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Introducing Your Community First Responder Team

*After an intensive 2 days of training and assessments the Parish now has an accredited team of Community First Responders. The Team is, front row L to R:- **Amanda Moser, Anne Carroll, Gail Teague**; back row **Peter Teague, Coordinator James McConville** and **Guy Prince**. More volunteers have been accepted by the Ambulance Service to complete the Team and will shortly be undertaking training. We are expecting the Kits to be issued within the next few weeks.*

Community First Responders are equipped with defibrillators, oxygen cylinders, airway management equipment and comprehensive Emergency First Aid Kits as illustrated right. More than 150,000 people die from Cardiac Arrests each year in the UK of which up to 65% could be saved if appropriate treatment is received in time. With every minute that passes the chances of survival decrease by up to 10%. Because it can, at times, take up to 20 minutes for an ambulance to arrive in our Parish, the good news is that a member of the team, who is available on call, will aim to arrive within 8 minutes i.e. well before the ambulance arrives hence the title "First Responder".

First Responders are fully trained and insured by the Ambulance Service and their role is to help support the Ambulance Service, not to replace it. An Ambulance will always be dispatched at the same time as the First Responder. In an emergency the drill is unchanged - dial 999 and ask for an Ambulance. The control room answering the call will know which First Responder is on call and will mobilise them immediately. There is a good chance that they arrive first on the scene. First Responders can only respond to requests from the Ambulance Service so please do not call a Responder directly – just call 999.



There are already over 300 Community First Responders in S Bucks/S Oxon and our team is the first to be established in the Hambleton Valley. We will need at least four, and ideally six, Community First Responder Kits. To provide the Kits fundraising is vital and the team invites ideas and contributions from individuals and organisations in the Parish. Contributions from UK taxpayers can be gift-aided through a registered charity which supports the work of the South Central Ambulance Service Trust. For more information and where to send contributions please email **James McConville** at <ajamesmac@mac.com> or call 638 498.



Please Make Your House Name or Number Easily Visible from the Road An Important Request from the Ambulance Service and the Police

Most houses share a postcode with six or more others and valuable minutes are often lost looking for the right address. Any delay could be life-threatening as illustrated recently in Northend an Ambulance arrived after an emergency call but took three minutes to find the house.

Parish Council News

At its meeting on 16 July, councillors paid tribute to **Valmai Pickett** who stepped down after 30 years service, including seven years as chairman, and presented her with a chair carved from a tree trunk.

Danny Fois agreed to act as chairman for the July meeting. **David Cairns** was co-opted to fill the vacancy (no request had been made for a by-election).

Several Turville residents raised concerns about the recent increase in heavy vehicles passing through the village, many associated with filming at Wormsley. The clerk is contacting the Wormsley estate. Residents are encouraged to collect and share data on heavy vehicle movements.

After considering local opinion, the council decided that it was not in favour of the diversion of the bridleway through Kimble farm. The county council is likely to consult further on this issue.

Following a complaint from a resident, the council reminds parishioners to show consideration for the environment and their neighbours when disposing of garden waste on common land. Fly tipping should be reported to the district council on 0845 3301856.

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Danny Fois	638 454
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Website

www.turvilleparishcouncil.org.uk

The website includes all agendas and minutes as well as past issues of the *Turville Times*.

An Invitation from Turville Court

Mike and Carol Clare are opening Turville Court gardens and estate to all Turville parishioners between 12 noon and 5pm on Monday 31 August. Please book with Pauline on 639 800 – this will help ensure sufficient tea and cake!

Welcome to Sarah, Our New CPSO

Sarah Turner is our new police community support officer. She will be working alongside WPC **Claire Marchant**, our neighbourhood specialist officer. Contact Claire or Sarah on 0845 8 505 505.

Meet our local police officers at the mobile police station outside the village hall in Northend between 11.45am and 12.30pm on Sunday 9 August. Bring your bike – the police will have bike etching equipment as well as crime prevention literature.

Around the Parish ...

Congratulations to **Lauren Fois** and **Glynis Langford** who completed the Cancer Research race for life. **Lauren** and her friend Charly raised £725 while **Glynis** raised £360. Many thanks to all those who sponsored them.

Theatre in the villages is bringing *Miracle on 34th Street* to the village hall on 25 November. More details in the next issue or from **Amanda Bucknill**.

The Hambleton group choir is looking for new members to take part in monthly services (practice on the previous Wednesdays). The choir is performing Handel's *Messiah* on Friday 4 December in Hambleton church. Rehearsals begin in mid-September. Call **Jo McConville** on 638 498.

In case of emergency, Turville Court has a defibrillator. Contact **Alan White** on 639 800 (office) or 639 225 (home).

Turville Diary

Parish council

16 September Turville school

18 November Village hall

Parish events

3 October Village hall AGM and committee

6 October Marrow weigh-in, Bull & Butcher

25 November *Miracle on 34th Street* (theatre in the villages), Village hall

1 December Best use of marrow, Bull & Butcher

13 December Christmas party, Village hall

Northend village association

12 September Magic shows – see page 3

5 November Bonfire party

Turville village association

12 December Carols on the green

Turville Park cricket club

16 August Turville Park v Stonor

29 August Vice-presidents match

Other events

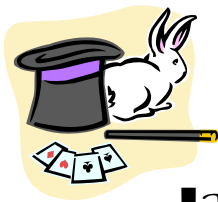
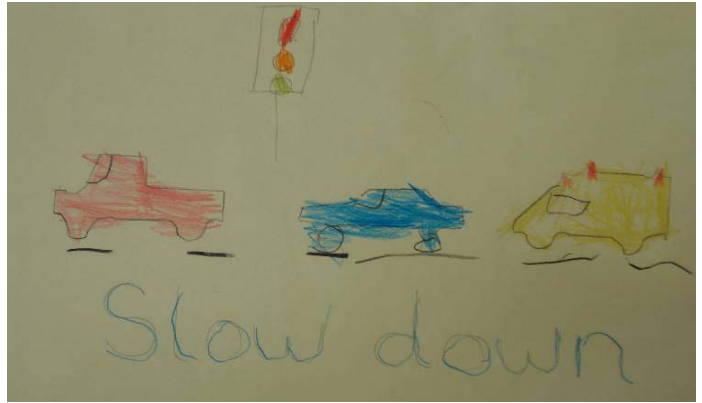
31 August Turville Court open gardens

Rafe's Winning Message

Both our community needs assessment (*Turville Times*, April 2009) and the neighbourhood action group identified speeding as a major concern of local residents. WPC Claire Merchant and PC Andrew Seston invited children at Turville nursery school to create their own speed awareness posters for entry into a competition with children from Danesfield, Frieth and Ibstone schools.

Our very own **Rafe Brooks** was one of the winners with his plea for cars to slow down (top right). He went with a couple of friends from Turville school to receive his prize from Philip Schofield (below left). It was all very exciting for Rafe and everybody at the school is very proud of him.

Emma Lacey



Saturday 12 September
Village Hall, Northend

Northend village association proudly presents ...

Ian Keable – the magical comedian

5pm Children's Magic Show

8pm Conjuring Up Comedy

A one man comedy and magic show with VAT (very amusing tricks)

In the first half of his show, Ian explains how he made the transition from accountant to magical comedian with a mixture of anecdotes, jokes, magic and mind reading that highlight various stages in his life. In the second half, Ian performs his award winning act. He finishes by revealing that whereas he is no longer an accountant by profession, he cannot escape the fact that he still looks and dresses like one!

Tickets from Northend village association

Children's Magic Show

£3 (free to children of those people attending *Conjuring Up Comedy*)

Conjuring Up Comedy

£7.50

Bar available

"A show that has universal appeal for anybody who enjoys non-stop laughter while simultaneously being totally bamboozled." *Bucks Free Press*

"The pace never flags, the two hours seem to fly by. A triumph in every respect." *Magic Week*

www.magicalcomedian.co.uk

The White House, Northend

Graham Twemlow

In 1937 the celebrated American poster artist Edward McKnight Kauffer, famous for the avant-garde posters he designed for Shell-Mex and the London Underground, sought a weekend country house in this part of the world. He took out a lease on the White House, Northend, and immediately set about converting an outer stable into his studio. He commuted to and from his main dwelling, a modernist studio apartment in Chelsea, continuing to design posters, illustrate books, and design theatre sets and costumes.

At weekends he and his partner, Marion Dorn (they married in 1950), also an American, a leading textile designer of the time, would drive down from London inviting all manner of guests but once the second world war was declared they decamped permanently to the White House. They had both retained their American citizenships and were not allowed to contribute in any way to the war effort. Dorn lost her successful interior furnishings business in Bond Street and work completely ceased for McKnight Kauffer.

Life became increasingly intolerable. In a letter to a Bloomsbury friend Dorn wrote:

“In the country, our life is like that of the lilies of the field. Our house is cheerful and comfortable. We brought down many books, and I have the clavichord. We have no money saved so we live on whatever vegetables are in the garden, wild blackberries and wild rabbits. We have enough clothes to see us through the winter. Betty is here and a cockney boy is billeted on us, who collects the firewood from the neighbouring woods”.

During the 1920s and 1930s Kauffer and Dorn were at the centre of London’s arts and literary society. Aldous Huxley of *Brave New World* fame was a close friend. Kauffer was even closer to the poet, dramatist and literary critic T.S Eliot and invited him to visit the White House. In reply Eliot wrote:

“Now about the White House. Nothing would give me more anticipation of content than the prospect of another visit to Mr and Mrs Roosevelt”.

He visited the weekend of 7-10 June 1940. During this time he sat in the garden and drafted a poem, which later appeared as *Defense* [US spelling] of *the Islands* first published in 1941 in a book that

accompanied the *Britain at War* exhibition held at the Museum of Modern Art in New York.

Only three weeks after Eliot’s visit Dorn and Kauffer were advised by the American embassy to return to the USA. They abandoned everything, books, paintings, furniture etc, and set sail on board the S.S. Washington. On 12 July 1940 July Kauffer wrote to a friend:

“Tomorrow we land in New York with £20. A whole career and a third of ones life left behind [Kauffer had lived in Britain for 26 years]. No peaceful White House, no life again in the country”.

He loved the White House and continued to write about it in his notebooks. In homage to Kauffer his good friend Marianne Moore, the eminent American poet, embedded one of his sentiments in her poem titled *Icosaphere*.

“In Buckinghamshire hedgerows
the birds nesting in the merged green density,
weave little bits of string and moths and feathers
and thistledown
in parabolic concentric curves”

Soon after Kauffer’s departure the White House was once again inhabited by artists. Hubert Wellington, the recently retired principal of Edinburgh School of Art and his wife, Irene Wellington, an acclaimed calligrapher, lived there until 1967.



The White House, Northend, 1939, E. McKnight Kauffer

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