

# BROADSHEET

THE BOURTONS

January 2024



## *Welcome ...*

I'm so looking forward to the snowdrops and what the East bank of the churchyard might display this year! For those new to the Bourtons we collectively planted over 1000 bulbs 2 years ago and so we watch in anticipation especially as this will be their second Spring!

We had enormous fun at our traditional festive celebrations and byo Drop Inn. As I write (mid-December) we look forward to the next couple of weeks and enjoying the glowing Christmas lights of the Bourtons.

There are no Parish Council minutes for December as they don't meet again until 9<sup>th</sup> January.

You might note that the Brasenose Arms will be closed for meals from 1<sup>st</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> January inclusive.

Have fun everyone and take care – see you in the New Year if not before!

All the best for 2024.

*Sue*

Ps as I'm going to print I notice the Brasenose Arms advert says 20<sup>th</sup> March for Mother's Day lunch – think this should be 10<sup>th</sup> March...

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**Love to hear from you...**

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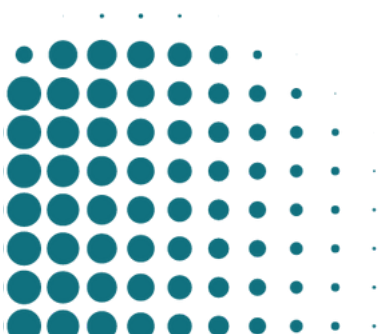
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**Bourtons' Gardening Club – Wed 10<sup>th</sup> January AGM** as in previous years this will be conducted by email. If you are interested in joining the Gardening Club or would like more information please email [annbrooks100@gmail.com](mailto:annbrooks100@gmail.com)

**Bourtons' Music Society** on **Wed 17<sup>th</sup> January** at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. This is our AGM with election of the Committee for 2024 to 2025 followed by your choice of music connected with Weather. Will it be fair or foul? What feeling will it create? Bring your own drinks. Seasonal treats will be served! Visitors, guests and prospective members are welcome to attend at £1.50pp. This is an informal group who enjoy listening to recorded music together and new members are always welcomed from the Bourtons and beyond. For info contact Margaret on 01295 758519 or Paul on 01295 750596.

**Fly the Flag, Light the Belfry** – brighten the village, bring joy, mark a memory – recognise a family anniversary, birthday or commemoration (or anything else) by flying the Flag.

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£5(£8) per day/night   £10(£16) - 3 days/nights   £20(£25) for a week  
[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/flytheflaglightthebelfry](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/flytheflaglightthebelfry)

Thank you to a generous resident who is enabling us to have All Saints church lights and belfry lit (alongside the lovely Christmas bell tower lights) throughout Christmas week – how wonderful the village looks with all the lights! Well done to all who lit up the Bourtons!

The next meeting of the **THE BOURTONS' PARISH COUNCIL** will be on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 – meetings are not held in August or December.

### **The Village Hall AGM**

will be held on **Thursday**

**18<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**7pm** in the Village Hall

### **Maggie's community coffee morning**

Join us on **Wednesday,**

**24<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**10:30am-Noon** in the  
Village Hall

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once more, on behalf of the **Church Council** and the **Friends of All Saints** for your fabulous support of the fundraising raffle, tombola, auction and generous donations! The festive weekend fundraising made over £1,100 toward the upkeep of the church.

We also, all of us, say a massive thank you to David Boddington of Barnstones, GB, who once again kindly donated the Christmas trees which are bedecked and shining out from Barnstones, the Community Hall, the bell tower and the Village Hall.

Thanks also go to Cropredy pre-school and main school children who designed the decorations for the bell tower Christmas tree – apologies if the high winds blew some away but hopefully they were able to be retrieved and re-tied or disposed of properly.



**Bourtons' Big Pudsey  
"Children in Need"  
collection**

Your donations of loose change amounted to £255.85 – this means that over the last 4 years the residents of "Generousville Bourtons" have donated over £1,000 to Children in Need!

This is a magnificent effort and we're very grateful and appreciative of your support.

Thank you...  
love Pudsey xx

# DAISY CHAIN

## STAY AND PLAY

EVERY WEDNESDAY



10AM-11.15AM

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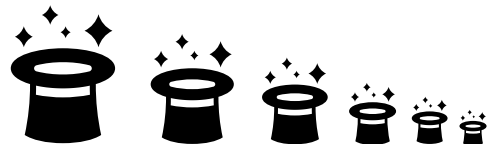


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We are thrilled to be able to support the need for transport in your parish.

**Once people join **ABILITY** and become a member, we can provide:-**

### **SHOPPER SERVICE**

- A flexible on demand weekly service into your local town or direct to your local supermarket.

### **DAYS OUT**

- Enjoy a day out at a variety of locations to include garden centres, museums, or major retail outlets. Seasonal trips to Christmas markets, pantomimes and pub lunches are also included.

### **GROUP TRAVEL**

- For community groups hire a minibus along with a fully trained driver for your own bespoke day out. Let us know name, destination, number of people and times required, and we can provide you with a quotation.

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JANUARY



## BURNS NIGHT

*Bringing a touch of the Highlands  
to the heart of England*

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

*with Piper Richard Jasper*

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

*see website for menu*

**£35 per person**

FEBRUARY



## VALENTINES DINNER

**10<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> of February - 7pm**

**3-course menu for two - £90**

*includes a bottle of Prosecco*

*(Dine-at-home experience*

*with full instructions - £75)*

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

*see website for menu*

MARCH



## MOTHER'S DAY LUNCH

*"To the world you are a mother, but to your  
family you are the world."*

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

**BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

*see website for menu*

**from £16.95 per person**

**PLEASE NOTE - After New Year's Eve, we will be closed for meals until 12<sup>th</sup> January**



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**THE BOURTONS PARISH COUNCIL**  
***Great & Little Bourton, Banbury, Oxfordshire***

**MEETINGS CALENDAR**

**2024**

Bourtons PC meetings are held on the  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each relevant month.

No scheduled meeting takes place  
in August or December.

JANUARY : Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

FEBRUARY : Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>

MARCH : Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>

APRIL : Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>  
(preceeded by Annual Parish meeting)

MAY : Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>  
(preceeded by Annual Council meeting)

JUNE : Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>

JULY : Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

SEPTEMBER : Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup>

OCTOBER : Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>

NOVEMBER : Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>

All meetings are held in the Community Hall

## January...Down at the Dirt House

Little Bourton

**Dickie / Michelle / Vicki  
look forward to welcoming you!**



Special events/what's coming up:

**Thurs, 18<sup>th</sup> : Brush Party, Paint & Sip!** 7-10pm :  
please pre-book £33pp –  
[brushparty.co.uk/events/gustav-klimts-cat-banbury/](http://brushparty.co.uk/events/gustav-klimts-cat-banbury/)

**Thurs, 25<sup>th</sup> : Burns night** – pre-booking essential (tel nos below)

**Sat, 27<sup>th</sup> : Band night,** 9pm – Greg Ford

**Winter opening hours** (food service hours in brackets) - for table  
or any other bookings please call 01295 758329 or 07921 512404

Monday-Wednesday:	Closed - available for functions.
Thursday & Friday:	<b>Open 4-11pm</b> (4-8:30pm)
Saturday:	<b>Open Noon-11pm</b> (Noon-8:30pm)
Sunday:	<b>Open 1-6pm</b> (no food service)

Are you looking for a venue for your next event? Please do not hesitate  
to contact us.... we love a good party!

Banbury United Lottery Tickets available for £1

...and much, much more to look forward to in February and March:  
15<sup>th</sup> Feb – Bingo; 9<sup>th</sup> Mar – Breast Cancer fundraiser Race Night;  
21<sup>st</sup> Mar – Bingo; 30<sup>th</sup> Mar – Live music from Flaming Keys

**Little Bourton WhatsApp Group** call Bobbie on 07730 570639 to join.



## Shires' Edge Benefice - January

<b>When:</b>		<b>Service:</b>	<b>Where:</b>
<b>31<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	<b>10<sup>am</sup></b>	<b>New Year's Eve – United Benefice Communion</b>	<b>Gt Bourton</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan Sun Epiphany	10 <sup>am</sup>	Ring in the New Year – United Benefice Communion	Cropredy
<b>14<sup>th</sup> Sun</b> Epiphany 2	9 <sup>am</sup>	Holy Communion	Claydon
	10 <sup>am</sup>	Family service	Wardington
		Seeker service	Cropredy
	<b>11<sup>am</sup></b>	<b>Sunday at All Saints</b>	<b>Gt Bourton</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> Sun</b> Epiphany 3	9:30 <sup>am</sup>	Holy Communion	Cropredy
	<b>11<sup>am</sup></b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>Gt Bourton</b>
	4 <sup>pm</sup>	Evening prayer - Christingle	Mollington
28 <sup>th</sup> Sun Candlemas Presentation of Christ in the Temple	10 <sup>am</sup>	Holy Communion	Mollington
		Family Communion	Wardington
	4 <sup>pm</sup>	Evening prayer - Christingle	Claydon

Please note that All Saints GB is open for services and morning prayer only until the clock change in March. Every Tues Noon is the Iona Communion service at Cropredy. **Morning prayers 9am Mon Bourtons**; Tues Claydon; Wed Cropredy; Thurs Mollington; Fri Wardington. The Bourtons' bell tower is available for prayer and reflection.

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## Bourtons' goings-on... January

CH = Community Hall					DH = Dirt House		VH = Village Hall	
When			What			Where		
9 <sup>th</sup>	Tues	7:30 <sup>pm</sup>	Parish Council meeting			CH		
10 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	7:30 <sup>pm</sup>	Gardening Club AGM			email		
17 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	7:30 <sup>pm</sup>	Music Society			VH		
18 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	7 <sup>pm</sup>	Village Hall AGM					
		7-10 <sup>pm</sup>	Brush Party – Paint & Sip!			DH		
24 <sup>th</sup>	Wed	10:30-Noon	Community coffee morning			VH		
25 <sup>th</sup>	Thurs	tba	Burns night			DH		
27 <sup>th</sup>	Sat	9 <sup>pm</sup>	Live music – Greg Ford					



**Remember, remember...** Please don't forget to cut the used stamps off your envelopes and save them for the British Hedgehog Preservation Society – stamps may be dropped in letterboxes at

Pauline - Alnecot, School Lane;  
Sue - Mulberry Corner, Crow Lane or  
Kate - Barnsend, Main Street.

### Foodbank

contributions may be left with  
Gina Cumming, Greenslade,  
Crow Lane, GB

(Please leave items under covered area near door)  
Please only donate items which are **'in date'**.

Items are taken to the Banbury Foodbank

**Thank you!**