

Gawcott Newsletter



The May 2024 newsletter supports Alec's Angels

The Gawcott Mile 2024

As well as the fun run and the stalls held inside the Chapel, this year funds were boosted by a 'Mufti Day' and cake sale at both the Gawcott and Tingewick Roundwood school sites. The pupils on the School Council decided that they would like to be involved with local charities, rather than the larger national ones. What could be more local than a charity inspired by a former pupil of that actual school? Alec Jarvis had, prior to his death at the age of 9, attended Roundwood School. While undergoing treatment for cancer Alec retained his zest for life and was more concerned about the other children around him. His words to his parents were:

*"I'm not as ill as they are Mum.
Please Dad, can't we do something to help them - even if it's just to make them smile."*

Alec's parents, Brian and Sara, set up the charity, Alec's Angels, to support children and families coping with childhood cancer and terminal illness. The children decided to raise funds by holding a Mufti Day and a Cake Sale on Friday 26th May. They asked parents to provide cakes, which were sold at break time on both sites, and donated £1 each for the privilege of having a non-uniform day, and wearing something in Alec's favourite colour, orange. They raised an amazing total of over £360!!! On Saturday 27th May the now annual fun run was held in Gawcott. The 'Mile' course runs from the Chapel through the village to the Richard Roper Playing Field, and back again running up Church St, down past the Church and back to the Chapel. Despite a little bit of drizzle, over 50 runners signed up to run the mile. The first event is the 'Tinies' race for younger children who are not yet ready to attempt the 'Mile'. Onlookers cheered the little ones on as they crossed the finish line and collected their medal and some sweets.



The 'Mile' is not supposed to be competitive, and all runners receive an Alec's Angels medal, but for some the 'race is on' and there is the opportunity to win a trophy in several different categories. This year the winners are Tingewick (KS1): Caleb Raymond, Gawcott (KS2): Harry Butler. Under 14's girl: Lily Frankland, Under 14's boy: William Payne. 14 and overs female: Lily Jarvis, 14 and overs male: Flynn Cassidy. There is also a 'best costume' category, 'The Goodman Cup' was won by Martha O'Halloran, who was dressed from top to toe in orange, this year's fancy dress theme, and looked amazing. A special award was presented to Iris Weston, who roller skated the whole course dressed as a mouse. Well done to her Dad. Matt, who followed her around the course, helping her with the bumpy bits and the hills. Jo Hall and Karen Richards looked amazing in their inflatable orange costumes – and even managed to run quite fast too!!

Refreshments were served inside the Chapel, and there was a Tombola, Raffle and other stalls. The competition to win a 'Baby Yoda' in the Tombola was almost as fierce as the competition to win the races!!! Money raised at the event, from entry donations, stalls and refreshments, is still coming in, the total currently stands at £500, which added to the Roundwood Mufti Day total is an amazing £860!! The 'Gawcott Mile' is quite a relaxed event, but a great deal of work behind the scenes goes into making it such a success. Many thanks to all the participants, to Brian Jarvis and his volunteers from the Alec's Angels Committee, to Mrs Handley, Headteacher at Roundwood School, the School Council, pupils and their parents, to Gawcott Methodist Chapel for the use of their premises, to Kat Harper for being our 'official photographer' and to everyone helping to run the stalls. Special thanks to Irene Cox, the Goodman/Hall family and 'Team Harper' – you all worked so hard and are **officially amazing!!**



Traffic Analysis Report - Hillesden Road, Gawcott

Summary - Selected Weeks - 03-Mar-2024 to 30-Mar-2024

Daily Summary of Volumes and Speeds

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Average Daily Vehicle count	1906	1875	1893	1952	2080	1820	1487
Overall average speed	29.4	28.5	28.2	28.5	27.2	28.9	29.6
Average count over limit	482	697	674	723	718	747	678
Percentage over limit	44.0%	37.2%	35.6%	37.0%	34.5%	41.0%	45.6%
Average speed of speeder	34.7	34.7	34.5	34.7	34.7	34.9	34.9

Average

Speed Range	Vehicles per week	Percentage
0 - 29	7485	61.3%
30 - 34	3155	25.9%
35 - 39	1133	9.3%
> 40	431	3.6%
Total	12203	100%

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News from Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council

The Parish Council meets monthly at the Village Hall. Dates of meetings are on our website www.gawcottwithlenboroughpc.co.uk. All are welcome to attend.

Planning: The current planning applications that are being considered by Buckinghamshire Council are as follows:

23/04010/ADP - Submission of details of all matters reserved pursuant to outline planning permission 15/01242/AOP (Application for Outline Planning Permission with access to provide Allotments, Cemetery, Associated Buildings, Landscaping, New Vehicular and Pedestrian Access, Engineering (including Ground Modelling) Works, Infrastructure Works (including Drainage Works and Utilities Provision), Demolition, Car Parking and Lighting) - Land South of The A421, Tingewick Road, Buckingham

24/00131/APP – Change of use of land to a gypsy and traveller caravan site and erection of day room – Land to the West of Main Street South, Gawcott

24/00498/VRC – Removal of condition 5 (unit to be demolished) relating to application 23/02485/APP (redevelopment of existing barn complex to form 1 No. residential dwelling (retrospective) – Rowan Tree Farm, Hillesden Road, Gawcott

24/00731/APP - Change of use from equestrian to a mixed use of equestrian, business and residential use. Demolition of existing equestrian buildings and the erection of single storey stables, storage barn, office and dwelling house – Hollow Farm, Buckingham Road, Gawcott

To view the details, please go to Buckinghamshire Council's website at: www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/planning-and-building-control/

23/03301/APP – Change of use of land for the stationing of caravans for residential purposes, hard-standing and dayrooms ancillary to that use – Land adjacent Radcliffe Road. **REFUSED**

Other news:

The Pavilion – New kitchen units, worktops and tiles have now been fitted and new showers have been installed. Some further work will be carried out in May.

Streetlights - We are aware some are still not working and are chasing Buckinghamshire Council.

New speed sign on Main Street will hopefully be installed in May. Thank you to Buckinghamshire Council Community Boards for the funding that will help pay for it.

A clothing bank has been installed at the playing fields (just inside the entrance gate) for donations of any unwanted and unloved clothing, shoes and textiles. This is to help raise funds for the Thames Valley Air Ambulance.

Caretaker/Handy person needed. Please see separate ad.



The **Annual General Meeting of the Gawcott Village Hall Charity** takes place on Wednesday 22nd May at the Village Hall commencing at 7.00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.
Alan D White, Charity Secretary

A yellow sun with rays, containing the text "FREE ENTRY" in black.

**FREE
ENTRY**

**SATURDAY 29 JUNE
12 - 3PM**

FRIENDS OF ROUNDWOOD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

SUMMER FETE

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Gawcott Methodist Chapel

Weekly services continue at 6pm on Sunday evenings. We have a mixture of services, either formal ones lead by clergy or more casual own arrangements involving members of the Chapel. Visitors are very welcome at all services.

Coffee Café

The Coffee Café is held every Thursday morning in Gawcott Methodist Chapel from 10.00 am until 12 noon. Come along and join us for a nice cuppa and biscuits, or a hot buttered toasted tea cake. A chance to chat with old friends, and to make new ones. Everyone welcome. There is no charge for refreshments, but donations to chapel funds are always gratefully received.

GAWCOTT FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Hi all,

Last months meeting was such fun - Lizzy Flint came to explain how important it is to keep mobile as we get older, these exercises were done while seated and very gentle, most of us joined in to enable us to enjoy a super Easter tea, I certainly did.

Our Meeting in May is our first trip which has proved to be popular as we have filled the bus, As we have had more members join us the club seems to be growing - it is so nice to get together with friends.

As usual if anyone needs to know more, contact

- Sally 07711884615
- Pete 07748527948
- Joy 07936503334

Look forward to seeing you all again soon.

Gawcott Toddler Group

The group meet every Thursday afternoon during term time from 1.15 pm until 2.45 pm in the Chapel. We have some lovely toys, we provide snacks for the children and refreshments for the adults. New members are always welcome, the more the merrier. Come along with your bump, baby or toddler, you'll be most welcome. If you do come and decide that this is not the group for you, why not give us some suggestions as to what you would like, we are always happy to listen and make changes.

JUKE BOX 60s FUNDRAISING EVENT A GREAT SUCCESS!

A huge huge thank you to everyone who came and supported our lovely Church function - an amazing £1812.00 was raised for Church repairs

Fix it, Don't Bin it
....and have a drink while you wait



BUCKINGHAM
REPAIR CAFE

When: 2nd Saturday each month, from 10am - 1pm

Where: The Centre, Verney Close, Buckingham,
MK18 1JP



Visit us on Facebook and at: www.buckinghamrepaircafe.org

Want to book Gawcott Village Hall?

To book the
Village Hall
please email
Mandy Minney
on
Gawcottvhall@gmail.com

Thank you

COFFEE MORNING
HOLY TRINITY CHURCH GAWCOTT
SAT 18TH MAY 2024
1030 - 1.00
COFFEE/TEA/CAKE OF COURSE!
SALES TABLE
ENTERTAINMENT



in aid of church repairs

**Wanted: Caretaker / Handy Person
for Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council**

Gawcott with Lenborough Parish Council is seeking a Caretaker / Handy Person to look after its land and buildings. The position would probably suit someone who is reasonably local to the parish, and who has a demonstrable ability to carry out general DIY tasks to a good standard. We don't anticipate that the successful person is a trade specialist, but all trade backgrounds or even keen DIY hobbyists can work for us.

Examples of work required include general fixing, maintenance work and groundworks. We would anticipate bringing in specialists for things like electrical work and plumbing as the need arises. Providing access to the pavilion and all- weather pitch when required and ensuring secure after use.

Whilst it's difficult to estimate the time commitment for this role, we anticipate an initial need of 5 hours per month, working flexibly. The role will be remunerated at £15 per hour.

We expect the handy person to have their own general tools and transport, but the Parish Council could purchase specific tools if/when identified as needed. If you're interested and/or want to discuss this please contact us by email at: parishclerk@gawcottwithlenboroughpc.co.uk

Bucks Art Week June 8th to 23rd 2024

Tlws Johnson Open Studio Welcomes You

This year I am celebrating 26 years of making glass in Gawcott. My studio in the High Street will be open to visitors from 8th to 23rd June, 11am to 6pm, every day except Monday. I have a fabulous display of glass ranging from tiny jewel like pendants to large heavy sculptures for you to see. If you would like to "Have a go" at making your own 9X9cm square tile, all materials are available to make a little work of art. No need to book. Contact me for more detail tlws.j@sky.com





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Nexus Fostering urgently needs the residents of Gawcott-with-Lenborough to help local children by becoming foster carers. The situation is critical, with hundreds of children and young people in desperate need of a foster family. Your help is crucial in addressing the national shortage of foster carers.

Children from 0-18 are looking for foster homes and would need an adult around to support them day to day. This includes sibling groups, teenagers, parent and child fostering and also caring for unaccompanied asylum-seeking children. Nexus Fostering welcomes individuals of all ages, genders, religions, and ethnicities to apply. We value diversity and are looking for people who genuinely want to make a difference in a child's life. Many children enter foster care through no fault of their own and need someone with patience, kindness, and dedication to help them experience the childhood they deserve.

At Nexus Fostering, we have a passionate and friendly team of professionals who support our foster carers and young people 24/7, 365 days a year. Could you become a foster carer? Contact us for an informal chat to find out how you can make a difference in a child's life.

Phone – 0208 864 6040

Website – www.nexusfostering.co.uk



Holy Trinity Church- An update

Good news! Thanks to a wonderful donation, we now have a first class speaker system installed in the church. We'll be repainting the walls in the summer so look out for a celebration and invitation to everyone to "Come and See" later in the year.



Coming to church if you have never been, or not been for years, can be a scary business.....If you have never stepped into Holy Trinity Church, give it a try.

You will be sure of a warm welcome and a chance to make new friends.

You will find we have a variety of types of service, from traditional Holy Communion on 4th Sunday of each month, to informal, all-age (literally 3 years to 90 years!!!) not-as-you-may-know-it celebrations (Café Church 1st Sunday) to coffee and chat "exploring aspects of Christian life" sessions on 3rd Sundays.....

For more information or just a chat, pop in on Sunday or at the Monday Village lunch or phone Licensed Preacher Sue Ambrose 01280-813346

Our Village Lunch on Mondays at 1 p.m. is going strong!

Home-made soups, toasties, a drink and biscuits. No charge but donations welcomed. A good place to come if you hate eating alone or want to meet new friends or catch up with old ones.

The long drawn-out process of looking for a new vicar for our four parishes (Gawcott, Padbury, Adstock and Hillesden) is underway. More news when we have some! If you need to speak to a priest urgently, please contact Revd. Canon Val Plumb: 01844-239347

Sunday 5th May 2024 at 10.30 a.m. Café Church All-Age Celebration

with coffee to start followed by a time to draw near to God – with songs, reading, prayer, a thought-provoking message, activities for children – "not as church as you may imagine"

Saturday 18th May SPRING COFFEE MORNING

(lots of lovely goodies and entertainment) 10.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Come along for a chat, yummy eats and a chance to catch up. Bring a friend!



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Sunday 19th May at 10.30 am. "Care and Share"

Something a bit different! We meet informally over coffee to share some aspect of life and the Christian faith. A chance to ask questions, share your thoughts and for us to get to know each other.

Everyone welcome...come and find out!

26th May at 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion

Communion service with sermon and hymns led by Revd. Chris Murray

Gawcott Community Group

Events

2024

01
JUNE

D DAY COMPETITION

Decorate your house competition for the D Day 80th Anniversary

02
JUNE

D DAY JUDGING

Judging will take place of the decorated houses ready for D Day on 6th June

08
JUNE

Grand Raffle Launch

Raffle tickets go on sale in aid of the Gawcott Village Hall Centenary

07
SEPT

Centenary Evening

Adult centenary event black/gold/white theme -70 tickets avail. more details to follow

08
SEPT

FAMILY FUN DAY

To commemorate the hall centenary at 2pm Tombola stalls, games, colouring competition

08
SEPT

CREAM TEAS

Served in the hall from 2-5pm during the family fun day more details to follow

08
SEPT

Grand Raffle Draw

During the fun day the Grand Raffle will be drawn & the centenary plaque unveiled.

07
DEC

Christmas Lights

Gawcott Christmas tree lights switch on with music, mulled wine, food & a raffle at 5pm

DEC
DATE
TBC

VISIT FROM SANTA

The usual visit of the Santa Sleigh by the Rotary Club supported by Gawcott Community Group

All event details will be published on fb and in future newsletters.

Any queries or for tickets contact us on 07928 712271 or

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To contact the editor please email Gawcottnewsletter@gmail.com

Deadline for the June issue is May 20th

Thank you



THE FilmPlace

MAY FILMS

PRISCILLA (15)

Friday 3rd May - 7.30pm

THE TASTE OF THINGS (12A)

(HIDDEN GEM - SUBTITLES)

Saturday 4th May - 7.30pm

VINDICATION SWIM (PG)

Friday 10th May - 7.30pm

THE HOLDOVERS (15)



(OSCAR WINNER & NOMINATION)

Saturday 11th May - 7.30pm

THE PROMISED LAND (15)

(WORLD CINEMA - SUBTITLES)

Friday 17th May - 7.30pm

THE END WE START FROM (15)

Saturday 18th May - 7.30pm



THE ZONE OF INTEREST (12A)

(OSCAR WINNER - BEST INTERNATIONAL FILM) 

Friday 24th May - 7.30pm

CASABLANCA (U)

(CLASSIC MOVIE NIGHT)

Saturday 25th May - 7.30pm