



Hanney News

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Michaelmas Fayre

As I write it is 16 weeks to the Fayre, and normally we'd have published the Competition Lists, recruited Judges, booked Stalls and catering outlets plus much more ...but...to be truthful we have lots of ideas and a few tentative plans but no certainties as yet!

Whatever we do we will be sure to be following the latest Government guidelines applicable at the time, we have booked a 'special guest' and are investigating several features that can fully comply with social distancing. Above all we reckon we'll all be glad to celebrate living in such a great community. But scenes like those above will just be a memory this year!

Hilary Cakebread



News on the Snake...
that's a small part of his very long body in the photo above!...on page 14, with more pics and closing date for when he's finished.



Update on our Youth footie club...page 7

PAGE 15? YOU CANNOT BE SERIOUS?



Editorial

Welcome to the July edition of Hanney's finest parish newsletter!
Let's start with some positive news...the A338 just north of East Hanney has been repaired in double quick time - thanks Mr Contractor! See pages 4 and 6 for more on this.

We welcome a new advertiser, Confluent Marketing - see their ad on page 10. Statues have been much in the news lately, and in a convoluted way, involving Peter Pan and tennis (!) I've included a snap of one on page 15. I believe this is a non-controversial example, though I may be wrong. Some folk do seem to find offence in almost anything. More good news, well, sort of anyway. The two projects in East Hanney awaiting a start are still in the pipeline, and I believe the necessary funding is available, and they will go ahead, though not sure when! The first is the pelican crossing on the A338, and the second the small bridge at the entrance to Poughley Farm in Halls Lane, which, allegedly, needs repairing and is currently blocked to vehicles by those two hideous great concrete blocks that Oxfordshire County Council decided were necessary. We have a great Youth football club here in Hanney, and I know the organisers put a huge amount of work into it. Do check out their news on page 7, where you'll see the new badge - it's also on the front page. Main man Paul Aram tells me that the badge, and I quote... "represents Hanney's past of apple orchards and symbolises the fruit of the future with regards to football players." Now, I don't know about you, but in this world where an awful lot of people



Yes Carruthers...bad news I'm afraid... a letter from Boy George saying his small pet reptile has already bitten five people and wants to know if we here at Hanney Pet Supplies can send him a calmer chameleon.

seem to do an awful lot of whinging, I find that kind of positivity very refreshing indeed!! Here's to Hanney's next Harry Kane!

Details of an interesting initiative by the Coop on page 5 and our own Covid Team give us their latest also on page 5. Check out the story of the snake on page 14, and as you'll have gathered from our front page, the Michaelmas Fayre is still a bit of an unknown. Our sympathies to the organisers.

News from the Scouts on page 13, and there's a smug man and his bicycle pictured on page 17, a sleeping cat on page 14, and Postman Pat on page 11.

A young gentleman of this Parish with an old fruit jar, and

some slightly older gentlemen - but younger than the jar! -one of whom is waist deep in muddy water, feature on page 9.

In short, the usual mix you've hopefully come to expect.

Finally, on a serious note, we have an obituary on page 8 for Brian Watkins, a much loved and life long 'Hanney man'. We also recently lost Frances Bishop, another very popular and long-time Hanney resident. We send our condolences to family and friends of both of them.

O.K. that's enough for this month, stay alert and stay well.

Till next month....

PS, sorry about the jokes on pages 3 and 16

Notices...what's happening this month....

The fine folk of Grove who organised the massive **V.E. Day party** that sadly never happened, had intended to stage the event early in Sept, but they have concluded that this too will not be possible, so it's postponed again, to Sat 8th May 2021. Pop it in your diary now...more details nearer the time of course. It's gonna be quite a party!

Obviously the current situation has affected the annual **Wantage Literary Festival**, but it's worth checking their website nonetheless: www.wantageliteraryfestival.co.uk/

Talking of reading-related stuff, this may be of interest if you want to encourage your youngsters to get reading.... *The 'Silly Squad, Summer Reading Challenge 2020' is live, and @readingagency and @oxonlibraries are excited to introduce you to the #SillySquad2020 to start your summer reading adventure. Join the fun and silliness on the Summer Reading Challenge Facebook page tomorrow. Go to summerreadingchallenge.org.uk for info."*

Hanney History Group have produced a guide to a walk around the Hanneys, highlighting just some of the amazing historical buildings we have in our villages. With beautiful old photos and a short story on each one, it makes a fascinating document. Sadly paper copies are no longer available, but you can download it as a PDF from the History Group website here: <http://hanneyhistory.org.uk/>



I was doing a crossword in the pub, and said to my Scottish friend...

"I'm stuck on a clue - 'Trapped on a desert island', eight letters, starting with 'M'.

Instantly he responded... "Marooned"

"Why thank you" I replied, "That's very kind...I'll have a pint of lager!"

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Matt Barber is our Vale of White Horse District Councillor for the Hanneys, and you can contact him by email: councillor@matthewbarber.co.uk or by visiting his website at www.matthewbarber.co.uk



The Community

Woodland is a special place; we are very lucky to have it, and to have a team of willing and knowledgeable volunteers, led by Paul Sayers, to maintain it. Paul tells me that now is a great time to visit if you're an orchid fan.

There are **pyramidal orchids** everywhere - the middle photo above - particularly in the areas where the volunteers have cleared for wild flowers. You'll also find some **common spotted orchids** -top left - and a few **bee orchids** - top right - if you look out for them. (Thanks to Kay Sayers for use of her photos.)

Look out too for the butterflies - many different varieties going about their business. If you've never been to the Woodland,

you'll find it between East and West Hanney on the south side of the road. From the East you can access it via Cow Lane - the track that leads down to Grove, opposite the school. From West Hanney, access is via main gate to the church. Keep to your left, following the path, past the church and the old graveyard and through to the part of the churchyard at the far end with the more recent graves. Keep on the path and you'll come to the kissing gate: through that and the entrance to the Woodland is on your right. It's well worth regular visits, and is one of the many reasons Hanney is such a delightful place to lay one's hat!

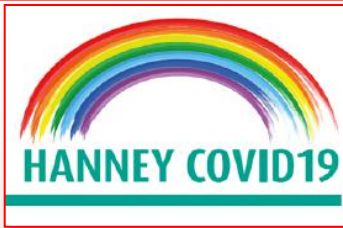
Whilst many folk who live in close proximity to the A338 were probably glad of the brief respite when it closed recently for major repair work to the verges just north of East Hanney, for those of us whose streets became part of the rat run / racetrack that temporarily took its place, t'was not such good news. The wannabe Lewis Hamiltons particularly enjoyed Winter Lane - right outside Hanney News Global HQ in fact - the road here is just over 4 metres wide - yes, I've meas-

ured it - and added a very realistic chicane to the circuit. We witnessed some really dangerous speeds. O.K., rant over! Every cloud, as they say....East Hanney Parish Councillor Dickon Green took the opportunity for some very nice work on a milestone that I never noticed before. Check out his very interesting article and snaps on page 6. Massive big ups to him, and a quick mention to the contractors who did the repair job in double quick time. Well done!

Hanney Covid 19 Team

Almost daily there is an announcement on changes to what we can do – and much speculation on what may be the next part of the Lockdown release. For some of our community it may still be a long way off before getting the longed for ‘freedom’ – and the Covid19 Emergency Response Team want to be here to continue to support all villagers who need us. But the means to do this is also changing – a huge thanks to all who have volunteered, and we know some are now going back to work in actuality whilst others continue to be working full time but still based at home.

In order to support those that need help,



we would be really grateful if volunteers could email us on at the address below if your availability changes substantially and you would prefer to withdraw from the Volunteers List – or if you are still able to

volunteer but with different availability.

And most importantly –

if YOU need help, please do get in touch with us on our Free to Call number

0808 123 0161 or email –

hanneycovid19@gmail.com.

It may be that your needs have changed too and someone who previously shopped for you or collected prescriptions is no longer available – so we are here to help you too.

Take care and stay safe!

Local Cooperative shops are offering assistance with shopping and deliveries of basic food items for *genuinely* vulnerable and self-isolating Hanney residents who are unable to get sufficient or regular mainstream retailer on-line delivery slots.

Simply call the **0800 435902** Coop central call centre phone number. If you are a Coop member, have your Co-op card handy, give your membership number, and all your details can be loaded up automatically.

If you're not a member then your details will have to be given and entered manually.

The operator will then run through a shopping list of basic food items with you – bread, milk, dairy products, meat, vegetables, fruit, ready meals, household goods and so on. The list includes pet foods but not alcohol or tobacco products.

When the order is complete, the operator checks your post code for the nearest Coop store and passes your order on to that store.

When your order is ready, your local Coop will telephone you for the payment using a credit or debit card. They will give you a delivery reference number, an approximate delivery time and contact the nearest group of volunteers to collect your shopping and deliver it to you. It has been trialled locally and is available, but only to residents genuinely not able to get delivery slots from the major retailers.

The Hanney Covid19 Team - contact details on front page - are able to undertake the collection for you if required.



East Hanney Parish Council

“How many of us notice the milestones at either end of East Hanney on the A338, they have stood sentinel while traffic passes, from horse & cart to super car for over 200 years. Erected by the Besselsleigh turnpike trust who maintained the 22 mile long Oxford road from Hungerford to Besselsleigh, this road once had four gates (or turnpikes) across it that you paid a toll to pass through and use the road, which would have had a crushed stone surface, rather than the muddy and rutted lanes. Later the Ordnance Survey carved benchmarks (the arrow) into the top, using the stones as a fixed height point when drawing their maps.

Once in a while they need to be cleaned and repainted so they can survive another two centuries. Permission was sought from the conservation officer (they are both Grade Two listed) and the highways authority (who own the milestones). Tak-

ing advantage of the recent A338 closure the Northern milestone (pictured) was repainted by Cllr Dickon Green with guidance from the Milestone Society.”

Councillor Dickon Green



Meeting dates for the remainder of the year 2020-21:

All meetings are on Wednesdays and start at 7.30pm.

All residents of East Hanney are welcome to attend.

1st July 2020: the first meeting of the Council's Environment & Leisure Committee Council Meetings (to include Planning & Development items as required)

12th August, 4th November 2020, 27th January & 21st April 2021

Recreation & Leisure Meetings (to include Planning & Development items

as required) - 1st July, 23rd September, 16th December, 2020 & 10th March 2021

Planning & Development - 22nd July, 2nd September, 14th October, 25th November 2020, 6th January & 17th February 2021.

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West Hanney Parish Council

I was honoured to have been elected by my fellow councillors to serve as the new Chairman of West Hanney Parish Council (WHPC) at the Annual Meeting held virtually on the 19th May.

I would like to record the thanks of WHPC to the outgoing Chairman, Graham Garner. In his tenure as Chairman, he oversaw the installation of the three speed monitoring devices in West Hanney, which have helped to reduce the speed of the majority of vehicles entering West Hanney and improved road safety for everyone.

Graham has also worked tirelessly with Cllr Eddie Wilkinson developing our proposed Neighbourhood Development Plan which following the public consultation in November 2019, is about to be submitted for independent examination before a community referendum in May 2021.

Thank you Graham!

The Nigel Eady Community Woodland is looking particularly beautiful at this time of year with its displays of orchids. These have been encouraged to grow in recent years by the work of our community woodland volunteers from the Hanneys. Please enjoy by taking photos rather than picking any of the flowers so that they can continue to spread further.

David Corps

Chairman WHPC

**The next 'virtual' meeting is on Tues 30th June at 7.30pm
using Zoom video conferencing software.**

Councillors: Chairman: David Corps - 867454.

Graham Garner - 868684.

Edward Wilkinson - 867316

Trevor Brettell- 868459.

Peter Packham - 868038.

Barbara Martin (Clerk) - 868806

Website: www.westhanneypc.org.uk

Hanney Youth Football

Club was established in 2006 to provide local children with a fun and safe environment to learn and play football. The club has over 130 players across 11 teams, 15 qualified coaches and committee members and plays in the Oxford Mail Youth League. New players are welcome to contact us, with for example, two



spaces in our U14's team and spaces in our Little Lions team, we have teams from U7-U14. Training has started again - following strict FA guidelines to ensure social distancing and player safety. If you would like your child to join or just see what we do -

come along to training. Further info here: www.hanneyyouthfc.co.uk, find us on Facebook or call 07510 435 508.

Brian Thomas Watkins

28th June 1933 - 23rd May 2020

Brian Watkins passed away peacefully on Saturday May 23rd, aged 86. He was born in East Hanney and lived there for all of his life, twin of Ron and eldest brother to Kathleen and David. The family lived at Kings Farm in East Hanney, where Brian enjoyed helping his father. He often reflected on his fond memories growing up in the village during the war with his friendship group of four.

In his younger days, Brian was a keen sportsman and played cricket and football for the village teams. He was a very loyal Swindon Town FC supporter, and always enjoyed watching and chatting about the latest sport results.

When Brian left school, he worked on building sites before moving to the Cowley assembly plant where he stayed for twenty-three years, ending his career as a storeman for the local Council.

Brian was also known in the village for his weekly egg round, delivering fresh eggs to residents and local restaurants with the help of family and friends.

Brian married Elizabeth in 1982 on their 10th anniversary. He was a great family man and had much love and fun with his children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Brian and Bett were happiest in the sun and had many happy holidays with friends and family abroad and on the south coast.

Brian enjoyed growing vegetables on his allotment and proved to be a popular figure there, especially with all his knowledge and advice. He loved being outside, and always had a beautiful garden. He thoroughly enjoyed helping others and chatting with anyone who passed by, whether he was on his allotment or in the garden.

Brian will be greatly missed. His extensive family would like to thank everyone who has sent messages of condolence at this sad time.

Louise Brown, Grand-daughter.

The Hanney Community has recently also lost another long time resident, and it is with much regret that we report the recent passing of **Frances Bishop**.

Frances, originally from Grove, had lived in East Hanney most of her life. She and her husband Terry moved into Blenheim Orchard when the houses were first built, and for many years was involved in the community in various ways.

Following the birth of her two sons, Frances helped with the Play Group at the Village Hall. She was one of the first Club

Scout Leaders when the group started back in 1972, and she was also part of the W.R.V.S. group that organised monthly lunches for the Seniors of the villages. Frances was a fan of line dancing and exotic holidays, and will be remembered as a kind, friendly person who loved socializing.

In later years Frances cared for her husband as his health declined.

Frances will be sorely missed by all who knew her, and we send our sincere condolences to her friends and family.

LETTER

Dear Editor,

Out for a stroll at 9am on a beautiful Saturday morning in June when most villagers are taking things easy or indulging in hobbies, I came upon these two stalwarts of the Hanney Flood Group up to their waists in cold water.

They were clearing a culvert under Summertown. I watched as the day got hotter and the work more difficult

but these two youngsters, David Blomley and Clive Manvell appeared to find more energy as the job progressed.

Huge amounts of mud and clay were painstakingly removed and all done with a smile. I submit this piece as a marker of what goes on behind the scenes in our two villages and how fortunate we are to have such people who, through various acts of volunteering across the spectrum, make the Hanneys such a pleasant place to live.

Well done to all our sterling volunteers and that, Mr Editor includes YOU.

David Bratley

(Why thank you Mr Bratley, that's very kind, and much appreciated. Jim, Editor.)



This is Rafferty from East Hanney. You'll notice that he's clutching a large jar. He emailed me the other day.....*"I hope that this may be of interest to you and the readers of the Hanney News.*

I saw in my garden a piece of shiny glass so I decided to dig it up. It kept getting bigger and bigger and it was a large jar.

I did some research online and it is a fruit jar from over a hundred years ago. I looked on the bottom and it said C. S. & Co LD. They were the largest bottle company in England and were founded in 1875 and closed in 1892. The company was in Cannington, Somerset.

I was very excited to find it and really happy to learn about it. I hope you find this interesting too?"

I'm sure many readers will find it very interesting Rafferty. Perhaps the History Group could tell us even more about how come it was in your garden? It's a nice reminder that there may be interesting 'stuff' in our gardens...worth keeping an eye out when you're digging your potatoes.

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Last month I included a letter regarding the potential loss of Saturday postal deliveries.

By way of a follow-up, I had a chat with our local man, Mark, who told me that he'd been a postie for 33 years - man and boy! - and had never been so busy....much more than Christmas time. He's working 60 hour weeks, and at his Wantage office, total numbers of posties are down by almost one half, with just fourteen doing the work of twenty five. Now, posties are key workers too, so massive big ups to them for continuing to do



their best during these difficult times, and let's be grateful we get regular deliveries from them. I know we've stopped giving nurses the Thursday evening 'clap' (!) - but all key workers still deserve our sincere gratitude.

Talking of posties, Mark gave me an update on Amos our West Hanney man of many years, who's been off sick for a while. He's still not well enough to return to work and is due to see a cardiologist soon. We of course wish him a speedy recovery.

In spite of the current situation re Covid,

Ali Rosum, Dave Bratley and I intend to produce another Hanney Calendar for 2021. You may remember that last year's sold out and raised £700 for good causes within our community, and we hope to raise a similar amount this time.

All being well, we will have copies available at the Michaelmas Fayre on 26th September, so put aside a few quid - probably gonna be the same price as last year, i.e. £8. Hopefully there will also be copies available in the shop and from Global HQ. More news next month.



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THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Wherever I lay my hat, that's my home.

Home is where the heart is.

Home, sweet, home.

The word "home" brings up different thoughts, feelings, memories and experience for all of us. Until I was 18, home for me was a small terraced house in North East London. Since then I have lived in 12 different houses in 8 different places! Our sense of home comes not only from a place where we live, but also the people that shape our lives.

Over the last few weeks, we have been told to stay at home, to protect ourselves and others. The relationship with our own homes and the feeling of "being at home" can be complicated and tangled up with many different issues, particularly at this time. Our homes have become a place of safety, but for some they have felt isolated and even imprisoned in their own homes.

The Bible use the term "home" to describe our relationship with God. Psalm 16 calls God our home; that God is our place of safety.

Jesus, just before his death, resurrection and ascension, talks to his friends about going home, John 14: 1-6. Although he is going away, to be with God, he will be back. This is more than just a promise to return. He says that God has a place for each of them, that God wants to welcome them, now and forever. God wants to be our forever home, our shelter and safety.

When we follow Jesus teachings and pattern for life, when we encounter the truth of our need for God and the reality of Jesus as God's son and our saviour. We can begin to live life in all its fullness, with God as both our destination in life and our companion through this world. Then we can echo the words of Psalm 16 ourselves, "Lord you are with me, you are my shelter and my home."

What does "home" mean to you?

How are you feeling about being at home for so long?

Who are the people that make you feel at home?

How can we help others feel more at home?

God bless,

Alec

July

Following the most recent Government Guidelines, St James church will be opening for PRIVATE PRAYER - although maybe for shorter hours than normal, to allow for the required cleaning procedures.

When you visit, various hygiene procedures will be required including the use of a sanitiser as you enter the church. A notice explaining the measures, will be in the Porch for easy checking on arrival and social distancing must be maintained at all times.

There is no news yet of a confirmed date for any type of Service resuming including weddings and funerals within the church. Any changes to what is permitted will be posted on our Notice Board (by the gate to the Church Path).

We are providing weekly prayer and service sheets - if you would like one

please email me -

hilarycakebreadhall@gmail.com or wish to speak with one of our clergy please email them direct -

vicaralec@valebenefice.org.uk

or phone (01235) 771479.

The churchyard remains open and is a quiet and contemplative place to sit a few moments on one of your daily exercises.



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Alec Gill: 07739 563894 - vicaralec@valebenefice.org.uk

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Chris Reason: 868375 - chris_reason_hanney@hotmail.com

Beaver and Cub Scouts are having a very busy time, meeting every week and getting up to all sorts of exciting activities, but this term was obviously going to be different as all the meetings have been virtual, with the Beaver Colony and Cub Pack meeting up with their friends and leaders on the Zoom screen!

All credit to the Leaders who faced the challenge of learning how to run meetings on-line, but it is clear they have all had a great time, with attendance being excellent and the young people very enthusiastic. Just to give a flavour of what they have managed to do; the Cubs enjoyed a cookery evening, making, baking and of course eat-



ing cakes, a drumming evening led by a professional drummer, and numerous quizzes and games which will all help towards the award of various badges, and there is a plan afoot for den-building and camping at home. The Beavers have faced virtual hazard scenarios for the Safety badge, taken part in a scavenger hunt, played bingo and drummed with the Cubs! Scouting will continue in some form across the summer.

We have a few vacancies for young people who would like to join us, so please contact Janet Green at janet@thegreensonline.com to find out more.

Angela Cousins

Uses for Hanney News....aside from reading it of course, there are other uses to which Hanney News can be put....a not very soft pillow - doesn't look that comfortable, but sufficient apparently for 'Pumpkin' a rather splendid ginger feline, who's catching up on a few ZZZZZZs.

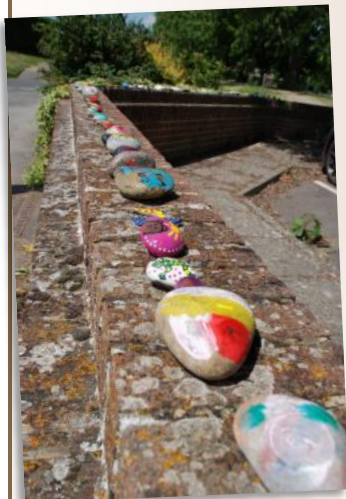


Sadly, copies of Hanney News, the Guide for Newcomers and the History Group Walk Guide have all been used recently to light bonfires. They were taken from the bus stop in West Hanney, where I had left them in a box for folk to pick up copies.



They and the partially burnt box were found in the woods near the back of the rec. Lighting a bonfire in that area is pretty moronic frankly, and could be quite dangerous. Let's put it down to folk who can't handle their beer and hope they don't do it again.

Big ups from us here at Global HQ are going out to East Hanney resident Laura Lolly Bligdon, who instigated the Covid snake project. It's proved very popular...just paint a pebble and add it to the snake's ever lengthening body on the wall outside the Village Hall. Kids and grown-ups alike can take part, and there are currently over 200 pebbles making up the snake's body. Our pictures will give you an idea. Laura tells me that you have until 1st August to add to the snake. Negotiations are under way as to what's going to happen to him - is it a him Laura? - after that.



A quick request.... please don't take any rocks or move them around, and please keep little people from touching them....very tempting to pick them up for a closer look!



Laura has been carefully lacquering each one, and they are best admired laying on the wall.

By the way, the longest real snake in the world, in captivity anyway, is called Medusa, a 25 feet long python who weighs in at about 350lbs. She lives in Kansas City in the big ole' US of A. She's very tame and is quite a tourist attraction.

I know we have many tennis fans

amongst us - along with our own thriving tennis club - and you'll all be missing Wimbledon this year I've no doubt, so on that rather tenuous hook, I thought I'd include these superb old images from way back. A time when London Transport encouraged all visitors to use trains and buses to make their way to the event, and long trousered gentlemen shook hands, observed - and perhaps admired? - by two young ladies!

Here's a rather charming quote - obviously never read by John McEnroe or a whole host of players since! - from J.M.Barrie, the Scottish novelist who wrote the story of Peter Pan....that's Peter's statue, in Kensington Gardens in London.

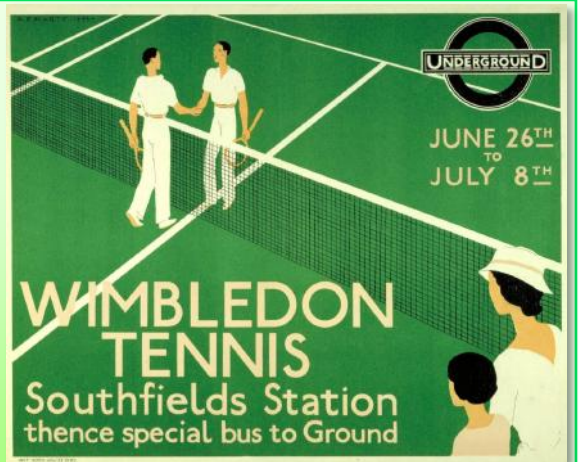


"What a polite game tennis is. The chief word in it seems to be "sorry" and admiration of each other's play crosses the net as frequently as the ball."

I mentioned our Tennis Club...here's the latest from them.... *"We welcome new members, and with the relaxation of the Covid-19 restrictions on exercise, the playing of singles, doubles and some coaching activities are now permitted.*

Further information about this and joining the club is available from our membership secretary....

jenny.corps@btinternet.com"



COVID 19....

The Hanney Parochial Trust

is a small local charity that has been in existence in one form or another for over 400 years.

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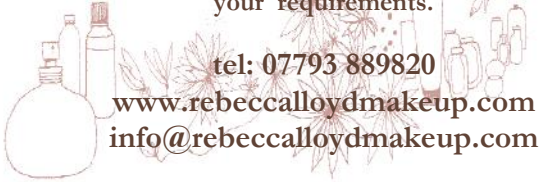
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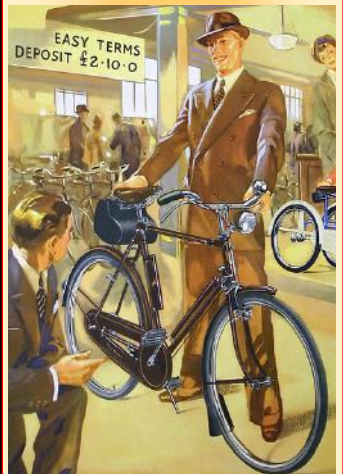
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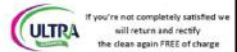


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