

MIDDLETON- CUM-FORDLEY



NEWSLETTER

April 2022

Editorial

I just wanted to share with you on the front cover, in case you don't walk around the village as much as I do with Molly, the glorious display of daffodils this year in loads of places (I could only fit in 6) and the beautiful magnolias in flower as I type, and I really hope the cold snap forecast for this week doesn't get to them. There is also plenty of forsythia and blackthorn in bloom at the moment along with the primroses and primulas. Tulips next – lovely. Spring is here.

Contributions for the next newsletter to me by email preferably as a WORD doc please to barbara.barker.t21@btinternet.com or 6 Meadowview, Rectory Road, by [Tuesday 26th April](#)

Spare paper copies will be in the church porch as usual. Also to be found on the Parish website. www.middletoncumfordley.org.uk.



What a great turn out we had with folk from all corners of the village on Wednesday for the 'Coffee & Cake' morning at The Bell in aid of the DEC Ukraine appeal. Thank you so much to everyone who helped, made cakes and donated raffle prizes and those who came and sampled the coffee and cakes and bought tickets. At the moment the amount raised has surpassed a whopping £1500 but a final figure won't be available until after the conclusion of the sealed bids for the handmade quilts. (see below) It's not too late to donate – you can drop something into the Bell over the next week, or you can support George's beard shave later in the month.(again see below)

A big thankyou too to Julian and Leroy for providing and serving 80+ cups of coffee!





Fundraising for the Ukraine

Two identical, hand-made, log cabin style quilts have been donated by Jo Hannon in order to raise more money for the appeal.

The items were made by Molly Strand, a former resident of the village and measure approximately five feet by six and a half. They were displayed at the recent coffee morning at the Bell and it was decided that as they are unusual, unique items with a village connection that they could be auctioned by a sealed bid system rather than put them in the raffle.

There is a fixed reserve of £50 for the pair.

Anyone who would like to make an offer above the reserve is invited to post an envelope through the door at Threeways, The Street, Middleton with your name, contact details (phone number or E-mail address) and the sum you wish to offer for their purchase.

The sealed bids will be opened at 5pm on Friday 8th April in the presence of a neutral observer. The highest offer on or above the reserve will be given the items upon receipt of the winning bid in cash so that it can be donated with funds raised from the coffee morning.

In the event of two or more people bidding the same amount, they will all be invited to increase their offer in a sealed envelope. If you weren't at the coffee morning and wish to view them before placing a bid please contact jenricht@btinternet.com

Hopefully a useful sum can be raised to help people caught up in the Ukrainian crisis.

Middleton Community Council



Hi all.

We are all well aware of the situation in Ukraine and the humanitarian disasters unfolding there, and therefore I want to do something to help.

I will be shaving my beard off to raise money for the Disasters Emergency Committee Ukraine, (inspired by Leroy's amazing effort) and as an added bonus my neighbour Jamie has agreed to have his chest waxed also. I am told this can be painful so could be amusing for some, but maybe not for him!

The shave will take place at the Bell on April the 29th at 8pm .

The charity bucket will be on the bar by the time you read this, please give what you can to help.

Any money raised will be paid in at Leiston Post Office who are already supporting this cause, so any funds raised will get there quickly and help make a difference .

Thank you in advance for any donations to support this.

George



In case you are not already aware, we thought it might be worth passing on the details of an East Suffolk community support group we have joined that has been set up by a Sarah Godfrey in Laxfield for anyone who has registered to host refugees in the area. Like many others, we have registered to host but are keen for a local support network to pool resources/experiences/advice etc etc, and all the advice suggests this is an important element in hosting refugees. If you know of anyone who is interested in joining such a support group, they should email Sarah at ukraineathome@gmail.com

Paul & Amanda Taylor

National Garden Scheme Snowdrop Festival at Manor House



Manor House gardens welcomed a total of 58 adults and 6 children during February's NGS Snowdrop Festival - despite having to rearrange the original Open Day at the last minute thanks to Storms Dudley, Eunice and Franklin!

We still managed to raise a total of **£296** for nursing and gardening health charities.

A huge thank you to all the lovely locals who turned out in force to support the rearranged pop-up afternoon - and to the Reckford Roost who so kindly agreed to share some of their proceeds from providing refreshments.

Next opening - the Middleton Open Gardens weekend of 4-5 June!

Brigadoon

Some of my friends will know that I call Middleton "Brigadoon" after the film of that name. The film is about a magical village, which appears out of the mist every 100 years. Now we all know Middleton is here all the time, but what really is magic is the wonderful Community.

I have always loved Community events, such as the Fetes, where everyone pulls together to make such memorable times.

However, I have been recently full of wonder and gratitude for the amazing way in which so many have worked so hard to help me with my move to Roke Drive. Waiting for my heart operation, I have been pretty helpless, but Middleton friends, old and new rescued me with unfaltering energy.

I want to thank you all from the bottom of my heart! You are, indeed, all magic.

Jenny Merredew

HOLY TRINITY – MIDDLETON CUM FORDLEY



Services during April

Sunday 3 April.	Morning Praise 11am
Maundy Thursday 14 April	Holy Communion 6.30pm with feet washing
Easter Sunday 17 April	Holy Communion 11am
Sunday 24 April	Holy Communion 9.30am

in Middleton with Theberton

The Benefice Holy Communion Service this month takes place in Westleton on Palm Sunday 10 April at 10am

Please come along

HOLY TRINITY ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Holy Trinity Church, Middleton APCM will be held on Tuesday 10 May at 2.30pm in the Church. Everyone is welcome.



Holy Dusters for April 😊

New dusters always welcome, of all faiths and none...



6 April: Rob and Paul

21 April: Amanda and Irene

And, speaking of holy dust(!) Rita, Margaret and the PCC would like to extend a HUGE and happy thank you to everyone who helped with the Church Spring Clean on the morning of 19 March (including Neville, who was simply here on holiday!) As cobwebs were swept out of dark corners and dust, not covid, caused us all to sneeze, we agreed that it felt like church should; full of life, shared conversation, home-made cake, a fair bit of laughter and all sorts of different people working together with a common purpose. Thank you!



Prayer for Ukraine: At the suggestion of Rev. Tim and to support the more obviously practical ways people are getting involved, prayers have been said for the situation in Ukraine between 3 and 4pm in Darsham Church every Sunday. Faced with such horror it has felt important to spend time together in silence, in prayer or simply sitting quietly in solidarity with our fellow humans. Everyone is welcome.

Thought for the month

A Gaelic Blessing

Set to music by John Rutter

Deep peace of the running wave to you
Deep peace of the flowing air to you
Deep peace of the quiet air to you
Deep peace of the shining stars to you
Deep peace of the gentle night to you
Moon and stars pour their healing light of on
Deep peace of Christ the light of the world to you
Deep peace of Christ to you

Date for your diary

MIDDLETON OPEN GARDENS

4th & 5th June 2022

*Gardens, large & small, formal & informal,
provide the major fundraiser for Holy Trinity Church Middleton*

also supporting the Blossom Appeal

www.middletoncumfordley.org.uk



More details next month but we are on the lookout for help with the Pavilion refreshments for Open Gardens on both days so if you know you will be around and available please get in touch with Renny or Barbara.

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NEW OPENING HOURS

BAR:

Monday	12 pm – 4pm
Tuesday	12pm – 3pm / 6pm -11pm
Wednesday	12pm – 3pm / 6pm – 11pm Coffee morning 10 am – 12 pm
Thursday	12pm – 3pm / 6pm – 11pm
Friday	12pm – 3pm / 5pm – 11pm
Saturday	12pm – 3pm / 6pm -11pm
Sunday	12pm – 7pm

FOOD SERVED:

Monday	12pm – 3pm
Tuesday	12pm – 2.30pm / 6pm – 8pm
Wednesday	12pm – 2.30pm / 6pm – 9pm
Thursday	12pm – 2.30pm / 6pm – 9pm
Friday	12pm – 2.30pm / 6pm – 9pm
Saturday	12pm – 2.30pm / 6pm – 9pm
Sunday	12pm – 4.30pm

DAILY SPECIALS AVAILABLE

BOOKING ADVISABLE : 01728 648286

PLEASE MAKE US AWARE OF ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENTS WHEN BOOKING

**The Bell Inn would like to introduce Anthony O'Farrell -
our new head chef who joined us at the end of January and who is producing
fabulous creations from our kitchen for our new lunchtime and evening menu.**

Chef Anthony quoted:

"I'm bringing city dishes to the village with my fine dining and rosette award background".

**Also just recently joined our team is second chef Joe Fosker adding a few of his own
creations to our menus. A visit is well recommended, we would advise booking a table
so you're not disappointed if we are fully booked. Please make us aware of any dietary
requirements when booking.**

Hope to see you soon

The Bell Inn team

Free Drop-in Coffee & Cake

Thursdays 10-11.30 am - Village Hall

All welcome for coffee/tea and cake

Contact Lesley 07970257329 or Lynda 668977

**PLEASE NOTE THE LAST SESSION FOR THE
TIME BEING OF THIS COFFEE MORNING AT
THE HALL WAS 31ST MARCH.**

IT MAY RETURN IN THE AUTUMN.

WI News

At our March meeting we welcomed Davene and Steve Everett, volunteer guides at RSPB Minsmere, who gave us a talk on Adders (*Vipera berus*). They first wanted us to know that adders have been given a reputation by the media as poisonous killers but that is exaggerated. They are venomous but will only bite if disturbed by being trodden on or picked up! The venom contains an anticoagulant and a toxin which affects cells and blood. The area bitten may take a while to recover, there are rare cases of anaphylactic shock. Steve photographs all the adders found at the Reserve.

Every adder has distinct markings on its head and each one has a name. He showed us pictures of Victory and Bob. There is a difference in colouring between the sexes. The male zigzags are black, the female zigzags are ginger/brown. A few adders are blue and there are rare black adders. Male adders grow up to 2 feet long, the female can be 2-3 feet long. Their circumference is about the size of a thick twig but can look



wider when they flatten themselves to absorb heat as they sunbathe. Two or three times a year as they grow an adder sloughs (sheds) its skin. Steve brought in a whole skin to show us, often the skin comes off in bits as the adder wriggles out. Their habitat is heathland on the edge of woodland. They hibernate underground with the males coming up about mid-February to get the energy from the sun to become fertile. The female emerges April/May and produces pheromones to attract the males. Coupling can last up to an hour and a female will mate more than once. About 5 months later she will give birth underground to 12-20 live young. When the neonates emerge in a few months they will be 10 inches long, male /female the same colour and they will be venomous. Adders have no eyelids, a unique red eye with a slit shaped pupil, are deaf and their sense of smell comes through their forked tongue which picks up scent in stereo. They eat mice, voles, and chicks about 8 or 10 a year. They smell, wait for the prey, bite, and then swallow whole with a mouth consisting of 4 jaw bones connected with elastic band type of tissue. It opens very wide. At the end of the very interesting talk Steve reminded us that adder bites are not that common in people (about 100 a year) but if you are out walking in their habitat, the best thing to do is to wear a strong perfume. Adders can easily pick up that scent and will quickly slither off (at a pace of 4mph) in the opposite direction!

Our April meeting is the 20th at 7:15pm. There is no speaker, but we will pay our subs, talk resolutions and eat jacket potatoes with delicious fillings.

LV

LESLEY'S CURRY CLUB – brought to your door

Friday 8th April

Chicken Chakka

Madras new potatoes with yoghurt dressing

Stir fried spicy broccoli

Vegetarian - Stuffed Mushrooms with coriander sauce.



£12.50 ph - money to account as normal or happy to accept cash on night.

Orders please by Tuesday 5th April - please ensure I acknowledge as my PC has a habit of moving things to spam!! taylormadeflowers@yahoo.co.uk

Middleton Open Gardens Volunteer Required

A volunteer is needed to garden mind a garden for about 4 hours (11am -3pm) on Sunday 5th June during Middleton open gardens. All that is required is for someone (or more) to sit in my garden while the garden is open to the public and to direct the visitors in the right direction. A chair will be provided! If interested contact Peter Vincent (vincentpeterj@gmail.com)

Thank you

April Nature Notes

The primrose, the prima rosa, is aptly named as being the first 'rose' of the year, although not truly a member of the rose family. It is part of the grouping of flowers known as the Primulaceae, which also includes other related spring flowers, the cowslip and oxlip but also loosestrifes, pimpernels and chickweed.

Primroses (*Primula vulgaris*) are familiar plants in Suffolk, where they favour moist shady sites often on cool north-facing banks of ditches and shady areas of ancient woods. Here they make the most of the sunlight in spring to flower then die down as they are shaded by trees in the summer. They usually begin to flower in March but can be seen as early as December in mild years and can continue flowering into May. Primroses are sexually dimorphic. Which means that the reproductive organs of the same species appear in two dissimilar forms. The primrose occurs in two flower types: thrum-eyed, where the long stamens are visible and the short stigma lies hidden below; and pin-eyed, in which the female stigma protrudes above the shorter stamens. This is a device developed to avoid self-pollination. The pollen grains produced by the stamens of one type of primrose flower only fit onto the surface of the stigma of the other type, and the structure of the two types of flowers is cleverly arranged to allow visiting insects to transfer the right pollen to the correct stigma. The two types of primrose flower occur in about the same proportions in any population, and it is quite easy to spot the difference between the two types.



Cowslips (*Primula veris*) are another easily recognised and widespread spring flower. The cup-shaped, yellow flowers grow in nodding clusters on tall stalks. The leaves are oval with relatively wrinkled edges similar to the primrose, but narrowing more abruptly into the stalk. Cowslips tend to flower later, usually from late March, however, in recent mild years can be seen in flower as early as February. The cowslip is a plant of more open situations such as meadows and pastures, but is nowadays more often restricted to roadside verges and ditch banks. Whereas, the closely related oxlip (*Primula elatior*) is restricted to ancient woodland, where it tends to replace the primrose. Nationally oxlips are quite rare plants, confined entirely to West Suffolk and adjoining parts of Essex and Cambridgeshire. It is this affinity to Suffolk that it was chosen by conservation charity Plantlife to be the county plant of Suffolk. Oxlips appear similar to both primroses and cowslips, being halfway between the two in terms of size. For this reason they were once thought to be a cross between the two. Cowslip flowers, however, are a slightly deeper shade of yellow whilst the primrose only has one flower per stalk. Where primroses and cowslips grow in close association, natural hybrids frequently occur, sometimes called 'false oxlip' (*Primula veris x vulgaris*) which can be confused with the true oxlip. These hybrids show themselves as large vigorous plants with the larger flowers held upright and not in a one-sided inflorescence. Crosses with garden polyanthus also readily come about giving rise to a bewildering range of flower colours and forms.

Peter Vincent



4. Minutes

The Council approved as accurate the minutes of the meetings held on 8th February 2022 and 23rd February 2022.

5. Matters Arising

a) The following two changes to the minutes of 8th February 2022 were noted:

i) Item 3b – change ‘EDF’s proposals to close Fordley Road’ to ‘EDF’s proposals to stop up Fordley Road on the north side and create a junction with the Sizewell Link Road on the south side’.

ii) Item 7a – change ‘20 mph zone’ to ‘20 mph speed limit’.

b) Cllr. Graham Lacey said he inspected the restricted mobility access to the church from the village green. He recommended that an interlocking system of geotex matting is laid, infilled with shingle, which is a permeable system allowing water to drain and it will create a better surface compared with the grass and mud. The system could be extended to include a defined area for parked cars to ensure the accessway to the church is kept clear. Cllr. Lacey will write up a specification with examples and an indication of costs. Cllr. Lacey and the Chairman will then consult the nearby residents and the Church Wardens for their views.

ACTION: Cllr. Graham Lacey to progress.

6. Councillors’ Reports

a) Energy Projects – it was agreed to invite EDF to attend the Council’s public meeting in June 2022 to brief the Council about the Deed of Obligation.

b) The Council made minor changes to the Clerk’s draft letter asking EDF to confirm the Council’s understanding of the concerns and possible interventions raised during the recent site visit to the B1122. Cllr. Roy Dowding reported that the Secretary of State for BEIS appears to have unilaterally decided that the government will put up 20% to support Sizewell C despite the project still being undecided. EDF will also put up 20% with the remaining 60% presumably to be raised under the Regulated Asset Base model.

ACTION: Clerk to invite EDF to the June meeting and send letter.

c) Highways/Footpaths – the Clerk agreed to report the fallen school sign at The Street/Rectory Road junction to Highways.

ACTION: Clerk to report.

d) Village Hall – Cllr. Graham Lacey reported that the new roof is complete, subject to minor snagging which is in hand, and the scaffolding will be removed shortly. Cllr. Lacey said he will prepare an operating and maintenance manual for future reference.

e) Hastoe Housing – the Chairman said that residents are starting to move in. Cllr. Steve Thorpe agreed to contact Hastoe to ask when the agreed landscaping plans will be undertaken to replace the hedgerow on the boundary and to plant along the perimeter at the back of the gardens. Cllr. Thorpe also agreed to enquire about the necessity of the unsightly chain link fence as the gardens have fencing. Cllr. Lesley Taylor agreed to draft a welcome letter to be sent from the Council to all new residents of the parish.

ACTION: Cllr. Steve Thorpe to contact Hastoe and Cllr. Lesley Taylor to draft letter and circulate.

f) Summer Wine Group – Cllr. Colin Whitbread reported that the Moor pond has been cleared and the cuttings will be removed in the next few weeks. The group has also helped residents to clear trees blown down in the recent storms.

g) Middleton Moor – Cllr. Colin Whitbread questioned whether a resident had been granted permission to plant 4 or 5 native, semi-mature, trees on north side of the Moor near the junction of the B1122/Moor Road. The Chairman explained that the Moor is common land and managed by the Parish Council therefore any planting would require Parish Council approval. The Chairman said the stewardship agreement with Natural England is to maintain the rare grassland habitat however it was reasonable to think that planting a few trees in a corner of the Moor would not cause a particular detriment. The Chairman said that Suffolk Wildlife Trust has been commissioned to produce a management plan and it would be premature to consider any planting before this report has been received and considered. Also, the consent of the residents, who would be visually affected, would need to be sought as well as the opinion of the hay cutter. Consideration would also need to be given to the drainage ditch and the sight lines for traffic. The Council agreed to wait for the revised management plan and then to consult residents before granting permission.

7. Future Projects

a) Cllr. Colin Whitbread asked for the New Cut to be dredged from Rackford Bridge to Eastbridge. The Chairman said the first step was to ask the Environment Agency to brief the Council to better understand their management of the New Cut.

ACTION: Clerk to contact the Environment Agency.

b) The Chairman said that the land on Title Road, known as the Burial Ground, was offered to the Parish Council many years ago. It was agreed to obtain First Registration of the Title from HM Land Registry. The hedgerow on the roadside is regularly cut but the inside has not been cut for many years and is now advancing into the field. The interior of the field generates a succession of wildflowers and is alive with insects but, due to the restricted access, parishioners are not able to enjoy what is there. The Chairman recommended that public accessibility to the burial ground could be improved by replacing the heavy five-bar gate with a pedestrian entrance and sections of fencing and a path mowed to a central area in the field where a bench could be placed. It was acknowledged that reaching the burial ground requires a certain level of fitness and there are no footpaths and narrow verges.

ACTION: Clerk to obtain a quote from Birketts for the first registration and Chairman to obtain costings for a fence and pedestrian gate.

8. Finance

a) The Council noted the latest financial position, including receipts.

b) The Council noted the Local Government Act s.137 expenditure limit for 2022/2023.

c) The Council agreed to donate £50 to the Coastal Accessible Transport Service.

d) The Council authorised the payments below:

Details	Payee	Amount	Power
Clerk's Salary	Sharon Smith	£416.75	LGA 1972 s.112
Clerk's PAYE	HM Revenue and Customs	£12.00	LGA 1972 s.112
Clerk's Expenses	Sharon Smith	£2.90	LGA 1972 s.111
Pavilion Electricity	British Gas	£49.54	LGA 1972 s.19
Hall Hire	Middleton Village Hall	£150.00	LGA 1972 s.111
Christmas Hampers	Lesley Taylor	£59.33	LGA 1972 s.137

9. Administration

a) The Council reviewed and approved the Asset Register.

b) The Council reviewed and approved the Internal Controls Statement.

c) The Council reviewed the Suffolk Local Code of Conduct.

d) The Council adopted an Equality and Diversity Policy.

e) The Council adopted an Anti-Harassment and Bullying Policy.

f) The Council adopted a Safeguarding Policy.

ACTION: Clerk to ask Cllr. Lynda Whitbread if she is willing to be appointed as the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

g) The Council adopted a Grievance Procedure.

10. Correspondence

The Council reviewed the correspondence received between 3rd February 2022 and 3rd March 2022.

11. Questions to the Chair

A member of the public asked the Council if they knew who the bench on the village green was dedicated to and was this a previous Chairman of the Council. The Council did not know.

ACTION: Clerk to follow up application for a Talking Bench.

12. Next Meeting

The Council agreed the date and time of the next meeting of the Council which is scheduled for Tuesday 19th April 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Village Hall.

**MIDDLETON CUM FORDLEY PARISH COUNCIL AS SOLE TRUSTEE OF
THE MIDDLETON RECREATION GROUND TRUST**

1. The Council authorised Suffolk Anti-Pest Services to conduct mole-catching on the Recreation Ground.
ACTION: Clerk to progress.
2. The Council accepted a quotation from Cadman Flooring for £820 to replace the flooring in the pavilion toilets.
ACTION: Cllr. Chris Reynolds to accept the quote and to remove and replace the toilet cubicles to enable a better fit.
3. The Council agreed to appoint Eastern Play Service Ltd to conduct monthly safety inspections of the play equipment. The arrangement will be reviewed annually as part of the budgeting process.
ACTION: Clerk to obtain an updated quotation.

The meeting closed at 8:45 pm. The Chairman gave thanks to all the Councillors and said he appreciated all that they do and hoped that they would put themselves forward again for election in May 2023.



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Connecting Communities Lamp Post Advertising

To Whom it may concern

We have placed an advertising board in Middleton on the direction sign at the junction on The Street and Back Road, if this is a problem, please let us know and we can remove it.

Connecting communities is a demand responsive bus service that can connect people from Middleton to Saxmundham, Leiston as well as other villages like Dunwich and Minsmere.

The service is wheelchair accessible with the minibus being fitted with a tail lift so enabling those who may have mobility issues to also access the service, the service is flexible so if required due to mobility or rural location we can pick up at an agreed point and not a bus stop.

We are keen to promote the service to all residents especially those who think they have no access to bus services to do everyday tasks like shopping, attending medical appointments if you are aware of anyone or a group of residents that you may think will benefit from our service, we are more than happy to speak with them to explain more about the service.

If you would like to discuss the service or arrange a meeting, please give me a call on 01728 830516.

Yours sincerely,

Lynn Butler

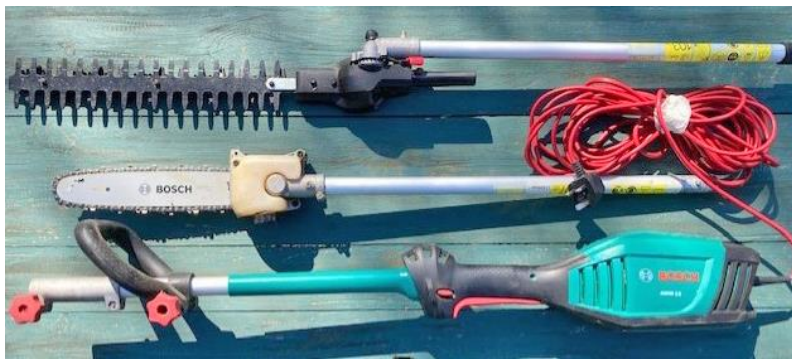
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7am on Saturday. (previously 3.45pm)**

No afternoon or Sunday collections.





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This Easter at Saxmundham Tennis Club we have the return of our **Tennis and Multi Sport Camps** running every **Tuesday and Thursday** (12th, 14th, 19th and 21st April)

Days packed full of games, drills, matchplay and a variety of sports running 9:30-3:30pm. Available for all abilities regardless of past tennis experience, rackets also available to borrow. Lunch not provided therefore lunchboxes, snacks and drinks will need to be brought along for the day.

To sign up head to

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Diary Dates for 2022

April

Friday 1 st	'Murder in the Blackout' - stories from the Fireside with Simon Bridge 8pm
Saturday 2 nd	'Murder in the Blackout' - stories from the Fireside with Simon Bridge 8pm
Tuesday 19 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 20 th	W.I. Village Hall - Subs, Resolutions and Supper. 7.15 pm
Friday 29 th	George's beard shave iao DEC Ukraine appeal The Bell 8pm

May

Wednesday 4 th	Village Hall AGM 7pm
Monday 9 th	Community Council AGM - Village Hall 7.30pm
Tuesday 10 th	Holy Trinity Church Annual meeting 2.30pm in Church.
Tuesday 10 th	Annual Parish Meeting, 6pm Village Hall plus AGM 7pm
Wednesday 18 th	W.I. Village Hall - Clarke's Butchers ~ Jeremy Thickitt 7.15pm

June

Saturday 4 th	Open Gardens
Sunday 5 th	Open Gardens
Tuesday 14 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 15 th	W.I. Village Hall - Nurses and Nursing ~ David Burgess 7.15pm

18th or 25th June - MCC outdoor quiz - to be confirmed

July

Saturday 2 nd	Mid-summer boules tournament - Playing Field. 10 am
Tuesday 12 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Saturday 16 th	Middleton-cum-Fordley Jubilee Picnic - Playing Field 12 - 3pm
Wednesday 20 th	W.I. Garden Party - Recreation Ground

August

Saturday 27 th	Annual Village Fete - Playing Field from 2pm
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September

Tuesday 13 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 21 st	W.I. Village Hall- The Thatcher and his Art ~ Dominic Meek (Master Thatcher)

October

Tuesday 11 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 19 th	W.I. Village Hall - Adnams ~ Andy Wood 7.15pm

November

Monday 8 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 16 th	W.I. Village Hall - Her Infinite Variety ~ Simon Bridge (Shakespeare's Globe Theatre)

December

Saturday 3 rd	Santa Boules - Playing Field 10 am
Saturday 10 th	MCC Christmas Event - tbc
Tuesday 13 th	Parish council meeting, Village Hall 7pm
Wednesday 21 st	W.I. Village Hall - End of Year Celebration

To hire the Village Hall contact Richard Turner jenricht@btinternet.com

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