



Naseby Natters

issue 7



Plain Sailing!

With no dramas to report this issue (all has gone very smoothly with it's production) all there is to say is that we hope you enjoy this edition. It is filled to bursting point with news, views, stories and events.

The 'Sealed Knot' put in a fantastic performance on an extremely hot day back in June (p.6), and the 'Naseby BIG Weekend' certainly lived up to it's name (p. 10-14)! Much fun was had by all and a fantastic amount of money was raised as a result.

If you are looking for something interesting to read this issue, 'The Battle Fields Trust' explains what plans are in store for Naseby (p. 8). There is also a great article entitled 'What If...' (p. 9) which will hopefully make you think (but not give you nightmares! - ed). There is also a quiz - just for fun - if you want to test your brain cells (p. 13)!

If you fancy getting out and about there will be an interesting talk on the Naseby Battle on the 7th of September (p. 15) or the 'New Hall Horse Show' on the 18th (p. 3).

So something for everyone this issue we hope!

As we always say it's your newsletter. Let us know what you want to see and we will do our utmost to include it next issue.

Happy reading
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Deadline

The deadline for the next issue is the **1st of November 2005**

THE NEW VILLAGE SHOP IS ALL GO...WELL NEARLY!

As you will all have noticed building work on the new village shop has started up again with a vengeance - it is up to roof level already - which is fantastic news!

The village shop is going ahead regardless, but the issue relating to whether there will be a Post Office or not still remains.

...for the full story see page 9

CONGRATULATIONS!

Just a short note to say WELL DONE to Liz Gregory - one of our valuable Natters team members. She has finally had her exam results back and has obtained two B's and a C. Liz said "I am really pleased, especially as my B's were in Film and English which is great as I my ambition is to become a film journalist!"

Amand Green



your newsletter and your village - so get involved



Village Update

Naseby Parish Council

NEW COUNCILLOR ON BOARD!

The council is pleased to confirm the co-option of Scott Westaway as the new councillor to fill the vacant position following Alison Stokes departure to pastures new. We would like to welcome Scott on board!

TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

As mentioned in the last issue Rachel Booth, Daventry District Council's Conservation Officer, gave a very comprehensive talk on the ins and outs of applying for tree preservation orders and the criteria they looked for - the trees must be of an amenity value, have a degree of public benefit and have an intrinsic value. Trees can be considered if they contribute to the landscape, support wild life, may screen a development or eyesore. Anybody can apply for an order to be considered and a review is to be undertaken by the PC. Up to date documentation was also provided on how to apply for buildings to be listed via English Heritage.

NASEBY WEB SITE

A web page is in the process of being created for the Council by Wyn Sleeman (with design input from Amanda Green). Wyn

advised he had undertaken a detailed review of several bespoke web pages that were currently available but his preference was to design a page that in simple terms would be a "tree like" structure with the PC being the trunk with numerous branches coming off representing the various village organisations. It would also have facilities to incorporate mail lists, adverts etc. One of the main advantages will be the control of input which would be delegated to the different organisations on an individual basis. The web address will be: www.naseby.org and initially will be piloted with the PC together with Naseby Natters.

BEHIND THE SCENES...

The Council actively continues to try and improve the village amenities and infrastructure and thanks is given to all the parishioners who signed the petition in support of the resurfacing of the roads/lanes in the village. We await the outcome but experience dictates that when dealing with Northants County Council it is a long slow process. A request for a feasibility study to improve and enhance the village entry signs, despite numerous letters, is no further forward some 12 months on!

VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT

The initial draft of the Village Design Statement has been returned by Daventry District Council with several suggested amendments and these are now being considered by the Working Party. Hopefully a revised final

version will be complete within the next few weeks.

BUDGET PROPOSALS

The PC will be reviewing their budget proposals, most likely in December, which will be before the next issue of Natters. This is an important process and input from the village is welcome so please watch out for this item being scheduled as an agenda item and please do come along to this or any other meeting.

Tom Westaway
Chairman

Members of the Parish Council 2005

Mrs Avis Aldrich
18, Nutcote

Mrs Bridget Baker
Carvells Home Farm,
Carvells lane

Mr Stanley Barton
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Mr Melfyn Hoyle
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Mrs Heather Kirk
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Mrs Becky Pope
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(Vice Chairman)

Mr Scott Westaway
New Hall, Newlands

Mr Tom Westaway
'Westfields', Carvells Lane
(Chairman)

Clerk - Mr Ian Arnott
Northside House, School Lane





PLANNING STRATEGY CONSULTATION:

This important subject was discussed at length at one of the PC meetings and a copy of the response is detailed below: Following on from your recent presentation, the Parish Council met to discuss the initial proposals and wishes to make the following comments:

- Naseby to remain as a restricted infill village with the expectation that that definition is rigidly applied. The village has almost reached saturation point with virtually all areas in the village having been developed. Prior to being classified as a restricted infill village there was a commitment to provide 50 new dwellings - this commitment has been fulfilled and together with infill has seen an increase of new housing at the extraordinary level of 37% over the past ten years. The intention to concentrate new development in the town of Daventry and away from the villages seems positive.
- Affordable housing via a Housing Association development (which took place in the last couple of years) met the demand for such properties with the site only being over subscribed by one. The PC will continue to review the need for this type of housing on a regular basis.
- Applications with proposals to demolish existing properties (except where the properties are derelict/uninhabitable/dangerous) to create infill space are strongly opposed as are any proposals for back/front fill development.
- Recent development has seen the creation of a fair proportion of larger type properties and as there is now considered to be sufficient


- housing of this nature, future proposals should be declined.
- With the pressure placed on the District Council to provide more housing it is strongly recommended that the first consideration must be for the District Council to undertake a full review of its own land bank. There is still council property with large gardens (which in the year 2005 are now often viewed as a burden) that could be developed by demolition and rebuild/infill/back fill to ensure maximum benefit is derived from the District Council's own land stock.
 - Certain areas within the village need to be specifically earmarked not for development. The village is currently producing a Village Design Statement which will cover this point but specific areas within the village confines are:
 - The school playing field
 - Land adjacent to the two public houses
 - Recreation ground
 - The authorities above Parish Council level need to give more support to the views/recommendations put forward by the Parish Council
 - The Parish Council supports the principal of village confines. With concerns about recent levels of development in the village running high and no information on what, if any, development may be imposed in future there may be a need to earmark other land outside the confines specifically not for development.
 - As previously mentioned a Village Design Statement is in the course of being produced and the views expressed therein must be adhered to.
- Parish Council**

Naseby Weather



MEASURED IN BAKEHOUSE RISE COURTESY OF STUART CATO

MONTH 2005	MAY	JUN	JULY
Max Temp °C	28.1	31.0	29.4
Av Max Temp °C	16.3	21.4	22.0
Min Temp °C	1.9	4.9	8.8
Av Min Temp °C	6.2	11.5	13.0
Min Wind Chill °C	0.2	3.4	7.6
Max Humidity %RH	92	91	93
Av Max Humidity %RH	86.6	84.6	85.7
Min Humidity %RH	40	36	39
Av Min Humidity %RH	55.75	56.1	58.1
Max Wind mph	17.4	13.1	10.2
Av Max Wind mph	8.9	6.8	6.2
Max Wind Gusts mph	30.4	23.0	23.2
Av Wind Gusts mph	18.6	13.6	13.9
COMPARISON 2004	MAY	JUN	JULY
Max Temp °C	23.9	30.3	28.6
Av Max Temp °C	17.3	20.8	22.2
Min Temp °C	3.4	5.3	7.6

VILLAGE TV STARS! 

In the next edition of Natters we hope to have an exclusive interview with the Naseby Family who appear in the new series of 'Wife Swap'. Tune in to Channel 4 during September to see the show!

HORSE SHOW

Sunday 18th September

Unaffiliated Show Jumping Competition at New Hall Farm

For more information pick up a leaflet from the Fitzgerald Arm or contact Rachel on 07886 038181





Mobile Library New Schedule

The new schedule for the mobile library will commence in early September. The first visit under the new fortnightly timetable will be as follows:

STARTING ON:

16/09/05

then every fortnight

WHERE:

Opposite the old Post Office

TIME:

12 noon - 12.40pm

HAVE YOU LOST...

...some glasses - they were left behind after the election day at the Methodist Chapel.

If they are yours please contact Leny Cato (tel: 01604 743166)

APPEAL

I am making blankets and baby clothes for a charity called 'Feed the Children', to help keep children warm in some of the war torn countries, and to help abandoned HIV babies in Kenya.

If you have any odd balls of knitting wool to spare, I would be most grateful. Other items are needed too, such as towels, nappies and baby equipment. If you can help please call me:

Liz Capell
Tel: 01604 740567

All Saints Church

NASEBY OPEN GARDENS SUCCESS... ONCE AGAIN!

The Naseby Open Gardens raised the wonderful amount of £2200.00!



Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 2nd October at 4 pm followed by a Harvest Tea. Further details will be in Contact, on posters and available from the Churchwardens.

JAN & AVIS

A HUGE thank you to everyone who helped achieve this: -

To Pat & Robin who masterminded all of it, to the garden openers; to Roz for the Art Exhibition; to all those who helped with the teas, raffle, sideshows, & ticket selling, to everyone who helped in any way and to all of you who visited the gardens and spent your money!

We have now been able to pay off the outstanding loan for the lighting & re-wiring and are now looking to re-decorate the church. So a lot more fund raising will take place!! Watch this space for details.

Church services are nearly back to normal - see details in Contact or on the church notice board.

This year there will be a Harvest

Brief Message from Jan Hillyer

Just to let you know that my chemo is now finished and I am feeling well!
Jan Hillyer

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Naseby Methodist Church

FAMILY FRIENDLY CHURCHES

After a summer break the midweek meeting [Wednesdays 7.30pm in the Chapel] started again in September.

John Harris, our minister, has been on sabbatical recently and on September 14th he will come to tell us what he has been doing. One exciting thing he has looked into is 'Making Family Friendly Churches'. Examining new ways of 'being church'. We are very much looking forward to hearing what he has to say and implementing things he has seen, so church can be a good and fun place for people of all stages of life!



for this we thought it would be a good idea to have [as part of our Fellowship] one Wednesday evening a month 'Soaking Prayer'.

Soaking prayer, also called Contemplative Prayer, is a relaxing time where we make time to be with God, to rest in His presence, while quiet music is playing. For those of us who have tried it before it has been a great time to be quiet and relax in Gods presence.

The evening is open for the whole circuit - and wider. If you know of friends who'd like to come, please bring a mat to lay on and a pillow, so you are comfortable [soaking is best done laying on the floor].

First meeting: September 21st, 7.30 in Naseby Chapel. After that it will be the last Wednesday of every month.

HOLIDAY & YOUTH CLUB

Photos of this year's Holiday Club 'Landlubbers' will be in the next issue and we look forward to a monthly Youth club starting up in September led by our Youth worker Helen Bamber [see notice board for more info].

MUMS & TOTS VENTURE OUT!

Mums & Tots went to Twin Lakes in August for their yearly outing. We like to say a big thank you to Tara Westaway & crew who provide many mums with a chill-out place and a chance to catch

their breath [the extra chores like cleaning up 'regurgitated cherries' don't go un-noticed girls!!!!]

THE HARVEST CELEBRATION!

This is for all the family and will be on October 2nd at 10.45am led by our own minister John Harris. We will again bring wrapped and labeled shoeboxes filled with presents for children & adults in Ukraine. Knowing John it will be a very informal service with great participation by children & adults alike, so why not put it in your diary?



If you're interested in finding out more about what Christians believe, have a look at: www.rejesus.co.uk

ANY QUESTIONS???

Get in touch with us, if we can't help you further, we'll do our best to find someone who can!

Leny Cato

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PRAYER WITHOUT CEASING

The Methodist Church nationwide has begun a year of continuous prayer called: 'PRAY WITHOUT CEASING'. Why not explore the website: www.praywithoutceasing.org.uk There's even a virtual prayer space, where you can have a prayer, ask for one, or just be quiet and look at a burning candle.

If you're interested in prayer, have a look at the 24/7 website, introducing new ways of prayer www.24-7prayer.com

SOAKING PRAYER

Next April 28th till May 14th has been allocated as our districts time to pray 24/7. To get ready





Naseby School Update

Phew! What an incredibly long, action packed and successful term that was!

SUCCESS ALL ROUND!

One of the highlights was the brilliant success of the Year 6's, who did really well in their SATs. Well done one and all! Another highlight was that for the second successive year, Naseby, the smallest school in the Guilsborough Family, won the Football League!!! Well done to all the team players and big thanks to Mike Baker and Mel Hoyle, who take the practises on Wednesdays after school.

Many of the Year 5 & 6 children went on an Outdoor and Adventurous Activities residential at Longtown, in the Black Mountains on the Welsh border, with Mrs Bradburn and Mrs Gould. Here they went caving, mountain walking, climbing and orienteering ...akk in one weekend! It was a fantastic opportunity to achieve some very difficult challenges. Well done to you all!

In the sporting line, some of the Infant children went to Guilsborough School to take part in an afternoon of

sport, competing against other schools in the Guilsborough family. This was great fun! The Junior children had some cricket coaching from Northants Cricket



Club to prepare them for the Kwik Cricket Festival at Guilsborough. We fielded a squad of 10 children for this event and played some brilliant matches, coming through the first round in the lead. Unfortunately, we did not win the next leg, but did have a great afternoon's sport.



As PE co-ordinator at Naseby School,

I would like to thank the PE department at Guilsborough School and especially Becky Smith. The sporting opportunities we can offer the children now in the Guilsborough Family are fantastic.



We also organised two enjoyable Sports Days at school.

The Junior children went on a really super trip to Coventry Cathedral this term, to support the RE work in school. They learnt all about its interesting history from the knowledgeable guides



at the Cathedral. The Infant children went on a trip to Holdenby House, where they did many interesting activities, like pond dipping.

The NSA continues to work incredibly

hard for the school. Despite a very wet Saturday, our Car Boot Sale raised a fair sum of money. The middle of June saw one of the hottest weekends for ages! How the

members of the Sealed Knot managed to march, present arms and

cook stews on an open fire without melting, I'll never know! Members of Sir Henry Radley's Company of the King's Lifeguard of Foote camped on the school paddock for the weekend of the 18th June in celebration of the 360th Anniversary of the Battle of Naseby. Many visitors to the school paddock enjoyed the festivities of the day wandering around the Sealed Knot Living History

camp. The Sealed Knot provided entertainment during the day with the children very happy at being

allowed to fight! The Hog

Roast once again proved very popular with a wonderful selection of desserts being provided by the parents. The excellent evening entertainment was provided by Empire, a big thank you to them for





making it such a fantastic evening. All in all a big success raising approximately £1200!

The term was rounded off with an Infant Open Assembly at the Chapel, when they showed a sample of their work to parents; a Junior production of 'Bugsy', which was pretty spectacular and, finally, the Leavers' Service at All Saints, when we said our last 'goodbyes' to the Year 6's and wished them all the very best at their new schools.

Sue Bradburn - Headteacher

NSA (NASEBY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION)

HOLLOWELL STEAM RALLY

Thanks to the parents and staff for selling programmes on the gates. The Rieker Shoe Stall was a huge success again with last year's customers flocking back for more shoes. A huge thank you to **Ewen Campbell of Rieker Shoes** for providing us with this wonderful opportunity to raise money for the school, we managed to raise just under £1500!

A big thank you to **Elaine at The Royal Oak** for allowing us to sell the shoes at the pub on the following Monday. Thanks also to **Mark Burdett, Mike Baker, Mel Hoyle and Danny Simon** for helping us set up and clear away the stall.

Finally a big thank you to **Lesley Campbell, Cathy Hoyle, Claire Simon, Sarah Burdett and Tina Underwood** for being such super sales women!! Visit our stall again at the Christmas Fayre on the 3rd of

December.

NSA SPORTS CLUB

This is open to all children from reception year to year 7 in Naseby and the surrounding villages. We offer a wide variety of sports classes including cricket, tennis, football and rugby. All are taught by qualified coaches at the village hall on Friday evenings during term time. We will be having **Rugby** as the chosen sport for the first half term - starting on Friday 9th September at the Village Hall - all abilities are welcome!

For more information please call Amanda White (01604 743808) or Julie Fellows (01604 743162)

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

- **Marquee (the Fitz)**

Friday 7th October

With live entertainment by EMPIRE!

- **Fashion Show (village hall)**

Friday 11th November

- **Christmas Fayre (village hall)**

Saturday 3rd December - Stalls including Rieker Shoes. Watch out for posters nearer the time with further details.

Sarah Burdett, Cathy Hoyle & Amanda Smith

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Paula Otter (Assoc mbr), Sandra Kirkland
(Assoc mbr) Andrea Heydon (Clerk)

Raise a glass (or 2!) to our Sponsor!



Our sponsor this edition is our friendly local The Fitzgerald Arms Pub. A big THANK YOU goes out to Henry and co for supporting this issue.

THINKING OF THROWING A PARTY OR FUNCTION?

The Fitzgerald Arms is now providing an excellent Party & Function service
Anniversaries - Corporate Functions - Wedding Receptions - Christenings - Birthdays
Special occasion menus from 4 Course meals to buffets.

Why not pop in for a drink and pick up a leaflet!

Tel: 01604 740273

The Fitz (as most of us know it to be called) has been in the Steane family for over 21 years now and is a traditional family run country pub with a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. It has a well stocked bar with adjoining restaurant serving a range of meals including a fantastic four course, great value Sunday lunch (highly recommended!). There is also a separate bar that has music, discos and other entertainment, including a pool table and a jukebox.

Amanda Green

NEW SPONSORS REQUIRED !
Contact **Gerry Wood**
on 01604 740444





THE BATTLEFIELDS TRUST

The membership includes the original three-person working party with Martin Marix Evans in the chair, Peter Burton of Sibbertoft and Michael Westaway of Naseby to whom have been added Roger Hillyer of Naseby and Anne Haddon of Sibbertoft together with John Kliene from Alderton. Lord Naseby and Lord Hazelrigg have consented to become the Project's patrons.

Naseby Battlefield Project

PHASE 1: The complete development of interpretation information, viewpoints and visitor facilities for Naseby Battlefield will take some years and will depend on the availability of land, access routes and funding. However, the most important findings of the last decade, which have redefined our understanding of the action, can be appreciated without entering on the traditional site and are the basis for Phase 1.

East Farndon: The Royalist army first deployed to the south of the East Farndon to Oxendon road, a site from which the Parliamentary army near Naseby windmill (the Obelisk monument) could not be seen. This was crucial to Prince Rupert's decision-making. Planning permission has been obtained and a viewpoint is to be placed here. Two interpretation boards, one on the battle and one on the natural history and wildlife, will be installed.

Naseby, Clipston Road: From a point north of the modern A14 Fairfax and Cromwell could see their enemy, and could also see that it would be necessary to move westwards to tempt Rupert to attack. A viewpoint is to be placed here, also with two interpretation boards.

The Obelisk, Naseby: This was the site of the windmill, the Parliamentary rendezvous. The existing interpretation board, giving information now

superseded, is to be replaced. The Cromwell Monument, Naseby to Sibbertoft Road: The interpretation board is to be renewed.

Bloodyman's Ford, Welland Park, Market Harborough: Now crossed by a bridge, the River Welland was forded by Royalist forces in the early hours of 14 June 1645 on their way to East Farndon. After the defeat of his army, Charles I was, it is reported in contemporary writings, almost captured here. An interpretation board is to be installed.

VIEWING PLATFORMS: Viewing platforms will be made of wood over an earth bund and will be constructed on two levels. The lower level will raise adults thirty inches above the ground so that their eye-level is that of a mounted man; the officers of the armies viewed the landscape from horseback. The upper level, another eighteen inches up, will do the same for children and for wheelchair users. Interpretation boards will identify key features in the landscape and relate the story of the action to them. The site will be planted with meadow grasses and flowers and with trees.



Drawing of viewing platform

PHASE 2: There are three or four more sites on the line of retreat over Moot Hill to the final stand at Wadborough that deserve signs and maybe viewing platforms.

PHASE 3: We hope to see the creation of a visitor centre for we are unique among the important British battlefields in being without one.

FUNDRAISING: Fundraising, both national and local, will be required to fund Phase 1 at an estimated cost of £200,000. and Phases 2 and 3 are likely

to cost well in excess of £1 million.

NASEBY BATTLEFIELD PROJECT - APPEAL: This is an appeal by the Battlefields Trust to raise money for the installation of viewpoints and interpretation boards at a number of locations on and around the area over which the Royalist and Parliamentary armies fought on 14 June 1645.

Should the appeal fail or the undertaking be curtailed through insufficient funds or for any other reason the money already raised will be paid into the Trust's Interpretation and Conservation Fund which can be used on other sites. If you do not want your donation applied in this way please say so below, indicating whether you wish your donation to be returned to you or whether you wish to be consulted on its future use. The same will apply if there is a surplus, but no return of money will be made if, calculated on a pro rata basis, the amount due is less than £1.

Naseby Battlefield Project - Management Committee



To: The Battlefields Trust,
33 High Green, Brooke,
Norwich Norfolk, NR15 1HR

I enclose a donation of £..... for the Naseby Appeal. My cheque is made payable to 'The Battlefields Trust'

Signature: Date:

Name:

Address:

.....

Tel

E-mail:

If the appeal is terminated, I would like: (tick as appropriate)

My donation to be moved to the Interpretation and Conservation fund

My donation, or the part due, to be returned to me

To be consulted about my donation's use

Let me know about plans for tours of the battlefield Yes No





What if...

All was well in my world, the usual crop of family problems, too much month at the end of the money and the usual politics at work, but my home is my castle, its where I come home to unwind, enjoy life , its my world and your welcome to come into it by invitation only.

Thursday 17th June 2005 was a normal night, we all had work the next day, others had school and would do their homework last minute, in fact a normal day, what could possibly go wrong.

About 4 am on Friday 17th June, I am awoken by my better half saying "I can hear something outside," I was in a deep sleep and tried to dismiss it, there were now screams of "there is somebody outside."

I open one eye to see my better half shouting at somebody outside in language not befitting a lady.

As I looked out of the window I could see some 15 feet away 2 persons with a crow bar at the rear conservatory door, there is now a sudden realisation that somebody is wanting to come into my world uninvited, and at 4 in the morning.

These vermin were aware of our rantings, and thought better of it, and decided that to face my good lady, incensed is not a good move, and as we watched them run across the drive it turns out there were 4 of them with balaclavas on and dark clothes, clearly not come to help with the gardening.

I tried to ring the police but the battery had gone on the phone, it took ages to fire the mobile phone up, its not like the movies.

Eventually I get through and help was on its way.

I decide I will go have a look for the midnight gardeners, but realise as I am half way along Newlands in my boxers, thinking what will I do I catch up with them, I decide to go back to the hysterical house and check there was nobody else there.

We all know the police are understaffed and some 40 minutes later from Towcester the thin blue line arrived, if we had found them we would have still been out numbered 2 to 1, not good odds.

The officer was sympathetic, but we all knew there was not much he could do, but he duly did his best, scenes of crime came the following day, as agreed and the insurance company duly did their bit, but I would naturally have to pay the excess.

Luckily nothing was taken, but the worst part is ,we move into the what if syndrome

- What were they after?
- What if they had got in?
- What if they had come up stairs?
- What if they had been watching us in the day?
- What if they come back?

This is almost worse than the actual attempt burglary itself, although Homebase has benefited from this (we now have an entire range of security measures to try and protect ourselves) we keep going back to the "what ifs."

So please, Naseby is a lovely place to live, and only by invitation at 4 in the morning.

So before you go to bed just make sure everything is locked so you do not become a victim of "What if" syndrome.

From the insomniacs of Newlands

Shop Update



The new village shop is back on track so building work continues at a ferocious pace! With the new building at roof level already it won't be long before the much needed shop will be complete and opening it's doors for business.

The post office however is a whole different matter. According to Post Office Limited, the application has been rejected due to the time elapsed between the old one closing down and the new one potentially opening (2 yrs). But Henry Stearne said "At no point were we ever told that if the application form we were given was not sent in by a certain date the Post Office would formally close down the Naseby Branch. There was a long list of information and documentation required to support the application form which took a long time to put together. We were just told to get it in as soon as we could when it was all complete. Which we did."

The petition, which many of you signed, was sent to the Rural Development Manager of Post Offices Limited to demonstrate the level of support the potential post office still has from Naseby and surrounding villages.

Henry said "I would like to thank everyone who took the time to sign the petition or go round collecting signatures. We will just have to wait and see now if it helps our case at all. On a more positive note, we are still trying to come up with an original name for the shop. If you have any suggestions I would love to hear them, so give me a call - 01604 740273."

Amanda Green





The Naseby BIG WEEKEND!

Saturday 16th & 17th July 2005

IT'S A KNOCKOUT FUN DAY!

The morning of July 16th dawned a little overcast, but by lunchtime it was bright and sunny and everything was set for the Naseby Big Weekend!

The Open Gardens event was held on the Saturday and Sunday (see the report on page 12) but the main Saturday event was undoubtedly the 'It's A Knockout Fun Day'.



Team work was the winning formula



Pure determination!

12 teams had entered to compete for the Battle of Naseby Trophy. They were split into two semi-finals with 6 teams in each to take part in events including the Nordic Ski challenge, Sounds of the 70s and Back to School.

There was a lot of 'friendly' rivalry between the boys and girls teams representing the Fitz, while the Naseby rounders team seemed to spend a lot of time 'making friends' with the male referees.

The top six teams then progressed into the final, which culminated in the 'Foam Pit', where everyone got a thorough soaking!

Competition was fierce, but the



There were lots of spectators and sup...



Testing those brain cells!

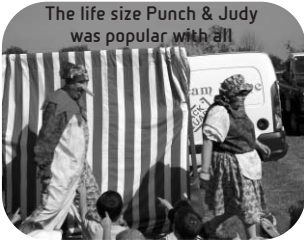
prize was eventually carried off by the team from "Hall Close (and beyond)".

Elsewhere on the field, those not



There was lots for the kids to do!





The life size Punch & Judy was popular with all

directly involved had plenty to keep them busy and entertained, with sideshows ranging from sumo wrestling to the adults bouncy castles.



Porters on the day!

castles, the sports races and the ever popular penalty shootout.!

After the knockout presentation, there was just time for a quick bite to eat at the Hog Roast before taking to



It's all in the technique you know!

the dance floor to enjoy 'White Room' perform and then the auction. When the band had finished their set (everyone still standing) wnet on to enjoy the late night disco.



Weeeeeee!

All in all a great time was had by everyone who attended, and the event raised over £3500!



THE WINNING TEAM: Hall Close (and beyond)

THANKS TO THE SPONSORS

The following firms and individuals kindly sponsored the event. Without their support we would not have been able to organise an event on this scale.

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- Scott Westaway
- Tom Westaway
- Stripitoff - Naseby

THANK YOU

SO WHAT WAS IT FOR THEN ?

The Knockout was held to raise funds to build a sports court at the village hall, as identified in the village plan.

An event like this does not happen on its own, and the bulk of the organisation was done by Martin Bates, Becky Pope and Mel Hoyle, assisted by Wyn Sleeman. A great deal of thanks are also owed to lots of people. We have tried to include everyone here, but so many people helped that it would

be impossible to list (or even remember!) them all. However their help is fully appreciated.

THANKYOUOUS...

Scott Westaway, Sarah Capell, Sally Campbell, Sue Marchant, Sarah Farrell, Mary Wood, Mark Burdett, Ian, Mike and Bridget Baker, Lesley Campbell, Christine Anderson, Roy Westaway, Amanda Green and everyone else who helped out on the day.

THANKS ALSO ...

Thanks also to everyone who donated prizes for the auction:

- Ewan Campbell
- Teak and Cane company - Market Harborough
- Rob White
- Bridget and Mike Baker
- Bob Craik
- Henry
- Barry Duddlestone
- Chas Anderson
- Tim Marchant





NASEBY OPEN GARDENS



Visitors from far and wide enjoyed another excellent village open gardens on the weekend of July

16th and 17th.

After a good turnout on the Saturday, hundreds took advantage of the superb weather on the Sunday and savoured 18 wonderful and varied



gardens including five opening for the first time. They ranged from large to small, and from the very traditional to the refreshingly modern in style - something for everyone!

With two raffles and tombola, plus quality cream teas and cakes served at three locations, it provided a day out to remember, with many people promising to return next year.

The weekend was rounded off with a barbecue for all openers and helpers, to whom



thanks are due. Over £2,200 was raised for the church. Lets hope next year is as successful!

Pat & Robin

(ps: a big thank you for the tips on feeding and watering bamboo plants from Glen Simons of Knights Hill who opened their gardens for the 1st time this year - worked a treat as we have new shoots coming thru already! - ed)

NASEBY OPEN GARDENS ART EXHIBITION 2005



By kind donation of Vicky and Mike Roper this years Exhibition was held in the "Fairfax Gallery" in the Naseby Business Centre and what a lovely venue it was! Light and airy it leant itself very well to the Artwork on show which on the whole had a very contemporary feel. So thank you Vicky and Mike for your generosity. Thanks also to Norma

Simons and Bim Fowler for their help in hanging the pictures.

There were 50 exhibits and a display of unusual and beautiful Decoupage Mirrors by Jane Worthington of Arthingworth. Five paintings were sold raising a total of £110 for Church Funds.

Sue Marchants delicate watercolours of birds eggs and shells were greatly admired, as were Hazel Crabtrees abstract images of flowers in all their wonderful colours. Bim Fowlers collection of paintings in pastels and acrylics had a powerful presence.

A thought provoking vision of Outer Space was brought closer to us by Joyce Markies interpretation of images from the Leicester University Space Programme.

Coastline and waders were the subject of Norma Simons delicate work and the Norfolk landscape was expertly portrayed by John Sampson.

"The Stones themselves will start Shouting" was the title of one of Jen Soulsby's pieces and many thought that this was a creative direction which should be pursued.

There were so many wonderful images from Representational to Abstract that visitors stayed longer than would be usual and many came back for a second look! It was a glorious weekend for the Exhibition that owed its success not only to the weather but to ALL the Artists whose talents made it possible.

Roz Bradshaw.





NORTHAMPTONSHIRE PLACE NAME QUIZ!

A quiz was made open to all on the Naseby Open Gardens weekend - kindly put together by Liz Crowley. The quiz was to test your knowledge of places within Northamptonshire. With a small entrance fee of just £1 (in aid of the 'All Saints Church Fund') a garden gift token was up for grabs! The winner of the quiz with all 46 correct was Roger Hillyer - although he did say... "I cannot claim full responsibility, it was a joint effort

from both Jan and myself. We took the quiz on holiday to Cornwall and every spare moment seemed to be spent on it!!!!" - Well congratulations to you both!

If you missed out on the quiz and fancy testing your knowledge of the county (but this time - just for fun!) get a pen at the ready and see how many you can guess! Those of you who entered but struggled to get all the answers, they are at the bottom to put you out of your misery! Have fun and no cheating!!!

Amanda Green

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE PLACE NAME QUIZ

(e.g. Golf Weight = Teeton)

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1 Perfumed Baffle | 23 Solid candle core |
| 2 Souse in hotwater | 24 There isn't a container |
| 3 First person to shid | 25 French sea near the fire |
| 4 Spring in warren | 26 Substantial caffle professor |
| 5 Healthy car | 27 Prison so up |
| 6 Everybody in fruit | 28 Rise to a hundred |
| 7 Sheep's tittle | 29 Nobleman's pub weight |
| 8 13urrow's weight | 30 Large poster |
| 9 Worry fruit | 31 Gear and garden implement |
| 10 Nutty seashore | 32 Highway |
| 11 Irate watering hole | 33 Creepy crawly stream |
| 12 Small bog | 34 Stone in meat |
| 13 Support in pasture | 35 Big worry lair |
| 14 Close golfer | 36 She's sturdy |
| 15 Congratulations | 37 Coloured pebble |
| 16 Empty water source | 38 Bread browner |
| 17 Shed with water supply | 39 Antique shellfish |
| 18 A pain in the neck | 40 Liqified |
| 19 Not cotton and not first on | 41 B uildin g bloc ks v alue |
| 20 Fortress with tree near | 42 Hurry, look for the lion |
| 21 Confound | 43 One kirk |
| 22 Gasp in relief to perfection | 44 Distinguished university lecturer |
| | 45 Small fish sounds heavy |
| | 46 Above the rock |

Answers: (I said no cheating!!!! - ed)
 1. Yardley Hastings, 2. Scaldwell, 3. Slip, 4. Wellingtonborough, 5. Wellford, 6. Dringbury, 7. Lamport, 8. Denton, 9. Whittlebury, 10. Haselbech, 11. Rothwell, 12. Tichmarsh, 13. Brafield, 14. Shuttanger, 15. Weldon, 16. Hollowell, 17. Barnwell, 18. Crick, 19. Wollaston, 20. Castle Ashby, 21. Fore, 22. Sywell, 23. Hardwick, 24. Nobottle, 25. Mears Ashby, 26. Great Oxendon, 27. Brigstock, 28. Upton, 29. Earls Barton, 30. Great Billing, 31. Cogenhoe, 32. Rode, 33. Bugbrooke, 34. Rockingham, 35. Great Harrowden, 36. Maidwell, 37. Silverstone, 38. Towcester, 39. Aldwincle, 40. Moulton, 41. Brixworth, 42. Rushden, 43. Achurch, 44. Finedon, 45. Spratton, 46. Overstone





Rieker Naseby Ladies Rounders Team

With our 2nd season drawing to a close we are actually sitting at the top of the 2nd Division having only lost one match all season. First division calling for next year, a different story altogether we feel!

Thanks, as always, go to our sponsors Rieker Shoes, our kit looks fantastic.

Our groundsman Derek Daw has done a wonderful job of mowing the pitch and Westaways have mowed the larger field area, thanks to them.

It is wonderful to see the playing fields being used so much by the village.

Thanks also to Elaine for continuing to provide such wonderful hospitality down at The Royal Oak.

On Sunday 26th June Naseby were hosts for a Market Harborough Rounders League Invitational Tournament, with teams from Leicestershire, Northamptonshire and Warwickshire taking part. Naseby won the title of "Most Sporting Team". The League thanked us for a wonderful day, it was one of their best fundraising events.

Sunday August 14th saw us entering 2 teams in the Mixed Tournament at Symingtons, Market Harborough and on August 17th it was our last match of the season and was played at home in fancy dress!

We are still holding our practises on Sunday mornings at 11am at the Village Hall. New players are very welcome, contact Bridget Baker 01604 740007. Final update of the season in the next edition of Naseby Natters.

Cathy Hoyle and Lesley Campbell

Naseby OnLine

As mentioned in the Parish Council article (p. 2), Naseby now has its own web site (more details next issue). Clubs and societies from the village will have their own sections of the site where they can provide their own content. However there

will be large portions of the site which will NOT be run by the clubs and societies so the question is - **What do you think should be on a Naseby Village Website?**

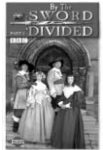
If you have any suggestions, or would like to be involved in setting up or maintaining the site, please contact Wyn on: wyn@sleeman.plus.com

Village Hall Update

Following the success of the "Its a Knockout" day, the Village Hall Management Committee & others feel that we should do some fund-raising, so that maintenance jobs, grass-cutting etc, could be done on a paid basis, instead of relying on volunteers with limited time. We are looking for people to form a fundraising committee to organise a few events to help us out. If you feel like contributing a few hours per year to assist in keeping the Village Hall up to scratch and being something that Naseby can be proud of, please contact Gerry Wood tel 01604 740444

Historical Drama Series

Recently I bought the video set of 'By the Sword Divided'. This drama was televised in the 1970's when I lived far away from my native Northamptonshire! The story line is set in the period of the civil war; much of the filming was shot in the grounds and interior of Rockingham Castle. If anyone is interested in borrowing the set of 4 video tapes, I am happy to lend them out for a £5 donation towards the Naseby Historical Society.



Liz Crowley (tel: 01604 740448)

Age Concern

I hope you are all having a good summer despite the extremes of weather. Hopefully we will have another warm spell before autumn sets in, so please **remember to close your windows if you go out, and keep the doors locked when you are in.** I have a fact-sheet prepared by Age Concern on 'Crime Prevention for Older People', which I would be pleased to show you if you are interested.

Please continue to save magazines and paperback

books - I'll happily collect them and pass them on to someone else. If you are housebound you may like to know that the **Mobile Library** van has a scheme for bringing a choice of library books to your home once a fortnight.

If you need any help or advice please telephone me and I will make an appointment to call on you.

Liz Capell
Age Concern Village Contact
Tel. 01604 740568





As a society we have now been in existence for nearly a year. So far, we have been very successful with quite a large membership and a good attendance at meetings (even the AGM!).

We launched ourselves properly last September with a talk and slides given by Glen Ford of the Battlefield Trust. His subject was how archaeology has helped so much with battlefield sites - to find the exact location of main skirmishes.

Other talks throughout the year included two by local residents of Naseby. The first was given by Patrick Crecraft on the history of canals. His enthusiasm for his subject helped to make it very interesting. The second was given by Mike Thornton on women in Northamptonshire villages after the Black Death. Mike really

knew his subject and showed how life in the rural communities was affected so much at that time.

Stephen Barker's (chairman of the Market Harborough Historical Society) topic was shop fronts in Harborough and their history. Stephen was very entertaining and we thoroughly enjoyed his talk.

A South Devon shipwreck and sunken treasure was the subject of Jim Tyson's lecture. Jim lives in the area and spends many weekends diving in search of wrecks!

There have been two outings during the summer, the first was a walk round Brixworth led by John Dawkins, the secretary of the Brixworth Historical Society, and the second a tour of the Naseby battlefield area, led by Martin Evans. We enjoyed the walk round Brixworth so much that John is going to take us again next year to show us more of the old

village. The battlefield tour went well, also, and Martin will be our first speaker of our new season in September.

Another outing during the year was a visit to 78 Derngate, Northampton, the interior of which was designed by Charles Rennie Mackintosh.

Enclosed in this edition of Natters is a membership form. If you would like to join or renew your membership, please complete the form and bring it along to our first meeting on the 7th of September which is a talk on the Naseby Battle. We look forward to seeing all our members - old and new - in our second year!

Liz Crowley

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NASEBY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - 2005-2006 TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

Date	Time & Venue	Description
7 September 2005	7.30pm Naseby Village Hall	Talk on the Naseby Battle by Martin Marix Evans
5 October 2005	7.30pm Kelmarsh Hall	A guided Tour round Kelmarsh Hall Cost will be £5.50 per person (need minimum of 18 people)
2 November 2005	8pm Naseby Village Hall	History & Work - A talk by Barbara Hewitt from the National Trust. This will focus on Lyveden New Bield
7 December 2005	8pm Naseby Village Hall	History of the Postal Service 1635-1840 by Derrick Smeathers He will be bringing letters sent from Naseby for us all to look at
January 2006	No meeting	-
1st February 2006	8pm Naseby Village Hall	History of Firearms 1400-1900 by Allan Kirk
1st March 2006	8pm Naseby Village Hall	Eleanor Crosses by Christine Blythe
5th April 2006	8pm Naseby Village Hall	AGM
3rd May 2006	8pm Naseby Village Hall	History of Thatching by Clarence Galbraith
7th June 2006	Brixworth Saxon Church	Brixworth Walk - Part 2 by John Dawkins





Naseby then and now...

65 High Street early 1900 and now...



We would like to do a regular article in Natters on Naseby past and present using old photographs of the village and surrounding farms, showing how things were and what they are like now. Thanks to Ray Ellis of 65 High Street for the photograph featured above (left). If you have any old pictures you would like to feature in our newsletter please get in touch. We will scan any photos in and return the originals to you. We will then take a new photograph to show what it looks like today.

Please contact Pauline Atkins (Tel: 01604 740468 or e-mail: pauline_atkins@hotmail.com)

Neighbourhood Watch News



VEHICLE THEFTS ACROSS RURAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

There have been quite a large number of vehicle thefts across rural Northamptonshire in the last few weeks. These are often 4x4 pickup trucks and similar expensive vehicles. Many have been taken from farm workers - it seems that there are people in the county who will follow cars and then jump into them when left unattended for even a few seconds.

SO, make sure you don't leave keys in your car, even if just buying the paper.

AND when you do get home, please don't just leave the keys in the hall - we had an incident in Naseby a couple of years ago when someone's keys were 'fished' out through the letterbox slot and the car stolen.

Otherwise all seems calm for the moment - be vigilant!

Allan Kirk

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- *Shannonside, Carvells Lane*
Ray Ellis - *65 High Street*
Peter Johnston - *3 Fairfax Rise*
James Young - *8 Fairfax Rise*
Lynn Dyett - *14 Newlands*
Mike Willis - *7 Newlands*
Mark Norton - *2 Hall Close*
Greg Pritchett
- *Oakwell, Church St*
Liz Capell - *16 Nutcote*
Steve Clark - *6 Newlands*





Gardening Club Update



As indicated in the last Natters, we had an excellent visit to orchard Gardens which had some very usual plants for sale. The well attended visit was rounded off with tea and biscuits making it a very pleasant evening.

If you are like me, then you'd buy the occasional orchid for their stunning and long lasting blooms only for the plant to die. John Spires (Chairman of The Orchid Society) gave us simple advice on how to make them flower again.

We have discovered a really good Geranium and Pelagonium nursery at Cramden Nurseries Harborough Rd., Kingsthorpe. This very large specialist nursery grows a good range of high quality plants. We are arranging for a visit by the club for a guided tour and talk about the plants that they grow. We have also negotiated a special 10% reduction to Garden Club Members only!

EVENTS:

- Tuesday September 27th - We have our Plant Sale and social evening. We ask members to bring in their surplus plants to sell. The members may keep the cash or donate it to a specified charity. We will also be selling a quantity of snakes head fritillaria and possibly some daffodils, which will be sold at approximately half the retail price!

- Sunday October 30th - We have arrange a visit to Bluebell Arboretum at Ashby de la Zouch.

- Tuesday 22nd November - We have Frank Keetch of Arthingworth Manor giving a talk on "Delphiniums"

Our new Programme secretary (Virginia Sooth) is compiling next years programme and would welcome any suggestions.

Why not visit our friendly club and see for yourself how to improve your garden?

For further information please contact:
Gerry Wood (01604 740444.)

Fitzgerald Arms



Opening Hours:

12-3pm Tuesday - Sunday
7-11pm 7 Days a week

Food Served:

12-2pm Tuesday - Sunday
7-9pm Tuesday - Sunday

Children Welcome

Tel: 01604 740273

The Royal Oak



Wot's On...

Real Ale remains a continuing attraction and success while the weekend barbecues have proved very popular when the weather has been kind. The Barbie and Disco on Sat 30th July was a particular success.

Gary Underwood and Empire will be playing live on Saturday 10th September

September also sees the return on Wednesday 14th at 8.30 pm of the monthly **Quiz Night** with genial quiz master, Stan Barton!

A **Bonfire Party** is scheduled for Saturday 5th November to include fireworks, hot snacks and a Disco

Finally Congratulations to all members and supporters of **Rieker Naseby Ladies Rounders** on their league success this summer - it has been a pleasure to provide your after match refreshments

OPENING TIMES

Summer opening times are :

Monday - Friday: 4.30 to 11pm
Saturday: 12 midday to 11pm
Sunday: 12 midday to 7pm

Children are welcome in the TV & Games Room under parental supervision
Dogs are also welcome (providing they are on a lead)

Elaine Higgs
Tel: 07985 408240





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UPDATED CLUBS, GROUPS & SOCIETIES TO JOIN IN NASEBY!

Age Concern

Contact with the other agencies
Contact: Liz Capell (01604 740568)

Badminton Club

Meet at the village hall
Contact: Tony Hoare (01604 743136)

Bell Ringing

Practice night is on Tuesdays
Contact: Avis Aldrich (01604 740532)

Bridge Club

Purely on a social basis
Contact: Mike Willis (01604 740437)

Clipston & District Gardening Club

Monthly meetings with speakers
Contact: Gerry Wood (01604 740444)

Cribbage

Monday between April to October
Contact: Phil Brewin or Ray Ellis (01604 740442/740562)

Cricket Club

"friendlies" to be played
Contact: Mike Willis (01604 740437)

Dog Behaviour & Training

Variety of services for dogs & owners
Contact: Shelley Purdue (01604 743037)

Drinks, Biscuit & Chat

2nd Wednesday 1.30 onwards
Contact: Joyce Vials (01604 740887)

Mothers Union

1st Wednesday of the month
Contact: Avis Aldrich (01604 740532)

Mums & Tots

Thursday 1.30 to 3.30pm - term time
Contact: Ruth Watson (01604 740845)

Naseby Historical Society

New group just set up
Contact: Liz Crowley (01604 740448)

Neighbourhood Watch

Team of 10 plus other helpers
Contact: Allan Kirk (01604 743141)

Riding for the Disabled

Mondays 4-5.30 pm/Apr-Oct term time
Contact: Tina Fanshawe (01604 740308)

Rounders

Games will be home & away
Contact: Bridget Baker (01604 740007)

School Football Team

Wednesday afternoons
Contact: Mel Hoyle (01604 740848)

Table Tennis

Meeting on Monday evenings
Contact: Mike Willis (01604 740437)

Village Hall Committee

Always looking for new users
Contact: Tony Hoare (01604 743136)

Womans Institute (WI)

Second Thursday monthly
Contact: Pat Yates (01604 740657)

Yoga

Mondays 1.30-3pm in term times
Contact: Mike Willis (01604 740437)

Youth Club

Friday 7.15-9pm in winter months
Contact: Stewart Nuttall (01604 740269)

Remember to mention 'Naseby Natters' when contacting any of the companies, groups & clubs above!





The Naseby W.I.

Since the last edition of Naseby Natters, the Annual General Meeting of the Women's Institute has been held at the Royal Albert Hall. It was attended by around 5000 delegates from all around the U.K. with guest speakers including Jane Fonda, Bill Bryson, Baroness Helena Kennedy Q.C., and Julia Unwin of the Foods Standards Agency.



The resolutions which were put to delegates this year were concerned with 'Care of our Environment' and 'Farmgate Milk Prices.'

The first called on members *'to take further action to reduce waste and conserve resources in their own homes and communities; to lobby manufacturers, retailers and decision makers to reduce waste in production, packaging and transportation of public and consumer goods.'* The second one urged members *'to do all in their power to raise public awareness of the unfair difference between the retail prices of milk and price paid to the farmer.'* Naseby members having voted for both resolutions at their meeting in May were pleased to note that they were also passed at the Royal Albert Hall Meeting in both cases by majorities of more than 99%.

ENVIRONMENT: Judging by the number of full recycling boxes which line the streets of Naseby every week, it would appear that people here do care for the environment and play a large part in its conservation. However, it would be interesting to know how many people think of the environment when accepting non-biodegradable plastic bags to carry home even the smallest item of shopping!

DID YOU KNOW ?

It is estimated that there are now more than a staggering 15 billion plastic bags distributed in the UK every year, most of which are non-recyclable and have to go into a landfill site or be burnt, releasing damaging carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.

FARMGATE: As for farmgate milk prices, it is understood that it currently costs the UK dairy farmer between 18 and 23 pence to produce a litre of milk but since the year 2000, average farmgate milk prices have varied between 16 and 20 pence per litre. And what do the consumers pay in the supermarket? More than 30p per litre. Not all the blame for the difference lies with the supermarkets; dairy companies don't always pass back price increases to the farmers. Is it any wonder that it is estimated that more than 40 dairy farmers are leaving the business every week?

On a lighter note (!) at the July meeting in Naseby, Mr. Brian Dennis spoke to members about beekeeping. He told them pretty well all there is to know about beekeeping and bees (what amazing creatures they are!), doing so in a very humorous way and

answering questions as he went along. Afterwards, members were able to buy his home-made candles and delicious honey.

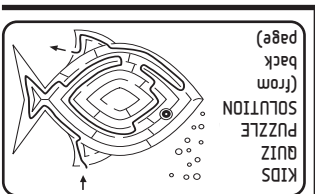
There was no meeting during August, as members and their guests went to Elton Hall near Oundle, where they toured the house and gardens.

MEETING:

- **Thursday 8th September:** Sue Constable from the Northampton Shoe Museum will be giving a talk entitled **'My feet are killing me.'** Any lady who is interested in shoes (and which lady is not?) is welcome to go along to the village hall at 7.30pm
- **Thursday 13th October:** Naseby W.I. will be holding their A.G.M. This will be followed by a talk about the Workbridge Centre, in Northampton, where young people can develop various skills including catering, office skills, ceramics, etc, all in a sheltered environment
- **Thursday 10th November:** 'B' Poole will be telling members all about Line Dancing and everyone who wishes to do so will be able to try her hands (or should that be feet?) at it. (Should be an interesting evening!)
- **Thursday 8th December:** The last meeting of the year, where some of the members will be showing their craft skills - more on this next time!

Finally, a warm welcome would be extended to any lady who would like to go along to any of the meetings which, unless advised to the contrary, are held in the village hall on the second Thursday of each month, starting at 7.30pm.

Mary Hackett Tel. 01604 740657





Kids Corner!

BOOK REVIEW

Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince by JK Rowling

Well it's been a long time coming, but at last it's here! The next installment of the series of Harry Potter books has everything you would expect. Magic, Muggles, Wizards and all our favourite characters from the previous 5 fantastic books. Harry Potter is back for his next year at Hogwarts School of witchcraft and wizardry. This is a year at Hogwarts when Harry finally learns about how Lord Voldemort came into power, more about the factors that effected his past than ever before. This book is suitable for all ages and is full of twists, turns and revelations - sure to keep you gripped throughout!



FILM REVIEWS

Willy Wonka (PG)

Director Tim Burton brings his imagination truly to life in this classic story by Roald Dahl about a poor boy called Charlie Bucket and an eccentric chocolate factory owner called Willy Wonka. Willy Wonka launches a worldwide search for children to take over his chocolate factory. Charlie wins a place on a guided tour of the Chocolate factory by finding a golden ticket and puts himself in the running to own the Wonkas entire empire! This film is full of colour, imagination and fun and has been given a whole new lease of life by Tim Burton and Johnny Depp (Wonka). A must see for all!



Madagascar (U)

If you have ever wondered what would happen if a highly intelligent group of Zoo animals were about to escape from a New York Zoo then you are about to find out! In this fun packed action adventure we see a lion, zebra, giraffe and a hippo escape their comfortable lives at the zoo and escape to the island of Madagascar. How will they survive alone for the first time with no one to look after them and provide their food? This colourful animated film is suitable for all the family and will be enjoyed by old and young alike.



Joke Corner

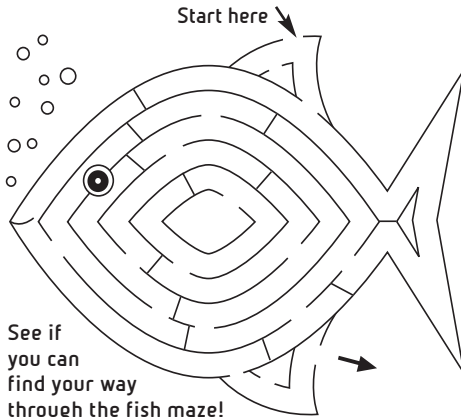
Why was the broom late ?

It over swept!

What is red and flies and wobbles at the same time ?

A jelly-copter!

Kids Puzzle!



See if you can find your way through the fish maze!

For the solution see the bottom of page 19. Good Luck!

Don't Forget!

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