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Tuesday

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November

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| 4 | Heartbeat | 11.00 |
| 8 | Mobile Library | 3.05-35 |
| 9 | Bingo | 8.00 |
| 11 | Service of Remembrance 'In the Spirit' | 10.45 6.30 |
| 12 | Monday Group | 7.45 |
| 13 | Marton Parish Council | 7.30 |
| 18 | Family Communion | 11.00 |
| 19 | Marton Local History | 7.30 |
| 23 | Bingo | 8.00 |
| 25 | Evensong | 6.00 |
| 25 | Marton Walkers | |
| 29 | Mobile Library | 3.05-35 |

December

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| 2 | Christingle Service | 11.00 |
| 7 | Bingo | 8.00 |
| 9 | Heartbeat 'In the Spirit' | 11.00 6.30 |
| 10 | Monday Group | 7.30 |
| 16 | Family Communion | 11.00 |
| 20 | Mobile Library | 3.05-35 |
| 23 | Carol Service | 6.00 |
| 24 | Family Communion | 22.30 |
| 28 | Marton Walkers | |

Marion News

Newsbites

Neighbourhood Watch



There has been a number of apparently isolated thefts in

and around the village over the last couple of weeks.

However, there does seem to be a pattern emerging. They tend to happen overnight where a few items are taken from easily accessible gardens.

Neighbouring villages have also been targeted. The darker nights offer more cover than in the summer and so we all need to look at ensuring all valuables are well secured. This makes the principles of Neighbourhood Watch all the more important so that we all keep an eye out for suspicious activities and keep the authorities informed.

Peter

Moving On . . .



Goodbye to another 'Golden Oldie' - Mrs Irene Emma Wells, 91 years young, has lived in the village for over 60 years. She was very active in the Senior Citizens Club and was on the

committee, also a member of the WI in her younger days. She loved dancing and both her and her late husband 'Charles' were members of Princethorpe Social Club for many years. She has



RAY CLARKE

Peter , Michael and their families, wish to thank everyone for their support and presence at the celebration service for their father who died on the 5th September aged 97.



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Marion News

Newsbites

When will we get Superfast Broadband?

For those who have not joined the Marion Group email (see bottom of front cover to sign up), Joe Walsh kindly updated the village as to the situation.

You couldn't have missed the mass ranks of Openreach around North Street and beyond installing lines both underground and via poles. These will only be connected to houses if the occupants order superfast broadband. It will take a while to ensure all houses are in a position to be connected. "Joe says, "if you are connected via a pole, have a look and you will see that fibre tubing has been run up the side, and a small dome will have appeared near the top – that is the fibre manifold".

The village is at the commissioning stage and connections should start being available by early next month if not before.

two children, Valerie and Roy, four Grandchildren, twelve Great Grandchildren and six Great Great Grandchildren.

She is moving into sheltered accommodation in Hillmorton to be near her family. We wish her Good Luck in her new home and much happiness. We will miss her, Love all her friends in Marion.

Marion Pink Evening

Mary Harrison and Maria Leret would like to thank everyone who came along and supported the 'Pink



Evening' in aid of Breakthrough Breast Cancer. Thank you also to those people who bought raffle tickets, donated a raffle prize or

made a donation. A special thank you must go to David Fry for producing such wonderful pink flyers, Martin Osborne for calling out the raffle, Michelle for her fantastic cakes and to all those lovely ladies who helped in the kitchen, manned the tombola and sold raffle tickets. A total amount of £1000 was raised, so thank you once again for your support.



Council

Summary of the Minutes of Marion Parish Council Meeting held on the 11 September 2012, at 7.30pm at Marion Village Hall

(NB Draft only- formal approval of the minutes will take place at the next MPC meeting)

CODE OF CONDUCT AND REGISTER OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

- Outstanding declarations completed and signed at the meeting

POLICE ISSUES

- Crime Reports had been circulated prior to the meeting – there was very little to report.
- Drug taking at the Pavilion by visitors to the village is continuing to be reported.. The new PCSO is keen to help. Will

be taken as an issue to the next DEP to be made a priority case for the next few months.

PLANNING MATTERS

- R11/1468 New Farm Marion Road, Birdingbury – Conversion of redundant farm buildings into two dwellings – No decision
- R11/2438 – Baby Barn, Marion Fields Farm – Retention and independent occupation of previously approved dwelling and use of business premises for either Class A1 (shops) or Class B1 (a) or (b) (business) of the Town and Country Planning Use Classes Order 1987. – Approved – Concerns over the allowed opening hours.
- R12/0970 – 21 Birdingbury Road – Refacing part of the front and rear elevation with cedar cladding – No decision

- R12/1125 – 62 Oxford Road – Listed Building Consent - Insertion of an additional window into the rear elevation – approved.
- R12/1428 – Land adjacent to the bungalow – Erection of a multi-purpose agricultural building – No objections
- R12/1300 – 7 Birdingbury Road – Erection of a single storey extension – No objections

VILLAGE ISSUES AND MAINTENANCE

- Progress on village streets/road resurfacing/verges – Cllr Hitchman reported that the highways will take responsibility for and cut

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Marton Parish

Council

October.

- Street Lighting Report – Agreed to remove from the agenda.

AUDIT

- External Audit – still awaiting feedback, but not unusual to hear until after September meeting
- A new external auditor has been appointed for the next financial year.

The next Marton Parish Council Meeting is 7.30 Tuesday 13 November 2012

back the bush by the bus stop and the signs that are partly covered by the overgrown hedge at the old bridge.

- Cllr Hitchman reported that ownership of the hedge by southern entrance to the village has now been resolved. Highways have apparently written with the requirements for maintenance
- The bush back at the entrance to the Orchard has been cut back
- The drains outside 8 Birdingbury Road have been jet washed.
- North Street Junction – Agreed to remove from agenda
- Marton Emergency Plan - Cllr Fry presented a document that he had prepared. Cllr Westrope thanked Cllr Fry for the amount of work that had clearly gone into it. A few minor adaptations and additions were suggested. Issues of confidentiality were discussed. The cost of its production was approved.
- Grass cutting – Cllr Hitchman confirmed that there are no issues with the works, but explained that there were some issue internally and with receiving invoices. There has been a suggestion that we may face a 20% increase in costs next year.
- Playing Field Committee – Cllr Hitchman reported that the AGM is planned for early

Marton Groups

Marton Village Hall

30th November and 1st December – MARTON NIGHT OUT

Calling for more acts for Marton Night Out. We are still looking for new blood to showcase all the talent here in Marton.



If you are interested in taking part in MNO, the Committee would love to hear your ideas. Email Rob Lummis rlummis@jaguarlandrover.com or come to our next Committee meeting on Tuesday, 6th November at 8.00pm.

If you wish to advertise in the programme, please contact Barbara Leake

theleakes623@btinternet.com for details.

.....if there are any children who would like to be in the MNO please contact Ben Oliver on..01926 633326.....Ben and his friend Abi are planning to train them up for a fab 'n funky dance routine...

Rehearsal 6.00 pm 4th November at the Village Hall

Tickets will go on sale soon so remember to book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

Look out for the flyer which will give all the booking details. Be warned - both nights are usually sell outs so don't miss out on the fun!

HIRE RATES

Villagers £10, non-villagers £14, charity rate £5

DIARY OF EVENTS

Sunday 30th December - Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, 26th January 2013 – Quiz Night

POSSIBLE FUTURE EVENTS

Pledge and Promise

Murder Mystery

One-Off Saturday Night Bingo


Race Night

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The Committee would love to hear what events villagers would like to see or if any above appeal, let us know.

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Marton Groups

Marton Village Cricket Club

Our Annual General Meeting and Awards Presentation Evening was held at the Water Margin Chinese Restaurant at Long Itchington on Friday 19 October. Everybody had a really enjoyable evening and the food was great!



Despite the awful summer weather which resulted in 11 fixtures being cancelled, we did manage to complete 11 of our fixtures - winning 7 and losing 4 during which we had some superb individual performances. Far too many to mention now but well done to all the squad for your skills **and** your positive and sporting attitude on the field of play.

Some individual performances were recognised on the evening by the presentation of the following awards:

Batsmen of the Year: Kyrone Dodd
 Bowler of the Year: Ruban

Marton Village Hall

Player of the Year: Jay Singh
 Most Improved Player of the Year: Connor Jones

Some of the team have started to play in the Winter League indoor cricket games/series organised

by the Warwickshire Cricket Club and played at the Ryton Connexion facilities. At the time of going to press, they have made a promising start by beating Warwick University by some margin!

MVCC are always keen to increase its membership. Should you be interested in joining us, please call Alan Naylor on 01926 633229

Marton Groups

Marton Museum

Marton Museum Volunteers

The Museum is sadly losing its Treasurer, Jim Auld, who no longer feels that he can devote enough time and energy to this task. He will remain on the team of Volunteers and will continue to be a Trustee of the Museum. The Volunteers would like to thank him for all his hard work over the last few years. The election of a new Treasurer is under discussion .



The Volunteers have also said farewell to Helen Barnwell who, as most of you know already, is leaving the village. Helen has put a lot of effort into the Museum and

has become something of an expert on costumes and textiles as well as helping out at our open days and other events. Thank you, Helen. The loss of Helen combined with Jim's reduced input has come at a time when quite a lot is on the plate of the volunteers. If there are any others who would like to come and help plug the gap (whether as basic foot soldiers or even taking on the treasurer's role) they would be welcomed.



If anyone can give up a few hours to help with the packing and storing of artefacts in the Museum, under the direction of Wiz Shayler, we would be most grateful. It will not be necessary to attend meetings (unless you want to). We are also keen to recruit anybody else who has specific skills relevant to our future plans: building and planning, business management, PR and marketing, education etc. If you would be prepared to act as a consultant, that would be great. If you can help in any way please contact

bobbie.bolam@gmail.com 01926 634841 or
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Maraton Groups

Maraton Local History

Graham Robson, Maraton's own film director and cinematographer extraordinaire, is recording events as they happen with the intention of producing a film about the Museum. Filming has already commenced and will be continuing through the coming months and years.

Yet another piece of good news: we have been sent a wonderful photo of the mural which once adorned the outside wall of the Museum and which I am sure many of you can remember. The photo dates from 1984 and was sent by one of our visitors to the Heritage Open Days event. We have been searching for one of these for quite a while. Do have a look at the Museum page on the village website (www.maratonvillage.com) for a Technicolor version.

Maraton Local History

Meetings start again this month

Dr Anne Langley presents the first talk of the new season on **Brandon Silk Mill and Child Labour** starting at 7.30 at the village hall on **Monday 29 October**. Anne lives in Stretton and has done a lot of research in the general area and has a number of publications to her name. The work she has done on Brandon Mill is a great example of how local history research can reveal a fascinating story about a place and events that today is simply the 11th hole of Brandon golf course!

Ann's Archives

(Maraton Village life as uncovered by Ann Gregory)
In this month of Remembrance - "Tommy's Daily Day", based on much loved hymns of the day.
Dated 18th March 1915

6 am - Reveille - "Christians Awake"

6.45 am - Arouse Parade - "Art thou weary, are thou

languid"

7 pm - Breakfast - "Meekly wait and murmur not"

8.15 am - Company Officer's Parade - "When he cometh"

8.45 am - Manoeuvres - "Fight the good fight"

11.15 am - Drill - "Here we suffer grief and pain"

1 pm - Dinner - "Come ye faithful people come"

2.15 pm - Rifle Drill - "Go labour on"

3.15 pm - Lecture by Officers - "Abide with me"

4.30 pm - Dismiss - "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

5 pm - Tea - "What means this eager anxious throng"

6 pm - Free for the night - "Oh Lord how happy we shall be"

6.30 pm - Out of bounds - "We may not know, we cannot tell"

10 pm - Last Post - "All are safely gathered in"

10.15 pm - Lights out - "Peace, perfect peace"

10.30 pm - Inspection of Guards - "Sleep on beloved"
GOD SAVE THE KING!"

Marton Events

Marton Art

Marton Art

This is the time of the year when Art in Marton comes to the fore. Over the eight or so



years that the festival has been running the standard has

steadily improved, it is considered a desirable venue for artists from a twenty mile radius of the village. The weather was superb and Marton was looking good and so a superb backdrop was provided for the very large number of paintings, photographs, pottery, wood-work and sculptures on exhibit. Excellent refreshments and local produce further tempted our visitors to the church and the village hall; it was a real



village affair. We must thank all



those people from within and outside the village who participated in and supported the venture.

The favourite artist was considered to be Michael Riman from Harbury with his delicate watercolours of Warwick and surrounding areas. In second place was Janet Kent from Birdingbury with her positive acrylics, some in the Hockney style. Many of the late Hazel Johnston's pots were sold; she would have been pleased to have given so many people the pleasure of owning such beautiful items. The first painting to be sold was a large portrait of Marilyn Monroe by Alison Kendall of Priors Marston. There is so much more which could be said but I will finish with the very pleasing news that in excess of £2000 was raised for the church water project.



Marton Groups

Marton Walkers



The September Marton walk started from the Three Horse Shoes in Bubbenhall. The group turned right out of the car park and walked through the village before joining the Coventry Way which took us over several fields until we reached Ryton on Dunsmore. We then crossed the road and joined a little known footpath that cuts across Prologis Park. The group then walked through the village before joining another footpath that took us to the fishing lakes on the A423. After viewing the lakes we then headed back to Bubbenhall via the Ryton Pools country park.

Marton Walks take place on the final Sunday of the month. We meet at a local pub and walk a circuit of 5 miles or about 2 hours. A meal or drink at the pub afterwards is optional. For information on where to meet each month please contact mikeofmarton@hotmail.com or telephone Mike Johnson on 632960. **The date of the next walk is Sunday 25 November.**

Marton Walkers

Helen and Ian Barnwell would like to thank everyone for the lovely gifts and all the good wishes as we set off on our gap year. We will take very many happy memories of our years in Marton and we will be back for various events when in the area.' Thank you. I am not sure when we are actually moving but we will only be here occasionally until we really go as we must go and see grandchildren whom we have rather neglected during the chaos of packing! Take care and thank you for all you do. Helen

Marton Groups

Monday Group

Monday Group

October Olympic Memories
We had a really interesting



time hearing about the work of the Coventry Ambassadors and Games Makers at the Olympics interspersed with visits to the Olympic venue and Marton Olympics. To do the subjects justice we should have spent at least another hour. Thank you to the participants.

November Meeting AGM 12th 7.45pm village hall, free drinks. This is really important, if you have not been involved before come along and see what it is

Congratulations to Grace Clarke on her 90th birthday

all about and make your suggestions. If you cannot attend please send your apologies and any ideas as to programme in order that we know that you are interested and wish to be included in the **Christmas celebrations - December 3rd.**

Marton Nature: Jane

Once November has taken hold many trees will be well into shedding their leaves for winter. Once the branches are more visible it is often possible to see the nests of rooks high up in the tree tops.



These "rookeries" are made from twigs broken off from branches or commonly stolen from the nests of other birds. Rooks are members of the corvid family and are a large black bird which can often be confused with crows or jackdaws. However rooks are sociable birds who remain in flocks whilst crows tend to be seen either alone or in pairs. Jackdaws can be distinguished by their white eye and silvery appearance on their head. All corvids are intelligent but rooks have demonstrated in tests that their intelligence rivals that of chimpanzees. They are able to bend wires to create a hook to capture food and can raise the water level in tubes by dropping in stones in order to reach a floating worm. Rooks feed mainly on insects and grubs but will also eat grain, small mammals and eggs.

Marton Events

Art Festival

There were many excellent natural history photographs, we could have based the selection on these alone and similarly with the general scenes of Marton, in fact it would have been possible to have made at least three calendars. When we have assembled the twelve we hope that you will like our choice.



Parish Newsletter Photographic Competition

Quote from a voter *"It was almost impossible to choose as there were so many excellent photographs"* However people made their choices and the person who gained most gold stars was Alan Naylor. Congratulations Alan. Runners up were Bobbie Bolam and Biddy Allen who were also exhibiting in the Art Festival.

Alan's photo here with caption To see this in full colour buy the Marton Village Newsletter 2013 Calendar.



We have chosen twelve pictures for the calendar, using your votes, made up of easily identified views of Marton or Marton happenings such as Sports Day as our criteria.



The next couple of pages will give a flavour of some of the entries.

Details of the calendar will be given in the next edition of the Newsletter, but hopefully it will be on sale beforehand. Keep an eye out for information on the website.

Marton Church

Vicar's Letter

From Long Itchington Vicarage REMEMBERING!



November begins with a time of remembering, and ends with a time of looking forward.

Our remembering may take various forms. On Sunday 4th there is a special service of remembering for those who are bereaved; it is at Long Itchington church after teas at 3pm, and is for everyone in the Feldon Group – including Marton – who would like to take the opportunity to remember loved ones who have died. Those bereaved in the last year in the group will have their loved ones' names read out, but you are free to add a name to the list at the back of church, or if it is too near the day, give me a ring or come and add the name to the list at tea time on the day.

November 5th is supposed to be about remembering – 'Remember, remember the fifth of November, gunpowder, treason and plot, I see no reason why gunpowder treason should ever be forgot.' I wonder how many children in the village

know the story? And why it should be so remembered?

November 11th is Armistice Day, and this day it falls on a Sunday. We will observe the two minutes' silence at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in the traditional way. Though none of us can remember the 'great war', and less and less remember World War 2, we are still touched by continuing losses in our armed forces. I went with some of my family to the National Arboretum at Alrewas, and saw inscribed there the name of one of our young people from our previous church, a friend of my son, who was killed recently in Afghanistan.

In the church year the month leads up to Advent, and the readings of the last two Sundays look forward to the time when Jesus Christ shall come back to earth as King of the universe, the culmination of history and the time when everything will be put to rights. We may often look back in sadness; but we can look forward in hope, knowing our lives have meaning and purpose when Jesus is our Lord and shepherd.

Tim Britton

Church Information

Cleaning

Team Clean please on Friday 16 November

Flowers

October—Jenny Cessford

Thanks for Floodlights

Helen & Ian Barnwell

Coffee Mornings

There will not be any coffee mornings this month due to the building work

Marton Church

Church News

MARTON ART FESTIVAL

Once again, huge thanks to Joan Sherratt and Bill Buckler for organising this fantastic weekend of events. Thanks also to everyone who helped with stewarding and refreshments and to everyone who baked cakes and donated raffle prizes and produce. We are grateful to all the artists who provided such a wonderful variety of exhibits, there was indeed something for everyone to admire and acquire. Lastly thanks to everyone who came along to support this successful event which raised £2000 for the Water Project.

COVENTRY NIGHT SHELTER APPEAL

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Harvest Festival appeal for the Coventry Night Shelter. Beth (the Night Shelter Coordinator) asked us to pass on her thanks for the generous gifts of produce and the £60 cash donation from the collection. The shelter has up to 10 men sleeping there every night at the moment, as the weather gets colder they expect the number to be nearer 20. We will be organising another collection in December.

WATER PROJECT UPDATE



The exciting news is that building work to provide disabled access, a toilet and servery at the rear of the

church is now underway.

We are very grateful for all the donations we have received from the community and would like to take this opportunity to record our thanks to the members of the Water Project Committee, Joe Walsh, Bill Buckler, Joan Sherratt, Zena Richards and Ann Landsbury for all their hard work in getting the project off the ground.

Church News

If you intended to make a donation, but for whatever reason haven't as yet, the good news is that it's still not too late!! Please contact Joe Walsh on 01926-632547.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The recent Harvest Festival was a great occasion - we celebrated Grace's 90th birthday, said thank you and goodbye to Helen & Ian Barnwell, and we collected loads of food, personal cleaning stuff and underwear for the Coventry Night Shelter. The goods and the collection taken during the service were delivered to them this week - they were so grateful and asked their very grateful thanks to be passed on. They currently have up to 10 people sleeping on the floor every night, as the weather gets colder they expect there to be more - they can cope with around 20. They also provide a hot meal every night so the foodstuff was very welcome. These people literally have nothing and typically have no recourse to benefits or other support. Given their desperate need, we are thinking of having a food / clothing collection leading up to Christmas, do watch out for further notices about that.