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### **Quainton Parish Magazine nearly 70 years ago!**

Several years ago, I published the front cover of the first issue of Quainton News from 1974. Quainton Parish Magazine is the predecessor to Quainton News and this is the cover from issue No. 9 from September 1952 – nearly 70 years ago!

I wonder, does anyone have issue No. 1? See p.27 for more details.

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# Welcome from Holy Cross & St Mary's Church



Dear friends,

You want to know about a miracle? Here's one!

I have been known to buy my lovely wife Sarah dresses for Christmas. I've known her long enough to figure out what style of dress she likes, the colour, pattern and size. So far I've managed a few gold stars for getting it right! That's the miracle! There was one faux pas in Boots when I was choosing a lipstick for her, and when presenting it to the girl on the checkout, received a rather puzzled look. "But this is the tester sir!"

It seems to get harder every year to buy presents for family that you know they will appreciate. Presents that won't end up being recycled and passed on to some other unsuspecting victim of your generosity! I think it's quite fun to surprise the one you love with something a little different, a little imaginative. One year I found some Christmas wrapping paper with a brussels sprout pattern which I used to wrap a box full of – you guessed it – brussels sprouts. I presented this to Sarah as her main present, much to the hilarity of the children who were looking on. She loves brussels sprouts, so I was on to a winner! Don't worry. When she dug a little deeper into the sprouts box, there was a smaller box with some special jewellery in it. I think she has come to expect a few surprises at Christmas!

And for me, that's the wonderful thing about the Christmas story, it's full of surprises. But you have to dig a little deeper below the surface of the story to understand what the true gift of Christmas is. I love all the trimmings – the tree, decorations, mince pies, Christmas pudding, crackers, family and friends, parties, the Queen's Speech, celebrations in church, Midnight Communion, giving and receiving gifts and of course, the turkey! However, it's a shame when we get carried along in a band-wagon and miss the whole point of the Christmas story.

The birth of Christ in Bethlehem was the most staggering surprise of all to many. It shouldn't have been such a surprise, because there are over three hundred predictions about the birth, life and death of Christ in the Old Testament, written hundreds of years before the events took place. But the event of the birth of Christ still took many by surprise. The big surprise was the way in which God broke into space and time as a baby in a manger, when most people thought he would come with an army to throw out the occupying Roman legions. Their "Messiah" wasn't what God intended at all. One of Jesus' names is "Emmanuel" and it means "God with us."

And that's the point. God comes to where we are to show us the way, the truth and the life. That's the real miracle of Christmas.

May you and all those you love and care for, have blessings galore this Christmas!

Blessings, Rev Steve

Reverend Steve Flashman, Vicar

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## Welcome to the December 2021 issue



Hello everyone,

As I write this, we seem to be creeping into yet another period of the unknown. I am praying that all the events published inside are able to go ahead and that everyone has a fabulous Christmas with their family and friends. Father Christmas will be doing his usual round on Christmas Eve, see inside for details.

Merry Christmas everyone, and a Happy New Year!

Stay safe and enjoy the read,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Louisa".

*Louisa Richards, Editor*

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## News From Our Church:

### See page 5 for our Christmas church services...

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### **Social Event of the Year: Church Yard Clear Up!**

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December: 10.00 til 12 noon**

Well, some things never change and our annual gathering is no different as the leaves and debris fall, and need clearing up! So, we are planning to hold a churchyard winter clear up on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021. Please do come and help, even for an hour. If you take your dogs through the churchyard or, if you just sit on a bench and enjoy a time of peace and beauty, perhaps you could consider helping us.

Refreshments will be made available, even if at a social distance, so still time for a chat and catch up, which is one of the best parts of the gathering!!

If you could bring your own rakes, and wheelbarrows if you have one, that would be great, otherwise we have a few available, and we have the big builders' bags which are very useful for the leaves. Please come along and support us!

Margaret Willoughby 655606 / Malcolm Wearn 655484



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# **Christmas at Quainton Church**

**Sunday 12th December**

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**Sunday 19th December**

4.00pm Carol Service

**Friday 24th December**

3.00pm Crib Service

11.30pm Midnight Mass

**Christmas Day**

10.30am Celebration



Info: Revd Steve: 07950 000910  
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## The Christmas Eve Float

Ho Ho Ho Quainton! Last Christmas, despite all the challenges and restrictions, my helpers and I managed to keep the Quainton Father Christmas Float going and I had an amazing time seeing all the children, as well as grown-ups!

**THE ROUTE:** This year, things will run in a similar way. We'll start at The Railway as usual, hopefully around 4pm but this is not always guaranteed, work our way up Station Road, turn right to go along The Strand/Dymock/White Hart/Mallets, then up to the church and go along Church Street, then down The Green, along Lower Street/Cautley/Piggott, then up North End Road, up Upper Street, nipping into Winwood, ending at the top of The Green around 8pm. More details will be published on Facebook nearer the time.

In previous years, I've had helpers knocking on doors for donations towards local charities, but last year, to ensure we were all social distancing, we set up a Just Giving page, as well as taking some donations on the night. Thanks to all your generosity we raised a massive £1,479. I was so thrilled by this amount that my Elves and I had an extra mince pie before we set off to deliver all the presents. The money you donated was shared equally between the Quainton OAP Christmas Dinner Fund, CLIC Sargent, Prostate Cancer UK and Epilepsy Trust.

As the Just Giving page was so successful last year, I've set up a new page for this year's float. It goes without saying that the main reason for organising the Christmas float is to share some Christmas magic and put a smile on the faces of the children in the village, as well as a few of the older residents, who knows, it might even help a few of them decide which side of the 'Naughty or Nice' list they want to be on. It's also a good opportunity to collect much needed funds for charities that are local to the village, or close to villagers' hearts. I know it's been a tough couple of years for families, so please only give what you can.

You can find the just giving page on the following link:

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/quaintonsantafloat2021?utm\\_term=nbVJM4m8r](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/quaintonsantafloat2021?utm_term=nbVJM4m8r)

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Thank you for all your generosity and support and I look forward to seeing you all on the 24<sup>th</sup> December.

*Father Christmas*



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## Harvest Auction: 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021

After a year off due to covid restrictions, the Harvest Auction returned in October and raised an amazing **£2680** for village groups and activities, the second highest amount ever raised.

As is the norm, distribution of the money seeks to take into account village needs and recognise those organisations who donate sale items or generally support the event. This year the following groups and activities will benefit as follows:

<b>Senior Citizens' Christmas Party</b>	<b>£700</b>	<b>Monday Club</b>	<b>£200</b>
<b>Table Tennis Club</b>	<b>£240</b>	<b>Brownies</b>	<b>£100</b>
<b>Pre School</b>	<b>£100</b>	<b>Christmas Tree on the Green</b>	<b>£90</b>
<b>PTA</b>	<b>£400</b>	<b>Bonfire &amp; Fireworks</b>	<b>£200</b>
<b>Royal British Legion</b>	<b>£200</b>	<b>Windmill Society</b>	<b>£300</b>
<b>Scouts/Cubs/Beavers</b>	<b>£100</b>	<b>Christmas Eve Float</b>	<b>£50</b>

There were several changes to this year's event. It was held outside, in the George & Dragon courtyard, to enable some social distancing, and two of the mainstays of the event, organiser Dick Carter and auctioneer John Blanchard, were unable to attend. Many thanks to Neil ('Flash') Richardson for so ably stepping in for John as auctioneer.

Our vicar, Reverend Steve Flashman, opened the event and 'Flash' (not to be confused with Flashman!) got the bidding underway, with Mike Evans trying to keep pace with noting the purchases and later, collecting the cash.

Thanks as ever go to Darren, George and team at the George & Dragon for hosting the event, to Rachel and John Quigg for the event posters and to all those who donated items including, in no particular order: - The George & Dragon, North End Nurseries, Signature Flowers, Affinity Hair Design, Sandie Finnie, Quainton Windmill, Quainton Village Store, Quainton PTA, Gumboots & Roots, Beavers & Cubs, Monday Club, Jim Styles, Sue Curtis, Colin & Caroline Cope, Pete Leybourne, Bucks County Show, Parrott Bros Butchers, Faccenda, Dayla, XT Brewery, Vale Brewery, Chiltern Brewery, 918 Coffee, Holdsworth, Bookers, Piggots. If we have missed anyone, please accept our apologies.

At the end of the auction Darren took the opportunity to publicly thank George for his great work over the years and to wish him well in his new role at The Five Arrows.

For those who have not yet attended this village institution, please do try to come along next year, and demonstrate your support for local groups and activities whilst having a good evening out. And finally, please also look out for, and donate to, the Father Christmas Float on Christmas Eve, another important fund raiser for the village.

*Harvest Auction Organisers*



# Quainton Parish Council

Chairman: John Knox. Councillors Nick Butler, Michelle Robinson-Boyce, Nicolette Smith, Sue Weldon, Lee Whitlock  
Clerk: E: [parishclerk@quainton.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@quainton.org.uk) T: 01296 655275

## The Chairman Reports:

As I write this another superb **firework display** is still fresh in my mind, although as you read this, you will be thinking of Christmas. Nevertheless, our thanks are once again due to the organisers and helpers for a great display.

On the **planning** front there is an application in principle for 2 houses in **Church Street** in front of the Croft The council resolved to oppose this as being unsuitable in the Conservation area amongst other objections.

Meanwhile more progress has been made in staffing in Bucks Planning Department and they are making a determined effort to clear a backlog of old outstanding applications including four in Quainton. Chief among these was approval of the new Faccenda application from 2019. This will mean the replacement of the existing building with a larger facility to the west with its access to the new road being constructed by HS2.

The bad news is that the bridge weight limit means construction traffic will add to the housing development traffic if they start within the next 12 months. Meanwhile the planners have agreed a travel plan aimed at moving staff from cars to buses. Currently the shift starts at 4am so I presume we should see an improved bus service!

We will engage with the constructors to try and alleviate this while continuing to chase Network Rail to hasten bridge repairs

The housing development at 151 Station Road electrical connection will involve digging up Station Rd and further to connect to a sub-station. In view of the disruption we are facing from HS2 and the history from Thames Water, I have asked Barwood Homes to carefully consider this in their talks with UKPN, especially as there may be alternatives afforded by the moving of cables in the HS2 area.

**Speedwatch:** Last month I talked about new SIDs and I am happy to say the problems with Bucks have been resolved. We are now finalising the quotes which will hopefully involve solar power. Meanwhile we need volunteers to help operate the sentinel unit. Speeding drivers caught on this are warned by the police and more serious action taken for repeat offenders. We are considering buying our own unit to increase the number of times we can deploy it. The current one is shared with several parishes.

**Dog mess:** Since Covid there has been an increase in the number of dogs in the village and sadly in the football field and tennis court meadow an increase in the amount of mess not picked up by the walkers. We will increase the availability of dog bins but it is down to you to clear up after your dogs. Many do and I thank those who do.

**Next meeting:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm

Finally, let me take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Christmas and New Year.

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# THE BEACON

The Council has been asked by the Quainton Bonfire & Fireworks Committee to apply for Planning Permission to replace the current Certificate of Lawfulness and thus permanently install the Beacon on Mill Hill. There is a brief explanation below with a tear off strip. A more detailed explanation will be available on the Quainton Website: <https://quainton.org.uk/>

Dear Quainton Resident,

The Quainton Bonfire & Fireworks Committee have put together a proposal to allow the Quainton Beacon to be located on Mill Hill Quainton all year round.

The current practice of erecting and then dismantling the Beacon after use is time consuming, costly and causes damage to the shaft bolts and concrete base. The logistics of erecting, lighting and dismantling the Beacon takes up to 4 weeks for each event. In a normal year with 3 lightings envisaged, the Beacon will already be visible for up to 3 months of the year (which was significantly longer during Covid-19 restrictions) and therefore the difference in current visibility and proposed visibility is 9 months. The heavy steelwork which provides its strength requires careful handling to ensure health and safety concerns are addressed for each lighting event. The Beacon is designed to remain in place, therefore the granting of planning permission would mitigate these issues.

Quainton Parish Council has been asked to make this application for planning permission. The permission will then be decided by Buckinghamshire Council, the planning authority. We wish to consider the views of the residents in our decision to make the application and therefore we would like you to put your vote forward on the attached voting slip and return your anonymous vote to the Parish Council either to the Village Shop or deliver to 15 Lower St. Please note the post code is not intended to identify individual votes.

**Closing Date Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January**

Quainton Parish Council

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## PLACE YOUR VOTE:

On the question, whether an application for planning permission to make the Quainton Beacon a permanent feature should be put towards Buckinghamshire Council, my vote is:

**In Favour**

**Against**

**Post Code**



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and to Welcome the New Year

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### **Funeral Arrangements for Mandy Whiting**

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December, 10am at Holy Cross & St Mary's Quainton**

All welcome to the service at the church which will then be followed by a private cremation. A wake will not be taking place, please keep her in your thoughts instead. Mandy's wishes were for colour on this day, so please add some to your clothing choice for the day. Thank you for all your cards and messages of condolence.

*Kate Whiting*

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### **Beauty and the Beast Pantomime from Quaintwood Players!**

**Save the Date:**

**Grendon Underwood:** Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January  
**Quainton:** Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>, Friday 11<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February

To our wonderful supporters, we are delighted to announce that we will be performing again in 2022 and are busy rehearsing our pantomime 'Beauty and the Beast'. It's been a long time since we have been able to entertain you and ask that you please save the date! We are hoping to deliver four performances per village, giving our audiences more options to enjoy an evening of boos, hisses and laughter! Planned dates are: Grendon Underwood - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January and Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January with an afternoon and evening performance and for Quainton – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February, Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February and Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February with an afternoon and evening performance.

More info in the next issue of Quainton News – we really look forward to seeing you there!

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### **Quainton Monthly Dog Walk**

#### **Sun 5<sup>th</sup> December and Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> January**

We meet at 1pm at the top of The Green on the first Sunday of each month. Please do join us if you would like to enjoy a walk over the hill. (Dogs are not obligatory!)

*Jan Stiegeler*

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## Quainton School PTA:



**Bonfire Night:** A huge thank you to everyone who came and supported our bar on Quainton Bonfire Night! Thank you also to all our helpers on the night, especially Michael Germany who gave up his evening to man the bar AND donated a barrel of beer as well.

**100 Club:** We hope that you will consider supporting the PTA by buying a number in our 100 Club. We have kept the format the same as last year, so it will run for nine months between November and July. You will have the chance to win four cash prizes every month. The prizes are: 1st Prize - £50, 2nd Prize - £20, 3rd Prize - £10, 4th Prize - £5. The first draw of this school year was held at the end of November and the winners are:

1st - # 92 Maxine Horne  
2nd - # 100 Sandy Finnie  
3rd - # 23 Louisa Richards  
4th - # 10 Mark Burnham

There is a still time to buy a number for the remaining draws, for a one-off fee of £16 per number (£2 for each of the remaining 8 draws). If you would like to transfer the money to us, please use the reference: 100 Club plus your name. The PTA bank details are: Sort Code 40-52-40, Account no. 00060454. Please also send us an email to alert us that you have transferred the money to ensure we assign your number to you.

**Thank you for taking part! Any queries, fundraising suggestions or offers of help, please email us: [quainton.pta@gmail.com](mailto:quainton.pta@gmail.com)**

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## Quainton Bonfire & Fireworks – Thank yous!

It was great to get back to ‘business as usual’ for our 2021 bonfire and fireworks event and we hope everyone enjoyed the evening! As usual, we could not put on the event without the help and support of lots of kind and generous people in the village, so we would like to thank the following people and business for their support in making this year’s event another success:

These individuals were responsible for many different roles, including helping to build the bonfire during the day, manning the ‘ticket offices’ on the night, being fire marshalls or ensuring a safe queuing system along the bottom of The Green:

Beth Vining	Iain Marfleet
Heidi Dickman	Clare Bragg
Louisa Richards	Matthew Richards
Ben Unsworth	Ben Bragg
Stella Clark	Emma Keen
Richard Clark	Max Green
Amelie Vining	George Hunter
Martin Knight	Max Osborne
Diane Curtis	Lee Oxley

Thank you also to Ed Vining for taking our ‘official’ photographs, to Emma and Sarah in the shop for selling the advance tickets, to all the residents on The Green who donated their electricity for the evening for the stall holders and so that Class Act could light the houses and windmill! To the Christophersons and The Anstiss Trust for allowing the use of their land as a launch site for the fireworks

### Thanks also to these businesses and societies:

Hard Rock Flooring for the loan of the lorry; North End Nurseries for supplying all the pallets for the bonfire; Class Act for the lighting, PA system and music; Darren Curtis for the pub’s donation to next year’s event; Quainton Memorial Hall for the loan of tables; and the Windmill society for getting the windmill working during the fireworks (amazing!)

Finally, thank you to all the residents of Quainton and everyone else in the crowd for coming to the event and supporting it. It was a great event and we are looking forward to putting on another great show next year!

*Ian, Rich, Steve, Pete and Warren, Quainton Parish Council Bonfire and Fireworks Committee*





## Quainton Village Society

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### WINDY QUANTON by Margaret Tebb

Why's it so windy in Quainton?  
Especially up on the hill  
Is it always this windy in Quainton?  
Is that why we've got a windmill?  
When it's gusting and blowing so wildly  
A thought often comes in my head  
Why doesn't that squirrel get blown off the fence  
as it scurries along to the shed?  
Another thing I often ponder  
When the wind's swirling wild overhead,  
Is, do the birds know, where they're planning to go,  
Or just stop where they end up instead?  
The wildlife that lives around Quainton  
The Red kite, the fox and the crow,  
all join in the sound that we hear all around  
With the church bells and steam train below.  
The wind is our constant companion  
and it feels like it's starting to rain.  
I'm feeling quite glum  
'Cos the bus didn't come  
and they've closed Station Road once again.

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### Plant a Tree for the Jubilee

*The Queen's Green Canopy* (QGC) is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022 which invites people from across the UK to "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee". The scheme will create a network of individual trees, avenues, copses and whole woodlands in honour of The Queen's service and the legacy she has built. This will create a green legacy of its own, with every tree planted bringing benefits for people, wildlife and climate, now and for the future.

#### EXCITING NEWS!

Quainton's first tree has been planted by the Johnson family and Richard Clark, church warden. The tree has been registered in the QGC scheme. More trees to follow.

*Claire Lucas*





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## Bonfire & Fireworks 2021: A selection of photos from Quainton residents



Micky Diamond



Alyson Wieszniak



Martin Knight



Michelle Robinson-Boyce



Emma Myatt



Clare Semple



Sarah Bateman



Max Newman

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Edward Vining



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**Thank you so much to everyone for sending in their photos – these are our favourites!  
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**Quainton residents can use their 25% discount off Panto Express tickets!**  
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## Quainton Parish Magazine – September 1952

The Quainton Parish Magazine from September 1952 cost 3d, is 8 pages long and comes with an insert from a national publication 'The Sign'. There are no photographs in the local section of the magazine although there are some in 'The Sign'. As with its modern day counterpart, the magazine contains a letter from the Rector, information on church services and church rota, Parish Register entries, news on events in the village and advertisements.

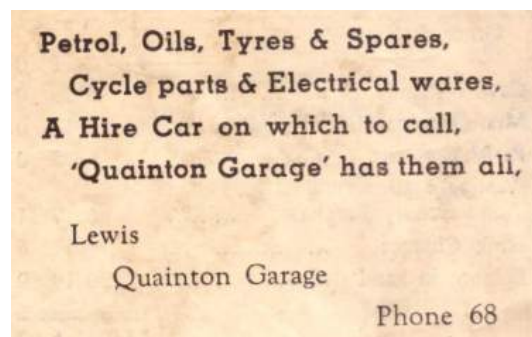
A few events in the village are mentioned, including the upcoming Harvest Festival and the British Legion Fete and the WI Annual Garden Party – both of which were held in the Rectory garden.

There's a report on the activities of the Missionary Sewing Party and the Choral Society's committee meeting. Also included is the balance sheet of Quainton Football Club for the 1951/1952 season.

It was interesting to see the names of those filling the roles in the running of the church – many surnames are familiar today:

<b>Rector</b> —The Rev. E. G. KLEE, M.A., Oxon, Quainton Rectory, Aylesbury. Tell: Quainton 37. <b>Church Wardens</b> —Mr. J. J. Curtis and Mr. A. H. Wootton. <b>Parochial Church Council</b> —Eight members elected to represent the Parish on the Ruri-Decanal Conference: Mr. J. J. Curtis, Mr. A. H. Wootton (hon. sec.), Mr. E. Gregory, Mrs. Jesse Curtis, Mrs. Cant, Mrs. Fenimore, Miss M. Woods, Mrs. R. Anstiss. Additional members elected to P.C.C.: Mr. T. Copcutt, Mr. E. Dancer, Mr. H. Jackson, Mr. R. Lester, Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. W. Phillips, Mrs. H. Read, Mr. A. Read, Miss Rewbury, Mrs. Jesse Simms, Mrs. A. Wootton, Mr. J. Cook, Mr. T. Perrott, Mr. J. Simms, Miss Woodeford, Mrs. Mason. <b>Hon. Electoral Roll Officer</b> —Mr. A. H. Wootton.	<b>Organist</b> —Mr. W. Buckingham. <b>Assistant Organist</b> —Mr. and Mrs. R. Anstiss. <b>Parish Clerk</b> —Mr. D. Cannon, 2, Ashendon Villas, The Green Quainton. <b>Sidesmen</b> —Mr. J. Cox, Mr. E. Dancer, Mr. J. Dickens, Mr. E. Gregory, Mr. H. Jackson, Mr. R. Lester, Mr. W. Philbey, Mr. A. Read, Mr. Jack Simms, Mr. P. Hammond, Mr. R. Fenimore, Mr. J. Cook and Mr. V. Syson. <b>Head Master of Quainton Church Day Schools</b> —Mr. J. Lawes. <b>Quainton Church Day School Managers</b> —Foundation Managers: The Rector, Mr. J. J. Curtis, Mr. A. H. Wootton, Mr. J. Dickens. Parish Council Nominee: Mr. J. J. Mole. Bucks County Council Nominee Manager: Mrs. S. Munro.
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There are a lot of advertisements in the magazine, many of them for businesses in the village (and Aylesbury) sadly no longer in existence. These from the village which are no longer in existence include Syson's Stores (Grocers & Hardware, The Green), Buckingham and Read (Painters and Decorators, Church Street), H Jackson (Drapers, The Green), Marshalls (Bakers & Groceries) and Buckle & Beattie (Butchers) & the Post Office on The Green.



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In fact, the only Quainton business still in existence from those times is Quainton Garage.

If anyone would like a scanned copy of this magazine, maybe to stir some memories, please contact [melanie\\_curtis@hotmail.com](mailto:melanie_curtis@hotmail.com)

Thank you to Chris Harris for sharing the magazine with us. *Melanie Curtis*



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## Quainton Golf Society



The October event was delayed a week and was actually played on 5 November. We played at Temple Golf Club near Marlow, where we have not played for 6 or 7 years. The day marked Terry Curtis's first event as Captain for the 21/22 season. .

The Hammond Trophy was played for by 22 members on an interesting par 69 course which mixed not overly long par 4s with long par 3s. Indeed, none of the members or guests on the day managed hit the green on the uphill 220yd+ par 3 16<sup>th</sup> hole. However, the event produced notably higher scores than usual, and the winner on the day was Joe Ward with 38 points.

The top 10 was as follows:

	Hammond Trophy		Strokes rec'd	Points
1st	Joe	Ward	19	38
2nd (CB)	Brian	Cuddy	21	37
3rd (CB)	John	Lucas	26	37
4th (CB)	Vince	Hemsley	13	35
5th (CB)	Alan	Marks	15	35
6th=	Colin	Rose	25	34
6th=	Roger	Simms	22	34
8th	Chris	Dowthwaite	19	33
9th=	Ant	Kelly	21	32
9th=	Neil	Mack	18	32

Our Christmas event is on 10<sup>th</sup> December at North Oxford Golf Club.

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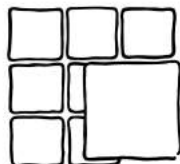
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Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December:	Christmas Dinner
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> December:	Live Music
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> December:	Christmas Quiz

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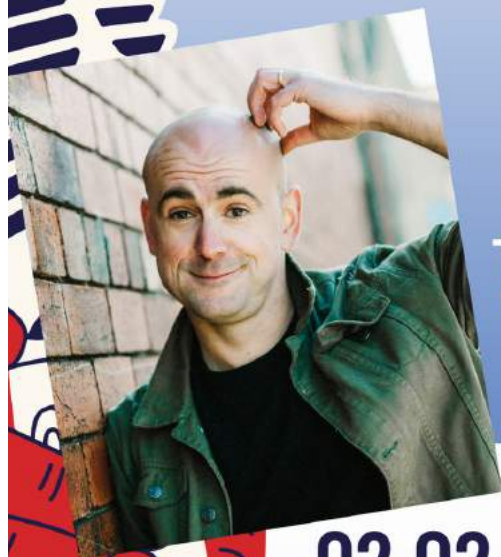


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## Ramblings afar from Finemere Wood By Charlotte Karmali, Volunteer Warden

November and the days are becoming colder and darker. The pull to stay tucked up indoors is becoming greater. The woodland workers, however, are still coming out in their numbers, spirited and sparky. They love the winter work of chopping down trees and shrubs, it is difficult for them to contain their excitement at times.

Without management, Finemere wood would become a dark and gloomy place. It would eventually become dominated by large, mature trees. There would be no variety in the size and structure of vegetation, resulting in less biodiversity. The back of the wood is left to its own devices, but the rest of the wood is actively managed to ensure a diverse range of habitats is available for all wild things.

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The volunteers work like machines, trees and shrubs thud to the ground like dominos. Gleeful shouts of “timber!” surround me. To stop them I must confiscate their saws, or shout “cake!”.

The cut wood is piled around the edge of the scallop, forming a dead hedge. It provides a valuable habitat for fungi and a wide spectrum of invertebrates which break down the vegetation, returning the nutrients to the soil. Mosses and lichens will thrive, birds will find a rich source of food, and amphibians will hibernate here.

Another scallop done. The volunteers look on with satisfaction. It has been an exhilarating day, a tonic for the workers. But for nature it is a tonic too, this act of cutting will kickstart new growth, new habitats, and a greater abundance and medley of life.



For further information about volunteering opportunities at Finemere Wood, Calvert Jubilee and other BBOWT reserves, please email [volunteering@bbowt.org.uk](mailto:volunteering@bbowt.org.uk)

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# Weather Figures for Quainton

## Averages and Extremes for October 2021



Temperature			Rainfall		
Maximum	19.1°C	19 <sup>th</sup>	Total for month	95mm	
Minimum	1.7°C	21 <sup>st</sup>	Wettest day	30mm	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Average Minimum	7.8°C		Rain days	12	
Average Maximum	15.2°C		Dry days	19	
Highest Minimum	13°C	19 <sup>th</sup>			
Lowest Maximum	10.9°C	21 <sup>st</sup>			
Wind			Pressure		
Highest gust	60mph	31 <sup>st</sup>	Highest	1032hPa	10 <sup>th</sup>
			Lowest	985hPa	2 <sup>nd</sup>

Figures supplied by Mike Beales.

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## VILLAGE SERVICES

**Quainton Website:** Quainton Parish Online: [www.quainton.org.uk](http://www.quainton.org.uk)

**Quainton Village Life Facebook Page:** This is a very active Facebook page for Quainton residents. Photos shared, local history discussed, questions answered, advice given, recommendations, plus lots more! There is also a Quainton Buying & Selling Facebook page.

**Quainton Support Network:** A team of volunteers to help Call Clare Lucas on 655552.

**Quainton Oil Group:** Residents can receive regular deliveries of heating oil on group negotiated terms from Lovells. T: 01844 202777 and ask to join Quainton Oil Group.

**Quainton Dog Warden:** Lost your dog or found someone else's? Call Jan, our local contact point, on 655800 or 07941 946870 for help reuniting lost dogs with their owners.

**Memorial Hall Bookings:** <https://booking.quaintonmh.co.uk/> or contact Deb Barker Boyd: T: 655379, E: [quaintonmemorialhall@gmail.com](mailto:quaintonmemorialhall@gmail.com). Call 07704 851945 to report noise/nuisance.

**Saye & Sele Hall Bookings:** Call John Knox on 655275.

**Winwood Almshouses:** For enquiries contact: [winwoodalmshouses@outlook.com](mailto:winwoodalmshouses@outlook.com)

## Refuse & Recycling for December, plus changed dates for January

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Blue-lidded recycling wheelie bin and food bin
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	Green refuse wheelie bin and food bin
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Blue-lidded recycling wheelie bin and food bin
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> December	Green refuse wheelie bin and food bin
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	Blue-lidded recycling wheelie bin and food bin
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	Green refuse wheelie bin and food bin
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Blue-lidded recycling wheelie bin and food bin

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## SERVICES AT HOLY CROSS & ST MARY'S CHURCH

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	8:00 am	BCP Holy Communion
	10:30 am	Christmas Café Church for all the family
	6:00 pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	4:00 pm	Christingle
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	4:00 pm	Carol Service
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> December	3:00 pm	Crib Service
	11:30 pm	Midnight Mass
Christmas Day	10:30 am	Celebration
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> December	No Services Today	

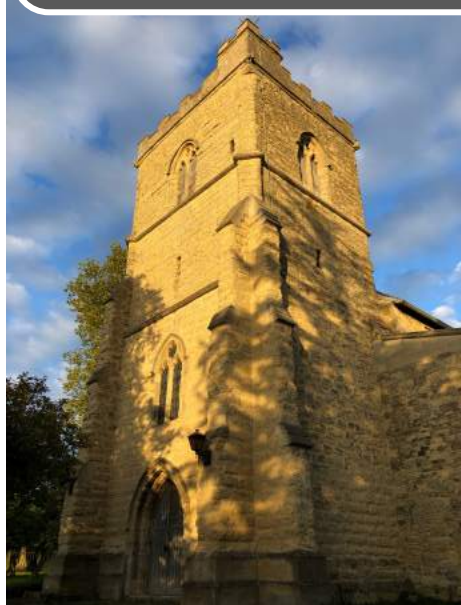
## PARISH REGISTER ENTRIES

6<sup>th</sup> November: Wedding – Imogen Yapp and Tom Wilkison

## CHURCH ROTA FOR DECEMBER

	5 December	12 December	19 December	24 December
<b>Morning Reader</b>				
<b>Morning Sidesman</b>				
<b>Evening Reader</b>				
<b>Evening Sidesman</b>	David Letheren	Christingle Service 4pm	Carol Service 4pm	Crib Service 3pm Midnight Eucharist 11:30pm
<b>Altar Flowers</b>	ADVENT		June Hanson	Christmas Flowers
<b>Pedestal Flowers</b>			Fiona Morrison	Christmas Flowers
<b>Tea Rota</b>				
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Kate Dalton / Fiona Ginger / Ann Parrott		Carolyn Turnbull / Helen Ratcliffe / Vacancy?	

## HOLY CROSS & ST. MARY'S CHURCH – OUR FAVOURITE PHOTOS



Thank you to James Christopherson for this photo of the evening sun setting on the church tower which he took late-October.

If you have taken a photo of our Church or its surroundings which you would like to see in print, please email it to me at: [quaintonnews@gmail.com](mailto:quaintonnews@gmail.com)

Thank you, Louisa, *Editor*

## VILLAGE CALENDAR – DECEMBER 2021

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**6<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Quainton Royal British Legion AGM, QMH, 7.30pm, p.29  
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**19<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Carol Service, Church, 4pm, p.5  
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**24<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Crib Service, Church, 3pm, p.5  
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