## **HPSource**



# August / September 2019

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End of trial -	- without more volunteers -	- could you help?

### **Useful local contacts**

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#### From the Editors

Welcome to edition two of **HP Source** — which sees Hardingstone moving into high summer.

In this issue the Parish Council (HPC) reports on the latest news affecting the village, particularly the saga of the Cherry Orchard, and the new development behind The Warren. HPC is looking for a new councillor, so step forward if you want to have a say on how the parish is run.

We also bring you reports of summer merriment, sports and hobbies, groups and organisations. We introduce our new reading group—your chance to recommend a book, or to read a book alongside your neighbours.

HP Source is all about getting involved in your community: check out up-and-coming events, see what local groups have to offer, share your views on burning issues, and volunteer your help to others who need you. If you think something is missing in Hardingstone, others may agree and help you take it forward—your first step could be to share your *view* (see p9) or write an article for

the next issue of HP Source. Which brings us to...

#### Help out with HP Source

All offers of help are welcome, and we particularly need you if:

- You are taking part in an event or have an unusual hobby and are willing to write an article (c.250 words);
- You have a skill you can share in a regular column, e.g. nature knowledge, cooking, computing, you tell us;
- You have IT skills to help with production;
- You are young (teens and twenties—we are looking at you!) and can join or advise the team to keep HP Source fresh for all age groups.

We love to hear your feedback. You can contact us on hpsourcemag@gmail.com, or through the Parish Council Office.

KAPH, your editorial team.

#### **Parish Council update**

#### What's happening about Cherry Orchard?

The village has long loved Cherry Orchard, the field behind Hardingstone Lane which leads down to the Delapre Woods. Back in 2013 the Parish Council began talks with Northampton Borough Council about buying it. We wanted to protect it from development and keep it for the village for ever.

In 2014 we consulted residents over buying Cherry Orchard for the nominal sum of £1. With their backing, contractual negotiations began. Three long years later the NBC sent a contract ready for signing. We thought that would finalise the matter, but no. Every time we thought we had agreement, NBC added more restrictive conditions: from mowing, to access rights, to overage arrangements (for full details see our website!). These changes were not in the best interests of Hardingstone and with each change the solicitor's fees grew. In June

we decided that enough was enough, and we withdrew from the negotiations.

#### So what does this mean for the future?

NBC will keep responsibility for Cherry Orchard, but the Parish Council still has a say on how it is maintained. We will continue to protect it for Hardingstone.

#### Mowing Cherry Orchard - your views needed

Some residents have suggested leaving part of Cherry Orchard unmown to regenerate natural habitat. Wildflowers, bees, birds and mammals could all benefit. Kestrels were seen when the grass was inadvertently left uncut last year.

Other residents worry that it could become a breeding ground for ticks, a danger to dogs and walkers.

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#### **Parish Council update**

They say that it has been tried before, and became an unsightly mess of brambles and nettles. What do you think? Let us know.

#### **Speed monitoring signs**

Data from our two speed signs show that they have been successful, but unfortunately there are still some drivers with no regard for speed limits and road safety. The signs are moved to different sites from time to time, and the PC agreed to purchase another sign at the July PC meeting.

#### New defibrillator for Hardingstone

Hardingstone's existing life-saving defibrillator was installed at Bouverie House in early 2017, and it has already been used twice. The PC have now brought another defibrillator for use by first responders in our area.

#### **Development behind The Warren**

The housing development will eventually include a pub, school, retail units and a community centre. The community centre is in the first phase, and the PC has been talking to Kier Construction (the developers) about the design. We will continue to negotiate until we have the best and most functional arrangement we can get within the planning restrictions. If you have experience or an interest in this area, we need your expertise.



In the meantime Kier has announced that it is selling off its house-building division. We expect this will have an impact on the development, and are seeking further information.

One advantage of the temporary cessation of work is that nature has taken back control and the field is now a glorious blaze of scarlet poppies.

#### **Commemorating VE Day 2020**

Having just commemorated D-Day our thoughts are now turning to the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of VE Day next year.

Do you have ideas for events or other ways to remember this great event? One suggestion is a plaque in the war memorial garden. Let us know what you think.

#### Could you be a Parish Councillor?

We have a vacancy for a Parish Councillor. This is a great way to:

- Get involved in village life, and get to know other people;
- Find out what is going on and influence the future of Hardingstone (e.g. the new development behind The Warren);
- Use your skills and experience for the good of your neighbours;
- Develop skills and knowledge you can use elsewhere in your life and career.

To be eligible you must be aged 18 or over, and live, work or study in Hardingstone parish. We ask you to volunteer c.5 hours per month, including meetings, which are all held on weekday evenings.

Full Parish Council meetings are held at 7.30pm on the first Tuesday of each month, and you can join the subgroups which match your interests, e.g. community, open spaces, planning matters, finance. We are currently considering plans for the new development's community centre so experience or interest in this area would be an advantage, but by no means essential.

Please contact the Clerk or one of our Parish Councillors if you want to find out more.

### **Parish Council meetings**

#### **Annual Parish Meeting, 20 May 2019**

Various community groups and the Parish Council gave reports on activities of the previous year. The following groups had applied for grants from the Parish Council, and these were awarded at the end of the meeting.

Organisation	Grant	Purpose
Bouverie WI	£200	Hall hire and speaker costs
Hardingstone History Society	£200	Hall hire and speaker costs
Hardingstone Social Club (ex Wine Circle)	£200	Hall hire and speaker costs
Hardingstone Academy PTA	£200	PA system for use at fundraising events
Supporters of St Edmunds	£200	Exhibition materials for a Delapre Abbey exhibition
Hardingstone Parochial Church Council	£200	Architect fees for grant applications to make a more useful space for the community
1 <sup>st</sup> Hardingstone Rainbows	£200	Personalised flag and accessories
Hardingstone Allotment Association	£200	Maintain and improve the internal infrastructure of the site

#### Parish Council meeting, 4th June 2019

County Councillor Lizzy Bowen gave an update of NCC.

Policy documents relating to GDPR were approved.

The internal auditor's report was received and discussed. There were no issues raised for the council to action.

There was no objection to a planning application for 43a Martins Lane.

The council considered the Local Plan Part 2 Consultation and raised concerns over plans for development in Great Houghton, as this would add stress to infrastructure which it is thought will already be stretched once other planned developments will have been built.
Plans for changes to the Queen Eleanor roundabout were also discussed and comments were made to feedback to Highways.
Ongoing costs for the first year of the HP Source newsletter were approved.

The Parish Council approved spend for bollards to be installed outside the village hall to prevent people parking on the footpath there. This will be subject to Highways approval and scheduling. It was approved that the council will not continue with the purchase of Cherry Orchard.

#### Parish Council meeting, 2nd July 2019

At the June meeting residents raised concerns that clearance of parts of Cherry Orchard Woods would make it a place that travellers may try to enter. NBC have since viewed the area and feel that the site is secure and not at risk.

The council approved the purchase of a third vehicle activated sign for use around the village. Residents on High Street opposite the village hall were asking for overnight residents only parking. The council, whilst they had sympathy for the residents, did not feel that such a scheme would work, as it would just move the problem to other

streets nearby. Other options will be discussed. Quotes to replace the fence at the vehicular access to the Rec were discussed. It is hoped that this can be completed with S106 monies held by NBC. It was approved for a tree survey to take place for trees on the Rec and land around the parish room. The Rospa report for the play equipment in the Rec was considered and it was approved for quotes to be received for some required works. There were no serious risks and most items were considered low risk.

Full minutes are available on the Parish Council website at <a href="https://www.hardingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk/">https://www.hardingstoneparishcouncil.gov.uk/</a>

#### **Reports of merriment in Hardingstone**

A Decorated Bin Competition?' 'How could this be a merry and creative event?' As soon as the Dalek took up position on The Green, word got around and residents were out in force, following their map around the village and admiring and judging the bins.

There was delight and interest in equal measure. Fun was found in the witty ideas: 'Bin and Gone?' They do not have a bin!



The criteria of recycled materials and creativity were met: string, card, paper - even old trousers were brought to life.

Our youngest residents proudly displayed dinosaurs, Elmer the Elephant,

and the church complete with tower and flag. The streets of Hardingstone were buzzing. A merry and creative event indeed!

Meanwhile, seven hidden gardens were opened to

visitors, a rare and special treat. Gardens of different sizes, styles and layouts, pruned trees, vibrant flowers and



healthy fruit and veg crops. A feast for the eyes.

More merriment was found in Brackmills Country Park, echoing with laughter and woofing when community dog walks stepped out. Owners and dogs of all shapes and sizes jogged along together. With fines for 'misdemeanours' and a raffle, the collection bucket was soon rattling.



Back on the Rec, others met to run for fun (and medals!) whilst families gathered to picnic the afternoon away. A perfect merry end to a day full of merriness.



Over £600 was raised for the 'Supporters of St Edmunds' charity, but more importantly, we enjoyed meeting new friends and it was a #GreatGetTogether. Thanks are due to Councillors Colin, Sue and Geoff, to Richard, and to Collins Pet Store for the dog walker prizes. And special thanks to everyone who participated: decorators and judges; gardeners and dog walkers; runners and picnic-ers. See you for a merry next year!











## Bouverie House \*\*

In late May 16 people who regularly come to Weds coffee mornings had a really relaxing outing on the Crusader narrow boat. We travelled from Gayton to the Bugbrooke Wharf pub. Our weather was ideal and the boat was perfect for wheelchair users. Very knowledgeable crew members pointed out interesting details as we travelled. This was a good day out from 10am to 3pm. Our lunches choices were ordered by the crew whilst we cruised, which meant we did not have long to wait. No one fell overboard, despite wishful thinking!

For Bouverie House Tel Pat 768728

For Crusader go to <a href="mailto:crusadercommunityboating.org.uk">crusadercommunityboating.org.uk</a>



#### **Hardingstone Cricket Club mid season report**

It's been a summer to leave Noah worrying more about the durability of his ark than the state of play at Lord's. Despite the seemingly never-ending downpour, Hardingstone Cricket Club has fulfilled all league fixtures and its two teams sit happily in second place in their respective leagues.

The 1st XI started strongly with six consecutive wins ended only by a defeat by close rivals Earls Barton 2nds. Wins have been led by a strong bowling attack. Skipper Jonny Grove (average 6.31) and Alex Piper have led the way with

13 wickets each. Batting has been more problematic with Steve Gollings' match-winning 78 against Overstone Park the only half-century to date.

The highlight of the season came with a nip-and-tuck match against Desborough. Defending 136-8, built on sturdy knocks by Jack Larkin (41) and James Hall (27), the 1sts grabbed early wickets to reduce Desborough to 22-3. The home side battled back needing 13 off the last over, bowled by Ben Miller. Alan Steed smacked the first ball for six, but an excellent Gollings catch saw him off and the 1sts sneaked home by two runs.

The 2nd XI have won five of their seven games. AJ Boot put his name in lights scoring an unbeaten 110 against Bold Dragoon 2nds, while there have been 50s from the evergreen pair Bob Anderson and Paul Larkin. The star has been Regi Premsagar, whose 22 wickets at 7.45 make him the joint leading wicket taker in the division.

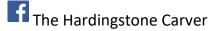
With a very successful showing from the mid-week friendly side and regular Friday night All Stars sessions bringing the next generation through, it's been another strong start from HCC. All that's needed is for the sun to put its helmet on and settle in for a long innings of its own.

#### **Hidden carvings**

As part of the hidden gardens on 23<sup>rd</sup> June my sister in law, Lesley, and I put on a display of wood carvings. We are both students of Mike Painter, probably the top woodcarver in the country with work in Windsor Castle, the Palace of Westminster and the V&A amongst others. I also attend meetings of the Bedfordshire branch of the British Woodcarvers Association.

It was nice to be able to share our work with a wider audience and to get such positive feedback. If you would like to find out more about our work or how to get started in this absorbing hobby please don't hesitate to get in touch.

John Francklow 07805957058 <a href="https://www.thehardingstonecarver.com">www.thehardingstonecarver.com</a> The Hardingstone Carver











#### **Hardingstone Neighbourhood Watch**

Coordinators: Pam 761374 & Jim 709715

#### News

Police have visited all secondary schools highlighting the dangers of carrying a knife.

Sgt Nick Paul shares advice on responding to violent situations: https://www.northants.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/

#### **Crime figures for Hardingstone**

Reported	Burglary Dwelling*	Burglary Non Dwelling*	Criminal Damage	Vehicle Crime
May	4 out buildings	0	0	2
June	2 out buildings	6	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> Dwelling - home & outbuildings & land Non-dwelling - commercial properties e.g. large parts of Brackmills

We are one of the safest places to live in Northampton but: Leave nothing on show, lock up, and keep keys out of sight.

#### **Contacting the Police**

Phone	999 ONLY if	A serious offence is in progress or has just been committed Someone is in immediate danger or harm Property is in danger of being damaged Serious disruption to the public is likely
	101 (15p per call)	Report non-emergencies Information police need to know about serious incidents
Online	www.northants.police.uk Or search "Northants Police"	Report non-emergencies (response will not be same day) Read news, crime advice etc.

#### St Edmunds Summer Fayre report

We would like to thank everyone who made the Summer Fayre such a huge success. Following the week of rain the sun shone down on us and we had a very good turn out. It was especially nice to see so many new faces having cream teas. At the plant stall people were intrigued by the special variety of rose named 'St Edmund'. A resident donated two: one was sold and the other raffled and won by our vicar, Beverley Hollins.

The total raised for Church Funds was just over £900. We are particularly grateful to all who donated items to be sold and to all stall holders. Special thanks to Joan Martin who yet again opened her beautiful garden, Viren at Londis who sold our leftover plants and to Friends of Hardingstone who kindly sponsored the refreshments. Join us at the Autumn Fayre on 7th September when the Old Vicarage gardens will be opened to visitors.

The Fundraising Committee

St Edmunds Church



The Northampton Volunteer Car Scheme is a unique project in Northampton, where volunteer drivers use their own vehicles to support elderly and disabled people living in the borough. It ensures passengers are able to travel to vital one off and regular medical and well-being appointments. In our passenger survey, 91% said the service was a 'lifeline': without it they would be unable to attend their appointments and would find it difficult to remain living independently in their own homes. Passengers pay a membership fee of £25 per year, and pay the driver 45p per mile to cover their expenses.

We already have passengers who live in Hardingstone, and we would welcome more. We are also looking for more drivers. It is a rewarding and positive role which benefits the local community. If you are interested in becoming a passenger or a driver, please call 01604 628234 or email carscheme@voluntaryimpact.org.uk for more details.



#### A view from the village - have your say!

I have lived in the village all my life and I have attended Hardingstone Academy. I am now at secondary school. Whilst there are lots of groups in the village, I decided to become involved in the church. I started in the choir and now I am a trained server. I spend most of my time at the park with my friends, but I think it would be really nice if there was a youth group that me and my friends could go to. For a school project, me and my friends arranged a litter pick to help improve the environment around our village.

K, aged 13

[Ed: K & friends collected 6 bags of litter, mainly plastic and beer cans—well done to them!]

Got something to say? Share your views with the village in the next issue

### **Hardingstone Diary**

Special Events:				
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cream Teas & stalls	St Edmunds Church	2.00-4.30pm	Chris 07801 655143 (See Page 14)
Autumn Fayre	Open garden at the Old Vicarage	Behind Church	2.00-4.30pm	Chris 07801 655143 (See Page 14)
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> Sept	Coach Trip to London	Hardingstone Social Club	8am	Lesley 07599 216166

The 'Regular Events' section below will only appear when necessary. At other times it will be replaced by details of any changes to the events shown below, so please keep a copy of this list for reference.

Regular Events:				
Mondays	Whist Drive	Bouverie House	6:45pm	Pat 768728
Mondays	Eagles Cub Pack	Scout Hut	6:30 – 8pm	Simon cubs@ 1sthardingstone.org.uk
Mondays	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wootton Brownies	Guide Hut, Hardingstone	6 – 7:30pm	donnamarie.painton@ gmail.com
Mondays	Music Bugs	Village Hall	9.30-11:00am	Lesley Johnson 08444 128179
Mondays	Pilates with Christina	Village Hall	9:30 – 10:30am 10:30 – 11:30am	Christina 07984 233336
Mondays	Back at Ease Pilates	Village Hall	12:30pm – 2:30pm	Susie Burgess 07880 750258
Monday to Thursday	Dancing classes	Village Hall	4pm – 7pm	Sinead 768420 or 07711 320341
Mondays	Fitness classes	Village Hall	6pm – 9pm	Lesley Morrison 07544 946139
Mondays	Northampton Camera Club	Village Hall	7:30pm – 10pm	James Ballantyne 07799 034352
4th Mon excl December	Pins & Needles. Bring own craft items & chat	Parish Room	7.30pm – 9pm	Jo 761461
Tuesdays	Hardy Drive Coffee Morning	Bouverie House	9:30 -10:30am	07799 973617
Tuesdays	Hardingstone Guides	Guide Hut, Hardingstone	7:30 – 9pm	hardingstoneguides1st@ gmail.com
Tuesdays	Hardingstone Badminton Club	N'pton School for Girls, Newport Pagnell Road	7 – 9pm	Paul 07595 551627
Tuesdays	Chair Pilates	Village Hall	9:30 – 10:30am 10:30 – 11:30am	Christina 07984 233336
Tuesdays	Music Bugs	Village Hall	10:30am – 12:30pm	Lesley Johnson 08444 128179
Tuesdays	Body Control Pilates	Village Hall	6-7 pm	Jan 07712 182544
Tuesdays	Inspired Dog Training	Village Hall	7:30 – 8:30pm	lan Lyons 07747 042490
1st Tuesday	Hardingstone Parish Council Meeting	Parish Room	7.30pm	Clerk 07709 523746
1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	Hardingstone Social Club	Village Hall	8:00 – 10.30 pm	Lynn 760036
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	Bouverie WI	Village Hall	7.45 pm	Linda 07968 556846
Wednesdays	Coffee morning	Bouverie House	9:30 -10:30am	Pat 768728

## **Hardingstone Diary**

Regular Events (continued):				
Wednesdays	1 <sup>st</sup> Hardingstone Brownies	Guide Hut, Hardingstone	6:30- 7:45pm	karen.lewisplatt@ gmail.com
Wednesdays	Back at Ease Pilates	Village Hall	9:30 – 11:30am	Susie Burgess 07880 750258
Wednesdays	NCT Mums and Tots	Village Hall	10 - 11:30am	
Wednesdays	Sing and Sign	Village Hall	1:30 – 3:30pm	
Wednesdays	Hardingstone Players	Village Hall	8:00 – 9:30pm	Rhiannon 880150
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday	Hardingstone History Society	Parish Room	2 – 4pm	Adrian 761327
Thursdays	Beavers	Scout Hut	6 – 7.15 pm	Phin McGarry beavers@1sthardingstone. org.uk
Thursdays	Vikings Scouts	Scout Hut	7.30 – 9pm	Kevin Dillow 07412 671388 scouts@ 1sthardingstone.org.uk
Thursdays	Hardingstone Rainbows	Guide Hut, Hardingstone	5:45- 6:45pm	carolinemiller103@ gmail.com
Thursdays	Music Bugs	Village Hall	9:30 – 11:30am	Lesley Johnson 08444 128179
Thursdays	Back at Ease Pilates	Village Hall	9:30 – 11:30am	Susie Burgess 07880 750258
Thursdays (Monthly)	Mess Around Northampton	Village Hall	1:15 – 2:15pm	Tamara 07536 068751
Thursdays	Line Dancing	Bouverie House	6:30 – 8:30pm	
Fridays	Bingo	Bouverie House	1.00 pm	Pat 768728
Fridays	Char Char Chimps	Village Hall	10-11am	Izzy 07725 325003
Fridays	Sing and Sign	Village Hall	1:30 -2:30pm	
Fridays	Badminton Club – new members welcome	N'pton High School, Newport Pagnell Road	7.30 – 9pm	David Johns 871204
1 <sup>st</sup> Sat monthly excl January.	Coffee morning & free book swap. Tote. Just pop in!	Parish Room	10 – 11.30 am	Pam 761374
Saturdays	Children's Yoga	Village Hall	11:30am – 12:30pm	Lisa 07905 624353
Sundays monthly	Yoga Freedom	Village Hall	10:30am -12:30	
Sundays monthly	Family Yoga	Village Hall	9:30 – 11:30am	Lisa 07905 624353

Church Services:				
Wednesdays (in term time only)	Toddler Praise	St. Edmund's Church	9:30 – 11:30am	Julie 07786 231598
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays	Said Communion	St. Edmund's Church	8-9am	hardingstone.church@gmail.com
1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sundays	Elevenses Informal Service	St. Edmund's Church	11 – 11:30am	hardingstone.church@gmail.com
2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays	Sung Communion	St. Edmund's Church	11:00am	hardingstone.church@gmail.com

#### Happening soon in Hardingstone

#### Hardingstone and Delapré Abbey: September exhibition and circular walk

Hardingstone has been linked with the people down the hill at Delapré Abbey since the 12<sup>th</sup> century. After the nuns left and Henry VIII dissolved the monasteries, two families dominated at the Abbey.

First the Tates, amongst them Mary and her devoted son Bartholomew, who paid for a 22-line poem about her virtues on her tombstone. Bartholomew's widow Mary contented herself with a far shorter inscription when he died aged 38! You can see their tombs at St Edmunds during the September Heritage Open Days.

Second the Bouveries, including Mary and General Everard. The latter built the village school, fought at Waterloo and battled locally against a vicar of Hardingstone. A later generation was much impacted by WW1, and the General's great niece Mary – the last of the Delapre Bouveries - is still remembered by villagers today.

Find out more about the Delapré families and their interactions with Hardingstone at an exhibition organised by the Supporters of St Edmund's Church and the Delapré Abbey Preservation Trust. A new circular walk leaflet produced by Delapre Abbey will also be available.

#### **Opening Arrangements**

Exhibition only (free): Advance booking compulsory on 07478 192033 or supporters@hardingstone.church	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 9 <sup>th</sup> September 10.30am – 2pm Tue 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> September 10.30am – 2pm
With Delapré Abbey entry (usual entrance fee):	4 <sup>th</sup> - 15 <sup>th</sup> September, Wednesdays to Sundays only, usual opening hours)

Volunteers are needed to help staff the exhibition, please get in touch if you can help.

#### Change at St Edmunds: re-ordering for the whole community?

St Edmunds was built many centuries ago. If it is to remain open for future generations the building needs to be part of the lives of the whole Hardingstone community today, churchgoers and non churchgoers alike.

We have been pondering how to achieve this, taking guidance from the Historic Churches support officers, the Diocesan advisers and Historic England. Two things are clear:

- 1. We must ensure the building has the right facilities and flexibility for the things we'd **all** like to do.
- 2. We must be sure we can raise the money to achieve this. This is the purpose of the 'Supporters of St Edmunds' charity.



We need your help. During the summer and autumn we'll be gathering ideas from the whole community of Hardingstone. Please look into the church, anytime the 'Open' sign is on the gate. It is a cool, quiet, peaceful and fascinating building (grade 2\*). Read the guides, play 'Eye Spy in St Edmunds' over the summer holidays, and view the artwork from Hardingstone Academy. The churchyard is interesting too, not just for family research but for nature and stonework as well. Most importantly, look at the green display board at the back of the church, explaining the 'Feasibility Study', and consider:

How would you use the building? What do you think Hardingstone needs?

Every opinion matters, we are keen to hear yours. For more about the survey: <a href="mailto:hardingstonechurch@gmail.com">hardingstonechurch@gmail.com</a>

#### THE GOOD READ BOOK CLUB

Welcome to the HP Source reading club, getting Hardingstone reading!

Read a good book? Then send us your recommendation in a nutshell (c.150 words): what it's about, who it appeals to and marks out of 10. Use a witty pen name if you wish.

We need your reviews! Each issue we will publish the one with the widest appeal.

Not a critic? Then join in as a reader. Keep local libraries open, check the charity shops, or search the shelves in Bouverie House or the Parish Room - wherever you get it, grab your copy and get reading.

Enjoy the first recommendation.

#### 'Love & Gelato' by Jenna Evans Welch

Age 12+

This book is a great read for the summer and is

appealing to both adults and teens. It centres on a teenager, Lina, who fulfils her mother's dying wish for her to get to know her father.



Lina moves to Florence from Seattle and is given her mother's journal which her mother kept whilst studying photography in Florence, before becoming pregnant with Lina.

Lina meets a handsome boy and they use the journal to discover the secrets of Florence, more about her mother's life there and the truth about her father.

The beautiful setting of Florence makes you feel warm and sunny, especially if you have been lucky enough to visit Florence personally, and if not makes you want to go there – even if just to try the Gelato!

Anton du Book! Score: 9/10



#### Hardingstone

is a lovely village to live in, and there are many organisations that offer community activities for all

age groups. Lots of National Trust members live in our village. Did you know that you can get more from your membership by joining the **local** 

#### **Northampton National Trust Association?**

Several residents of Hardingstone are involved with the local branch and members enjoy coach holidays, days out, garden parties, monthly evening lectures (September to April) and other social events. There is always a warm welcome to individuals or groups of friends. You can opt in to as many activities as you wish as our programme is quite full. Find out more from:

The Secretary,

Northampton National Trust Association

Email: virginia@camp.uk.net Tel: 01604 788831

#### **Bouverie WI**

Our friendly group meets in Hardingstone Village Hall on the 3<sup>rd</sup>Tuesday of every month at 7:45pm.

Members are entertained with a variety of speakers, activities and outings, and our future programme includes:

August 20 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Month
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	ТВА
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	AGM & Foods from around the world

Email: Sandra ingram19@hotmail.com

or Mobile: Linda Green 07968 556846

for more information

#### **Hardingstone Social Club**

(Formerly Hardingstone Wine Circle – no-one makes wine anymore!)

We are a social group established 30+years ago, of varying ages, who meet on first Tuesday of the month at 7.45pm in Hardingstone village hall. The evening usually consists of a speaker, followed by a raffle and a chance to chat, finishing at 10pm. Members provide their own drink.

Future speakers include:

August Life in the Falklands

Sept. Nostalgia for the 1960's

We'd love to have new members to come and join us . If interested please come along or phone for more information.

#### **London Trip**

On 21<sup>st</sup> September we are running a coach to London, cost £15, as detailed in the last issue. There may be some places left— contact Lesley Francklow on 07599 216166 for more information.



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## Autumn Fayre

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## Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2pm – 4:30pm

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## Friends of Hardingstone Coffee mornings

These are held on the first Saturday in the month in the Parish Room from 10-11.30am.

Come and have a coffee and meet up with people who are involved in various aspects of Hardingstone village life.

You might be able to find out answers to questions you have puzzled over for some time.

So whether you have lived here for 30 years or 30 days you will be most welcome.



#### Friends of Hardingstone •

Putting the heart back into Hardingstone Tote results drawn at Coffee Mornings

Prize	Ticket	Prize	Name
	June		
1 <sup>st</sup>	11 & 14	£40	L Brooks
2nd	07 & 18	£20	A Rose
3 <sup>rd</sup>	08 & 11	£15	R Garner

Prize	Ticket	Prize	Name
	July		
1 <sup>st</sup>	15 & 16	£40	M Billingham
2nd	04 & 14	£20	L Amas
3 <sup>rd</sup>	09 & 13	£15	R Freeland

All proceeds go to supporting Hardingstone activities & amenities.

Tickets are £1 a month payable yearly. £12 gives 36 chances of a cash prize.

Phone FoH for a tote ticket. Why not buy one as an unusual present.

Owners do not have to live in Hardingstone.

Tote tickets available from Pam 761374 or Josie 762019

PINS & NEEDLES Craft, Chat & Coffee 4th Monday of the month Next ones 26<sup>th</sup> Aug & 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept Phone Jo 761461 Hardingstone History Society

#### SEPTEMBER MEETING 2019

Milestones By Helen Crabtree

The Parish Room, High Street Wednesday 11th September at 2 pm

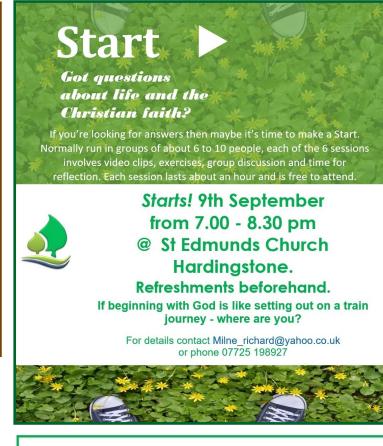
Visitors are welcome at this event - just turn up, or phone 761327 for details

The talk will be followed by refreshments and a short

The following indoor meeting is on October 9th 2019, and is a talk about Amy Johnson.

More information about us on www.hardingstonehistory.org.uk





Please come and help us tidy the churchyard 1st Thursday in the month 10am -12 noon Aug 1st & Sept 5th There's time for coffee too



John 760411

### **Events** nearby

#### **Quinton Events**

1 September (Sun): The Quinton and Preston Deanery 35th Home Produce Show at the Manor House, Quinton.

Lunches from 12.30 – 2pm, tea, coffee and cakes throughout the afternoon,

Bar 12.30 – 4.30pm. Viewing from 2pm – 3pm,

prior to the auction at 3.15pm.

18 October (Fri): Annual Quiz Night – join us to test your wits against

our new quiz master Phil – always lots of fun and includes a hot supper

#### **Hackleton Village Hall News**

What a splendid first issue of HP Source – very informative and easy to the eye. We appreciate the inclusion of our events in this newsletter, and the support that we get from Hardingstone people.

### **Cream Teas in the Hall – Every Sunday during August**

These are very successful at generating money for our projects, and last year they raised £ 2000. This year's project is to provide additional air conditioning in various areas of the hall.

Those who come along are pleasantly surprised at what is available, ranging from meringues and sponges to scones with clotted cream and jam.

Why not come along on any (or all!) of the Sundays and enjoy a very relaxing and sociable afternoon from 2pm until 4.30pm.

**The Lincoln Noel Trio** will once again be entertaining us with a jazz evening with a difference.

Lincoln is very entertaining, as those who have

come in the past will vouch for. Tickets are on sale at £15 each and as usual this includes supper. They can be booked by telephoning Edward on 870764. A word of warning though – you may enjoy it and even have a few laughs.

#### Fund raising events for the rest of 2019

Cream Teas – Sundays in August 4<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> and 25th

Lincoln Noel Trio - 21<sup>st</sup> September

Spitfire Theatre Company - 19<sup>th</sup> October **NEW**Festive Cheer - 1<sup>st</sup> December

New Year's Eve live music from Roy and the Saracens

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Edward Kilpin BEM – Chairman of the Trustees

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