

THE APPLETON WITH EATON

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## APPLETON SCHOOL CELEBRATES VE DAY



## Whit and Wisdom as Easter ends

Wealands Bell – *Rector of Appleton and Besselsleigh*

It was over fifty years ago that the Spring Bank Holiday at the end of May was born. For the previous century, we had, like our feudal forebears, celebrated a moveable holiday on Whit Monday, part of the week of festivities (walks, 'Ales', Morris dancing and generally jolly junketing) that followed Pentecost or Whit/White Sunday, the fiftieth and final day of Easter (this year on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June), which in the Christian calendar marks the coming of the Holy Spirit in wind and fire, with the gift of many languages, in a great reversal of the Tower of Babel. Philip Larkin famously commemorates the season in *The Whitsun Weddings*, a poem that imagines a long train journey through 'the tall heat' from Lincolnshire to London, with newlyweds joining at all the stations, '[to watch] the landscape, sitting side by side'. But, alas, the same reforming zeal that took Appleton out of Berkshire swept away the untidily shifting Whitsun, and gave us a fixed bank holiday instead.

And you can see why they might. Why should a decreasingly Christian country impose on a happily godless and increasingly diverse nation the consequences of an ancient calendar? To which my answer would be simply because it *is* ancient, going back to the lives lived on this land many centuries before we came along, with our individualism, and slick notions of success, and desire to start everything perpetually afresh in an endlessly-recurring Year Zero.

As for the Whitsun story itself, I imagine that we could all do with a bit of extra rushing-mighty-wind in our sails to help us along with the work and the worries, and 'the thousand natural shocks that flesh is heir to'. For believers, that wind, and the fire of God dancing in tongues on the heads of the frightened apostles, are comforting images of the presence of God with mortals; but even those who limit their convictions to what can be verified (like the boiling point of water) might find enrichment in the thought that their own personal spark derives from a Great Fire of Being 'at the still point of the turning world'.

All religious faith seeks to elevate each human life so that, as our school *Vision* puts, we can 'be the best we can be for ourselves and for others.' Gifts of energy and fire, and an ability to speak and be understood by those of many different languages, are surely the hallmarks of a highly desirable and well-tempered society. Remembering such things at Whitsun is perhaps of greater profit than simply navigating one hangover and making arrangements for the next, as 'just another Bank Holiday' removes the burden of work without necessarily giving us anything worthwhile to put in its place.

## **Appleton Voluntary Transport Scheme (AVTS)**

We try to arrange transport to medical and dental appointments in Abingdon, Oxford, Witney and Wootton for residents of Appleton, Eaton, Fyfield and Besselsleigh, who have no other means of transport. The contact telephone number is 07503 447884. Leave a message if your call is not answered and we will get back to you.

Please note that

- Covid safety measures remain in force and masks need to be worn
- We need at least 48 hours notice of an appointment
- There is a small charge to cover the driver's costs.

Demand for our service is picking up again, but we are very short of drivers. If anyone would be happy to help, please do contact us.

## **Appleton Chapel**

Sun 8th June 3pm	Family service with refreshments
Tues 10th June 7:30pm	Healing and Heart to Heart Forum
	Caring and Sharing Fellowship
Thurs 19th June 7pm	Applejack Club (new date for June only)
Sat 28th June, 2:30pm	Cream teas, refreshments, drinks with stalls of
Dr Ken Stallard	01235 868304

## **Appleton Trust Hardship Fund**

The Appleton Trust has some funds available to help those individuals or families, who live in Appleton and are in immediate hardship with no other means of support.

Please apply to the Trust Clerk by email at

[ClerkAppletonTrust@yahoo.com](mailto:ClerkAppletonTrust@yahoo.com)

Or Mrs Sue Halliday at 12, Netherton Road

The Appleton Trust takes your privacy very seriously and will not pass your personal details on to anyone.

## Personification

I stand proudly on a slope in the area and I am bright and shiny again after a good scrub, lichen removed and the nooks and crannies cleaned out. I have pansies and poppies at my feet and they add colour to my rather old grey stone. Nevertheless I have a part to play as I represent and remind visitors of a very important and heroic role played by so many young people in order to give the peace and tranquillity which I and the whole area enjoy.

I am lucky to be in an area of outstanding beauty – trees, hedgerows full of honeysuckle, ivy, wild roses as well as primroses, bluebells, celandines, wood anemones can all be found in the vicinity. BUT red stands out in the poppies grown at my feet – though some have been planted in various structures! Most important of all – I show off lines of gold-painted names and relationships to the neighbourhood in which I exist!

These too have been emphasised with new paint for anniversaries now to be celebrated by all those who will remember because the names are those of their families who did not survive beyond their young tender years, but who fought for the sake of peace and the environment which now I and others enjoy.

I am much photographed by people of all shapes and sizes and different nationalities at all times of the year. I wonder if I will feature in the Best Kept Village Competition, held annually, when judges look at communities and their values? I wonder if Appleton Village takes part these days, or maybe in the future? If so, I will always be important, as I stand here – cold and grey but hopefully for many years to come?

Barbara Bunyan April 2025



The new Air Force One has arrived from Qatar

## **Appleton with Eaton Tennis Club**

It's great to see so many of you taking advantage of the warm sunny weather to play tennis. Don't forget to play your club tournament semi-final matches before 15<sup>th</sup> June.



### **Mid-Summer Madness Fun Doubles Tournaments: Tues 10<sup>th</sup> June (Men) and 17<sup>th</sup> June (Ladies)**

Any members keen to play in our fun doubles tournaments in June should sign up by emailing the organiser below. Both events 6.30pm – 9pm; round robin format. Entries by 8 pm the Friday before each event please.

10<sup>th</sup> June (Men's doubles) please email John [john.stedman192@btinternet.com](mailto:john.stedman192@btinternet.com)

17<sup>th</sup> June (Ladies' doubles) please email Barbara [barbs.murray@btinternet.com](mailto:barbs.murray@btinternet.com)

### **Cardio Tennis (non-members welcome)**

Cadio Tennis (tennis-inspired workout) is back on Thursdays 10.30-11.30am run by Head coach Bart. Pay & play £10/session. Up to and including July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Email [appletonwithheatontennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:appletonwithheatontennisclub@gmail.com) with subject heading "Cardio Tennis" if interested. Members and non-members welcome, and you can even borrow a racket.

### **Adult intermediate coaching**

Any members interested in improving their tennis could attend group coaching with club coach, Bart Wisniewski, on Monday evenings, 7:30 – 9:00 pm. Pay & play, no weekly commitment.

Email the club on [appletonwithheatontennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:appletonwithheatontennisclub@gmail.com) if you would like to come along for a taster sessions and/or join the WhatsApp group.

### **Club Tournament Finals Day**

Do come and watch the finals on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June and support our finalists. Order of play to follow, but matches will be played between 10am and mid-afternoon. Lunch time BBQ.

### **Membership**

If you would like to join our friendly tennis club, please email the club on [appletonwithheatontennisclub@gmail.com](mailto:appletonwithheatontennisclub@gmail.com) or turn up at one of our club sessions (Saturdays 10 am-12 pm, Wednesday 7-9 pm, or Thursday 1.30-3.30 pm).

### **Dates for the diary**

Tuesday 10 June 2025 – Men's Mid-Summer Madness Tournament

Tuesday 17 June 2025 – Ladies' Mid-Summer Madness Tournament

Saturday 28 June 2025 - Club Tournament Finals Day

**For more information see:** <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/AppletonwithEatonTennisClub/>

## Appleton History - Eaton Life

In the past I spent some time with the late June Griffin – recording an oral history of her life – especially of her time in Eaton. June arrived with her husband in Eaton in the 1950s in Byes Cottage – they later called it Hunter's Moon as it was by that light they first saw it.

She had a friend who offered to look into St John's college archives to find any history of their home. She did recall one item in particular: in 1664 John Selwood\* of Byes Cottage died leaving his widow Joanna. The lease of the property usually passed from the late farther to the son. But given Joanna's good standing in the village St John's agreed, unusually, to give the lease to her. All was well until a year later when of - "pure and chaste widowhood" - Joanna delivered a natural son. Inevitably St John's withdrew the lease and thankfully granted it to Joanna's eldest son.

That a widow might soon fall pregnant may or may not have been recognised in the past – but it now is and it has a name – "Widow's Fire". Both widows and widowers can develop increased libido in the grieving period – quite contrary to lay expectations.

\*These Selwoods were grandchildren of the two Selwood brothers who left Eaton and became famous clockmakers in London. Many of the family were buried in the north isle of our church – recently excavated about 30 years.

John EVANS

je@oxmed.net



### Macmillan coffee morning and pottery sale

**When:** Saturday 21 June, 10am-1pm

**Where:** 3 Park Lane, Appleton

**Why:** In July, in Pippa and Carole are undertaking a half marathon hike in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support, and we would like to invite you to a coffee morning to raise funds.

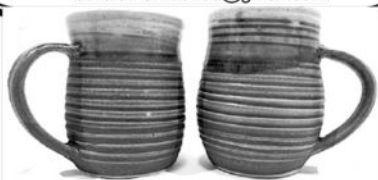
**And ...** Carole will be making delicious cakes and savouries, and you can buy your cup (and other pottery goodies), made by Pippa.

Please do join us!

**MACMILLAN  
CANCER SUPPORT**

Pippa.smart@gmail.com

carolethomas108@gmail.com



## More Jam and Jerusalem?

Hello - I'm on a mission! Yes - a mission to spread the word about Appleton Women's Institute.

Inevitably, the average age of our membership is rising and I'd like to see if we can reverse that trend, especially as our centenary is next year.

We have a fabulous group of ladies that meet every month on a Thursday at 2pm. The time was moved to the afternoon because the ladies don't want to come out in the evenings - particularly in the winter. I really don't blame them. Of course, this timing excludes any women who are still working or for whom an afternoon meeting just isn't doable. I'm confident there are lots of women out there who would probably be keen to attend an evening meeting, particularly if we had different speakers/events from the afternoon session. All members would be welcome at all meetings.

With this in mind, I'm exploring the idea of running an evening meeting once a month but before I do anything, I'm really keen to hear your thoughts about this idea. Would you be prepared to come to an evening meeting once a month or when you were able? What sort of talks/activities would you be interested in? Would you be able to help with the organisation? - I'll definitely need some help.

To clarify, jam making does happen from time to time and we do sing Jerusalem occasionally, but the WI is definitely not outdated. It's as relevant today as it was when it was founded in 1915 and it has always been about women. It's the largest women's organisation in the UK. It provides a space for women of all generations to share ideas, and you can make a difference to your community. It's open to all ages and it's a great way of meeting people. The WI is also involved in national campaigns which you get to vote on too.

I'd love to hear from you. Please email me your thoughts and let me know if you'd be prepared to attend a monthly meeting at Appleton Village Hall (time and weekday to be agreed)? Sadly, without a certain level of support this idea won't be able to get off the ground, but wouldn't it be great if we could?

I really look forward to hearing from you.

Ros Uren

Email: [wieveningmeeting@gmail.com](mailto:wieveningmeeting@gmail.com)



## All's Well That Ends Well

We were returning to our rented holiday cottage on the Beara Peninsula – Western Ireland – after a day exploring the Bantry Bay area and Glengariff in Western Ireland. Hungry – we purchased provisions in Castletownbere and looked forward to supper and bedtime!

Leaving the car at the bottom of a slope, we trundled slowly up the grassy path to our cottage built on the side of a hill, with pasture meadows behind the building.

As we neared the front door it became obvious that all was not well – an animal was bellowing at the rear of our base. As a farmer's daughter, I identified at once the cry of a distressed cow! Sure enough, on checking, a sizable calf had come through the back fence and had fallen head first into the well which provided the cottage's water. We had to do something, so we rushed back down to the village, and found the farmer-cum-garage-owner-cum-shopkeeper in the pub! He acted at once, and collected three or four strong chaps and rushed up to our cottage!

Very soon they heaved the animal out of the well and examined it – happily it was unharmed as it had only stuck in the upper half of the well. They returned the calf back to its mother, sorted out the fence and left with sincere thanks.

Sadly for us, our water supply was now contaminated so we had to go down to the village with buckets etc. to collect a supply for our needs.

The next day we took another trip sight-seeing on the rocky Beara Peninsula and local bay and returned to the cottage to find a large bottle of vodka and tin of biscuits at the front door – with thanks from the farmer!! What a lovely gesture! A happy ending!

Barbara Bunyan April 2025

### Opera in the Garden

12th July - 7pm on the river bank at

Cubs Puddle, Millway Lane, Appleton

Tickets £20 each available from Claire Barratt

Cbarratt28@gmail.com or 07767 400419

All proceeds to Brain Tumour Research

Bring your own seating and picnics and cash for the raffle!



## Appleton School Celebrates VE Day

On the 8th May, Appleton School took part in the commemorations for the 80th anniversary of VE Day. The children had been learning about VE Day and the importance of remembrance in the lead up to the day. It was lovely to see a sea of red, white and blue amongst the children and staff that day.

In the morning, we joined together in church to reflect and remember those who have done so much so that

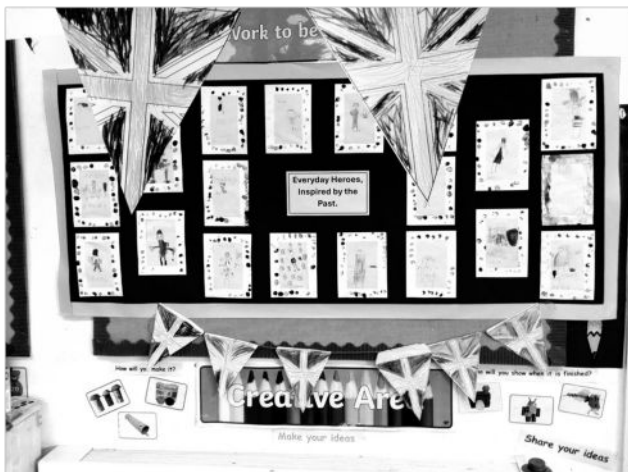
we can enjoy our freedom today. A huge thank you to Father Wealands Bell, who worked with the children to learn the 'I'll Remember VE day' song, and to the children who read prayers and reflections beautifully, as part of the service.

The events continued with a whole school picnic, our own version of a street party! It was lovely to see everyone coming together and a big thank you must go to Denisa and Emily, our catering staff, for ensuring that everyone was well fed during the celebration.

Finally, we held an open-classroom exhibition for parents and carers to come in and see the children's VE Day artwork. It was great to see so many enjoying the amazing pieces of art.

It was a truly wonderful day and a chance for us to come together as a school community to commemorate this important anniversary.

Miss Leggett (Assistant Headteacher) and Ms Griffiths



### EVERGREEN CLUB

Our next meeting will be on Friday 13th June at 2pm. The outreach worker from Oxfordshire County Council Museum will be coming to jog our memories of times gone by (before mobile phones).

## **JUNE 2025 Appleton Community Shop news**

Thursday 12th June is 'Thank you to Claire Day'

### ***Cake and thank yous!***

The end of an era has arrived. We thought this day would never come but it has, and Claire has decided that now her husband Andy has retired, she would like to have more time to enjoy their retirement together, and who can blame her for that?!

She is therefore, on Thursday 12th June, stepping down from her role as Shop Manager and she will without any doubt be much missed in many ways by many people. However, she's not going anywhere so we don't have to say farewell. More 'au revoir' as she will continue to be very much part of the fabric of Appleton village and has also already offered to come back as a volunteer in the future (it's not been mentioned to her yet but there is a Friday afternoon till slot going begging ...).

We can't let Claire go without a proper and heartfelt goodbye. She has been involved with the shop for the whole of its 25 years, first as a volunteer and for the last 15 as shop manager. We are therefore proposing to rename Thursday 12th June as '*Thank you to Claire Day*' and we hope that many of you will be able to drop by to say 'goodbye' and enjoy a slice of cake with Claire.

As many Advertiser readers will know, there is no question Claire cannot answer about the shop, its history, its products or its customers and all involved with the shop are wondering what information may be in her head and nowhere else. There will no doubt a lot of 'unknown unknowns' that we will need to learn about so we are very pleased to be able to tell you that Debbie White is going, for the next three months or so, to work longer hours whilst she and the directors decide what is the best way to organise the future management and running of the shop.

As we said in a recent piece in the Advertiser 'from time to time our much-loved village shop benefits from having a thorough review and an overhaul' and Debbie will help us to undertake that.

A truly huge thank you to Claire, for her total commitment to the shop and for all she has done over the years. We're glad she is not going anywhere and we all wish her and Andy a very happy retirement.

Good luck and thank you Claire.

from Appleton Community Shop's Directors, Staff, Volunteers and Customers.

*PS Claire will be in the shop from 9 am – 2pm on Thursday 12th!*



## It's summer

Apparently there has been more sun in these past few months than for the entirety of last summer. As it is now officially summer the shop will be open for longer on Saturday and will now close at 3pm (instead of the normal 1pm) on the 12 'Summer Saturdays' between 7th June and 23rd August inclusive. Plenty of time to stock up on ice creams!

Did you know ...

We have a book exchange in the shop. So if you are looking for a summer read, please do drop in and have a browse.

### Shop opening hours

Monday-Friday: 7am–6pm

Saturday: 8am–3pm

Sunday: 8am–12noon

**Post office** Mondays and Thursdays, 9am–1pm

Shop telephone: 01865 863191

Email: [appletonship@gmail.com](mailto:appletonship@gmail.com)

Follow us: <https://www.facebook.com/appletoncommunityshop>

### Monthly Turnover

	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
May	£23,699	£27,338	£27,718
June	£25,008	£29,347	£28,268
July	£27,427	£28,208	£30,582
Aug	£25,651	£24,841	£25,678
Sept	£24,070	£24,479	£25,345
Oct	£24,066	£26,318	£26,522
Nov	£24,697	£26,600	£26,224
Dec	£26,788	£27,354	£26,525
Jan	£22,995	£24,690	£23,937
Feb	£23,195	£24,144	£22,477
March	£27,445	£26,109	£25,360
April	£23,622	£24,762	£24,843

## VE DAY 80<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary

As a regular attendee of major Appleton Community celebrations;

Jubilees, Civic and Military Anniversaries as well as Milleniums (ok Millenium – I'm not old enough to have attended those in the plural!) I never fail to be astonished at Appleton's ingenuity and efficiency at pulling together fun and happy village events.

VE DAY 80 was no exception! Notwithstanding a chilly wind, the Plough garden was packed with villagers enjoying Morris dancing, live jazz, a splendid fair ground ride and all manner of ridiculous and fun games and that was before entering the war time baking competition, the fancy dress competition or tucking into the BBQ.

There are many people to thank (these events don't just happen) and special mention must be made of Liz Gilkes and Allison Leigh who masterminded the day and Rob for welcoming us all into the pub garden.

In addition thanks to the History Group who, led by Pete Stimpson, put together a fascinating exhibition of village memorabilia and photos, to the village hall who showed the film Hope and Glory and to Rev Wealands for the special commemorative All Age Church Service and the short service at the War Memorial, where 80 'pots for peace' had candles and poems placed in them by villagers.

From one resident, on behalf of all of us in the three villages to all the organisers, thank you for a fun, happy and special day.

## **News from the Appleton with Eaton Parish Council:**

### **VE Day**

Many thanks to all who helped make the Appleton with Eaton VE Day celebrations a success! A good time was had by all thanks to the hard work of our volunteers.



Congratulations to the winners of the fancy-dress competitions!  
First prize went to Helen, second to Caroline and third to Jeremy!



Congratulations to the winners of the Anzac biscuit and honey cake competitions!  
The winners of the children's cake competition were Anna and Catherine Cairns!  
Thanks to all who participated in our competitions!



## The Plough Inn

We have some wonderful photos of the VE Day event at The Plough. For village organisations using The Plough for events, we would love it if you could take photos of these events and send them to the Parish Council.

## Litter Pick

Many thanks to all those who helped with this year's litter pick!



## Parish Council email address

The Parish Council has noted that some residents aren't aware of the email change in 2023. The Clerk's email address is the one below and the former Gmail address is no longer active. All councillors all have .gov.uk email addresses which can be found on the website and will be put on the noticeboard. Please do amend your contacts accordingly to ensure the Council receives any correspondence you wish to send.

Allison Leigh, Parish Clerk

**07767 596 650 / [parishclerk@appleton-eaton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:parishclerk@appleton-eaton-pc.gov.uk)**

### A date for your diary



Incredibly, it's 60 years since the release of The Sound of Music. Join us in the village hall on 15th August for the film, a drink, some singing and a few surprises! More details next month!

### Did you know?

Otters have a pocket in their skin to keep their favourite rock in. Some keep the same rock their entire lives.



## **An Unhappy Incident**

I peed on the carpet in church! I was five years old and this was my first week at the village school! My father had dropped me off at the gate as he was going to market that day.

It was a Thursday when the whole school – juniors and seniors up to 11 years of age – attended mass every week first thing in the morning.

I was kneeling beside the Head Mistress and had tugged at her skirt trying to make her aware of my need and discomfort. She looked down at me and told me to be quiet! Well; the inevitable happened and at the end of the service the strip of carpet was laid up on the grass in the churchyard for all to see!!

Back at school, lessons resumed and while we rehearsed our mathematical tables I had to sit in the front of the class and hold my knickers out in front of me to dry by the side of the old coke stove in the middle of the room.

I was a very shy, nervous child, and as you can see, I have never forgotten that unfortunate beginning to my school days. No doubt a note was sent home to my mother?

I wonder if the Head Mistress's knees got wet?

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## **Green Appleton**

**VE Day:** A huge thank you to all those that came to our stall on 5th May at the VE Day celebrations. We had a steady flow of people of all ages. Here are a couple of pictures of the finished items. Amazing what you can make with old buttons and jeans!

**Photographic competition:** We have had lots of fabulous entries for our competition. The closing date is 31st May, and



we would like to show the entries at the Repair Cafe. Our 'celebrity' judge will have the difficult task of judging the entries on the day. We'll also show the winners in the July Advertiser. Good Luck!

**Camera Stations:** Please continue to take your photos and upload them to our website. We're now into our second year of records!

**iNaturalist:** Please keep recording your observations. We have almost 2500 observations - that's 851 species!

**Repair Cafe:** Our repair cafes are proving to be very popular. Our next two cafes will be: 9th August 2025 and 1st November.

**Green Windmill Day:** The next one will be held on 28th June, so save the items you no longer love, and put them out for others to rehome on that day. Hopefully the weather will be kind!



## **32 Delightfully Ridiculous Words for Everyday Things**

1. Snollygoster - A clever but unprincipled person (especially in politics).
2. Zarf - That little cardboard sleeve on your coffee cup.
3. Aglet - The plastic tip at the end of a shoelace.
4. Spoodle - A hybrid of a spoon and a ladle.
5. Nurdle - A tiny dab of toothpaste on your brush
6. Blivit - Something useless crammed into a space it doesn't fit.
7. Mugwump - A person who stays neutral (especially in politics).
8. Lickspittle - An overly flattering person; a suck-up.
9. Frindle - A made-up word for "pen" (coined in children's literature).
10. Fard - To apply makeup.
11. Squeegee - A rubber-bladed tool for wiping windows or flat surfaces.
12. Bumbershoot - An old-fashioned term for an umbrella.
13. Doohickey - A thing whose name you've forgotten.
14. Thingamajig - Another term for a gadget you can't quite name.
15. Wamble - The stomach rumbling or feeling nauseous.
16. Glabella - The smooth part of the forehead between the eyebrows.
17. Petrichor - The smell of rain hitting dry ground.
18. Jiggery-pokery - Deceitful or dishonest behaviour.
19. Scoop - The sound silk makes when it moves.
20. Gubbins - Miscellaneous bits or gadgets.
21. Kipple - Useless stuff that accumulates over time (coined by Philip K. Dick).
22. Dinglehopper - A "fork," according to The Little Mermaid.
23. Fipple - The mouthpiece of a recorder or similar wind instrument.
24. Bibble - To drink often or noisily.
25. Dongile - A small adapter or electronic accessory.
26. Erf - A plot of land (especially in South Africa).
27. Tittynope - A small quantity of food or drink left on a plate.
28. Collywobbles - A bellyache or a feeling of nervousness.
29. Zugzwang - A situation in chess where every move is bad.
30. Yaffle - To eat or drink noisily.
31. Pandiculation - The act of stretching and yawning at the same time.
32. Catawampus - Skewed, diagonal, or out of place.

## **APPLETON CRICKET CLUB**



At last, the weather appears to be relenting and cricket clubs across the county are preparing for action, with bats being oiled, pitches prepared, as teams get ready to take on the opposition. Appleton is no exception, and we have been busy over the winter months, purchasing new covers and other equipment which we hope will enhance the playing experience.

We are a traditional village club who run a Sunday team, playing friendly 40 over matches starting at 2.00pm, and a 20/20 midweek team, normally on a Wednesday evening. We play both home and away fixtures against other like-minded village clubs where, although victory is very welcome, the main objective is that the game is enjoyed by all during, and as importantly, after the game.

### **New Members**

We start the year with a solid core of players, and we pride ourselves on always starting the game with 11 players on the pitch. However, as the older players hang up their boots, young people begin new phases in their lives, and others simply move away, the club is always eager to welcome new members.

We are a friendly, inclusive club, where friendships are quickly made, and where we offer a good social programme throughout the season. There is no need to worry about your own levels of experience as we have qualified coaches who will provide you with the ability to learn new skills. You may be a player who hasn't played for some time but would enjoy getting back into the sport, or a young person who's interested in cricket and wants to give it a go.

All of our upcoming Sunday matches are being played at home up until Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, so feel free to come down to the ground to have a look see, or/and have a chat to one of the Appleton players. You'll find us at the Sports field, off Netherton Road, Appleton.

### **RESULTS SO FAR**

The team has played a number of matches to date, with all matches having a close finish. The club has just returned from a tour of Bournemouth and Christchurch, where we ran both town sides to very close finishes. We didn't win, but all who were involved had a brilliant time, and the Club has already started making plans for the next tour.

So, if you just might fancy giving it a go and want to know more, give one of our team members, details below a call for an informal chat.

Alternatively, further details can be found on our website [www.appleton.com](http://www.appleton.com)

You can email us at [info@appletoncc.com](mailto:info@appletoncc.com)

President: Chris Jones 07590 216967

Chairman: Roger Gilkes 01865 863640

Club Captain: Phil Atkinson 07588 688824

Sunday Captain: Wayne Geller 07771 962707



# Advertiser

Deadline for July issue:

**19th June** (19th of the month is the usual deadline)

## Notices for village organisations

All printed copy to the editor - just post it through the letterbox—or by email to [editor.advertiser@gmail.com](mailto:editor.advertiser@gmail.com) before the deadline. Please email if you can!

No formal payment is required but we ask for a donation towards the running costs of the Advertiser: between £5-50 depending on the length and frequency of entries. Liaise with Wanda Todd to agree an appropriate donation.

## Advertisements

To book advertising space:

email Wanda Todd: [accounts.advertiser@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:accounts.advertiser@hotmail.co.uk)

2012 Advertising charges per issue

### ●Listing:

30p per word of 3 letters or more and a minimum of £3.00 per advert. Each telephone and email address is to count as a word

### ●Display adverts:

£25 for a quarter page

Please indicate whether you want (1) a display advert or (2) a listing. If you want a listing the charge is made per word so please either supply the text or say how many words. Note that payment is required in advance, and for long-term adverts we would like 3 months in advance.

Cheques payable to Appleton PCC

and sent to Wanda Todd, 12 Badswell Lane, Appleton OX13 5JN

## Appleton WI

One of our most successful meetings recently was in April when John Caldicott gave us a follow up talk about the Foundling Hospital. John had been a foundling, and longed to find his mother. In a moving account which held his audience, including several visitors, in complete silence, he finally met her. Many of us were close to tears.

On Thursday, 19th June at 2pm in Appleton village hall we shall hear Hayley Scott talk about The Forensic Experience. I wonder if that is anything like the various TV series? We have decided to re-introduce having an occasional competition, and so invite you to make a Spring posy and bring it to the meeting. There will be the usual raffle and stall.

We are looking forward to our trip by coach and train on June 10th. There are some places available, so if you or a friend would like to join us please phone Ann Biles on 863658 for details. Husbands would be very welcome!

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<b>Sunday 1st</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP said)</b>
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>All-Age Eucharist for the Ascension</b>
<b>Sunday 8th</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Pentecost Parish Eucharist</b>
	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Evensong (BCP)</b>
<b>Sunday 15th</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Trinity Sunday Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Sunday 22nd</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Evensong (BCP)</b>
<b>Sunday 29th</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
<b>Sunday 6th July</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion (BCP said)</b>
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>All-Age Eucharist</b>

**A Celebration of Holy Communion is held every Wednesday at 10.00am**

(said service lasting about 25 minutes)

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