

The Padbury Parish Pump



June / July



I am certain it won't have escaped your attention that this issue of The Pump is significantly more colourful than previous issues. For that, we can thank **Nicki Hoddy at The New Inn, Padbury**, who has kindly sponsored the additional cost for printing the June/July issue of The Pump in colour. See page 18 for news of what's happening at The New Inn in the near future.



A colour copy of The Pump has always been available for viewing online through the [Padbury Parish Council website](#).

To take full advantage of this opportunity, I've included this photo of some of the lovely blossom that we enjoyed around Padbury this spring. This photo was taken by **Kathryn Carleton** and shows a view of Main Street that is familiar to me from when I lived in Bryne Lane.

I hope you enjoy this issue of The Pump, and that you have a wonderful summer, taking advantage of the regular and the special events planned for Padbury.

Best wishes from all of us at the Padbury Parish Pump.



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Welcome to the June / July issue



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Please submit items for the Pump to the editor by email no later than **Friday 24th July 2026**. Any copy or changes received more than **two days** after the deadline *will not be included*. Please **do not** leave your article submission to the last minute!

My sincere apologies for the late publication of the previous issue of The Pump. There was a mix-up over email addresses and it meant the printed copy wasn't available for distribution until Easter had passed.

My thanks go to **Nicki at The New Inn, Padbury** for sponsoring the additional costs involved with printing this issue of The Pump in colour. I hope you all like it.

I've listed the forthcoming deadlines for The Pump below. I try to be a little forgiving with dates, and allow an additional couple of days before the hard cut-off when articles will be rejected for that issue. However, I ask that you please do not take it right up to the wire with your submissions. Please submit your article before the deadline if possible.

Issue	Deadline
August / September	24th July
October / November	25th September
December / January	20th November 2026
February / March 2027	22nd January 2027
April / May 2027	19th March 2027
Any copy or changes received more than two days after these deadlines will not be included in that issue.	

Please note changes to contact details for Parish Council members, the Parish Council website, the advertising contact, the Church contact, and the book swap contact.

If you're reading the Pump online, you can click on links to open an email already pre-addressed in your email program, or to jump to the relevant website address.

Thanks to you, the readers, and to the regular contributors and advertisers, The Pump will remain a source of news and information from in and around Padbury, so please keep those articles coming in.

As usual, I would like to thank the Parish Council for helping to fund The Pump's production costs, to thank the regular contributors of the articles without which the magazine wouldn't be as interesting; to thank Sylvia Patchett and her team for distributing the Pump; and to thank you all for taking the time to read the Pump.

As before, there will be a colour copy of this issue available on the [Padbury Parish Council](#) website after it has been circulated to all households in the village.

Dex



Padbury Parish Council

THANK YOU TO MICHAEL JACKSON

We would like to thank Michael Jackson (Mick) for being the gatekeeper at Padbury Pavilion car park for over twenty years. We appreciate your service to the village and wish you well in your retirement.

RE-ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the Annual Parish Meeting held on 13th May, **Cllr. Craig Dinwoodie** was re-elected as Chair and **Cllr. Vicky Murray** was re-elected as Vice Chair. Appointments were also made to village and other organisations. Full details are available on the village noticeboard or online on the Padbury Parish Council website (May's meeting minutes).

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The Annual Parish Meeting was held on 15th April. Padbury Parish Council welcomed reports from the village organisations both verbally and in writing as an update to inform us about what has been happening in the past year and what is planned for the coming months. Thank you to all those who attended including **Claire McHenry** representing Padbury Pre-school, **Tina Mitchell** representing The Friendly Society and **Kathryn Carleton** representing the Speedwatch Group. Copies of the reports can be viewed online on the Padbury Parish Council website.

REMINDER - BUCKINGHAMSHIRE'S BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETITION

Just a reminder to everyone that the judges will be inspecting the village from 1st June to 14th July. Marks are given to the provision, maintenance, and overall appearance of the following:

1. The graveyard
2. Green, playing field, children's play area, outdoor recreation facilities, designated nature conservation area (Millennium Wood)
3. Floral Displays (hanging baskets, tubs, planters, flower beds etc.)
4. Community facilities (Village Hall, Padbury Pavilion)
5. General environmental features (hedges, verges, ditches, pond, stream etc.)
6. Padbury Meats, The Blackbird, The New Inn
7. Bus stops, bus shelters, public seating, dog bins, notice boards, information signs
8. War memorial
9. Quality of entry - up to date and detailed map with features highlighted
10. Evidence of community engagement (eg. website, newsletter, posters and general community involvement in the Competition)

28th JUNE - A VILLAGE PICNIC AND SPECTACULAR

You are welcome to bring your gazebo and picnic to Springfields Pavilion on **Sunday 28th June** to enjoy a day of fun and games with a performance of **The Hound of the Baskervilles by the Pantaloons** and an early evening musical performance by Padbury's own **Miles Nottage**. There will be fun for all the family including face painting, ice creams, a tombola, a tug of war and large toys for the little ones. Please email or phone **Trish** for free tickets: trishi-r@tiscali.co.uk or tel. **07778 172008**. We look forward to seeing there.

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GATEKEEPER REQUIRED FOR PADBURY PAVILION CAR PARK

A gatekeeper position has become available. The successful candidate will be expected to both unlock and lock the gate daily. Please contact the Parish Clerk for further information and to apply.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM

The Buckingham Neighbourhood Policing Team is made up of 3 Police Constables (PCs) and 2 Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs), dedicated to serving and supporting the local community across a wide area covering 34 towns and villages, including Padbury.

We are based at Buckingham Police Base, Unit 12 Swan Business Centre, Osier Way, Buckingham, MK18 1TB, on the industrial estate, and work closely with residents, partner agencies and local organisations to tackle crime, address community concerns and help keep our neighbourhoods safe.

The best way to report incidents to us is by calling 999 in an emergency or when a crime is in progress, or 101 for non-emergency reports.

For general enquiries or event attendance requests, you can contact us via email at buckinghamanddistrictnhpt2@thamesvalley.police.uk; however, this inbox is not monitored in real time and must not be used to report incidents.

PCSO Emily Blackwell C9688

PLANNING MATTERS

Decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council (Aylesbury Vale):

There have been no new decisions made at this time.

The Parish Council has objected to the two applications proposing a total of up to 110 houses either side of the A413 in the village.

Please note that individual comments on planning applications posted on the Buckinghamshire Council website are no longer visible online due to data protection.

To view local planning applications, decisions and to comment online, please use the link below:

<https://publicaccess.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/online-applications/>

VILLAGE STEWARDS AND WORKING PARTIES

You may have seen several councillors (and former councillors) around the village recently. **Fred and Chris Morris** have removed the old concrete tunnels from the Main Street Play Area. **Cllr. Dickens** has reinstated the ground. The tunnels were highlighted by a ROSPA inspection as posing a potential risk. **Cllr. Manasse** has applied non-slip paint to some of the play equipment to make it safer. **Cllr. Dickens** has also repaired the five-bar gate in Millennium Wood. **Cllr. Tulud** has been cleaning street signs and **Cllr. Dinwoodie** has been seen out with gardening tools getting the village ready for the Best Kept Village Competition.

Cllr. Dinwoodie runs regular working parties which are very sociable and relaxed. Being involved in a working party involves volunteering for a couple of hours at a weekend to get together for positive improvement, light maintenance, tree pruning, litter picking, weed clearing etc. This encourages both community interaction and helps to keep our costs down. Thank you to all our volunteers.



If you are interested in volunteering for a date or have any suggestions regarding any jobs that we can collectively take care of to improve our environment, please do contact Cllr. Dinwoodie or the Parish Clerk. There are both one-off and regular maintenance jobs, some taking just a few minutes to a few hours.

Thank you for your consideration.

ROAD CLOSURES

For up-to-date information regarding road closures please check out Padbury Parish Council website, our Facebook page or visit <https://one.network/>

HIRE OF PADBURY PAVILION

Please visit the Parish Council website for details of the hire charges and conditions of hire. Alternatively, please contact the Parish Clerk who can provide further details and check availability.

COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH – WE WELCOME VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN US!

Would you like to consider joining our team of Community Speedwatch volunteers out in the village in their hi-vis jackets collecting data and deterring speeding motorists?

By becoming part of this campaign, you can play a part in sharing this data with Thames Valley Police to help prevent vehicles travelling at excess speeds in Padbury. As well as increasing Police presence this could lead to further traffic calming measures being implemented. Full training is offered for all new volunteers. This would include gathering data with two other volunteers at the roadside as vehicles pass. The Parish Clerk can provide further details.

USEFUL LINKS – A REMINDER

FIX MY STREET <https://fixmystreet.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/> - please note that this is the site used to report potholes, pavement damage etc.

FLOOD ALERTS <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

ROAD CLOSURES <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-transport/check-for-roadworks-and-closures/>

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HIGHWAYS - to report fallen trees etc. Tel. 01296 382416 (during office hours) or 01296 486630 (out of hours emergencies).

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE PLANNING APPLICATIONS (from August '25) <https://publicaccess.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/online-applications/>

DOG FOULING <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/street-cleaning/report-dog-fouling-inline/>

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE – news <https://padburyparishcouncil.gov.uk/news>

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Full copies of the agendas and minutes from meetings can be viewed on the Parish Council website or outside the village hall on the village noticeboard.

Our meetings will be held at 7pm at Padbury Pavilion on the following dates:

10th June, 12th August, 14th October, 9th December

Residents are welcome to attend.



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Kid's Corner

Hello sunshine explorers!

Welcome to a bright and cheerful edition of Kid's Corner, where we're celebrating everything AMAZING about Summertime! Whether you love splashing in water, eating ice cream, or staying up a little later, Summer is full of fun, surprises, and adventure. Remember if you'd like to be a junior editor and contribute to our next edition (HOLIDAYS), send your contribution to clerk@padburyparishcouncil.gov.uk

5 COOL SUMMER FACTS

1. The longest day of the year happens in summer—it's called the summer solstice!
2. The sun is higher in the sky during summer, making days longer.
3. Watermelon is made of over 90% water—perfect for hot days!
4. Flip-flops were first worn thousands of years ago!
5. The hottest temperature ever recorded on Earth was over 56°C!

EASY SUMMER RECIPE: FRUITY ICE POPS

You'll Need:

- 250ml fruit juice (orange, apple, or a mix)!
- Chopped fresh fruit (like strawberries, bananas, or kiwi)
- Ice pop moulds (or small cups)
- Sticks or spoons

Steps:

1. Add a few pieces of fruit into each mould or cup.
2. Pour the juice over the fruit.
3. Place a stick or spoon in the middle.
4. Freeze for at least 4-6 hours.
5. Take them out and enjoy your icy treat!

5 SUNNY SUMMER JOKES

1. What do you call a snowman in summer?
A puddle!
2. Why did the sun go to school?
To get brighter!
3. Why did the ice cream truck break down?
Because of the rocky road!
4. Why did the beach blush?
Because the seaweed!
5. What do frogs drink in summer?
Croak-a-cola!



Summer Wordsearch Fun!

Summer

a	b	c	b	e	a	c	h	i	i	k	s
t	n	o	p	q	r	h	o	t	c	w	w
s	l	o	l	l	y	e	l	g	e	i	i
h	i	m	n	o	p	q	i	s	c	u	m
i	c	y	z	a	b	c	d	e	r	g	s
r	s	u	m	m	e	r	a	q	e	s	u
t	c	w	a	r	m	a	y	s	a	e	i
g	r	i	j	k	l	m	n	h	m	q	t
s	e	u	v	w	x	y	z	o	b	c	y
e	s	u	n	n	y	k	l	r	n	o	p
q	m	s	t	u	v	w	x	t	z	a	b
s	s	u	n	g	l	a	s	s	e	s	n

beach	lolly	sunny
holiday	shorts	swimsuit
hot	summer	t-shirt
ice cream	sunglasses	warm

Summertime Colouring Fun!



Final Splash!

Summer is a time for laughter, adventure, and making memories with friends and family. Whether you're enjoying a cool treat, telling jokes, or playing outside, every sunny day is a chance for fun.

So, grab your hat, put on some sunscreen, and go enjoy the sunshine!

See you next time in Kid's Corner!



Padbury Village Hall

100+ Club Lottery

The Grand Draw for the 2025/2026 lottery was held at the, very well attended, social evening in March.

Winners were:

- 1st £250, No 22- Claire & Peter McHenry.
- 2nd £150, No 140- Tina Caitlin.
- 3rd £100, No 71-Mr P Fisher.
- 4th £50, No 84 – Sally-Ann Meadows.

There is still time to join the 2026/2027 lottery, which will commence at the end of June.

Should you wish to join please contact, **Wendy Bull** - email@wendybull.co.uk, by the **15th July**.

FCC Communities Foundation Grant

It's a year since the leaky village hall roof was replaced, this was made possible with the aid of a generous grant from the FCC Communities Foundation.

The village hall committee would like to express their thanks to the FCC.

A date for your diary

A celebration of local crafts and produce.

This popular Christmas Fair (apologies for the use of that word in June!) will be held on the **5th December**. For more information or to reserve a table, please contact **Pam Sirett** - pamsirett725@btinternet.com

Coffee mornings

There is a coffee morning at the village hall on the first Friday of every month, from 10.30am until 12 noon.

We look forward to seeing you for a cuppa, homemade cake and a chat.

Hiring the village hall

There is now the facility to book the village hall online.

The website address is: <https://padburyvillagehall.org>. Once there you will be asked to set up an account (this should only take a couple of minutes). That will give you access to our calendar and everything you need to book.

For further information please contact the Booking Secretary, **Sue Hamp** susanepaxtono2@outlook.com or **07725 565219**.

Wendy Bull, Secretary



Padbury Village Football Club



The Club celebrated another successful season with all its participants from Mini Kickers, through the aged groups – Vipers, Eagles, Panthers, Pumas, Falcons, Cougars, Raptors and adult 1st team, at our end-of-season awards in May.



Individual and team awards were presented with tasty food supplied by Prego.

Padbury Raptors U16s Head Coach **Nick Horwood** oversaw his final season coaching the team after 8 years with the boys, and the Club is extremely grateful for all his support over the years. Padbury Cougars U14s finished a very close 3rd in their Division with minimal points separating the top 3 teams in the division. They should achieve promotion in recognition of such a positive season and the Falcons U12s finished the season strongly boding well for next season.

At the non-competitive aged groups U11s, U10s, U8s and U7s, the season concluded with each team enjoying a number of positive results as they continue their development. Mini Kickers continues to thrive with new youngsters joining the Club to play football for fun. The Club would like to thank **Evan Grace**, who has assisted in running Mini Kickers and wish him good luck at University next year.

The Club would like to acknowledge the continued support from multiple sources for their assistance in 2025/26 including the Parish Council; villagers/supporters; parents; sponsors – particularly New Star Games who sponsor all the Youth teams kit; Grants – Football Foundation & Co-op Local Community Scheme; and Thornton College who assist in hosting Padbury 'home' matches. A special thank you to **Paul Maycock** who manages the Club tuck shop on Saturday mornings providing excellent bacon butties with meat supplied by **Padbury Meats**.

With Club membership continually growing, the Club is grateful for all support, in varying capacities, that enables the Club to provide access to football, for boys & girls, from age 5 to adult.

Information including fixtures, match reports, newsletters, and events can be found at www.pvfc.org.uk. Anybody interested in playing, volunteering, refereeing, running the match day tuckshop, or sponsorship, should contact **Peter** (Chairman), petermchenry@hotmail.com, **07740 930913** or **Mike** (Director of Football), Mikey.marsh71@gmail.com.





The Blackbird Pub

One month in and The Blackbird is flying

After a wonderful first month back, The Blackbird is well and truly open for business and what a month it's been. The café is buzzing, our volunteer bakers are keeping the cake tins full, and the bar team has found its rhythm, welcoming regulars old and new. Our first big Sunday lunch served over 50 covers, five picnic tables are now installed outside just in time for summer, and with events ranging from car shows to disco bingo, there's something for everyone this Summer.

Behind the scenes, a brilliant team of volunteers keeps everything running from pulling pints to mopping floors and we couldn't be more grateful. And later this month we'll be sharing our community prospectus, setting out our hopes for The Blackbird's long-term future.

Coming up in June

- Sat 6** - Quilters Morning, 10am - 1pm
- Wed 10** - Women Who Wine, 5pm onwards
- Sat 13** - Disco Bingo, 7 - 11pm (£10/person, 4 games, prizes — pay by card at the bar)
- Sun 14** - Wheels of Interest Car Show & Bacon Rolls, 10am - 1pm
- Wed 17** - Cards night, Burgers & FIFA World Cup: England vs Croatia, live on TV, 9pm
- Sun 21** - Father's Day - Ploughman's Lunch, Pre-orders
- Tue 23** - FIFA World Cup: England vs Ghana, live on TV, 9pm
- Wed 24** - Quiz Night with Tabs & Fliss, arrive 7pm for 7.30pm start
- Sat 27** - Watercolour Pencil Art Class, 10am - 1pm, Pre-bookings
- Sun 28** - Padbury Presents 'The Hound of The Baskervilles', Padbury Pavillion, from 11.30am (show 3pm). The Blackbird will be serving Pimm's wine and more alongside the New Inn who will be serving ale, lager and ciders.

Follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/theblackbirdpadbury



The Blackbird

Do you need a lift?

Do you need help with transport for hospital or any other appointments, or perhaps collecting shopping or prescriptions?

If so, there are people in the village who are happy and willing to help.

Initially, please call Sara Birch; although she may not necessarily be able to help you herself, she should be able to find someone who can!

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Best Kept Village Competition

We have entered the Best Kept Village Competition

Please help to keep our village tidy

Judging takes place in June & July

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- ★ Picnic & Games – 11:30
- ★ Show time: Hound of the Miles Nottage – 17:00

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BURY MEATS... THE BASKERVILLES

Monday 28th June 2026
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11:30am - 11:30am
11:30am onwards
The Baskervilles - 15:00pm - 17:00pm
17:00pm - 18:30pm

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Rare butterflies in the Millennium Woods

Larvae (caterpillars) of the Black Hairstreak butterfly have recently been discovered in the Millennium Woods. The Black Hairstreak is one of Britain's rarest butterflies and it is found in only about 50 sites that lie in an arc corresponding to the deep clay soil running from Oxford to Peterborough. To our knowledge, this is the first record of the species in Padbury.

Butterflies of the Black Hairstreak are very difficult to spot. They are on the wing for only a few weeks a year from the end of June to the beginning of July. They have a wingspan of less than 4 cm and they spend much of their time high up in the canopy of mature trees feeding on honeydew secreted by tree-living aphids. It is difficult to distinguish (especially at a distance) the Black Hairstreak from the more common White-letter Hairstreak.

In July the butterflies lay eggs singly on Blackthorn stems and the eggs overwinter there until hatching into caterpillars the following Spring when the Blackthorn comes in to leaf and the larvae start to feed. The eggs and the caterpillars are extremely hard to spot. They are small, few in number and extremely well-camouflaged.



Luckily, however, it has recently been discovered that the caterpillars can be made to fluoresce bright blue/green if illuminated with ultraviolet (UV) light, and thus they become readily visible at night using UV torchlight. Using this method with torches purchased by Greener Padbury Group, GPG members and Parish councillors have found Black Hairstreak larvae on Blackthorn leaves at sites throughout the Woods, and although few in number the larvae are well-distributed. The larvae of the Black hairstreak are readily identifiable and clearly distinct from those of other closely-related butterflies.

The Black Hairstreak has been in steep decline and it is under threat of disappearing from the UK. It is now a 'Red List' species and all stages of its life-cycle are to be protected.

The presence of the larvae in the Woods raises important questions about management there. Since the eggs, the larvae and the pupae (chrysalises) of the butterfly are present on Blackthorn nearly all-year round, it is vitally important that the plant is very carefully managed. The butterflies require tall and undisturbed stands of mature Blackthorn on which to lay their eggs, and nearby mature broad-leaf trees (particularly Ash) with aphids that in summer supply the secreted honeydew upon which the butterflies feed. We are currently seeking advice on optimal management practises from the UK expert on the

butterfly and we will work closely with the Parish Council to implement these.

It is important that we do all we can to help the butterfly thrive in the Woods, and if it does so, we can be very proud to have a newly-discovered population of the Black Hairstreak in Padbury.

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Padbury Community Allotment

Volunteers Needed for Our Community Allotment

Our community allotment has already achieved a huge amount thanks to the dedication and hard work of a small group of volunteers. Over the past 18 months, many of the major groundwork projects have been completed, including clearing overgrown areas, preparing growing beds, building the shed and greenhouse, and creating a small wildlife pond. With these foundations now in place, we are excited to move into the next stage of development and focus on growing and maintaining the space.

Community allotments offer many valuable benefits. They provide opportunity to spend time outdoors, learn new skills, improve wellbeing, and connect with both nature and other members of the community. They also help provide fresh produce, encourage biodiversity and create a welcoming space.

We are seeking volunteers of all ages and abilities to help with regular maintenance, planting, watering, tidying, and general care of the allotment throughout the growing season. Whether you can spare an hour occasionally or would like to become more regularly involved, your support would be greatly appreciated.

No prior gardening experience is necessary—just enthusiasm and a willingness to lend a hand.

If you'd like to get involved or find out more, we would love to hear from you. Please contact **Sarah** at agreenerpadbury@gmail.com



Padbury WI

Padbury WI had a change of plan for our April meeting so our two new Presidents talked about their lives and careers, **Melissa** on her work for Discover Bucks Museum and **Izzy** on her role as a prison nurse.

For our May meeting **Lucy Read of Daisy First Aid** explained about CPR and we were all able to give it a try on the resuscitation manikins. This ties in with the ongoing WI campaign '*Bystanders can be lifesavers*'.

Steve Parker will be joining us for our meeting on 11 th June to talk about his time serving in the drug squad at the MET. Our talk on 9th July will be by **Alan Watt** on the **Florence Nightingale Hospice**.

Find out more about Padbury WI by visiting our website, padburywi.weebly.com or email padburywi@gmail.com.



Sue Christelow, Secretary



The New Inn, Padbury

Early summer has been hot already, and we are looking forward to more good weather! The New Inn pub garden is hidden round the back and accessed from the car park entrance, but rest assured, we definitely have one! Our tucked-away, secret village pub garden is looking lovely and is ready to welcome you all for those long, sunny afternoons and evenings. We have also been busy carrying out some work on our quaint children's playhouse, which is now completely refreshed and ready to keep the little ones amused while you relax!



Food Vans

We have several brilliant independent food trucks visiting over the coming weeks, with a few more to be confirmed in the pipeline. Come along, enjoy the sunshine, and support these fantastic local vendors with us:

- Wednesday **3rd June**: Gurkha Streetfood
- Thursday **4th June**: Friends & Flavours
- Saturday **6th June**: Gyro World
- Saturday **13th June**: Addy's Chopz
- Thursday **18th June**: Friends & Flavours
- Thursday **2nd July**: Friends & Flavours

For all our food truck nights, the setup is easy: grab your drink of choice from the bar, find a cosy seat inside or head outside to the garden, and step over to the van to grab your feast! You are always welcome to dine inside the pub, too.

At The New Inn, we prioritise serving an excellent variety of top-tier real ales, rotating our pumps regularly to highlight the finest local and regional independent breweries alongside the classics you know and love. We settle for nothing less than absolute perfection with every single pour, taking specialised care to serve up a flawless, velvety pint of exceptional Guinness every time. We also believe no one should ever feel left out of the fun, which is why we proudly stock a fantastic, expansive range of alcohol-free beers and zero-proof spirits. The New Inn is committed to being a safe, lively, and fully inclusive space where absolutely everyone can pull up a chair and feel at home.

Music, Music, Music... What a night that was!

A huge thanks to everyone who joined us in the garden on Bank Holiday Monday (25th May)! With 33-degree heat, ice-cold drinks, legendary burgers from **Friends & Flavours**, and the incredible '**Down to the Cords**' smashing the live music, you made the final hours of the long weekend absolutely unforgettable. We love our community!

Our next booked live music event will be on **Saturday 1st August**. Pencil in the date—it's going to be a lively one!



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Speaking of great nights, we had another successful fun quiz night on 17th May! It was so lovely to see so many new faces alongside our regulars. We really appreciate your support in making our pub the place to be on a Sunday night. A massive shout-out to our quiz master, **Yaz**, for running the quiz, and to **Scarlet** for cooking up the nibbles!

Quiz Night Details Going Forward:

- Sunday 14th June at 7pm (Maximum 6 per team)
(Please note: There will be no quiz in July, so make sure you catch us for the June date!)

Charity Update

Special thanks for your incredible support! In April we raised **£120 for the Air Ambulance**, and in May we raised **£126 for Mind UK**. We are truly proud of our New Inn community!

A Quick Family Update & Summer Closure Dates

Family always comes first! This summer, my youngest daughter, Scarlet, is undergoing major back surgery. To make sure she gets the absolute best full-time care and recovery (initially 12 weeks), I will be pausing pub operations for a couple of brief periods to focus completely on her.

Here are the dates to pop in your diary so you don't miss out on a pint:

- Temporarily closed: **20th June – 25th June**
- Temporarily closed: **From 8th July** (Exact reopening date to be confirmed)

Because procedure timelines can be a bit unpredictable, I will keep you all updated on our [The New Inn Padbury Facebook](#) page as soon as our July reopening date is locked in. Thank you all so much for your incredible loyalty and backing.

The New Inn is so much more than just a business and a family home. It is a piece of our village history, steeped in generations of memories, stories, and that irreplaceable, original quirkiness you can only find in a true, traditional British pub.

This November, I will proudly celebrate 25 years as your licensee. A quarter of a century of serving you, listening to you, laughing with you, helping and supporting you, and building a genuine, real community within these historic walls. You can't replicate or copy true heritage, and you can't buy the decades of love that hold this place together. Every single pint poured, every event hosted, and every smile at the bar comes from the heart. Your support, your loyalty, and your presence are what keep this beautiful village pub alive and kicking. Let's keep our history going strong.



Happy Summertime... Nicki



Padbury Fun Day ...

The Hound of the Baskervilles

... presented by **The Pantaloons**

Sunday 28th June - Padbury Pavilion

This is a free event, and you can join in for any part of the day. There will be a bucket collection at the end and any proceeds will be shared among Padbury organisations.

You could gather friends and family; pitch a gazebo; bring your own table, chairs and stylish feast.

Or, you could bag some of the shared space in the marquee.

Or, you could join others in the welcome gazebo, which will right be near to the entrance, and if you take some small contribution to a 'bring and share' picnic, you will already be a popular guest!

Whichever you choose, please reserve your spot by dropping a message to **Trish**: trishi-r@tiscali.co.uk or **07778 172008**

Plan your day

10.30am – 11.30am and after 6.30pm are the **ONLY** times to set up and dismantle gazebos. Some spots will be reserved for service providers, please check for available pitches when you arrive.

11.30am onwards - Social time with background music

3pm – 5pm Performance time – The Hound of the Baskervilles

5pm – 6.30pm Chill time with Miles Nottage

Eating and Drinking – please come prepared with cash.

Padbury Meats will be selling the usual temptations from their BBQ.

The New Inn and **The Blackbird** will both have bars.

An Ice Cream Van will be visiting.

Extra activities will include:

- A tug o' war – under 18 girls/boys, over 18 women/men, start gathering a team
- Face painting
- Floor games for children to borrow
- W.I. Tombola
- Poetry from Marcus

For everyone's comfort: As stated above, cars and set up will only be allowed between 10.30 and 11.30am and to clear after 6.30pm. Parking is limited so please drop off and walk if you possibly can, and be mindful of local residents.

Please be aware of emergency exits and make sure they are clear at all times.

Please time your arrival to ensure that there is no coming and going during the Pantaloons performance.

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Dogs **will not be allowed** on the site.

Please take all your rubbish home with you.

Finally, if you are able to offer a little help with directing or constructing for a couple of hours either from 9.30am or after 6.30pm please contact **Margaret 07720 285978** or templeton.padbury@gmail.com

Come and join us for a wonderful Padbury day! The Pantaloons are a really sought after theatre group and their performance will be full of laughter and fun and suitable for all ages and if, by some amazing fluke, you haven't heard **Miles** or **Marcus** perform, you are in for a great treat.

Bingo

Bingo is still going strong. We had a few new people come along lately, which is lovely to see. By the time this goes out we will be on our summer break - there will be no bingos on the following dates: Fridays 29th May, 5th June and the 12th June. **Normal service will restart on the 19th of June.**

I would like to send a big thank you to everyone for their kind wishes after my recent stay in the Heart Ward at the John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford. Thankfully the op went very well and I'm on the mend, although not as quickly maybe as I would like. I'd like to give a big shoutout to my ladies, **Trevi, Donna, Marion, Debbie** and **Dawn** for all their help. If it hadn't been for them there wouldn't have been a Bingo for quite a few weeks as I definitely could not have done it without them.

Everyone is very welcome to come along on a Friday night and join us. Just keep your eyes on the Padbury Village Facebook site and I will let you know whether or not Bingo is on that week. Again big thanks for all the good wishes.

Regards Carol.

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Would you like to tackle the problem of speeding within Padbury Village?

If your answer is 'YES' to the above, then please get in touch and join the existing volunteers of the Padbury Community Speedwatch Group.

Please contact Carol (Parish Clerk) via:

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Join Us!

Winslow and District Art Society was established over thirty years ago by like minded people who enjoyed creating art. This is a friendly group that meets regularly to paint, and watch demonstrations. We support each other and all media and abilities are most welcome.

Exhibitions are held twice a year in Spring and Winter. This is an opportunity to show and sell your work and take an active part in a very rewarding weekend.

Demonstrations are on the evening of the last Thursday of the month in Winslow Bowls Club hall. Weekly painting groups meet in Padbury village hall on Tuesday mornings and Winslow Bowls Club on Thursday mornings. Places are dependant on space and there is a small charge to cover the cost of the hall

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE OUR WEBSITE
www.winslowart.org.uk
or our Facebook page
Or contact : Cheryl, Monica or Jackie

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The Village Calendar

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
10th June 12th August 14th October 9th December	Parish Council Meeting	Padbury Pavilion
First Friday each month 10:30 until 12:00	Coffee and cake morning	Padbury Village Hall
28 June	The Hound of the Baskevilles	Padbury Pavilion
5 December	Christmas Fair	Padbury Village Hall

* Refer to the village Facebook page, Parish website, Village Hall website or this and future issues of The Pump for information.

** Coffee mornings at the Village Hall are held from 10:30am on the first Friday of every month.



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St Mary the Virgin, Padbury

Services at St. Mary's in June and July

7 June and 5 July	10:30am	Village praise
14 June and 12 July	10:30am	Holy Communion, Common Worship
21 June and 19 July	9:00am	Holy Communion, Book of Common Prayer

St Mary's normally is open during daylight hours and ready to welcome you. Should there be periods of really hot weather, feel free to go into church to cool off.

You might also not realise that between the pulpit and the Lady Chapel altar, there are small candles waiting to be lit, perhaps to remember a loved one. There are also prayer cards either for you to use in church or to take home.

Have you visited the Quiet Garden at the bottom of the churchyard yet? It is a beautiful spot with two comfortable seats one in memory of Bill Thatcher and the other to remember Dickie Cox, both well-loved Padbury residents.

On **Sunday, 28 June** there is to be an exciting event at Padbury Pavilion and Sports Ground. You are invited to take your own picnic and gazebo, but we want to assure you that St Mary's will be there with its own gazebo to welcome ANYBODY who would like to join us.

If you can bring your own folding chair, that would be good but not essential. If you would like to bring some food that would be good too but again, not necessary as there will be food there to share with each other.

You need to book your FREE TICKET for the 'Hound of the Baskervilles' but you DO NOT NEED TO BOOK to come and spend time with all of us at St Mary's Gazebo. Be assured of a warm welcome.



Join us for another informal evening of fellowship & food on **Friday, 10 July at St Mary's, Padbury between 7.30 pm and 9.30 pm.**

Plenty of time for food and drink, not forgetting Padbury sausage rolls !

We are very much part of the village and would love to update you with news from St Mary's

Point of contact for St Mary's, Padbury, part of Lenborough Benefice:

Revd Dr **Quentin Chandler** -
quentinchandler27@outlook.com
 01280 813162

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To make donations, or for more information, please contact **Pam Sirett 07870 828591**.



Thank you.

*Pam Sirett
Bamber House
Springfields*

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