

Mortimer Village Partnership

Newsletter

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**The Queen's Award
for Voluntary Service**

Zooming through 2020

MVP is delighted to bring you this Autumn newsletter. I can't believe it's that time of year... time has certainly "zoomed by" in more ways than one for many of us, although I am sure that for those who were required to self-isolate and indeed families with children, at-home time probably stood still.

We hope you will find this edition interesting with updates from some of our affiliates and MVP activities. It's another small token of normality.

MVP Committee meetings have been going ahead as usual; with 7 meetings under our belt, we have become Zoom experts. It's fair to say that teleconference style meetings have proved to be quite efficient, but we now don't get the excuse for a cheeky pint in the pub, on the way home.

The agenda, of course, changed from planning events and activities, to cancelling them, however key agenda items were the MVP Mortimer Coronavirus Volunteer Support Network and the launch of the new Village Diaries on our website, which helped support the community through lockdown. A massive thank you to all the volunteers who helped both in the planning and day-to-day operation, as well as those who provided the direct support during this time.

More recently, adapting to the new world we find ourselves in, we were excited to be able to reschedule the "Spring Clean" with a fresh new brand.... September Clean!

Our planning goes ahead for the Scarecrow Trail too. It has been good to start something positive again but we remain conscious that it is an ever-changing picture and we will respond to changes in restrictions as they occur.

Stay safe everyone.

Doug Overett
Chairman - MVP

Spring Clean in September

Our first ever Autumn 'Spring Clean' on 12th September was very well supported and the volunteers collected quite a lot of litter. Normally the Scouts are a great help in this respect but had to comply with their Association's guidelines. The Brownies were similarly restricted, but many did their bit in family groups for which we are very grateful and the village now looks a lot tidier.



This time we asked our volunteers to concentrate on litter in the village itself rather than venture off into some of our beautiful country footpaths. They were also asked to note on their maps the location of any items that had been 'fly tipped' and these were subsequently reported to West Berkshire Council for them to deal with. Unfortunately, there is usually a considerable delay in these items being removed as they have often been dumped on private land but please be assured the wheels are in motion.

A big thank to all the volunteers and we look forward to seeing you all again in Spring 2021

MVP Pantomime

Sadly, Santa Claus and the Mischievous Elf, will not be visiting Mortimer this Christmas. Inevitably we have had to cancel the Pantomime due to Social distancing rules which severely limit the number of people we are allowed to accommodate in St. John's Hall. Obviously, all of the performing arts are in serious jeopardy and we have assured Gary Starr Pantomimes, who have entertained us for several years, that we will be booking again as soon as we are allowed.

WW2 Pill Box Project Completed

At the end of August after a 6-month delay, a team of volunteers completed the SMPC project to preserve the Pill Box opposite St Mary's School, as a local historical site. This project was initiated as part of Parish Council VE Day 75 celebration activities and is intended to be available to local schools as a resource when studying WW2 history.



The Pill Box is an FW3/24 designed to be Bullet and Shell proof. The walls are about a metre thick, brick shuttered with reinforced concrete core.

It formed part of the GHQ line; a series of lines developed in order to compartmentalise the country into kill boxes to hold the Wehrmacht long enough to respond with reinforcements.

Generally, they would be garrisoned with Home Guard and defended with rifle and Bren gun

2020 Scarecrow Trail “Happiness is...”

At the time of going to press, plans are underway for this year’s Scarecrow Trail in the Autumn Half term Oct 24th to Nov 1st.

Planned to be a smaller community event this year, to give us all some much-needed fun and “Happiness” reminding us all of the normal things that happen in Mortimer, but of course with everybody’s safety at the forefront.



Maps will be available online and in local outlets but please note, they will **not be on sale in Budgens** and we request all Scarecrow Trailers to avoid our wonderful shop to make sure local shoppers and staff stay safe and are not affected.

Naturally we will monitor government guidelines right up to the start of the event and we are making plans to show off the scarecrows via a Virtual Scarecrow Trail online, if it becomes apparent that we cannot hold it in the normal format.

Visiting Theatre

Farnham Maltings Theatre have been visiting us for many years with many amazing productions. This autumn they had planned to be touring with a new production called “The Syrian Baker”. Whilst this tour has, of course, been cancelled, MVP will be giving Farnham Maltings their full support as soon as they are back in business. Fingers crossed it will be soon.

MVP Affiliate News

Alfred Palmer Memorial Field Trust

2020 has been such an unprecedented year with the APMF fulfilling its purpose by becoming a safe open space and haven for many Mortimer residents during lockdown. The Trustees want to commemorate this by adding something to the Field to celebrate the wonderful community of Mortimer.

In unison with our goals for improving use of the Field and to further our goals for increasing biodiversity and habitat, we are going to construct two ‘Community Wildflower Borders’ along the western edge of the field, separated in the middle with an access way.

Working with Berks & Bucks Wildlife Trust, Englefield Estate and field stakeholders we will create a significant space for wild flowers, bees, beetles,

other insects and other wildlife. The access way between each border will feature a hedgehog tunnel linking the two borders to encourage these endangered creatures. We are hoping to have the border established in late September/early October so that we can have a great display in Spring.

Get Involved - Whilst the main layout work will be carried out by skilled personnel we would like the whole of Mortimer to be able take part in the creation of this project and so we have created opportunities for everyone to get involved.

- **Blue Biscuits.** As this is a rewilding project we're aligning with the Blue Campaign for rewilding. In honour of the Palmer family's generosity in gifting the field to the village we are going to use blue biscuit shapes (rather than hearts) to let families and individuals show they care about the environment in Mortimer. Drop us a line if you want to have a Blue Biscuit in the border.
- **Funding.** We are funding most of the work from our reserves but if you can help us with any aspect of funding we would be delighted to hear from you.

Contact us at trustees@alfredpalmermemorialfield.org.uk if you want to be involved and can help with any of the above.

Mortimer Bell Ringers

What do bell ringers do when they can't ring church bells? Ring bells of course!

Covid distancing restrictions mean we cannot ring the church bells since the ringers have to stand close together. That is the reason there have been no bells rung in the village since lockdown. There is, however, an alternative. There is

an old tradition of ringing handbells and we have two sets of bells. A set comprises about 16 bells, all tuned to different notes, and each ringer has one in each hand. We have been groups of up to six so twelve bells maximum.

While the mechanics of making them sound is much easier than with a church bell, it is nonetheless difficult to ring them in the patterns we would normally follow for church bells. So, this is what we have been doing and in the summer we were in Padworth churchyard, sitting in the open. There was something rather peaceful about sitting in a churchyard with the sun shining, under an ancient yew, watched only by the occasional curious horse in a nearby field and ringing these bells which are over one hundred years old.



Belle Canto

Belle Canto Ladies Trio were so disappointed not to be able to join in the VE Day 75th Anniversary Celebrations in Mortimer and Burghfield with a selection of Andrews Sisters hits and other favourites from the war years.



Like all musicians, we have had to cancel all our concerts this year, but, as a small group, we are very much hoping that we might be able to perform at Christmas. We are currently putting together a new Christmas programme, and are keeping our fingers crossed that we might be able to perform it at 7.30 pm on Saturday 12th December at Beech Hill Memorial Hall. Please do put the date in your diary, and check out www.bellecanto.uk and @bellecantotrio on Facebook.

Mortimer 2012 WI



After sadly having to cancel our well-advanced plans to showcase the work of the WI during WW2 at the VE Day celebrations, the ladies of Mortimer 2012 WI took stock and decided how we could help fight the Pandemic.

As a result, Head bands and Scrubs bags were made for nurses at Basingstoke, RBH and as far afield as Blackburn. We made Face Masks, knitted Red Hats, Jackets and booties for the Prem Babies at the Royal Berks and continued to supply our packs of toiletries for patients admitted there in emergencies, even more necessary at this time. More recently we have been knitting Nurses Dollies for the Children's Ward there.

Now that we have a little more freedom some of us have met up for a socially distanced walk followed by lunch and we are hoping to restart our Walking Netball group soon but we do not anticipate holding our monthly meeting again before February.

Mortimer West End Village Hall



Little did we know, when we set to work redecorating our hall over Christmas and New Year (when we generally have fewer bookings) that we were going to have several months without any bookings at all! But all the hard work has paid off, and the hall is looking really good. Check out the photos at @mwvillagehall on Facebook. The entire hall has been redecorated, the floor in the main hall has been rejuvenated, and new efficient heaters have been fitted in all the rooms.

As I write this, in mid-August, we are open for business again, subject to government guidelines, and two of our regular users - Pilates with Wendy,

and Zumba with Ionie - are hoping to return in September. By the time this newsletter comes out, perhaps more of our users will have returned. Again, you will be able to check the latest information on our Facebook page, or contact mwevh@outlook.com or 0118 970 0001.

We are so sorry that we had to cancel the annual Woodland Walk, Produce Show and Quiz Night, which are all always so enjoyable, but we are hoping, of course, that everything will be able to go ahead as usual next year.

Burghfield Camera Club

Our 2019/20 programme of events was successfully completed, with the help of ZOOM, despite the disruption caused by the Covid-19 virus.

We have now started (on 10th September) the 2020/21 programme which has taken into account feedback from our members. The content assumes that we will be using ZOOM rather than our normal meeting place in St Oswald's Church hall, Abbey Park, Burghfield Common, RG7 3HQ. We will review the location in December when the COVID situation becomes clearer.

Full details of the current status of the Programme content can be found on our website at www.burghfieldcameraclub.co.uk

We are always look for new members, so please check out the website, and perhaps join one of our ZOOM evenings.

1st Burghfield & Sulhamstead Scouts

1st Burghfield & Sulhamstead Scout Group have still been busy Scouting during lockdown. We haven't been able to meet face-to-face, so we've been meeting virtually via Zoom. It's amazing what Scouting you can still do!



Beavers have been on virtual roller coaster rides and white-water kayaking, making cakes in mugs, having talks about rodents & reptiles, and making slime and learning magic tricks.



Cubs have been growing celery, holding talent shows and 1st aid quizzes, learning sign language, making lava lamps, held a forensics evening and been dressing up in fancy dress.

Scouts have been on treasure hunts, learning new knots, quizzes, making doughnuts, code breaking, and map reading.

Explorers have been completing escape rooms, quizzes and doing silly Taskmaster challenges.

We took part in the national Scouts 'Hike to the Moon' campaign to raise money for Children In Need and Comic Relief.



All sections have been tackling our Group Great Indoors 2020 badge challenges with over 140 completing it so far. We also held a virtual Group Camp where households camped in their gardens or in dens in their houses, took part in a scavenger hunt around the local area and a series of challenges. We held a campfire over Zoom and made a water splash video. All great fun!

We are looking forward to being able to restart meeting face-to-face in small groups outside in the autumn term. <https://www.1stbands.org/>

Mortimer Community 1st Responders

Goodbye NF740, Hello NF740!

After 8 years and many thousands of miles of faithful service the local community funded Ford Kuga 999 NHS Ambulance Responder Car has been retired and our local Volunteer NHS Responders have a brand new 2020 4x4 Dacia Duster in a new nationally recognised colour scheme to help the public and other emergency services identify these important volunteers in the community during emergencies.



As before the vehicle will be fitted with scene lights for night-time aid and computers to help direct the medics quickly to an emergency. In addition, the vehicle comes with the latest enhancements including a selectable 4 x 4 capability. Over 40 of the new vehicles have been procured with funding raised by the South-Central Ambulance Charity.

If you'd like to know more about becoming a volunteer resident responder or how you can help support this essential community charity, then please go online at <https://scas.charity/>

Mortimer Toddlers

Breaking News: Mortimer Baby & Toddler Group expects to be reopening in a different venue and form from October 9th - yes, Friday mornings! Please keep an eye on our FaceBook page MortimerToddlers for further information including booking details.

Together In Mission

Befriending - a lifeline in lockdown



Our wonderful volunteers responded to the Covid-19 pandemic with care and support to their friends (clients) and local residents including shopping, errands,

trips to the GP and regular chats using technology, or at the window. As restrictions eased, visiting in the home has been allowed within guidelines, which has made a real difference. A huge thank you to all our volunteers and their families for their thoughtfulness and kindness.



Do you want to give someone in your community the gift of friendship?

The past six months haven't been easy for some people and you could make all the difference to somebody, so please get in contact with Bev, TiM Friends Coordinator 07748 686615 bevrench6@gmail.com

A welcome return

The much-loved community café at the Burghfield Common Methodist Church Hall which ceased operating from the beginning of lockdown is now re-opened with a take-away service, Mondays and Wednesdays, at the Pavilion, on the Burghfield Recreation Ground. Working within the regulations was a challenge at first, so we would like to thank our customers for queuing patiently!



Now the schools are back, the service at the Pavilion is due to finish at the end of September but please check our Facebook page for latest updates.

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Mortimer Pre-School



We're so excited as all our Pre-Schoolers and new starters are back with us this term and we'd like to wish the best of luck to those children who are now starting school. We're very proud of you! It's a joy having the children back with us.

Since March, as per the Government guidelines, we were open only to Key Worker children, but just before the summer

holidays we were able to operate with small bubbles of children. Whilst tighter social-distancing measures were in place we enjoyed our beach days in the Pre-School garden, bringing in swimming costumes and playing in the sand and water. We stayed in touch with friends not in Pre-School by baking and delivering cakes, enjoyed some fancy-dress walks, painted pictures on the windows for our friends to see and our teaching staff still read us stories through video-conference.

This term, whilst we will be making some changes for these extraordinary times, we do have some great plans for learning and playing together. If you do want to see some more of the things we get up to, we do have a public Facebook page @Mortimer Pre-School. Or if you're interested in a place at Mortimer Pre-School then please get in touch at admissions@mortimerpreschool.org.uk.

South Berks Concert Band

It is over six months since South Berks Concert Band were last together for a rehearsal and we all have stories to tell about how things have changed. We hope our friends and followers in and around Mortimer are safe and well. We are glad to say the band members have reorganised their lives around the new limitations needed to keep safe in work, at home, and in our changed family and social lifestyles.

At the time of writing the band still cannot meet up for rehearsals as there are too many restrictions in place. Some limited, outdoor, very small group rehearsals are permitted, but restrictions around them and deteriorating weather conditions mean these are not easily manageable.

So what have the band members been doing over the last 6 months? Well, music is always in our minds, so our website, Facebook and YouTube channels have been featuring some of our past recordings. We now wish we had videos of more of our past performances! There is a very varied collection of musical styles on our YouTube channel, so why not have a listen and see what takes your fancy - look for the *SouthBerksMusic* channel.

One of our small groups has managed to tackle the technology of remote recording and, so far, have produced 3 videos of saxophone music, which you can find on their YouTube channel: *Sf Sax Ensemble*, or via the bands website www.southberksmusic.org.uk

At this time, we cannot plan for any future performance, which means we currently have no news of forthcoming concerts in Mortimer. Music is known to help our emotional wellbeing, and live music can bring communities together, appealing to all generations, so we hope that when we are able to return you will be as keen to listen as we will be to perform again. Keep safe & we hope to see you soon.



Burghfield and Mortimer Volunteer Bureau

The Bureau operates 5 days a week (Mon-Fri) providing transport for people within the parishes who need a car to take them to Hospitals, Doctors and Dentists etc. All of the drivers and the team within the office are Volunteers with the majority retired. We are pleased to welcome Gilbert Bedford who will be taking on the Organiser role.

The Chairman Steve Carter commented "It is disappointing at the moment that the service has been unable to operate since the beginning of Lockdown, this has been due to most drivers being in the Vulnerable Group in respect of Covid 19, plus a lack of office availability. As soon as it is safe the Bureau will re-open, currently being reviewed monthly".

In the meantime if there are any people in the community who may be working at home and have a few hours a week to spare as a driver we would love to hear from you, please email bureauvolunteer@gmail.com

Mortimer Life

Community Broadband: Are you frustrated by the speed or reliability of your broadband service? Is your address *not* supported by Gigaclear, the superfast fibre broadband provider (their postcode checker is at www.gigaclear.com)? If this sounds like you, a Community Fibre Partnership might be the solution. The scheme run by OpenReach, who part-fund installation, aims to bring fast and reliable fibre broadband to hard to reach areas. If you'd like to join other residents in obtaining a no-commitment indicative cost - please provide parish councillor Nick Carter your name and address: nick.carter@stratfield-mortimer.co.uk tel: 07833 059500. Your personal data will only be used for this purpose, in accordance with GDPR regulations.

"VE75 + 1": Mortimer's planned two-day remembrance and celebration of the 75th anniversary of VE Day, was one of many planned up and down the country, postponed owing to Covid-19. The organising team of parish councillors and other volunteers hopes to run the event on the weekend of **Sat 8th and Sunday 9th May 2021**. Save the date and look out for further announcements. Meanwhile you can hear interviews with some of the volunteers, including the story of the recently uncovered pillbox, in the second hour of this Kennet Community Radio show: <https://tinyurl.com/VE75WestBerks>

Clarke's Education Foundation: Clarke's Education Foundation provides grants to schools, youth organisations and residents of Stratfield Mortimer, Mortimer West End & Wokefield. Grants are typically provided for items not provided by the Local Education Authority, further education and apprenticeships. For more information or to request an application form email or call one of the trustees; nick.carter@stratfield-mortimer.gov.uk tel:07833 059500

Mortimer Methodist Church

Although the church premises on West End Road have been closed since March because of the Covid-19 pandemic, services have been held each Sunday via Zoom. These Zoom services will continue each Sunday, starting at 10:30am, until the church is able to reopen. If you would like to 'attend', please email daphnecooney@gmail.com for details. If you would like spiritual support, please contact 07437 347021 or 07979 570222.

A review of the church's activities (including Who Let the Dads Out?, Faith & Friends, Coffee Mornings, and Bric a Brac & Cake sales) is taking place, with reference to the church's mission of 'Welcoming and encouraging people to faith in Jesus Christ'. We look forward to the time when other activities that normally take place on the church premises, including Art, Age Concern, Crafters, Toddlers, Brownies, Pilates and South Berks Concert Band rehearsals, can resume.

Hurst Singers



A few weeks before lockdown we had a lovely concert at St Mary's Church, Burghfield Village. The acoustics there are a singer's dream.

Obviously, we can't sing together at the moment but that doesn't stop our MD who holds Zoom sessions learning new music for those who wish to participate!

It's difficult to predict when we might be able to meet again safely but we hope it will be early next year.

Mortimer Dramatic Society

The group hasn't been idle. A few months ago we did an excerpt from a radio play called 'To Hull and Back' this was created using Zoom and by a clever member putting it altogether, including sounds. It can be heard on our website. We are in the process of doing some similar things, but the play script holders are very slow corresponding over rights!

We are very hopeful that we will be able to put a play on in May if not before. But like all groups - it's dependent on the virus.



Mortimer Dramatic Society

Other News

Sulhamstead Village Hall

Sulhamstead and Ufton Nervet Village Hall re-opens. After a prolonged closure of the halls due to the Corona Virus pandemic we are delighted to announce the re-opening of this comprehensive facility.

Whilst closed we have busy making changes to the halls and now, in addition to the main hall, this includes an informal Business Centre - ideal for those home-workers who need some quiet space to concentrate on work - and a private meeting room with soft furnishings. There is also high speed Wi-Fi and 5G support already installed.

Currently we are in the process of awarding a contract for updating the main hall with digitally controlled infrared heating and lowered false ceiling with new lighting. Options we are also looking at include updating the kitchen with new easy to clean stainless steel units for maximum safety. The Trust will be applying for grants and other sponsorship to fund these projects.

Our latest client has been the National Television and Film School using it as a base for a week supporting a local production!

Of course, the facility has been made Covid Compliant and is ready to be booked by the new on-line booking system accessed via the web site.

www.sunvillagehall.com We look forward to your visit.

Mobility Aid Service

Mortimer resident Jane King is new lead for the Mortimer area and a handful of other residents have offered their outbuildings for the equipment storage. Colin Taylor of Sulhamstead has also kindly offered free maintenance of the Wheelchairs and Rollators from his home workshop.

The service is completely voluntary and relies on goodwill support from its clients and others who supply funds and help out with storage and donations for this essential service.

If you need a short term loan of a wheelchair, walker or crutches for strains and sprains then contact Jane King on 07803 199716

Local Lockdown Thanks

This village is amazing, we know that, but this fact was demonstrated exceptionally clearly during lockdown. Whilst 'at risk' people had to isolate, an army of volunteers stepped up and stepped in to help those in our village and beyond get through these unprecedented times. We'd like to say thanks to everyone for their efforts.

The following have made many hundreds of masks and given them away to local schools, staff at Guide Dogs for the Blind, TVP, local residents, NHS staff and care workers:

- Rodie Hill
- Pauline Jones
- Marie Worthington (also made and gave away scrubs)
- Chris Jones & Valerie Whitehouse

Loon Tin and Flavour Town Foods provided free meal treats for the elderly and vulnerable. All were delivered by helpline volunteers.

The Mortimer Helpline was a huge undertaking with a dedicated phone line and tracking system set up for the village within days of lockdown:

- For setting it all up and running it for the entire lockdown period:
 - Belinda Hopkins
 - Andy Lavery
 - Danusia Morsley
 - John Hannawin
- Special mention for our two 'prescription heroes' who collected and delivered hundreds of prescriptions simplifying procedures at the surgeries and pharmacies and reducing risk with effective PPE:
 - Sian Nelson
 - David Gregory
- The army of volunteers handling over 350 call-in support requests via the system and many, many more for their friends and neighbours:

○ Alexandra O'Connell	○ Imelda Maguire-Karayel	○ Matthew Campling
○ Alison Harwood	○ Jackie Chadwick	○ Mike Rogers
○ Andrea Roach	○ Jo Adey	○ Natasha O'Brien
○ Becky Richardson	○ Joe Woodcraft	○ Peter Fullagar
○ Caroline Edwards	○ Jo Kay	○ Phil Collins
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○ Gina Berry		○ Teresa Williams
○ Gwen Adshead		

This is a small thank you for all of the effort but do you know what the really special thing is? We know this will be repeated as many times as we need it!

Note: The real problem with writing a piece like this is that we're bound to have overlooked someone. If you know of someone you'd like to thank for Coronavirus support, drop a line to website@mortimervillage.org.uk and we will do another thank you next time.



MVP Affiliates

There are many benefits to being an MVP affiliate as all these groups can tell you. If you are part of a local group and would like to find out if your group could benefit, or if you have ideas about starting a new group, then contact Julie Carter on affiliates@mortimervillage.org.uk or check out the Affiliate section on the website: mortimervillage.org.uk/Affiliate-Support

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MVP Committee meetings are at 7:30pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (except August and December). All MVP meetings are open to participation from anyone; all we ask is that you are interested in making Mortimer a vibrant and fun place to live. Currently the meetings are being held on Zoom so if you would like to attend, please email the chairman in advance for the link.

*You are most welcome regardless of how much or little time you have to give. **General enquiries** can be made via **Contact Us** at on the website*

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