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The Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Village News

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IN THE VILLAGE

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Women's Cricket at Kingston Bagpuize CC!



Read more about KB Cricket Club and the new KB Women's Cricket Team on pg. 10

Active Communities Family Summer Event



23th July (Wednesday) 10am - 12pm,
Millennium Green

Everyone is invited to join us for Family Xplorer orienteering and mini games, aimed at preschool and primary-aged children, at this free event. For more info please check pg 11.



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Read more on pg. 21

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We'll be sharing more updates in the coming issues—so stay tuned!

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Village Diary

Village Hall Booking Details - email: southmoorvillagehall@yahoo.co.uk

Day/ Date	Time	What & Where (KBSVH = Kingston Bagpuize & Southmoor Village Hall)	Page
JUNE			
Monday	30 th	9.30am Kingston Bagpuize Village Art & Craft Club. St John the Baptist Church Hall	27
JULY			
St John the Baptist Parish Church, Kingston Bagpuize Services. – See full details on the Church Pages			5
Saturday	5 th	Noon Southmoor & Kingston Bagpuize Gardening Club Garden Party	13
Monday	7 th	3.00pm Village Afternoon Tea at Kingston Bagpuize & Southmoor Village Hall	7
Monday	7 th	6.30pm Parish Council Monthly Meeting – Swallow Room, KBSVH	20
Tuesday	8 th	7.00pm – 9.00pm Find out more about the Village Plan to Shape the Villages Future. Swallow Rm VH	21
Tuesday	8 th	7.30pm Apple Blossom Women's Institute Richard Fisher 'English Cathedrals under the Tudors'KBSVH	23
Thursday	17 th	7.00pm Longworth Hist Soc. Botley War Graves, Botley, Oxford	12
Sunday	20 th	3.00pm Outdoors Messy Church at the Millennium Green	7
Sunday	20 th	4.00pm Last Date / Time for copy to KBS News for the August edition	2
Wednesday	23 rd	10.00am -12noon Active Communities Family Summer Event at the Millennium Green, Oxford Rd	11
Friday	25 th	7.00pm KBS Film and Music Night. 'The Green Book' St John Baptist Church Hall	11
Monday	28 th	6.30pm August Parish Council Monthly Meeting – Swallow Room, KBSVH	20
Thursday	31 st	10.00am Village Walk and Talk starting at Kingston Bagpuize & Southmoor Village Hall	6
AUGUST			
Friday	8 th	1.00 - 5.00pm Craft Fair & Free Buffet Tea in Petypher House Gardens	26
Saturday	9 th	2.00 - 4.00pm Southmoor & Kingston Bagpuize Gardening Club. Visit a members garden	13
SEPTEMBER			
Tuesday	2 nd	7.15pm Southmoor & Kingston Bagpuize Gardening Club 'Val Bourne, Garden Writer' KBSVH	13
Saturday	6 th	2.00pm Southmoor & Kingston Bagpuize Gardening Club, Annual Village Show KBSVH	13
REGULAR EVENTS - Please check with the event organiser to confirm			
In Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Village Hall		In Scout Hut, Faringdon Rd (Term Time Only)	
Apple Blossoms W I	2nd Tuesday each month 7.30pm		1st Longworth Beavers Monday 6.00pm - 7.15pm
Apple Quilters	2nd & 4th Monday Each Month 10am – 2pm New Members always welcome		1st Longworth Cubs Tuesday 6.00pm - 7.30pm Wednesday 5.45pm – 7.15pm
Clubbercise	Monday 8.00 pm - 9.00 pm See KBS News Ad		1st Longworth Explorers Wednesday 7.30pm - 9.00pm
Dance Fitness	Tuesdays 2.30pm – 3.30pm		1st Longworth Scouts Thursday 7.30pm - 9.00pm
Fitness Session	Monday 9.15am - 10.00am tel 07769 883199		At The Bowls Club, Oxford Road, Kingston Bagpuize
French for Fun	Wednesday (Term Time only) 9.30 – 11am		Bowls Clubs Roll Up Tuesday & Thursday Winter 1.30pm / Summer 2.00pm
KBS	Improvers & Above Saturdays 9.00 – 10.30am		At Millennium Green Oxford Road, Kingston Bagpuize
Badminton Club	Improvers & Returners Wednesday 6.30 - 8pm		Junior Park Run Sunday 9.00am
	Intermediates & Above Monday 6.15 – 7.30pm		At Jubilee Sports Field, Edward Strauss Park
KB Drama Group	3 rd Tuesday at 7.30pm & when it occurs 5 th Tuesday 7.30pm (see Church Hall for other days)		Kingston Bagpuize Cricket Club Junior Training Friday 6 – 8pm
KBS Cafe	Thursdays 9.00am - 12 noon		In St John the Baptist Church Hall
KBS Gardening Club	1st Tuesday monthly 7.15pm for 7.30pm		KB Drama Group 1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in the month at 7:30pm (see Village Hall for other days)
KBS Pilates	Thursdays 1.30 – 2.30pm See KBS News Ad		KBS Art and Craft Friendship Club Alternate Mondays 9.30am - 12.00 noon
KB & S Tennis Club	Tuesday 9 - 11am Men's Open Wednesday 6.30-8.30pm Ladies Open		Village Voices Men - Alternate Mondays 9.30am Ladies – Alternate Tuesdays 9.30am
Longworth & District History Society	3 rd Thursday every month at 7.00pm		In Longworth Village Hall info at longworthvillage.org.uk
Southmoor Baby & Toddlers	Friday (Term Time Only) 10.00 -11.30am		IYENGAR Yoga class (Term Time Only) Monday 7.00pm – 8.30pm Tuesday 11.45am – 1.15pm
Table Tennis (Over 55's)	Tuesday 11am – 12 noon For Info email: bobsouthmoor@hotmail.com		KARATE Little Ninjas (3-5yrs) at 4pm - 4.30pm Kids Class (6-12yrs) 4.35pm - 5.25pm Mixed Class (6yrs+) 5.30pm - 6.30pm
Currently No Vacancies			PILATES Tuesday 9.15am & 5.45pm Thursday 9.15am & 6.30pm
Yoga Classes	Tuesday 6.00pm - 7.00pm (intermediate) Wednesday 10.30am - 11.15am (seniors) Thursday 6.00pm - 7.00pm (beginners)		ZUMBA Thursday 10.30am
Village Walk	Last Thursday every month 10.00am (Not Dec)		
In Hinton Waldrist Village Hall			
Cedar Community Club	Tuesdav & Wednesday 9:30 - 3:00pm		



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JULY BIN COLLECTION (late changes will be updated by Email to readers who have joined the KBS News Information email service)		
Wed 2nd	Food Bin / Green Bin Collection/Brown Bin + Textiles & Batteries in a separate bag on top of the Bin	 +  +  + 
Wed 9th	Food Collection / Grey Bin Collection & Small Electrical Items	 +  + 
Wed 16th	Food Bin / Green Bin Collection/Brown Bin + Textiles & Batteries in a separate bag on top of the Bin	 +  +  + 
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Sunday 6th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship Children's Church
Sunday 13th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	All-Age Worship
Sunday 20th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Morning Worship
	3.00pm	New Additional Children's Church Messy Church Goes Wild at the Millennium Greer
Sunday 27th	9.00am	Holy Communion
	10.30am	Village Communion



Coffee and biscuits after all our services – a good time to chat and make new friends.

JULY HIGHLIGHTS

The church will be open for private prayer every Tuesday to Thursday 9am to 12 noon. If you would appreciate the church being open at other times e.g. Saturday, please contact Catherine our vicar.

Sunday 6th Children's Church 10.30am in the Church Room with crafts and activities all children and families welcome

Sunday 13th All-Age Worship 10.30am in Church – children and everyone welcome, every second Sunday each month

Sunday 20th Children's Church 10.30am in the Church Room with crafts and activities, all children and families welcome. **Every 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month**

Sunday 20th Messy Church Goes Wild Millennium Green 3pm – 4.30pm see page 7 for more details

YOUR VILLAGE CHURCH IS HERE TO HELP

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Village Walk and Talk

 **31st July (Thursday) at 10am • KBS Village Hall**

The next Walk and Talk will take place on Thursday 31st July, meeting at the KBS Village Hall at 10am with a leisurely walk and talk as we stroll the footpaths and byways in and around the parish. Our walks are suitable for all ages and will last for about one hour. During our walk we will be able to talk and reflect on some changes as they affect our village life, returning back at the Village Hall for that welcoming cup of tea or coffee, and a freshly baked cake or a delicious cheese scone; these are certainly worth coming along for.

I have some interesting leaflets all about local 'Country walks and local history' which will be available free to everybody taking part in the Village Walk and Talk. Come and join us on the last Thursday of each month at 10am. **Ron Green.**



Out & About in Italian Alps



Huez reading the KBS News while watching the Giro d'Italia in the Italian Alps. Stephen Haywood photo.

Dogs in the Fir Tree playground

A Letter from a Concerned Villager

I'm writing to express my disappointment and concern about the consistent disregard for the "no dogs allowed" policy in the Fir Tree play park. On my last three visits with my children, I've been shocked and disappointed to see people sitting inside the park with their dogs, completely ignoring the clear signage.

As a parent, it's worrying to see this rule being broken, especially considering the park's purpose is to provide a safe and healthy environment for children to play. With the recent redevelopment of the park it has been a popular place with young and older children alike, yet the adults of our society seem to be repeatedly disrespecting the area and sitting there with their dogs.



We are grateful to everyone who responded this year to our appeal for donations to Christian Aid. Your contributions totalled £751.54 in cash and cheques, in addition to the payments which many of you made on-line. In a year when aid from the major international donors has been cancelled or severely reduced, these personal donations are even more valuable and appreciated. **A sincere "thank you"!** Hazel Brennan and Peter Beer



Editor's note: People who live and work around us, why not tell us about your work, we think your neighbours might be amazed at the skill of people in the village!!



KBS Café



Every Thursday 9am to 12pm
• Southmoor Village Hall

We serve tea (including different flavoured teas), coffee (including Latte and Cappuccino) and hot chocolate, orange and blackcurrant squash, homemade cheese scones and homemade cakes. We have a few gluten free options as well.

- A mug of tea or coffee is £1.00
- A piece of cake or a cheese scone is £1.00
- A glass of squash is 10p

**HELP
Needed!**

We are looking for more people to make cakes for the Café. We would only ask you no more than every 5 to 6 weeks. We are more than happy to pay for the ingredients.

If you can help, please contact Caroline Ashby on 07984 523955 or Ruth on 01865 821386. We look forward to seeing you. **Caroline Ashby**

Messy Church Goes Wild



20th July (Sunday) at 3 – 4.30pm • Millennium Green

Adventure trail, nature collages, planting seeds, s'mores on the firepit...and more.
Everyone welcome!



Village Afternoon Tea at 3pm

Monday 7th July 2025

Please come and join us in the Village Hall at 3pm.
To book your place, cost £5 per person for a lovely Afternoon Tea and good company, please contact Hazel Brennan (01865 821358), or sign up with Stephen Haywood at the KBS Café, by Thursday 26th June.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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People who live and work around us

An article from Conrad Weiskrantz who works in media and film and was part of the team who filmed "Tortoise in Love" in our village.

You might have seen me chugging around the village on an old Harley or custom motorbike and not realised I am a disabled biker (I only have the use of one arm). As always, there is a story behind it which includes how I moved to the village 30 years ago in August this year. Linked to that story is my work and why I'm writing in the KBS News. 30 years ago, I started in the media industry as a video producer for Oxford University. There are 100s of projects I could talk about and you can see many of them on my YouTube site (including the disability bit) but, obviously, the one to talk about is The Village That Made The Film, Tortoise in Love. The Wrap Party was in July 2009, 16 years ago.

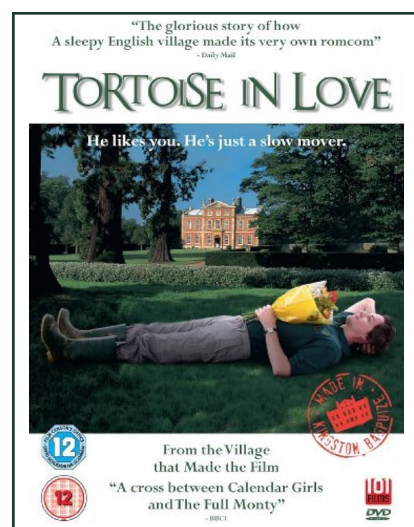
I knew that a film was being produced in the village, but I wasn't really interested in being involved. However, after talking to Vanessa Green and then Guy Browning, who I knew through work, I was persuaded to do a 'behind the scenes' film for the Wrap Party. Now this was much more my thing: doing something for the local community, no budget, old outdated equipment and a deadline! Simon Froud was already doing some filming on a mini DV camcorder, so he was busy running around after people, following the film crew and doing some interviews. I became 2nd camera and did some specific locations, the village fête and the Wrap Party.

The brief was to make it fun, include everybody, feature as much of the village as possible and be prepared to show it at the Village Hall. I did storyboard it, as it turned into quite a major production, Simon had his set of questions for everybody and away we went. It was a lot of work, but also a lot of fun which is why I do these types of projects in my spare time. The video was literally finished with less than 24 hours to go and shown at the Wrap Party. Everyone enjoyed seeing themselves on the big screen and so it was a success. Yes, you can watch the behind the scenes video. There are 2 versions on Youtube: a short 10-minute one (as YouTube had a duration limit in those days) and the full 26-minute version which includes the Wrap Party. That's the one to watch if you want to see yourself and the village 16 years ago.

I do tend to keep myself to myself, but I have been known to help out in the village with some projects so if you think you might have some low budget/no budget local project that I might find interesting, drop me a line.

On a personal note, before Covid I was planning to move out to Gloucestershire when I retire but during that period I realised that actually this is a pretty great place to live and changed my mind so it looks like I could be here for another 30 years!

Conrad Weiskrantz



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KB Cricket Club

What a month.... The Cricket season is well underway with something happening virtually every day at the Cricket Club.

- **Mondays** - U15s games
- **Tuesdays** - Senior men's training, Womens training
- **Wednesdays** - T20 Adult games
- **Thursdays** - U13 games
- **Friday** - Junior Training including All Stars & Dynamos (over 100 children)
- **Saturday** - Adult games (3 teams)
- **Sunday** - U11 games + mens friendlies

We are a friendly, welcoming and inclusive club that is growing week on week, the atmosphere, especially on a Friday evening, is amazing.

This year, for the first time we have a Women's Cricket Team, playing Softball Festivals. At the start of the season we managed to get a team for the first festival, now we have enough for 2. On the 8th June we held the first Women's Softball Festival at Kingston, with 9 Teams attending. The 2 Kingston teams performed amazingly.

If you or one of your family are interested in playing cricket, be it juniors, adult mens or womens (we have juniors playing in senior matches and seniors who are in their late 60s playing) please get in touch @ Kbcc.juniorcoordinator@gmail.com. **Thanks, Michael.**



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KBS Film and Music Night



25th July (Friday) at 7pm • Church Room
• 'Green Book'

Our next Film Night will be on Friday 25th July in the Church Room when we will be showing **The Green Book**, which is set in 1962 America and Winner of the Academy Award for the Best Picture. It is inspired by the heart-warming true story of Dr. Don Shirley, a world-class African-American pianist who's about to embark on a concert tour in the Deep South. In need of a driver and protection, Shirley recruits Tony Lip, a tough-talking Italian-American bouncer from the Bronx. Despite their differences, the two men soon develop an unexpected bond while confronting racism and danger in an era of segregation. This film has been recommended by several people in the village. Come and see if you agree with them!

This is a free evening organised by members of St. John the Baptist Church and tea, coffee, chocolates and popcorn will be provided from 7pm with the film beginning at 7.15pm. We have limited capacity in the room, so we do ask you to **let either Peter Beer or Margo Evans know if you will be joining us. We would hate to have to turn anyone away on the night.** Peter Beer 01865 820805 or Margo Evans 01865 820900 or margoevans@mac.com



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17th July (Thursday) at 7pm • Botley War Graves

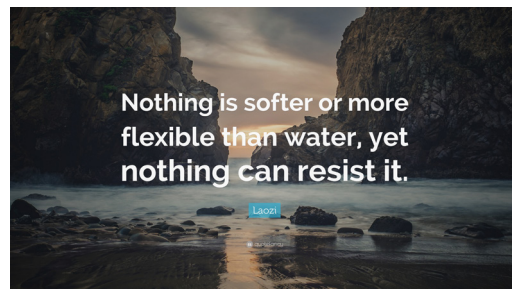
Our second visit this summer is on Thursday 17th July when we will visit the Botley War Graves. We will arrive there at 10.30am to be met by our guide who will give us a tour around. There is parking by the Chapel of Remembrance and also at the W.I. hall almost opposite the cemetery. Lifts can be arranged.

We don't meet up in August but start again in the Village Hall in September, when Marie-Louise Kerr will be coming to give her lecture "Oxfordshire on Canvas". **Pam Woodward**



Tip of the Month

"Nothing is softer or more flexible than water, yet nothing can resist it." – a saying attributed to Lao Tzu, a Chinese Philosopher believed to have lived around the 6th Century BC, long before the invention of plastic and today's chemical industries. Without clean healthy water we will all be in a sorry state and here's a simple action you can take to help with the health of our River Thames. Not everything is easy for water to break down so aim to use phosphate-free detergents and soaps, check the small print of your cleaning product labels and stop using items that say 'hazardous to aquatic life'. Everything we put down our sinks is heading back to a river via a water treatment plant.



Easy option to avoid lots of reading: pop on the S6 bus to Faringdon to the Tribe – Zero Waste shop where you will find a good range of eco-friendly cleaning products. Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor are also part of their regular delivery rounds.

If you want to find out more about the health of our rivers, visit <https://theriverstrust.org/rivers-report-2024>. Finally, let's all be kind to the animals that live in the river and **"When you drink water, remember the source."** – Chinese Proverb



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be organising a two-course cold buffet and guests are invited to spend a pleasant lunch and early afternoon enjoying some good company in pleasant surroundings. Members, guests and potential members are all welcome. You'll need to bring your own drinks and glasses and something to sit on. Fingers crossed, we'll have fine weather, but we'll have gazebos on hand just in case. Tickets cost £10 each advance purchase only. The deadline may have passed by the time the KBS News reaches you so, if you'd like to come, please contact us at skbgardeningclub@gmail.com straight away!



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One of our members is kindly opening her garden on **Saturday 9th August from 2-4pm**. This is a free perk for members only but, if you'd like to join us, membership for the rest of 2025 is now an absolute bargain at just £6.00. As well as the above open garden, this will give you free entry to our next two meetings (well-known garden writer and speaker Val Bourne on Tuesday 2nd September and the entertaining Paul Green on Tuesday 7th October) and our AGM with complimentary cheese and wine on Tuesday 4th November.

In the interim, we still have the Village Show to look forward to on Saturday 6th September. If you'd like to take part, the schedule is now available to view / download from www.skbgardeningclub.org.uk or click on the QR code. The schedule is basically a list of all the various categories that you can enter (eg flowers, plants, fruit, veg, arts and crafts, photography and cookery with some special categories just for children) and instructions for what you need to do. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.
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Youth Matters

Hello everyone! I do hope that everyone is having a good summer, the summer hols are almost here! The end of the school year is certainly an exciting time; it will be great to finally relax after a long academic year and get prepared for the year ahead. It's time to get out and enjoy the awesome weather and see all of the beautiful things summer has to offer – including all the wonderful wildflowers that are bringing life to every corner of the village. Speaking of flowers, my family recently attended the Rare

Plant Fair at Kingston Bagpuize House last month and was described as: “an amazing opportunity for all plant lovers.” I would definitely recommend it and it is on throughout the year in different locations.

Also, back onto the topic of running and exercising, I noticed on the map/board in the Millennium Green that there is a measured distance for the paths around the area. All the different routes are below 1km, so it would be a great way to have a quick jog or practice, perhaps even for the Park Run. I like to know the distance I am running so I know how fast to pace it – 800m is no sprint and 100m is no jog!

I am also excited about the Poster Design Competition advertised in copies of the News. It will be a great way to showcase how we shouldn't litter and how we should look after our village! If you are stuck for ideas, bold colours, puns and cool pictures would look amazing! If you are unsure about entering, imagine what it would be like to see your masterpiece up around the village, you could be the next greatest artist!

Movie Review

Disney has recently released their live-action version of Snow White, starring Rachel Zegler as this iconic Disney Princess. The story follows the princess Snow White as she escapes from the Evil Queen's kingdom and befriends the Seven Dwarves in the forest. Together, along with some friends, Snow White is determined to change the kingdom for better and end the Evil Queen's cruel reign. **Rating: 3.5 Stars.**

I found this movie a great fairy tale to watch and enjoyed the songs and flamboyant costumes; however, I found this movie quite different from the original and did not enjoy the storyline as much as I hoped to.

Find Puzzle of The Month prepared by Darcey on the back page!



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Recipe of the month

Spinach, Ricotta and Parma Ham Lasagna

Courtesy of Hairy Bikers One Pot Recipes

It's rich, tasty, delicious, but not heavy, and it's easy to make, as we use frozen spinach, pre-cooked lasagne sheets and a jar of tomato passata. It's an assembly job, really and a cracking good dish.

Ingredients: Serves 4

- 500g of frozen spinach, defrosted
- 200g ricotta
- A few rasps of nutmeg.
- 400ml Passata.
- 200ml single cream
- Small bunch of Basil finely chopped
- 2 garlic cloves crushed
- Quarter TSP cinnamon.
- One TSP dried oregano
- 9 Lasagne sheets, (the pre cooked kind)
- 8 slices of Parma Ham.
- 75g Parmesan cheese grated.
- Two blocks of mozzarella (about 600g) torn apart.
- Salt and black pepper.



Method.

1. Preheat the oven to 200C / fan 180C / gas 6.
2. Squeeze out as much liquid from the spinach as you can. Chop the spinach roughly and mix it with the ricotta. Season with nutmeg, salt and pepper.
3. Mix the passata with the cream basil, garlic, cinnamon and oregano. Season with salt and pepper and mix thoroughly.
4. Spread a quarter of the passata mixture over the base of a rectangular oven dish. Then place three sheets of lasagne over it. Take about a third of the spinach and ricotta mixture and drop it in teaspoonfuls over the lasagne.
5. Tear up four slices of Parma ham and drape them in between the spinach.
6. Sprinkle over the parmesan and mozzarella and top with another quarter of the passata mixture.
7. Cover with three sheets of lasagne and repeat the spinach, Parma ham, parmesan and mozzarella and passata layers.
8. Add a final three sheets of lasagne. Then the last of the spinach and passata. Top with the remaining mozzarella and grated Parmesan.
9. Bake in the oven for 30 minutes until brown and bubbling. Leave to stand for 10 minutes before serving. Delicious



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Restaurant Review

The Lamb Tavern Buckland, Faringdon SN7 8QN



The Lamb is a 9-minute car journey from KBS, or a 17 min journey, using the S6 bus to Faringdon; getting off at the Buckland turn and walking for 8 minutes into Buckland. There is ample off-road car parking and access is good.

We had booked online via DOJO for an early evening supper for two.

There is an option to book a table in the bar or the restaurant and, in spite of choosing the restaurant, we were given the option when we arrived. It seemed spacious and more atmospheric in the bar so we chose a table there. The tavern had a homely feel to it and seemed to be frequented by local people having a good time - great to see on a Friday evening.

There are a couple of outdoor areas for eating and drinking – lovely countryside setting for the warmer days and evenings. Katie welcomed us in a friendly and attentive manner and looked after us throughout. She immediately set us up with a jug of tap water and left us to peruse the menus. The drinks menu was wide ranging – draught beers, ciders, cocktails, gins and wines by the glass or bottle. Amazing choice!

The food menu was in different sections – today's special menu; snacks and small plates; salads; classic main courses; and burgers. The vegetarian options were only included in the salads or in the burgers' sections. The food is definitely freshly home cooked. I chose the Halibut fillet from the special menu. It was served with rice, spinach and a prawn sauce and was delicious! My friend chose the smoked haddock and prawn fishcake served with egg, peas and spinach and we shared a small watermelon, cucumber and herb cream cheese salad with rocket. Also delightful!

The dessert menu was comprehensive! So difficult to choose. We were so enraptured with our choices we forgot to take photographs. One warm dark chocolate and raspberry brownie with white chocolate ice cream and one coffee affogato classic! What can I say?! We would definitely go back for more! *Wilrich, two KBS foodies.*

PS: We hope you are enjoying the restaurant reviews. Feedback is welcome via the KBS News team. Please let us know of any other venues/ locations you would like us to visit.



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KBS Nature

A second trip to Scotland in May was scuppered for several reasons, the main one being that there were low water levels in the rivers and Mr C's fishing was cancelled. I don't want to turn this column into an environmental soapbox but the fact there was so little rainfall in Scotland, of all places, during the spring surely has to be a concern from a climate change perspective?

With holiday time on our hands, Mr C and I took a trip to RSPB Arne in Dorset. It was a bit of a trek but well worth the effort. There are several routes to take around the reserve and we managed most of them during our visit. The routes we took in the morning and early afternoon were relatively busy compared to later in the day when we practically had the place to ourselves. There was a minor panic when we thought the car had been locked in the overflow car park – but all ended well! The café had a good menu of locally sourced products and the mural on the wall you may recognise from Springwatch 2024.

And what of the wildlife (surely the point of the column?). We were not disappointed. There was the potential for a sighting of a white-tailed eagle but, quite frankly, I was eagled out after Mull so not too much of a hardship that one was not spotted. Instead, we were treated to a Dartford warbler, several stonechat (recognisable from their distinctive call sounding like stones being tapped together) and, at the end of our visit, a marsh harrier cruising over the reed beds. Spectacular bird.

Closer to home, we have not had any sightings of Flashheart (the sparrowhawk) recently. However there has been a new kid on the block causing consternation amongst the garden birds. A kestrel! It took us a bit by surprise as it was behaving in a very similar manner to the sparrowhawk. However, after a couple of clear sightings, and an aborted attack on a young blackbird in the veg patch, it was confirmed as a kestrel and a tick added to the bird book. Next time: it's the little things...

In the meantime, please do send me your observations, photos etc. on anything from the natural world that may be of interest to our readers at kbsnature2025@gmail.com. Best wishes. Linda



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News from the Bowls Club

Our club's recent open day resulted in a number of new members joining the club to try out bowling on a regular basis. New members will have an experienced club member mentoring them for a period of time.

On Friday 6th June we held a French evening at the club in which members tried their hands at Petanque and enjoyed French Cuisine with authentic dishes and of course French wine.

On 29th June the club is hosting a match in which the President of the Royal Berkshire Bowling Association's team take on teams from KBS BC.

And here is this month's submission of matches played in the different leagues. *Tom*

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Great news – we may soon have a new regular session for Beginners / Improvers! The session is planned to run after the main Wednesday evening Improvers session, which is currently full. It will be suitable for complete beginners as well as those who have played a little in the past or on an informal basis, but may not feel fully confident on scoring or how to play a 'proper' game. There will be no formal tuition (unless the group decides to book any coaching) but the group should contain some players who are familiar with the rules and scoring so that knowledge can be shared. This will be a great chance to get in some practice with other people playing at a similar level and learn in a relaxed and understanding environment. If you're interested, please get in touch with me in the first instance. There's only one court and we need to manage numbers so don't just turn up!

We'll also be playing in our usual regular slots every Saturday morning (9.00 – 10.30am), Monday evening (6.15 – 7.30pm) and Wednesday evening (6.30 – 8pm) throughout July. The Wednesday evening sessions are for higher level improvers (you should know the rules and be able to keep score). The Saturday mornings are a little faster paced and the Monday evenings are currently the most energetic of our sessions, although all are played for fun rather than serious competition. They all take place at Southmoor Village Hall.

If you'd like to try us out for size, please get in touch either with me or Jenny to arrange a couple of free trial sessions. Once we see where you fit in, you'll be invited to sign up, at which point we'll ask you to contribute towards the court hire costs. It's non-profit so very reasonable. You can contact **sharon@cherrytree21.plus.com (01865 820399)** re Beginner sessions, Saturdays and Mondays or Jenny **jenny.frame@live.co.uk** re Wednesday Improvers. **Sharon Cooper**

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News from The Parish Council



7th July (Monday) and 28th July (Monday) at 6:30pm • Swallow Room, Southmoor Village Hall

Parish Council Website: kbs-parishcouncil.gov.uk

Parish Clerk email: clerk@kbs-parishcouncil.gov.uk

Meeting minutes and appendices are available online at <https://www.kbs-parishcouncil.gov.uk/document-category/minutes>.

The Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Parish Council met on 2nd June 2025 at the Village Hall. Key updates included the removal of an overhanging bough on Oxford Road and repair of a faulty emergency light in the pavilion. A productive meeting was also held with David Wilson Homes regarding the future of the public open space in the new development, with discussions about a long lease for the cricket club and potential naming of the site—"Ferrers Field" being one suggestion.

Several financial matters were approved, including routine payments, insurance, internal audit review, and a new printer and office furniture to enable committee meetings in the parish office. The documentation for the external audit was signed and will be submitted. Documents relating to the accounts and audits for 2024-25 are available to view on the council's website. The council also agreed on installing a new Wicksteed teen shelter in the recreation ground and revisiting the idea of community book libraries after discovering traditional phone boxes are too costly. An updated burial ground fee scale was approved, with a modest increase that keeps costs lower than regional averages.

The Speeding and Road Safety Committee is exploring new traffic calming options, with the county councillor supporting speed measures along the A420. Additionally, the council supported installing an environmental noticeboard in Petypher Gardens and investigating a potential parish boundary change. Volunteers are still needed to help run KBS News, particularly with advertising and finance.

Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Neighbourhood Development Plan



28th June (Saturday) • Village Fête
8th July (Tuesday) • Swallow Room • KBS Village Hall



Your Village Needs You: Help Shape Our Future with the Neighbourhood Development Plan!

The Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor (KBS) Neighbourhood Development Plan is nearing completion, and we need your input to ensure it truly represents our community's vision for the future. This important document will guide development decisions in our village for years to come, covering everything from housing and green spaces to infrastructure and community facilities. The steering group has been working hard to create a comprehensive draft that addresses local concerns, including speeding, protection of open spaces, and the provision of essential community amenities.

We are excited to announce two upcoming opportunities for you to review the draft plan and share your thoughts:

On **Saturday June 28th**, come and visit our display at the Village Fete where copies of the draft plan will be available and you can leave comments and suggestions on our feedback board. Then on **Tuesday 8th July** join us for a more detailed discussion at a drop-in event in the Village Hall's Swallow Room from 7-9pm.

These sessions are designed to be informal and accessible, so you can drop in at any time that suits you. **Your participation is crucial to making this plan work for everyone in KBS.**

The steering group values all feedback and will carefully consider community input before submitting the final plan for independent review. This is your chance to have a real say in how our village develops, so please mark these dates in your diary and come along to share your views. **Together, we can ensure that future development enhances rather than detracts from what makes Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor such a special place to live!** *Virginia Grant, Chairman Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Parish council*



Love where you live?

THEN COME AND SEE THE KBS NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

We would love to see you at the Village Fete on Saturday 28th June.

The next stage of the Neighbourhood Development Plan is almost complete and we have the document ready to see and comment upon.

This shows our vision for the future of the place where we live, and we would welcome any comments that you may have.

It covers future homes, green spaces, amenities and puts together our needs as a community.

Come and see us, ask questions and put forward your ideas. This is a once in a lifetime opportunity for us to have our say so make sure that you have yours.

The results of any of your ideas and the final opportunity for you to make comments and ask questions will be at a meeting at KBS village hall in July.

Keep an eye out for the date!



Passing of Nigel Beale

We are sorry to have to tell you that Nigel Beale, a member of the KBS NEWS committee for very many years, has died peacefully. Those who knew Nigel will be aware of his enthusiasm for motor bikes and the picture shows Nigel with a favourite machine ready for a rally.

Nigel joined the team at the beginning of 2015 taking on responsibility for making sure that the news was delivered to each and every household. He had a list of deliverers' names for each road, and the number of copies they required. If there was a problem and a deliverer was unable to deliver, he had a list of willing helpers to fill the gap. We knew him as an able and reliable committee member.

Nigel was also a member of the Gardening Club, and was responsible for the trophies at the Annual Garden Show. He made sure that they were returned, or in some cases had to be collected and then enthusiastically cleaned ready to be presented.

The History Society were very grateful for his help in setting up and clearing away the chairs for their meetings. In fact Nigel would help anyone. He was generous with his help and knowledge to all. Always cheerful with a ready smile. He will be sadly missed. **Kathy Fletcher and Val Hayward**



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Apple Blossoms WI

 **8th July (Tuesday) at 7:30pm • Richard Fisher 'English Cathedrals under the Tudors' • Southmoor Village Hall**

"There are no strangers here; Only friends you haven't yet met" (William Butler Yeats)

What a captivating June Meet! We had a brilliant evening, gripped on the edge of our seats, as Janine Kilroe shared her extraordinary experiences from "Seven Years Inside." Janine transported us behind the prison walls giving a rare and powerful insight into life behind bars, working with some of the most dangerous men in the country. A world few ever get to see was revealed, which definitely sparked both conversation and reflection after the session. A big thank you to Janine for such a captivating and unforgettable talk!

Looking forward... We are delighted to welcome Richard Fisher on Tuesday 8th July for what is promised to be a truly enlightening and thought-provoking session "English Cathedrals under the Tudors". Richard will explore English Cathedrals during the turbulent years of the Reformation. A fascinating journey through history, architecture and faith. Don't miss this unique opportunity to delve into one of the most transformative periods in our national history!

Free to members and visitors are always warmly welcomed, just £5 per evening (including refreshments).
Naomi & Jules, Apple Blossoms WI, appleblossomswi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk

*So, don thy ruff, bring noble air...
And as the Tudors might say:
"We shalt see thee there!"*



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Oxford Flower Club

 **24th July (Thursday) • Area demonstrator and florist Helen Temple visits • Cumnor Village Hall**

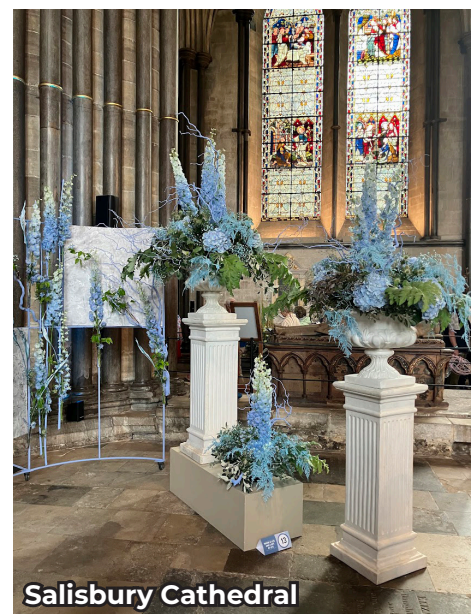
Diaries have been bursting with events recently for our club. In May we visited Salisbury Cathedral for the 'Spirit of Water' festival. Thirty thousand blooms were arranged in spectacular floral displays in the Cathedral. Displays represented 'a world without water' to a journey along 'a river of flowers'. With the Nave and beautiful stained-glass windows forming the backdrop, it was a sight to savour.

Our monthly meeting in Cumnor welcomed Debbie Davies who travelled from Liverpool to be with us. Debbie, a Chelsea Gold Medallist, specialises in creating innovative floral designs, to include face and body art. Her career started in dancing and as a make-up artist. She then followed her sister into floristry after mastering her fear of public speaking. Debbie demonstrated the most unusual designs with such confidence. A very talented lady indeed.

In June some members enjoyed attending a workshop with Chris Pearce. We learnt how to prepare a parallel arrangement as well as a hand tied bouquet. Members surprised themselves after finding inner talent to produce spectacular arrangements. Credit to Chris whose gentle teaching made it a very enjoyable and fun morning. We hope to hold a further workshop later in the year.

Area demonstrator and florist Helen Temple visits in July, no meeting in August.

We welcome new members, so call Karen on 07967 555750 if you would like to know more about our events programme. We meet every fourth Thursday afternoon of the month in Cumnor Village Hall.





Article from Charlie Maynard

It has been a jam-packed start to the summer, full of fun community events and meetings on issues from housing to infrastructure, transport and flooding.

Early in May, it was a real honour to take part in some very moving events across the constituency marking the 80th anniversary of VE Day and paying tribute to everyone who served during the second world war. My Dad, grandfather, two uncles and three cousins served in the war and one of those cousins was killed in Sicily. It means a lot to me. It was also very clear from the flag raising ceremony in Carterton, to the Lighting of the Lantern of Peace outside the Corn Exchange in Witney to the wreath laying

in Carterton, that it means a lot to all of us.

Throughout May and June, Witney played host to so many wonderful events. It was a joy to spend an afternoon at the May Day Fair at the Carterton Rec. I opened the Fulbrook Fete and ended up dancing at Buckland's Fete. I had the ultimate privilege of judging the fabulous fancy dress competition at the Bampton Shirt Race and had a great day at Witney Pride, celebrating the right of everyone to live freely, as the person they are. Thank you to the organisers of all these events – and so many others taking place across the area – who put in a great deal of effort to organise these lovely days that bring our community together at the start of the summer.

Recently, I've also had some really useful conversations with local business owners at the Hexagon Business Breakfast in Witney, where we discussed issues impacting businesses and employment in the constituency – from housing, to infrastructure, to high street improvements and road maintenance. I am committed to supporting businesses across the constituency to thrive and I have taken away a lot of useful insights and next steps from that meeting, which I'll be following up on.

I met up with Lily and the dynamic team at Witney Food Revolution who do such brilliant work to redistribute excess food where it is needed in the community. Their hard work stops 14 tons of food each month from going to landfill! Please join in and help them by picking up great food and reducing food waste.

In Westminster I'm continuing to work hard exploring solutions to fix our broken water sector. Thames Water's financial woes have continued, and I have spoken to Channel 4, LBC and lots of national newspapers about what this means for their 16 million customers – including all of us in the constituency. The company is deeply in debt with about a quarter of our water bills just being spent on covering the interest payments. I have been making the case to Government Ministers, Ofwat and DEFRA that they need to put the company into special administration in order to get the company's finances back on track.

I have also raised many issues with the government, from SEND provision and funding for brain tumour research, to Thames Water's dire financial situation and how we protect and support community bus services here in West Oxfordshire.

Finally, at the end of May I walked from Goosey, through Charney Bassett, Lyford, Garford and Millet's Farm to Fyfield, meeting with residents and businesses in the parishes and villages along the way. This was the fifth walk I have done around the constituency, going out to meet people and hearing first hand about the issues they are facing in every corner of the constituency. I had fascinating conversations with people on issues from traffic management and bridge strengths to farming and national insurance rises. Thank you so much to everyone who came along to chat with me on the day.

It has been a busy and rewarding month both in Witney and in Westminster. I'm really enjoying the job and I'm so grateful to everyone who has invited me to events and taken the time to meet with me in these last few weeks. Thank you also for reading about what I have been working on. If there is anything you would like to get in touch with me about, please do drop me and my team an email at charlie.maynard.mp@parliament.uk.



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Report from Cllr Lee Evans

 **5th July (Saturday) at 1-2pm • 'Street Surgery' in KBS with Cllr Lee Evans • Near the Co-op on Faringdon Rd**



The condition of our roads is top of my list of priorities. I wanted to report back to you on what I've been doing since becoming your County Councillor to make our roads safer and fit for purpose.

Water on the roads has been an issue in recent years, sometimes caused by extreme weather but often because of blocked gullies. I'm pleased to let you know that the Council has agreed that all roadside gullies in our area will be cleaned this year. Work on gullies in Kingston Bagpuize & Southmoor is due to begin on 1st August and continue until the end of September. If you spot any issues after then, please do let me know and I will raise them on your behalf.

As you may recall, the Charney Road junction with the A420 is a major concern of mine. I'm glad to say that between 20th and 28th August, a new High Friction Surfacing (HFS) will be applied to the road at this junction (as well as the Pinewood Road junction opposite). HFS is used to increase the grip of the road surface and reduce the likelihood of skidding and accidents. I know this is only a small step forward and there is a lot more to do, but I'm pleased to see some action being taken. To follow up, I've recently met with members of the Highways Team from Oxfordshire County Council to discuss what else needs to happen at this junction. I'll continue to make sure this road is high on the Council's agenda and keep you informed of the next steps.

Since I last wrote for KBS News, I've been pleased to attend a meeting of KBS Parish Council's Road Safety Committee. Many of your local Parish Councillors have been working hard on improving road safety in and around the village for many years and I'm keen to support them in their efforts. Many thanks to the Committee for having me along.

Finally, I'm continuing to do all I can to get action on potholes and road defects. If you spot a damaged road surface, please do report it to the Council via Fix My Street. I'm regularly monitoring the map of issues reported in our area to ensure that action is being taken and, if it isn't, I will follow up on the issues you have raised.

As ever, if there is anything I can do to help you locally, please do get in touch. **To make myself available, I'll be holding a 'street surgery' in KBS on Saturday 5th July from 1-2pm near the Co-op on Faringdon Road. I'd be very glad to see you then. In the meantime, you can contact me on lee.evans@oxfordshire.gov.uk. Thank you.**



Recycle Your KBS News

We would like to assure all our readers that the paper used to print the KBS News is 100% recyclable. We know that some residents keep copies for months, and even years, but for those that don't the green bin is the place when you've read it and finished using it as your reference document for the month.



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1st Longworth Cub Scouts

We've been incredibly busy learning new skills, being creative and having fun at the 1st Longworth Cubs!

Last term the Cubs enjoyed learning about the Earth and beyond while working towards obtaining their Environmental Conservationist badge and Space badge. We were privileged to have a couple of our leaders teach the children about the planets, what it's like to go to space from an astronaut, and even got to spot the moon and planets through a telescope! A big thank you to Stellar Solutions for their kind donation to the 1st Longworth Scout Group of a projector and screen that will facilitate educational activities through the coming years!

We would also like to send out a big thank you to Geoff and all the other Karate teachers who came and spent an evening with us at the Longworth hut, demonstrating and teaching the Cubs a healthy lifestyle with warm up, stretches, and karate moves and stances. The Cubs loved practising their new moves with this fantastic Karate school @ kyushindo-martialarts.uk/home.

Now the good weather has arrived, you may see us Cubs, other Scouts, and leaders out and about the village in the evenings!



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Magnus Macfarlane Kangaroo currency

The reason for writing a monthly article about Oxford is to inspire you to go in and enjoy something that is right on your doorstep. Finding a variety of subjects one of which may just spark you into action is the goal. I'm in Oxford every week and I'm inspired and delighted by new things I find and discover. However, sometimes something comes along that should not just inspire one, but all of you to go and have a look. I was ready with copy and pictures for the editor this month, but I heard about a brand-new exhibition that just may knock that article into touch - for now.

In the Weston library at the end of Broad Street, which is part of the Bodleian library they have a rolling cycle of special exhibitions. Currently as usual, there are three, and the latest is the one that I want to bring to your attention is named Treasured. It is free – what a bargain!



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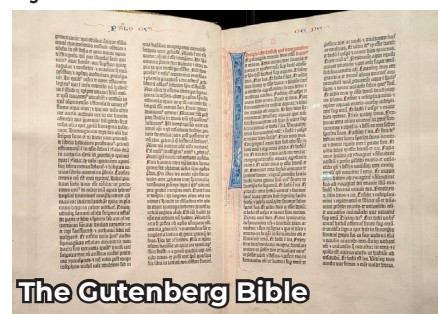


The unrolled Japanese Buddhist text

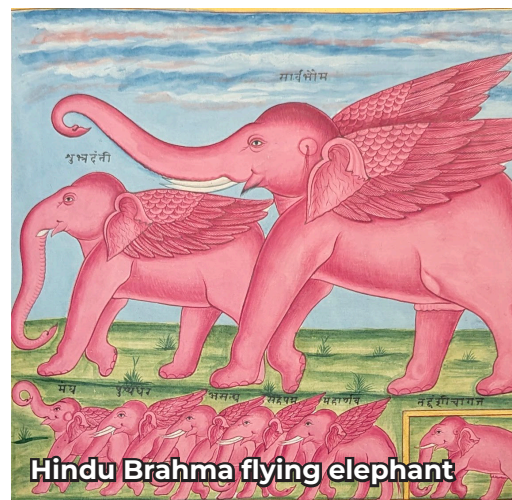
On display amongst the Magna Carta (again!); the unrolled Japanese Buddhist text written in gold; a family tree album with the founder of the Taj Mahal; the Gutenberg Bible, the first printed best seller; the European view of Ottoman slavery; the Quran battle shirt; Robert Hook's, who invented the microscope, drawing of a flea and the Hindu Brahma flying elephant, there is a carbonised papyrus scroll. It looks like a burnt log. It comes from Herculaneum and was burned at the time of the

eruption of Vesuvius in AD 79. It is desperately fragile. However, using a new technique involving scanning by the diamond light source in Harwell, we are able to read the text. "After 2000 years of silence, the scroll speaks to us." It is a lost work by the philosopher Philodemus on human vices.

There are about 340 carbonised, full scrolls in existence so how have we ended up with four at the Bod. Well, King George III was given 18 by King Ferdinand of Naples, in exchange for 18 kangaroos from the newly discovered country of Australia. Of the scrolls he received, he gave four to the Bod for safekeeping and they have been carefully kept for 200 years. Hence the title of this article: Kangaroo currency. Like all these exhibitions at the Weston, these items are on display for a finite amount of time. **Carpe diem, seize the day.**



The Gutenberg Bible



Hindu Brahma flying elephant



Kingston Bagpuize Village Art and Craft Club



Alternate Mondays at 9:30am • St. John the Baptist Church Hall

As June began all continued with their own projects as each thought about things for future sessions. In May one of our members, Sam Hook, took part in Abingdon Art Week and we were fortunate to be able to see her work on display.

The club is intended as a meeting place for making new friends, with crafting skills not a necessity as there is a range of hobbies that other members are happy to share. If you are interested in arts and craft, or you would just like to meet people who are, why not come along to one of our meetings. We now have a Facebook page 'KBS Village Art and Craft Club' for anyone wanting to see things members have made.

The club meets on alternate Mondays throughout the year in the St. John the Baptist Church Hall, Kingston Bagpuize, starting at 09.30 and finishing at midday with the first meeting being free. Our next meeting is Monday June 30th 2025. We look forward to welcoming new members.

Jean Allsworth 07397530144

PUZZLE OF THE MONTH – Animal and Continent Match Up

(Prepared by Darcey Prince)



Koala

A Grey Wolf
B Greater Kudu
C Gentoo Penguin
D Bison
E Jaguar
F Bengal Tiger

1 Europe
2 Africa
Australia
3 North America
4 Antarctica
5 Asia
6 South America

VILLAGE CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

Please Note: This is the most up to date list we have. Should anyone know of any updates please send the details to editorkbsnews@gmail.com

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