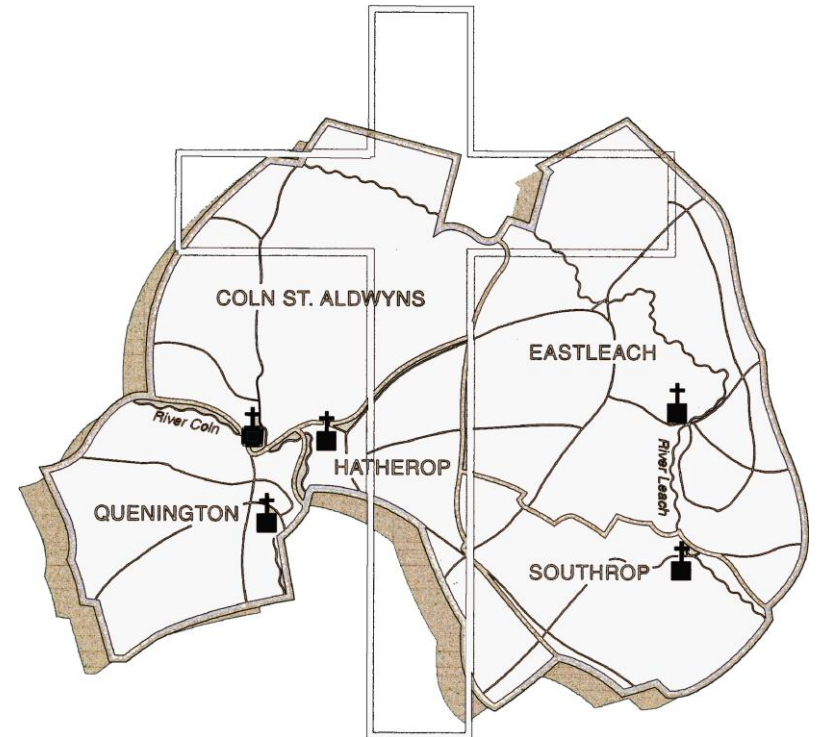


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Seeing clearly

Walking across boggy ground we know where to put our feet to avoid getting wet – we subconsciously look for dry patches on which to step. Whilst managing a children’s home in Romania I took some of the children for a walk around their home. Walking through a meadow it was clear they had never walked across open country before they splashed through the damp ground not knowing how to recognise or avoid wet ground. Entering a wood they navigated the low hanging branches and uneven ground with extreme difficulty. On another walk across boggy ground this time with a friend in the Lake District I was amazed by their knowledge of plants. Where I saw grass, he saw a whole plethora of different grasses and sedges.

How do we encounter the world around us? How does our culture, education, experience precondition us? How is our perception limited? I have been enjoying reading Annie Dillard’s, “*Pilgrim at Tinker Creek.*” in which she observes the natural world around her home. In a chapter on ‘seeing’ she describes how the discovery of safe cataract operations gave sight to people blinded by cataracts from birth. Many struggled to comprehend and understand the new world of colour and form that was revealed. We take for granted the interpretation of what we see. To see clearly and to comprehend fully we need to learn to look unhurriedly. The lover and the knowledgeable see more than the casual observer. Turning into our drive I saw a bird flit between branches; my colleague Revd Chris Finlay saw a marsh tit.

What about spiritual sight or insight: how do we learn to see beyond ourselves to the needs of others? How do we learn see beyond the physical? Is there such a thing as a spiritual cataract? Seeing, “*a tree with lights in it,*” a cedar transfigured and aflame, Annie Dillard wrote, “*I had been my whole life a bell, and never knew it until at that moment I was lifted and struck.*” I have once or twice seen *a tree with lights in it* and I too felt like a bell: vibrating in harmony with the tune sung by God.

May you see more clearly, love more dearly and follow more nearly

Every blessing
 Revd Craig

Hatherop welcomes:-

Kirsty and Brent Streeter with Joshua, Hugo & Toby to Mushroom House.

Alan & Margaret Crossman to No 2 The Piece.

Funerals

Audrey Stannard, Memorial, Southrop, Thursday 21st February

Peter Cook, Memorial, Quenington, Tuesday 12th March

Keble Service, Wednesday 1st May, 6.30pm, Bouthrop, with the choir of Keble College, Oxford, a choral evensong to celebrate our connection with John Keble

x:site, Saturday 11th May, 6-8pm, Kempsford Primary School, an event for 7 to 11 year olds with games, music and activities. All welcome – please contact Revd Craig Bishop for more details (01285 750013)

Marriage course – this six week course seeks to improve every marriage even the very good. Each week covers a key issue and creates space for private discussion. A past participant said, “This course was excellent it reminded me that there are so many small things I can do to make our marriage better.” Starting in May – to reserve a place please call the Revd Craig Bishop (01285 750013)

A BIG THANK-YOU FROM CANON TONY ROSS.

Christmas seems a long time ago and 2013 is already into its second month, but the memory of the Service to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of my Ordination as a Priest is still very much alive. It was wonderful to see so many at the service: friends, former parishioners from CHEQS and fellow parishioners in the Ampneys, especially three days before Christmas and in poor weather conditions. I am so grateful to all those who attended the Service, those who sent cards and gave presents, and for the kind messages of those who were unable to attend. Thank you also to those who made generous contributions to the collection which was shared between the Orphanage at Jeel-al amal, at Bethany in the Holy Land and the Ampney Crucis Church Roof Appeal.

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FIVE VILLAGE DIARY

April 4	Eastleach & Southrop Friendship Circle Southrop Village Hall
April 9	CHEQS Gardening Club Visit
April 10	Cotswold Decorative & Fine Arts Society April Lecture
April 10	Eastleach Annual Parish Meeting
April 13	Quenington Village Hall Coffee Morning
April 13	Fairford & District Choral Society Concert
April 14	Quenington Car Boot Sale
April 15	Lechlade History Society
April 21	Quenington Old Rectory Red Cross Open Garden
April 22	Southrop School Worship in Church, 9am
April 25	Quenington Annual Parish Council Meeting
April 25	Southrop Annual Parish Meeting & Parish Council Meeting
April 26	Quenington Society Visit
April 26	Coln Cinema
April 27	Quenington Annual Spring Clean
April 27	Corinium Players Guitar Ensemble
April 28	Eastleach Playgroup – Toddler Taster
April 28	Quenington Old Rectory Red Cross Rare Plants Sale
May 1	Keble Service
May 4	Burford Singers May Fayre
May 9	Hatherop 5k Family Fun Run
May 9	Quenington Parish Council Meeting
May 11	X:site, Kempsford Primary School
May 12	Quenington Car Boot Sale
May 18	Quenington Village Fete
May 20	Southrop School Worship in Church, 9am
June 2	Quenington Car Boot Sale
June 8	Southrop Village Fete, Jubilee Field
June 16	June 16-July 7 Fresh Air 2013
June 17	Southrop School Worship in Church, 9am
July 14	Quenington Car Boot Sale
Aug 11	Quenington Car Boot Sale
August 24	Eastleach Village Fete
August 31	Coln Village Fete

VILLAGE ROUNDUP

The Editor reserves the right to exclude any article considered unsuitable and does not accept liability for anything contained in the magazine. All items submitted for inclusion should include the name and contact details of the sender in case of any questions. Material for inclusion in the Village Roundup should please be received no later than **THE 12TH DAY OF THE MONTH PRIOR TO PUBLICATION**. Contact Rachel Mehtar on 01367 850450 or rachel.mehtar@talk21.com. If emailing it would be very helpful if text could be copied into the email itself. Please note no colour can be used. Advertisers should please contact Allan Lees, 01285 750260.

MIDLAND TRAILQUESTS

Midland Trailquests will be returning to this area on Sunday April 21st for a mountain bike orienteering event. The HQ will be at Aldsworth, but the checkpoints will cover an area from Ablington in the west, Broughton Poggs in the east, and almost to Fairford in the south. Riders will again be competing solo or in pairs and will be setting off between 9 and 10.30a.m. so there is no mass start. All checkpoints are placed on Bridleways and Byways and will be collected in on the afternoon of the event.

www.midlandtrailquests.co.uk has full details of our organisation and how to enter the event if you are a local rider, or you can ring the event organiser Mike Manning on 01531 821291. It is our hope that apart from seeing a few more bikes on the trails than normal, the event will pass unnoticed.

QUENINGTON CAR BOOT SALE

See village diary for dates.

£5 per car. Starts at 11 o'clock. Held on the Green in Quenington.

LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY - 15th April: The Whiteway Colony. Joy Thacker will talk about the residential community founded near Stroud in 1898 by a group of social idealists. Contact Alan Garnell 01367 253087 or visit www.lechladehistory.co.uk. Guests welcome £4.

EASTLEACH & SOUTHROP FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE

Our next meeting on April 4th will be held in Southrop Village Hall. We start with our usual tea of sandwiches, homemade scones & cakes followed by Chair - based gentle exercise to music with Vivien Godfrey.

FOOD FIESTAS IN FAIRFORD & LECHLADE

If you are interested in eating and drinking and supporting local produce, then the Fairford and Lechlade Food & Drink Festivals are two events not to be missed. This will be the fourth year that Fairford & Lechlade Business Club has organized this gastronomic delight, which brings together - in a traditional market place setting - a huge selection of local food, wines and ales. The aim of the Business Club is to provide events that will increase the awareness of the fantastic range of food and drink that is available in this corner of the Cotswolds. **How to get involved**

Be a stall holder: Stalls are already selling like hot cakes, but there are still some available in each town. If you would like to book a stall, please download an application form from the website www.fairfordlechladefoodanddrink.co.uk.

Sponsorship: If you are a business that would like to sponsor the Food & Drink Festivals and have your name and branding displayed on marketing material and on the website www.fairfordlechladefoodanddrink.co.uk, please contact admin@flbc.org.uk to discuss opportunities.

Become a Friend of the Food & Drink Festival: For a small fee, you can become a Friend of the Food & Drink Festival and get a listing on the website www.fairfordlechladefoodanddrink.co.uk.

Come and enjoy: For starters, come along to Fairford Market Place on Sunday 12th May and then enjoy the second course a month later in Lechlade Market Place on Sunday 9th June. The Food & Drink Festivals will be open all day from 10am till 4pm; are free to browse and taste and promise to be a good day out for all the family. To find out more, email admin@flbc.org.uk or visit www.fairfordlechladefoodanddrink.co.uk.

FRESH AIR 2013 – www.freshair2013.com

Saturday 15th June - PRIVATE VIEW for all Quenington Residents – 4.00 pm to 8.00 pm. Pay bar organised by Hatherop Primary School PTA. Hot and cold buffet provided by 7a of Fairford. Chedworth Silver Band playing from 6.00 pm.

Sunday 16th to Sunday 7th July - The exciting biennial sculpture show held in the riverside gardens of Quenington Old Rectory. Open daily to the public 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. £2.50 admission for adults, children free. Concessions available. (Except for Sunday 23rd June when the gardens are open under the National Gardens Scheme). Throughout Fresh Air, 7a of Fairford will be providing delicious light lunches, fresh coffee, tea, soft drinks, cakes etc. www.7acoffeeshop.co.uk

COTSWOLD DECORATIVE AND FINE ARTS SOCIETY

On April 10th the Cotswold Decorative and Fine Arts Society will hold a lecture entitled "Venice and her Music" by Janet Canetty-Clarke. Music has always played an important role in Venetian life - from church music centred on the Basilica of St Mark's to the feverish love of opera. Lectures take place at Bradwell Village Hall, Burford, OX18 4XF and begin at 11.00am, with coffee and tea available 10.15-10.45. Non-members are very welcome to attend (suggested donation £8). For further information please visit our website www.cotswolddfas.org or email us on info@cotswolddfas.org.

TASTER SESSIONS FOR SINGERS

The Wessex Male Choir are offering taster sessions each Tuesday in April for male singers over 18yrs. These are open to those who like singing, but you don't have to be a Pavarotti or a Paul Potts. You just need to enjoy singing. The taster sessions start at 7.30pm each Tuesday at the Abbeymeads Church, Abbeymeads, Swindon which is used by the choir for their practices. There is no expectation on you if you come along, but it will give you the opportunity to hear the choir in rehearsal and have the opportunity to speak with choristers about their involvement and what you are likely to gain should you consider joining, then or in the future. In fact why not bring a friend with you as well. For further information contact the choir via their website <http://www.wessexmalechoir.co.uk/> or ring Tim on 01367252474.

PETER COOK

Peter passed away on February 28. He spent most of his life in Quenington, working 48 years for Godwin Pumps, and in his younger days he was a keen sportsman. He was not one to seek the limelight, but he contributed much to the village, he had served on the parish council, he could often be seen, with wife Vi, collecting litter from the grass verges and delivering CHEQS magazines. Quenington will be poorer for his passing.

FAIRFORD & DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

Fairford & District Choral Society looks forward to your company at its next concert "*Music for Two Elizabeths*" on **Saturday 13th April at 7.30 p.m. in St Mary's Church, Fairford.** The programme will include music by Byrd, Britten, Elgar, Finzi, Gibbons, Parry, Tallis and Vaughan Williams. Tickets (£10 or £5 for under 18s) will be on sale from 1st March, from Blenheim Antiques, Market Place, Fairford (01285 712094) or by telephoning 01285 713681 or (www.fairford.org/choralsociety).

St. PETER'S CHURCH SPRING PARTY

This will be held at Langford Downs Farm by kind invitation of Gavin and Caroline MacEchern from 6.30 to 8.30 p.m. Tickets are £5 which includes the first drink and delicious canapes. There will also be a raffle. Tickets will be available after 8th April from Margaret Davey 850347. This is one of the events for helping to cover the costs of maintaining our beautiful church. It is hoped that many residents of Southrop will be able to support this occasion.

EASTLEACH & SOUTHROP FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE JUMBLE SALE

The Committee would like to thank everyone who helped us to make our Jumble Sale such a success. We made a profit of £1,155.60 which was just amazing. Our thanks go to everyone who gave items for us to sell, presents for the Raffle which turned out to be the most successful yet, and to those who helped set up the sale on both Friday & Saturday as well as the very generous help given in the afternoon.

FAIRFORD UNITED CHURCH (CONGREGATIONAL/METHODIST)

Sunday services start at 10.00 a.m. each week. On Sundays when there is no All Age Worship, there is Sunday School provision for children. Fairly traded goods are available for sale after Sunday services. Our monthly Contact Group will be meeting on Friday 5th April and Friday 3rd May – 12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. – meet friends old and new over tea/coffee and light refreshments. Prayer Group – Monday evenings 7.30 p.m. All welcome!

A DATE FOR A FETE

Southrop Village Fete will be held on Saturday 8th June on the Jubilee Sports Field commencing at 1p.m. As well as the usual stalls and activities for children, there will be a Dog Show with various classes. Entry information for this will be available in the May magazine. Please book the date in your diary.

EASTLEACH PARISH COUNCIL Annual Parish Meeting

This will take place at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 10th April 2013 in the Village Hall. There will be the usual reports and then an open forum at which villagers may raise any other issues. If you would like to ask a question it would be helpful if you could notify the Chairman, Gerry LeCointe, (01367 850 248) prior to the meeting.

LECHLADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Have you visited Lechlade's Community Library yet? Come in and see the new books now in stock for children and adults; book time on one of our computers; find information on local organisations, businesses and events; or just pop in to meet some of our many volunteers who are helping to run this service – they will be delighted to welcome you. Library opening hours: Monday 10–4; Wednesday 10–1; Friday 1–7; Saturday 10–1. Rhyme, Story and Song for pre-school children on Wednesday mornings and Storytime for pre-school and primary aged children on Saturday mornings. Free events, no need to book. For more information about library activities and events contact info@lechladelibrary.co.uk or telephone Sue Coakley on 01367 253306.

HATHEROP 5KM FAMILY FUN RUN

(or just an energetic walk!) Date: Thursday, 9th May at 6.30pm (registration from 5.45pm). **Entrance fee:** £2.50 per person. **Start and finish:** Hatherop playing field. Prizes to be won. Refreshments available. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. All-terrain pushchairs welcome. Regrettably, NO DOGS ALLOWED

COLN ST ALDWYNS CHILDRENS' FETE - INVITATION TO APPLY FOR DONATIONS

The 2012 fete was a fantastic success and we have distributed a whopping £2750 to support local children's activities and charities. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the day not least our kind sponsors: Michael Rixon; Moore Allen; SE Controls; Sweetfuels; VSL and Xylem.

We are now looking for good causes to support from the proceeds of the 2013 fete. We would be delighted to receive applications from specific projects. So, if you wish to make a case for funds for local childrens' projects please contact Jo Perkins (jo.perkins@secontrols.com).

Make a note of the date for the 2013 fete - it will be held on Saturday 31 August.

SOUTHROP PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The April meeting of the Parish Council will be held immediately before the Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 25th April, starting at 6.45 p.m., to which everyone is also invited to attend.

THE LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF FAIRFORD HOSPITAL

We are a community based charity run by volunteers providing health related support to the patients of our two GP Practices in Fairford and Lechlade. The League spent over £80,000 last year in supporting the people who live in Fairford, Lechlade and the surrounding villages. Our annual House to House collection running from 7 to 20 April is an important fund raiser and is vital in assisting us to deliver care in the local community. Your donations enable us to fund a variety of services and help us to bring care as close to home as possible. This is achieved through our Home Nursing Team, our contract with Prospect Hospice, the Voluntary Car Service, the Edna Dawes Luncheon Club, funding for counselling services and the weekly foot care clinic at Fairford Hospital. Please help us to continue and expand this support through your generous donations. For information on all the League's activities and on how to get involved, or to donate on-line please go to our new website: www.friendsoffairford.org.uk Graham Hewitt, Chairman, graham.hewitt@yahoo.co.uk

SOUTHROP 2013 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Southrop 2013 Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 25th April, starting at 7.30 p.m., in Southrop Village Hall. Excellent refreshments will once again be provided. Everyone is invited. Southrop residents: Please see CHEQS insert for Agenda and further details.

COLN CINEMA

Coln Cinema will be showing "Skyfall" at Vicarage Cottage Barn . On Friday 26th April 2013 at 7.30 pm. (doors open 7.00 pm.). Director Sam Mendes brings Bond surging back with a smart, sexy, riveting action thriller that qualifies as one of the best 007 films to date. In Skyfall, Bond's loyalty to M is tested as her past comes back to haunt her. As MI6 comes under attack, 007 must track down and destroy the threat, no matter how personal the cost. Starring Daniel Craig, Judi Dench, Javier Bardem, Ralph Fiennes, Naomie Harris, Albert Finney, Ben Whishaw, Rory Kinnear. Cert: 12A – 2 hrs. 25 min.

HAPPY BEANS

Happy Beans, the energetic and fun filled music and movement group for preschoolers and babies, is coming back to Quenington! 9.30am Wednesday mornings at the village hall. First session starting on Wednesday April 10th. For more info Please call Lizzie 01285 750716 or email happybeans@btinternet.com. I look forward to seeing you all!! :)

LECHLADE GARDENING CLUB

Unfortunately the March talk by Jim Butress on the Royal Parks was cancelled due to ill health. We apologise to all our members and others who were coming to see Jim and we will try and get him back in the future. Talks are always arranged on the proviso that they may have to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances and we can only apologise again.

On the 2nd Wednesday in April there will be a Seed and Plant exchange at 7.30pm Lechlade Memorial Hall, Burford Road, Lechlade. All are welcome. If you have a viable packet of seeds that you no longer need or have a glut of cuttings/plants etc bring them along to the hall and exchange them free of charge with others. Entry is £3 to this event.

Please remember that the Lechlade Gardening Club have their own website <http://www.lechladegardeningclub.org.uk/> which gives details of future events. Members can receive 50% discount on Thompson Morgan seeds and 10% discount from Burford Garden Centre on seeds and plants.

THE QUENINGTON FETE

The Quenington Fete is taking place on Saturday May 18th from 3pm-5:30pm in the gardens of the Old Rectory, Church Road. We will have all the traditional stalls and games (plants, cakes, bottles, teas, Pimms bar and lots more), our famous duck race and tug of war along and across the River Coln, a dog show and plenty of new activities for this year including welly-wanging, pony & cart rides and dog agility races. There will also be a "Business Corner" showcasing local businesses. We are in need of items for the stalls along with volunteers to help with setting up and during the fete on games and stalls. **Donations and Help Needed :**

Cakes	Tables we can borrow for stalls
Bottles	Setting up before the event
Plants	Help with the games and stalls on the day
Books	Cleaning up after the event
White Elephant items	Craft supplies or homemade craft items

If you are able to donate items for the stalls or an hour of your time as a volunteer or wish to take part in the Business Corner, please contact Anne Currie on 01285 750760 or currieshome@gmail.com.

QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 13th April 10.30-1200 noon. Come and meet old friends and new. Tea, coffee, home made cakes, raffle and book exchange. All welcome! Quenington Village Hall Coffee Morning, 10.30 am -12 pm - every second Saturday of the month.

BURFORD SINGERS MAY FAYRE

Burford Singers invite you to their May Fayre on Saturday 4th May 2013, 10.30am – 3pm in the Warwick Hall, Church Lane, Burford, OX18 4SD (next to St John the Baptist Parish Church). Stalls to include Cakes and Savouries, Bathroom and Toiletries, White Elephant, Books, Jewellery and Handbags, Jams, Knitting and Toys, Tombola, Raffle, Plant Stall and Refreshments. Fun to be had for all the family!

QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB MARCH WINNERS

1st No. 42 M Paterson, 2nd No.31 M Barham, 3rd No.32 G Holton
New members always welcome - £12 per number for the year. Contact David Bostock on 750456.



Southrop Church of England Primary School
Southrop GL7 3NU www.southrop.gloucs.sch.uk 01367 850246

Southrop C of E Primary School. We have had a very busy Easter term with many events such as our Cookathon, a visit to the Cotswold Wildlife Park and winning a prize at the mock trials in Cirencester. The term was capped off with a successful OFSTED inspection.

HATHEROP CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Nurturing Aspirations, Celebrating Individuality, Fulfilling Potential

Fair Trade week including the Business Scheme, was a great success. The assembly to celebrate all the work was fantastic. Many parents attended to hear and see the amazing work that had taken place and see our Fair Trade sculpture. As part of the week, Class 3 children visited Coln Stores, to support their work selling Fair Trade products and parents were surveyed about whether we should have a Fair Trade uniform.

World Book Day was super. We had a visit from a children's author, Tracey Corderoy. The children and staff were inspired. Many books have been written as a result of her visit.

We are looking forward to Comic Relief, where we will dress up in pyjamas and undertake an obstacle course! We are also hosting the Small Schools Football Competition later in the month.

EASTLEACH PLAYGROUP - TODDLER TASTER

Eastleach playgroup is planning to restart in the summer. Come along to the Village Hall with your under 5s on Sunday 28th April 1.30-3pm for a taster of our toys, tea, and weather permitting, our lovely playground too. Shelley from the Sure Start team will be there with messy play to add to the fun. Special price of £1 per family. For further details please contact Ruth on 01367 850028 or Beth on 01367 850575

CHEQS GARDENING CLUB

Our March talk was given by the renowned Tony Russell, just returned from taking a tour group to Costa Rica, and bringing with him a selection of his books, which we were able to purchase personally signed by him. His talk on Trees informed us on Species throughout the world, how they have been dispersed by Plant-hunters in the past, their value as medicinal and industrial plants (e.g. Willow to produce Aspirin, Cork Oak to produce cork), how trees are used by Gardeners and Plantsmen to fulfil many functions (e.g. ornamental, as shelter belts to screen noise and pollutants, for food). In an average British woodland, there are 10 species, though there are 34-36 native British trees in all; in the Amazon Rainforest, there are 120 species. Some species can live for thousands of years, Yew being a good example. The Druids believed that the Yew gave everlasting life because it was evergreen and long-lived. When Christianity arrived in Britain, Churches were built beside already ancient Yews, and the tradition of planting Yews in Churchyards has continued as a result of this history. Many, many more fascinating facts were revealed to us along with wonderful photographs. The April meeting is a visit to Ablington Manor, by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs R.Cooper, where we will see drifts of spring bulbs by the River Coln in the beautiful setting of an Elizabethan Manor garden. Tuesday April 9th at 2-00pm. Please contact Jan Bradley if you wish to go (01285-750367 janlizbradley@waitrose.com)

QUENINGTON PARISH COUNCIL – DATES for APRIL / MAY

Quenington's Annual Parish Meeting will be held in Quenington Village Hall on Thursday 25th April 2013 at 730pm. This is an opportunity for not only the parish council but also all Quenington organisations to report on their activities to the residents of the village. Following this, on Saturday 27th April, we will be holding our annual Spring Clean – meet on the Green at 10am for a couple of hours. The next Parish Council Meeting will be held in the Quenington Village Hall on Thursday 9th May at 8pm; this will be preceded, at 730pm, by the Parish Council AGM. We welcome a new member, Mike Sayer, who was co-opted onto the council at the March meeting.

April 2013

Midweek Services

Thursday April 11th (Time and venue to be confirmed)
Thursday April 18th 9.30 am Holy Communion CW Coln
Wednesday 24th April No Evening Service at Eastleach
Thursday April 25th 9.30 am Holy Communion BCP Coln

Sunday April 7th

9.30 am Holy Communion CW Southrop CB
 11.00 am Holy Communion CW Coln CB
 11.00 am Morning Prayer BCP Eastleach PP
 6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Quenington PP

Sunday April 14th

8.30 am Holy Communion BCP Hatherop CB
 9.30 am Family HC CW Quenington CB
 11.00 am Holy Communion BCP Eastleach CB
 6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Coln HWP
 6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Southrop CB

Sunday April 21st

9.30 am Family Service CW Hatherop CB
 9.30 am Holy Communion BCP Southrop JP Hoskins
 11.00 am Holy Communion BCP Coln JP Hoskins
 11.00 am Morning Prayer BCP Eastleach CB
 6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Quenington CB

Sunday April 28th

8.30 am Holy Communion BCP Hatherop CB
 9.30 am Holy Communion BCP Quenington CB
 11.00 am Morning Prayer BCP Eastleach JE
 6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Coln CB
 6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Southrop JE

Advance Notice: On Wednesday 1st May
there will be a Keble Evensong with the Keble College Choir
in Bouthrop Church at 6.30 pm

BCP – traditional language CW – contemporary language

HYMNS AND READINGS

7th April 2nd Sunday of Easter White
 HC/FC Acts 5; 27 – 32 John 20: 19 – 31
 MP/EP Psalm 118: 14 – 29 Exodus 14: 10 – 31 Acts 5; 27 – 32
 Hymns 83 431 80

14th April Easter 3 White
 HC/FC Acts 9: 1 – 6 John 21: 1 – 19
 MP/EP Psalm 30 Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20 Acts 9: 1 – 6
 Hymns 85 149 244 (omit v 3)

21st April Easter 4 White
 HC/FC Acts 9; 36 – 43 John 10: 22 – 30
 MP/EP Psalm 23 Genesis 7: 1-5, 11-18, 8: 6-18, 9: 8-13 Acts 9; 36 – 43
 Hymns 140 (omit 2 & 3) 117 (Tune Gerontius) 73

28th April Easter 5 White
 HC/FC Acts 11: 1 – 18 John 13: 31 – 35
 MP/EP Psalm 148: 1 – 6 Genesis 22: 1 – 18 Acts 11: 1 – 18
 Hymns 143 196 79

5th May Easter 6 White
 HC/FC Acts 16: 9 -15 John 14: 23 – 29
 MP/EP Psalm 67 Ezekiel 37: 1 – 14 Acts 16: 9 -15
 Hymns 144 151 75