regrettable demise of the Youth Club for the young it is wonderful to see the more mature residents of the village making full and proper use of the excellent facilities.

The Club takes a break for the whole of the month of August but will resume on the first Wednesday of September (10.00-12.00) when everyone and anyone is welcome.

Derek Gibbons

Sharnford Art & Craft Social Group

Sharnford Youth and Community Centre, Park View, Sharnford, LE10 3PT

Got an art or craft project on the go? Would you like some company at the same time? We are an informal group who bring our own projects to work on, and enjoy a social evening whilst we do so.

We meet nearly every 2 weeks on Mondays - 7.30pm to 9.30pm, at the Youth & Community Centre on Park View, although it does sometimes change to fit in with School or Bank Holidays. Our 2019 dates are overleaf.

2019 Dates

Starred Dates are during the Summer Holiday. Please check that we are meeting.

June	3 rd	17 th		
July	1 st	15 th *	29 th *	
August	12 th *			
September	2 nd	16 th	30 th	3 weekgap
October	21 st			
November	4 th	18 th		
December	2 nd	16 th		

If you would like to contact someone, please call Gabrielle Bryan on 01455 631026, or email gab.h.bryan@googlemail.com.

SHARNFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE

MONDAY	ARTS AND CRAFT CLUB 7pm – 9pm	Come along and bring your own craft project to work on.	Gabrielle Bryan 01455 631026
TUESDAY	PILATES FOR RIDERS 7pm – 8pm & 8pm – 9pm	Solely for horse riders	Joanna Smith Joanna.smith@me.com
WEDNESDAY	OVER 60'S YOUTH CLUB 10am – 12.30pm	Join us for table tennis, indoor bowls, darts or just come along to meet up with friends and have a coffee and a chat	Derek Gibbons 01455 272401
	PILATES FOR RIDERS 7pm -8pm 8pm – 9pm	Solely for horse riders	Joanna Smith Joanna.smith@me.com
THURSDAY	YOGA 10am – 11am	Open to all. Come along to develop mind, body and spirit	Adele 07837 927227 yogawithadele@live.co.uk
	PILATES FOR ALL 1.45pm – 2.45pm	Working on core strength and flexibility. Open to all ages and abilities.	Joanna Smith Joanna.smith@me.com
	ZUMBA 7pm – 8pm	Combining Latin and international music with dance moves. Great way to keep fit	Nikki Peach 07732 730832 Nikkis.chores@gmail.com
FRIDAY	BOOGIE BOUNCE 7.00pm – 8pm		

Julie Edge Chair Sharnford Youth & Community Centre

SHARNFORD LITTLE EXPLORERS PLAYGROUP



At last we are now enjoying the summer sunshine, visiting the park each week with our physical play equipment such as footballs and skipping ropes and playing tag around the fields. We are learning how physical exercise makes us healthy and that we need to be active every day! Look out for us on our walks and wave to us! As well as the park, we are spending a lot of time outside in our mud kitchen and making houses for bugs to live in.

14th June is our annual sports day. It will be held at the park and everyone is welcome to come along and watch and join in the parents/grandparents race!

We will be saying goodbye to some of our children at the end of term when they go to their big school. We are busy teaching them as much as we can about how to hold dinner trays, putting PE kits on, doing up zips and fastening shoes. Some of the teachers are coming to visit us at playgroup and we will be visiting Sharnford school and joining in with assembly's and lunch times to help us get used to new routines.

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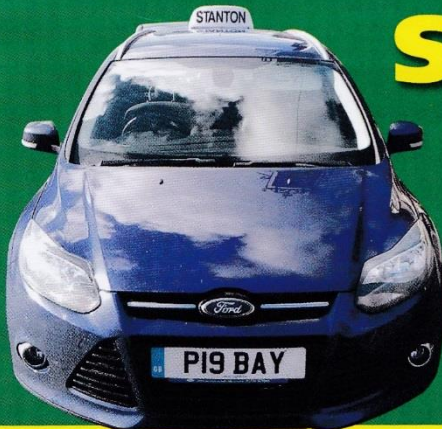
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Community Centre	Julie Edge 271321	
Craft Group	Gabrielle Bryan 631026	Comm Centre Mon(fortnightly) 19.30 - 21.30
Doctors-Broughton Astley	282599	Evergreen Hall Thurs 12 - 13:30
Doctors-Burbage	634879	Evergreen Hall Tues 11 - 12
Doctors-Stoney Stanton	271442	
Environment Group	Naomi Allen, secretary naomiallen38@gmail.com, 07930232648	Second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Evergreen Hall
Evergreen Club	Jean Dale 274772	Wednesdays twice monthly
Evergreen Hall	Margaret Sanders 274038	
Flood Warden	Jack Feast 274678	
Golden Jubilee Fete Committee	Sue Stanley 273861	
Good Neighbour Scheme	Direct Help Line 07502 615535	
Leics. County Councillor	Leics. County Councillor	
Little Explorers playgroup	Alison Bates 213779	Evergreen Hall
Methodist Chapel	Local Pastor Anne Haddon 617692, Beryl Devenyi 273740	
Over 60's Youth Club	Derek Gibbons 272401	Community Centre Weds 10 - 12.30
Parish Council Chair	Mike Shirley 07539 994707 mike.shirley@sharnfordparishcouncil.co.uk	Meetings held 3 rd Thursday at 19.45 Evergreen Hall
Parish Council Clerk	Tracey Avis 07754 684232 clerk@sharnfordparishcouncil.co.uk	
Parish village website	www.sharnfordparishcouncil.co.uk	
Post Office	Eric and Gay Washbrook 272210	
St. Helen's Church	Rev Mick Norman 272215, Cynthia Oliver 272977	
Sharnford Ladies Group	Wendy Kendall 273889	1st Wednesday of month
Sharnford Primary School	Mrs S Boyd-Hope, Acting Head teacher & Secretary 272456	
Sharnford Traffic Action Group (STAG)	Mike Shirley 07539 994707	Community Centre Mondays 19.30pm
Sharnford Village Show	Tony Curtis 272532	