

COMMUNITY NEWS

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Public Access Defibrillator (PAD) @ TCC



The Tiddington Community Centre (TCC) has purchased and installed a **Public Access Defibrillator (PAD)** from its own funds. It is now located on the outside wall of the TCC. Cutting the ribbon was **The Mayor, Keith Lloyd**, who showed great interest in the TCC itself as well as our reasons for spending some £2,000 to purchase the PAD. Representing West Midlands Ambulance Service (WMAS) was **Bobby Qayum**, Community Response Manager.

Every year over 135,000 people die in the UK due to sudden cardiac arrest. The use of a Defibrillator can help to save someone's life if it is used soon enough. Now we have one located locally so that it can be accessible for **your** use! Already WMAS have trained 10 local volunteers in the use of the Defibrillator. We also have two qualified **Community First Responders (CFRs)** **Julia** and **Karen** who will be responding to 999 emergency calls when they are closer to an emergency than the nearest ambulance.

The TCC purchase of a PAD has meant that a second Defibrillator has been donated by WMAS to the newly formed **Avon Valley Community First Responders** and will now be used by our **Tiddington CFRs**. The special clothing that our CFRs need has now been purchased. Now we urgently need to raise money for a Rapid Response Vehicle. Imagine our CFRs attending a 999 call in Stratford and arriving in their own car! Who would give them any priority? On arriving what can they do with their unmarked car? How would anyone know that it was a CFR attending an emergency?

Minutes Save Lives! This is why we are desperately trying to acquire and fund a locally based Rapid Response Vehicle. Our local CFR volunteers are **operational**; we **urgently** need a vehicle for our side of the **Clopton Bridge!**

If you can help please contact **Rob 293863**.



Renovation of St James' Church - Our Legacy

Churches, pubs, village halls and post offices are the focal points of villages. Churches are a landmark of the locality and **St James'** is a significant landmark south of Stratford, even more so now that the tower has been renovated. Over the last 2 years extensive works have been carried out to the tower particularly and it is obvious to everyone that the tower has changed because the changes are so visible. Close up extensive areas of stonework have been changed, renovated and improved.

It is our duty and obligation to keep the church in as good a condition as we can and to hand it on to future generations better than when we inherited it. It is our duty because many of the significant events of our lives take place there - from baptism to confirmation, to marriage, to funerals.

St James' is a listed building and its upkeep is expensive. There are further works we need to do to protect the building from further decay. This includes work to the roof and stonework externally, damp-proofing, plastering and remedial work to areas damaged by damp internally.

We need to raise a further £150,000 to deal with the urgent areas of work. Unfortunately, it is not just the cost of works but professional fees and VAT which add substantially to the cost. Every £1 we raise can be made more valuable if it is gift-aided. If you pay tax at the highest rate, every £1 you donate is worth £1.50 to the church AND you will take tax relief (if you claim it) at the higher rate of tax on the £1 you donate.

The **Friends of St James' (FoSJ)** is a charity whose sole purpose is to raise funds for the preservation and upkeep of the church. We run a variety of fundraising events throughout the year. The next event at £7 is a

cello concert given by renowned cello soloist - Orlando Jopling at 7pm on 25 November at St James'. You can help us by attending our events, by donating or by coming along to the church for one of our regular services. Please contact me, **Richard Lane**, Chairman, FoSJ 268486 rlane85@btinternet.com or **Rob Cobley** rob.cobley@toushwoodonline.com



Tiddington Community Centre

With no progress at all on the possibility of a new TCC we look to redecorate the main hall and also upgrade the meeting room. If you would like to quote for this then please contact Rob ASAP. We have been experiencing some problems with our Fire Alarm. One problem was how to replace defective detectors 20 feet high up in the ceiling. We hired and erected scaffolding, with the great help of Cherwell Fire Safety, who have now completed the work, and the TCC has been awarded the required Fire Certificate!

Many of our TCC committee members did a splendid job removing the weeds from around the car park and all along the fencing, a great job well done. I think we need to apply some weed-killer too! We have co-opted a new member to our Management Committee, Eric Davies, who lives in the village and Eric has been a great help already with our Fire Security.

Recently we made our TCC Film Nights FREE. This has certainly seen a very welcome increase in those attending, especially our family films! We encouraged donations towards our Community First Responder CFR Scheme. This is helping us fund equipment for our locally based CFRs. With continued support to our CFRs in this way and if attendance continues at the current levels or hopefully even higher then TCC Film Nights will be FREE, at least for the next 6 months. We will review the situation before our next AGM. This means we will not be asking existing members for a renewal fee at this time!

The next *Shakespeare Hospice Tea-Dances* at the TCC are on **Wednesdays 21 November, 5 December & 13 January** from 2pm until 4pm. £2.50 to include tea and biscuits plus a lively afternoon of fun, music and dancing. No booking required!

Tiddington WI meetings are held at the TCC on the third Thursday each month. New members always made especially welcome! For details on Tiddington WI email jenny.cobley@touchwoodonline.com or call 293863

TEA, CRAFT & CHAT @ THE TCC

A NEW TCC event for crafters is starting up! Come along for a 2-hour relaxed session of craft & chat with other crafters over a cuppa! Bring your knitting, crocheting, and sewing items.

Tuesday 20th November
The meeting time is on the 2nd Tuesday of each month starting at 2.30pm

Interested?
Email: jenny.cobley@touchwoodonline.com
Or come along on 19 Nov, 4.30 till 5.30pm

With over 20 stalls the **Ladies Charity Shopping & Pamper Evening** is one not to be missed ladies! £2 entrance which includes a glass of fizz. Profits from the evening are going to support our **Community First Responders** who incidentally are all Ladies with Karen & Julia qualified and Jenny waiting to start her course. Please do come and support your local CFR volunteers.

Email Rob to be added to the Events & Activities email distribution list.

ADMIT ONE

TCC Main Events

All bookings available by email to rob.cobley@touchwoodonline.com

TCC Film Club Nights - FREE

Friday 2 November

Friday 7 December

Friday 4 January

Friday 1 February

The Three Musketeers + Midnight in Paris
Arthur Christmas + Patagonia
January & February Films to be announced soon!
Family Films: 5.30pm for 6pm
Adult Films: 8pm for 8.30pm
Refreshments & Licensed Bar

LADIES SHOPPING & PAMPER EVENING

Friday 16 November 7.30 until 10.30pm

Entrance £2
to include
a glass of Fizz
on arrival
20 Stalls
Raffle - Bar - Music



Fundraiser for our Volunteer COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS



PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR

11am to 1pm **Saturday 1 December**
Stalls, Refreshments, Grand Draw

Its Pantomime time again!

Oh NO its Not!
Oh YES it is!
ALADDIN
By Tiddington Players

Thursday-Sunday 21-24 February

FOR ALL EVENTS

Details: rob.cobley@touchwoodonline.com 293863
Touchwood, Beches Walk, Tiddington CV37 7AT



NEWS IN THE PARISH OF ALVESTON

TEACHING EUCHARIST

Many of the questionnaires recently given out to the congregations at St. James' and at St. Peter's have been returned and a recurring theme in them has been the desire for more teaching. People have questions about how and why we worship the way we do. What is the 'Eucharist'? Why do we celebrate it so often? Why do we wear what we do? Have 'servers' and choir? Sing the things we sing? Say the things we say? Some of these questions will be answered in sermons over the next few weeks but will culminate in a 'Teaching Eucharist' for the family service at St. James at the end of November.

At that service we will explain what we are doing as we go through the service and this will hopefully help people to understand why we do the things we do. So come along and find out on ...

SUNDAY 25th NOVEMBER at 10.30am.

2012 Social Activities continue with...

Sunday 25th November: Cello Pilgrimage by Orlando Jopling 7pm St James' £7
Saturday 1st December: Christmas Fair at TCC from 11am until 1pm

Including the **GRAND DRAW** at 12.30pm

Email Martin Grubb (mjgrubb@btinternet.com) or rob.cablev@touchwoodonline.com 293863 for more details

Two Good Nights Out! - from the Friends of the Old Church Alveston

The price for each event is £7 to include a glass of wine and light snacks during the interval and will be held in The Mail House Alveston starting at 7.30pm

1. **Alveston and the Hamiltons, Wednesday 21st November** - two talks

The first speaker is **Brian Johnson** who will cover the historic events in the PARISH of Alveston, from its earliest beginnings up to the 1850s.

The second speaker is **Lady Elizabeth Hamilton** whose husband's family lived in Alveston & Tiddington for some 150 years. She is an accomplished author and historian with several books to her name, including *"The Warwickshire Scandal"*. She will talk about her ancestors who lived in the Parish of Alveston.

2. **'Meet at Dawn, Unarmed': The Christmas Truce 1914,**

Wednesday 19 December

The speaker on this occasion is Lady Hamilton's son, **Sir Andrew Hamilton**, who will give an illustrated talk about the exploits of his grandfather in the First World War, particularly his involvement in the England v. Germany football match on Christmas Day 1914.



ARE YOUR CHILDREN MISSING OUT? School trips, youth club outings, music, sports or swimming lessons?

All of these things can be an added burden to families, especially with two or more children. Our Church Charity, **Alveston Relief in Need**, can help any in need in the parish of Alveston. The Charity is also available to older members of the community. To make an application please contact

The Administrator, David Oram, 30 Lawson Avenue, Tiddington. CV37 7BT 01789 244805

FROM THE REGISTERS

HOLY BAPTISM

12 August - **Rory Michael Watkins Grubb**

16 September - **Joseph James Mauld**

14 October - **Olivia Sofia Middel**

"Shine as a light in the world"

HOLY MATRIMONY

15 September - **Emily Clark & Simon Bridges**

15 September - **Kathleen Baines & Andrew Taylor**

22 September - **Patricia Vincent & William Winter**

"May God bless their new life together"

The Rev'd Canon Richard C. Williams, The Vicarage, Alveston, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 7JH.
Tel: 01789 292777 mob. 07803426770 e-mail: rickthevic@gmail.com

TCC Activities

Monday's
1.15pm **Plates** with Dom £7 per session

7 for 7.30pm **BINGO:**
Every other Monday
from 12 November

Tuesday's
1.30pm Tea Craft & Chat - FREE
1st and 3rd Tuesday with Erica
from 20 November

6.30pm-8pm **Tai Chi**
For intermediates
with Paul at £5/session

8.30pm **Ballroom Dance Practice**
with Derek £3.50 **Every 2 & 3rd Tuesday** from 5 November

Wednesday's
5pm **Tai Chi** Gung
for **all ages** with Judith
at £5!

Ballroom Dancing
6.30pm **NEW! Beginners**
7.15pm Old Beginners
8.15pm Intermediates
With Jo @£5/session

Thursday's
1.30pm **ZUMBA** Dancing for over 50's & beginners!
Nicola just £5/session

Every 2nd Thursday
7.30pm **Tiddington WI**
Jenny 293863 to book

Friday's
1.15pm **Graek**
Training with Mike
£6 All ages welcome!

2pm **Tea & Chat** -FREE Tea&Cake
A Warm Welcome at the TCC!

1st Friday every Month
TCC Film Club
5.30 for 6pm Family Film
8 for 8.30pm Adult Film

Sunday's
6pm **BlueFish Youth Group**
For 10yrs+ Every Sunday
Alex 292777 or Sarah 415873

TCC Activities

The TCC is on Facebook's! Log In
www.facebook.com/TiddingtonTCC

Christmas Tree Festival @ St James'
Week beginning
1st December
Trees are to be decorated over the weekend & St James' will be open for viewing with refreshments in the evenings during the week.
If you are interested in decorating a tree or need more details please call Catherine or Sarah on 269765

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Ten, Craft & Chat
Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday starting at 1.30pm on Tuesday 20 November in the Meeting Room of the TCC. All crafters welcome! Come for a cuppa and a chat & do bring along examples of your craft. There will be no charge!

Watched STRICTLY? Want to learn to Dance?
Then the TCC is the in-place! Places are available on our NEW Beginners Ballroom Dancing Class 6.30pm every Wednesday.
Not a beginner? Email Rob to see which of our 3 classes suit you best! Ballroom Dance Practice with Derek on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday at 8.30pm & once a month on a Monday (5 Nov & 3 Dec).

TCC Activities are open to ALL!
Tai Chi, Zumba Dancing, Pilates, Ballroom Dancing and Keep Fit
You will also be most welcome at our **Bingo, Film Nights, Tea & Chat etc.**
No previous experience required!
Details: ten.craft.chat@tiddingtontcc.co.uk

The Shakespeare Hospice: Light up a Life is at 4pm on 2 December at The Great Gardens of New Place. And on 6 December at the Hospice at 6.30pm
Santa Fun Run: 16 December, Stratford School, 12 laps of the track for the 12 days of Christmas fund-raising for your Hospice.

Remember! The NEW price of TCC Film Club Membership is now ... NO CHARGE! FREE!

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On Saturday 1 December at the Christmas Fair there will be a **GRAND DRAW** in aid of St James' conservation
Prizes include: £100, Leisure Flight from Witleybourne, Barret Barn Voucher, Sunday lunch at the Crown, Facial from Wendy Offlane, Turkey from Barry the Butcher, Magnetic Wine voucher, Thomson's Chocolates **Tickets £1**

The Cello Pilgrimage
By Orlando Joplin
Back to G major Suite,
John Barber Cello Soloist,
Back to major Suite
Sunday 25 November
5.30 for 6pm @ St James'
Orlando Joplin, guest with the Philharmonia and Royal Philharmonic Orchestras, conducts the English Chamber Orchestra, London Mozart Players, Irish Chamber & Royal Philharmonic Orchestras. Performed with Sirial Orchestra and various other ensembles with the LSO and the LSO's brass. Orlando's fundraising project is on behalf of the Friends of St James' - Tickets £7 from MacGarry



CPR Volunteers Karen Jones, Julia Barton-Reynolds (Tiddington) with Marie Brooks and Katrina West (Wellesbourne) receiving their new Defibrillator from Bobby Qayum, West Midlands Ambulance.
Ready to attend 999 Emergency calls in our locality? In their own cars? We urgent need more funds for a Rapid Response Vehicle, fully fitted out, for them. Donations please to Rob Cobley, cheques payable to Tiddington Community Centre - we will willingly collect a donated car! And/or contributions towards one...

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The Cello Pilgrimage
By **Orlando Jopling**

 *Rach G major Suite,
John Barber Cello Songs,
Rach D major Suite*

Sunday 25 November
6.30 for 7pm - St James

Orlando Jopling conducts the Philharmonia on the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. He comes from the English Chamber Orchestra, London Mozart Players, Irish Chamber Orchestra & Royal Philharmonic Institute Orchestra. He has worked with Sir Colin Davis, André Previn with the LSO and Sir Colin Davis.

Orlando's fundraising recital is on behalf of the Friends of St James. Tickets £7 from the box office.