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THE QUEEN ELEANOR CHOIR

This very talented choir is coming to Welford to perform in St. Mary's church on the 8th of June from 7.30 pm.

Tickets will be available from John Nicholas priced at £10.00 to include a glass of wine or soft drink at the interval. This is really a show not to be missed, the choir have sung at the Royal Albert Hall and in Paris and Barcelona and are a class act.

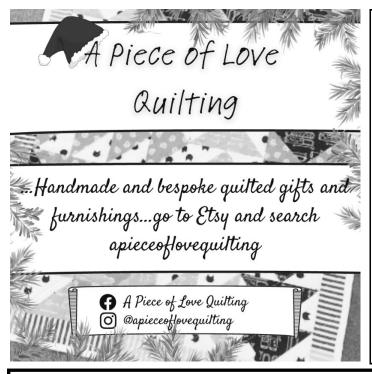


KidsFest

Saturday 8th June, 10am-3pm, WYCC & playing field

KidsFest is back for the third year in a row. We're delighted to have received funding from PECT, enabling us to put on a bigger event than ever before, while still keeping it free of charge.

Some of your firm favourites will be back again, including the smoothie bike, yoga sessions and hedgehogs, but with many new additions, such as Northamptonshire Badgers, Fairy Emma and the WSSES School Eco Squad.





Courts have been white lined cleared and spruced up for the summer 2024 season. Courts are ideally situated adjacent to the children's play area on the Playing Field. Currently no need to pre-book courts to play.

Annual (30th April start) Membership Fees are;

- Family (2 Adults and 2 Juniors under 18 years) £20.00
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To join please contact Teresa Read (575977)

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- Be the focal point for Northants ACRE and the Charity Commission.
- In conjunction with the Treasurer prepare and submit any applicable grant applications.
- Helping with fund raising activities such as the film nights and other committee run events.
- Making sure that actions agreed in meetings are followed up and collecting information and relative correspondence to be discussed at meetings etc.

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'Ways Out of the Climate Crisis'

Wednesday, 17 April 2024

This talk that Professor Heiko Baltzer gave to 'Sustainable Harborough Community' on April 11th was frightening, enlightening and thoughtful. He emphasised how the target 1.5 degree rise in temperature was clearly unobtainable as targets and pledges from the Paris agreement have not been met-leading now to an expected optimistic rise of 2.5 degrees but more likely 2.8 degrees-as recently reported in the news.

We know that consuming beef has the highest food footprint for environmental damage and carbon use but although lamb is about one third of that, pigs and poultry are very low. In comparison dairy products are even also lower. The most surprising finds also included knowledge about the degradation of our class 1 peaty soils in East Anglia. Although this is our most productive landscape, the lowering of the water table has depleted the soil from normal long root growth and also more carbon is released. By raising the water table less carbon would be released but different crops would have to be grown in almost swamp like conditions. A new term 'palidculture' describes the type of agriculture in this situation- more conducive to growing celery, bilberries, cranberries, nettles and watercress. Rice paddy fields come to mind now that farmers now have to deal with extremes of temperature. Hot periods followed by wet ones though don't lead to consistency in farming or predicting easily what should be grown from year to year.

We have always known that the very rich might have possibly managed their financial affairs very much to their own advantage, but to be shown a 'hockey stick graph' stating clearly they are off the scale in terms of energy use, was shocking. The top 1% consumed approximately 101 tons of carbon in 2019 whereas the very poor, low and middle classes are in single digits. Those last two classes (mostly us) have reduced their emissions.

A new organisation LUNZ 'Land use for net zero' is now operating to help form policies by engaging a wide number of actors but I fear its findings might take too long to help re-define the multi- functional landscapes we urgently need. Our local planners are having to evaluate the impossible, developing solar farms at the expense of losing productive agricultural land, helping farmers gain better income streams against the financial loss of individuals affected by them or wildlife movements destroyed by them.

Professor Baltzer's work at Leicester also involves the development and use of a tool that can be downloaded using satellite data in real time to identify forests being destroyed by illegal logging or burning for crops. Initially developed for Kenya it is now being used worldwide. It was a privilege to hear a scientist at the cutting edge of thinking and measurement of global warming and taking time to come to talk locally to people - a big contrast to his involvement and usually expert audiences such as COP28.

Today CPRE are launching the 'Northamptonshire Landscape Design Guide.' -on the CPRE website. In developing Section 5 on decision making this also touches on the problems of decision making long term for land use which affects us all. Yvonne Dean CPRE (Technical Secretaries Committee for Northamptonshire) Useful references below.

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Yvonne Dean

A date for your diary...

St Mary's Church Fete Saturday 14th September 2024 2.00 – 4.30pm at The Manor House

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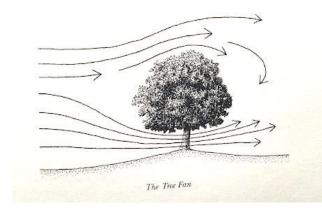
NOTES FROM TREES FOR WELFORD

We are happy to tell you that our January report to the Parish Council on the village tree-planting consultation last November is now easily accessible on the village website. Here you can find out what people said about the planting plans for roadside verges in the village, the Playing Field and the Sportsfield: www.welfordvillage.org.uk; Community; Trees for Welford – click on the links to two documents at the bottom of that page.



Feasibility Study: this is a big job – progress is being made. **Breeze under the trees:** you may be interested to see this diagram from Tristan Gooley's book showing how air movement works to create a cooling breeze under the trees.

"The Tree Fan"



The Secret World of Weather by Tristan Gooley pub Sceptre 2021

"When any wind passes a tree, the tree gets in its way. This causes changes in the air pressure on all sides of the tree. The pressure increases on the upwind side and decreases on the downwind. The higher pressure on the windward side then accelerates over, round and under the tree. This leads to a breeze under a tree that is faster and stronger than the breeze away from the tree. We feel cooler under trees on hot days because of the shade and the cooling breeze."

West Northants Council:

Tree Strategy: the next round of consultation on the draft strategy is planned for the end of July to mid-September, including a week of workshops in September. Details to follow.

Nature: A Local Nature Recovery Officer has been appointed (a full-time, permanent post), which should be good news for a joined-up approach to the health of our ecosystem (which we depend on!) – to nurture what we have and increase what we need.

And finally:

"Oak before ash, we're in for a splash. Ash before oak, we're in for a soak." This year the ashes are coming into leaf noticeably more slowly than the oaks - are we "in for a splash" or is ash die-back reeking havoc? Email: trees@welfordvillage.org.uk

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The Green Welford committee aims to champion our community's sustainable future. Below is a short summary of our latest endeavours and if you want to get involved, please email us: greenwelford@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

KidsFest

Saturday 8th June, 10am-3pm, WYCC & playing field

At the time of writing, KidsFest is still upcoming, but by the time this edition of the Bugle drops through letter-boxes, it will probably already be behind us! Hopefully the weather will have been kind and the event a huge success – a full round-up will follow in the next edition.

Wine Tasting with Duncan Murray Friday 21st June, 7.30pm, Sportsfield

An evening not to be missed! Local wine merchant, Duncan Murray, will be delighting us with a range of sustainable

English and European wines, paired perfectly with sumptuous locally sourced nibbles.

Tickets are selling fast, so please contact us to book now!

Future Clothes Swaps

30th June (Village Hall)

22nd September (Village Hall)

1st December (WYCC)

An Evening with FarrinHeights

We unfortunately had to postpone our next planned event with local vegan caterers FarrinHeights, but we anticipate hosting another event in the autumn.

Booking details to follow in due course.

Recycling bin update

Since the recycling bins were added to the bus shelter on West Street back in December 2021, we have prevented over 487kg from entering landfill and raised more than £340 for Doctors Without Borders – thank you.

If you have any suggestions of other hard-to-recycle items that you would like us to consider collecting, please get in touch and we'll see what we can do.

Community Café

Every other Friday morning, we host a Community Café in the Billiards Room at Welford Village Hall. We're open from 10am until 12pm, serving tea, coffee and a selection of homemade cakes.

It's been lovely to see some new faces in recent weeks and these coffee mornings are the perfect opportunity to come and spend a couple of hours with fellow villagers, and perhaps chat about various eco themes if you so wish.

Upcoming dates are listed below:

14th & 28th June

12th & 26th July

Our coffee morning coincides with a visit from Rita the Refill Van – bring along your empty containers to buy anything from pasta, herbs and flour to shampoo or even washing up liquid. You'll be amazed at what's carried on board!

Bored in this wet summer?

Enter a competition to make a new piece of clothing from old/recycled ones.

Look in the window of no. 24 High street for inspiration....like the possible 'Sock jumper' below-in process of being made (Mark 1-Mark 2 in preparation...)

In conjunction with Green Welford who will be part of the judging process. The day for judging and possible exhibition will be announced in a future Bugle.

First Prize of £50 cash or Amazon vouchers.

Open to anyone in school education, any age up to 18submit by September 2nd 2024 - to either Number 24 High Street or to the Green Welford Cafe on the visiting Fridays 10-12 (every 2 weeks)



Complete the following form to accompany
your submission which should be stapled
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Name
Age
Address

Contact number.....

Contact Yvonne Dean for any queries on 01858 571 397 or 07946630782 yvonne.dean76@btinternet.com

APRIL 2024 MEETING

WELFORD W.I.

The President, Denise Bott, welcomed 33 members and after singing Jerusalem, the March minutes were read and approved. The next coffee meet up will be on Monday

22nd April at Cafe Insomnia, located in the Library on Adam and Eve Street, at the earlier time of 10.30. The craft afternoon on Monday 29th April in the Billiard Room at 2.00 will continue with knitting squares for the Linus project. All are welcome, cost £2.00. Our new charity for 2024 will be Remap, a voluntary organisation solving problems for people with disabilities.

Thanks were given to Christine O'Reilly for organising a very successful lunch for 21 members at The Pytchley, West Haddon. Cards were sent round for help at Kidsfest and various outings. Events for your diary - Saturday 22nd June Cream Teas in the Village Hall. Saturday 2nd November- Jigsaw afternoon. The resolution for the AGM at the Royal Albert Hall, Dental Health Matters, was discussed and voted on. The WI is calling for the Government to increase funding to train and retain NHS dentists.

Our speaker, Steve Rankine, gave an interesting and knowledgeable talk about the Harborough Woodland Group, set up to plant trees in Leicestershire to increase bio diversity and prevent flooding.

Tasty refreshments were provided by Alison Pryce, Sue Lees and Nicky

White. Michelle Wilson helped with serving. The raffle, organised by Christine O'Reilly, was won by Pauline Underhill, Jean Baker and Lynne Sharpley. The competition for a jug, organized by Julie Newman, was won by Sue Lees, 2nd Sue Wilson and 3rd Ann Thorington. The annual competition shield was awarded to Jane Cottrell, with Alison Pryce second and Julie Newman third.

The speaker for May is Andrew Tennet - The Life of Virginia Bradford. The competition is a black and white photo. Everybody welcome. *COR*

MAY 2024 MEETING

President Denise Bott welcomed 30 members and 1 guest. After singing Jerusalem, the April minutes were read and approved. The craft afternoon will now be on 3rd June, where we will make a start on Christmas decorations! Thanks were given to Pauline Underhill who represented the WI at the annual parish meeting. Members were reminded about Kidsfest, skittles and bulb orders. There is a cream tea coming up in the village hall on June 22nd in support of REMAP.

Various county outings were circulated, along with diary orders and notice of the AGM in October when the guest speaker will be Professor Turi King.

Andrew Tennet gave a very interesting talk about Virginia Bradford, a movie starlet, who was a very colourful character. Born Ada Virginia Estes at the turn of the 20th century in Memphis, she was a silent movie actress who starred in numerous films including Chicago, Atta Boy and The Country Doctor. She had a brief affair with Charlie Chaplin, was married and divorced numerous times - rumoured to be into double figures! She spent some time in England directing in London and Coventry in the 1930's and lived for a while in Tiffield where she had a brush with the law. She returned to America and died in 1995 in Indiana.

Refreshments were provided by Denise Cattell, Lynne Sharpley and Christine O'Reilly. The raffle, organised by Hilary Attwood was won by Pauline Underhill, Jean Baker and Lynne Sharpley. The competition for a black and white photo, organized by Sue Lees, was won by Sue Lees, with Sue Wilson 2nd and Ann Thorington 3rd. The speaker for June is Grainne Purkiss - Women in Art. The competition is a female figurine. All welcome. COR



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The heavy rain of 2024 has continued into April with 74.7mm (a 10 year record) compared to an average of 35.9. On average, April is normally the driest month of the year but this year was wetter than January. Total rainfall for 2024 for Jan-Apr is the highest in 23 years of Welford records at 345.1mm; the previous high was in 2018 with 328.5mm and every other year has been well under 300mm. It's been a wet one so far but stay hopeful - 2018 proved to be a hot summer!

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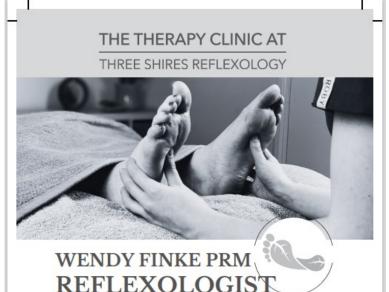
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Nature Notes

I'm writing this on a wet, cold, blustery day at the end of May. The few recent glorious sunny days seem a thing of the past, but the long wet spring and the occasional sunshine have hurried nature along remarkably. The blackthorn, hawthorn, horse chestnuts, cow parsley and elderflowers all seemed to be blooming at once. The countryside has turned green so suddenly, the trees in full leaf except the ash trees, so many of which look to be suffering from ash die back.

The grass has been so lush it's almost grown as I watch. I'm afraid I don't subscribe to No Mow May. I like my lawns to look tidy, but to compensate my many large borders are full of blossom, the thyme lawn is coming into flower, there are several corners I allow to go wild and the insects have been busy pollinating whenever the weather has been right. The largest bumble bees I have ever seen have been bumbling about and quite often needing rescuing from the side porch. There are lots of smaller bumble bees too, but not so many honey bees. The occasional early wasp has also put in an appearance, and there is much buzzing of large houseflies. This is also the season for ants! Also butterflies on sunny days yellow, white, blue and recently a painted lady. They all come out when the sun shines.

The birds have been very noisy, particularly the blackbirds which have been virtually shouting across the garden, and the wrens which have very loud voices for such tiny birds. What I haven't seen are swallows in the sky here. I know there are some about, and I've seen them swooping above the grass in the top fields and had 2 sightings in the village. I do miss their distinctive, joyful flight and hope they grace the sky behind our farm soon.

The sheep have been shorn and look strangely white and naked in the back field. The vegetable garden is coming on well, the best asparagus ever, delicious new potatoes grown in the greenhouse - the outside ones are coming on well, and seeds planted outside germinating quickly, and the beans and sweet corn all coming up in pots in the greenhouse. The strawberry plants have lots of flowers but were slow to form fruit. We think it was a lack of pollinators, but now a bumper crop is beginning to set, far too late to be ripe for Wimbledon but we shall enjoy them in due course. The roses are coming into flower too, and maybe by the time this comes through your letterbox we shall have a flaming June so that we can sit outside and enjoy our gardens as well as working in them! Susie Bevin

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A request for help from the Welford Community



For many years the Church has had links with the local primary school of WSSES (Welford, Sibbertoft and Sulby Endowed School), and we are delighted to continue that relationship with the children who learn there, their parents and other responsible adults as well as the teachers who provide that third part of the triangle

equation of home, school and community.

This year, as always in recent years the Church will be providing a Good News Bible for each child who is moving on to a secondary school in September. Also we have provided the dressing for an altar for the school Worship area, and recently assisted the older children to design and implement a Prayer garden area which is tucked away behind the end of the mobile classrooms. The first phase of this was completed at the beginning of May when a



flowering cherry tree was planted in the centre of the ground designated as the Prayer garden, and donated by the Welford Parish Church Council.



We are hoping that wider help from the Welford Community might now be able to assist in the next phase of this development. The school already has a large (but light weight) wooden throne-like story chair which now needs some tender loving care to give it a new lease of life.

- Would you be able to renew it and varnish it?
- Would you be able to source and provide some 30cm tall and about 30cms girth log seats for classes to sit on when they use this area
- Donate some extra large planters/pots for the children to grow things in
- Make or donate some raised flower beds
- Paint the outside of a shed?
- Install some solar powered lights?
- Install a solar powered water feature?
- Other ideas?



If you are unable to physically do these type of jobs, perhaps you feel that this is a wonderful and hopefully calming area to provide for the children who attend WSSES and you could donate some money to help pay for the materials etc. The children have some wonderful ideas for a water feature, lights and many other items, to decorate their green, calm space. If you would like to speak to someone about how you can be involved please ring Kairen on 575331 or email me on Kairen.ball@gmail.com I'm looking forward to hearing from you. Kairen Ball (Lay Minister)

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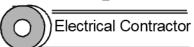
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- · A slideshow of photographs from nearly 100 years of Girlguiding in
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An Update from Welford Guides: June 2024

For the Summer term, the girls have chosen to focus on the Girlguiding programme themes of 'Have Adventures' and 'Be Well'. Fortunately, the lighter evenings have facilitated plenty of activities out on the Playing Field. These have included: learning how to play American football; devising warm-up routines to use before a work-out; planting up sunflower seeds, and lots of active games.

Indoor activities have included: learning the art of assuming different surfing positions (we're not sure quite how useful they'll be in Welford, though!); learning different positions to adopt in an emergency, such as an avalanche or whilst out at sea (again, these are of limited use in Welford, but Girlguiding is, after all, about skills for life!) and creating their own smoothie recipes using a rainbow assortment of fruit.

Activities still to come after the half-term break are very much focused on preparing the girls for their two night camping trip in June, together with other Guides from across the Guilsborough Division. The girls will be learning the following skills:

- Safely making and then cooking on a fire
- Planning a menu suitable for a camp i.e. with no access to electricity, including refrigeration
- Pitching tents and planning a logical campsite layout
- Building a shelter
- Pioneering, with the aim of building a stretcher out of available materials

We will also be learning and practising a variety of campfire songs!

Other highlights this term include the Division event at Guilsborough Academy, where Guides, Brownies and Rainbows will all be learning the art of cheerleading, and the **Girlguiding Celebration on Sunday 9th June at the Community Centre**. This will be an informal event held between 2 and 5pm, and all current and former members of Girlguiding (and their families) in Welford, or elsewhere, are welcome to come and celebrate Girlguiding over a cup of tea or coffee and some homemade sweet treats. There will also be a variety of crafts to try: nostalgic classics and modern favourites, and a slideshow of photographs from nearly 100 years of Girlguiding in Welford. It will be a lovely opportunity to share Girlguiding memories and to discover what girls in Girlguiding do today.

Do you have a daughter aged between 4 and 14 (Rainbows, Brownies and Guides) who would like to join the Girlguiding adventure? Or would you like to get involved as a unit helper or leader? If so, please get in touch: welfordguides@gmail.com

It is so very rewarding to work with these wonderful girls each week and we are always looking for new members of the Girlguiding team, across Rainbows, Brownies and Guides.





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WELFORD WORLD OF SPORT... UPDATES FROM THE SPORTS FIELD ASSOCIATION AND MEMBER CLUBS



Early May saw the start of both our Senior and Junior Cricket Season with the first Sunday friendly fixture taking place at the Sports Field on Sunday 12th May. All the well-attended indoor and outdoor sessions (and the welcome addition of some new faces) paid off

with a victory over Crick Lions CC, albeit by a relatively small margin. A great way to start the season!



Our joint Welford/Yelvertoft/Houlton ECB 'Allstars' (aged 5 to 8) and 'Dynamos' (aged 8 to 11) softball programmes are also now underway at Yelvertoft Playing Fields on Saturday mornings. It's so great to see upwards of 30 children running around enjoying cricket in the sunshine! Our 'Small Group' junior hardball coaching sessions for U13/U11s are also back up and running on Friday afternoons at the Sports Field (4:45pm to 5:45pm) but we really need some more youngsters to come along. Senior Practice follows from 6.00pm until 7:30 pm. Thanks to everyone who has helped us get our season up and running. We're a small but growing club with limited resources and rely heavily on the support of our members and other helpers to make things happen. Our next two home matches bookend the month of June. On Sunday 2nd we welcome Abington Phoenix CC, whereas on Sunday 30th we again take on Welford

Victoria FC in the annual WELFORD T20 CHALLENGE. The bar will be open and spectators are very welcome.

2024 SEASON FIXTURE LIST

- WIN Sunday May 12th vs Crick Lions CC (Home)
- **Sunday June 2nd** vs Abington Phoenix CC (Home) Sunday June 23rd vs Crick Lions CC (Away)
- Sunday June 30th vs WVFC (Home) Sunday July 14th vs Bourton & Frankton (Away) Sunday July 28th vs North Kilworth CC (Home)
- Sunday September 8th vs Willoughby CC (Away) Weds September 11th vs Lubenham CC (Away) Plus a game in August vs Haddons CC date tbc







Sunday 30th June 2024

Enjoy top class cricket... (well, cricket)... and refreshments as Welford Cricket Club takes on Welford Victoria Football Club in a T20 cricket challenge. Last year's game wasn't high on runs, but provided plenty of entertainment with lots of broken stumps (and, happily, only one broken finger)



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MARIAN WRIGHT/WSFA OUTSTANDING SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR 2024



Open to all women with any connection to Welford, the Marian Wright Outstanding Sportswoman of the Year is given by Welford Sports Field Association, together with Dick and Bill Wright, to honour the legacy of Marian, who passed away in 2023 and loved all sport. The inaugural award will be announced at the

WVFC/WSFA Fun Day on Saturday 20th July 2024

This has been made possible by a very kind donation to Welford Sports Field Association by Bill Wright and family in memory of Marian, who passed away last year.



Nominations are open until midnight on 30th June 2024.

To nominate any woman or girl with any connection to Welford, please email james.e.bland@gmail.com with "Outstanding Sportswoman Nomination" in the subject line.

The information below is requested, but will be anonymised before being passed to the judging panel.

- 1) Name of nominee, approx. age and connection to Welford
- 2) Name of nominator and relationship to nominee
- 3) Email address/telephone number
- 4) If nominee is under 18, please confirm you have permission from the child's parent/quardian
- 5) Why is this girl or woman outstanding this year?



CALLING JUNIOR FOOTBALLERS!

Our junior section continues to grow, and we are hoping to add more teams next season on top of the two mixed U8s (to

become U9s) that run this season.

All children between the ages of 5 and 10 are welcome to join our Wednesday sessions, where the focus is on fun and teamwork, but we are seeking specific age groups for the potential new teams next season.

- UNDER 7s: School Year 2 (from age of 6)
- UNDER 8s: School Years 3 and 2
- **UNDER 9s:** School Years 4 and 3
- UNDER 10s: School Years 4 and 5

All teams are managed by FA-qualified coaches and supported by adults who have completed FA Safeguarding courses and DBS checks. Our U10s will be managed by Carlo-Jason Vojak-Landsell, who has now completed his university degree and coaches to UEFA B standard.

If you'd like to become a coach or help us out, we'll pay for your training and would love to have you on board. Please email

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50-UP FOR HOT-SHOT SHAUN

Welford Victoria striker Shaun Morton celebrated netting his fiftieth goal of the season before the Northamptonshire team's season ended, sliding in a cross at the far post to complete his halfcentury (and a hat-trick, for good measure) in a 6-0 victory.

Commenting on Shaun's achievement, player-manager George Jeffery, who took over at the start of the season and has overseen the team's progress, was full of praise for the impact that Shaun has had on the team. "He may look a bit like Jamie Vardy, be super-quick and score lots of goals



but that's where the similarity ends. He supports Newcastle United so fancies himself as an Alan Shearer-type striker but none of us has the heart to tell him he's not that good in the air".

However, George was quick to complete a Lampardian transition. "Seriously though, he always gives 100% and demands the same from others, so he's been a great influence on his team-mates and an absolute joy to manage."

Far from looking forward to a summer break, Shaun is now in practice for the cricket season with Welford Cricket Club. Whether he scores as many runs as goals, though, remains to be seen.

League positions as at 20th May 2024

Welford Victoria (Leicestershire)

Leicestershire County Football League Division 1 - FINAL

3rd place P22 W13 D2 L7

Welford Victoria (Northamptonshire)

Northamptonshire Combination Division 3 - FINAL

9th place (/16) P30 W13 D2 L15

Welford Victoria (Veterans)

Northamptonshire Sunday Combination Veterans League B - one to play 7th place P17 W5 D1 L11









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25% will be donated to Evelina Children's Charity. This is a charity close to the heart of the player-manager of
the Veterans' team, Jon Nottingham, whose young daughter Immie has been diagnosed with Opsoclonus
Myoclonus Syndrome (OMS), a rare neurological autoimmune disorder that affects as few as one in ten million children.



ALSO COMING UP...



FUNDRAISING QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 22nd JUNE 2024 - Welford Youth & Community Centre

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LIVE TENNIS AT THE CLUBHOUSE

SUNDAY 14th JULY 2024 from 10:00am

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NELFOR MA'ED HOCKEY CLUB

REVIEW OF THE SEASON

The 2023/24 season came to a close in May with the end of season do, AGM and trophy presentation at the WYCC in Welford.

The Mixed team have had an amazing season being promoted back into the 1st Division and coming 2nd in the Junior Cup. Many of the Badgers players have stepped up this year and this makes

this accomplishment even more incredible. They are a young, ambitious and talented team and we are very proud of them.

The Badgers team have played fearless hockey supported tirelessly on the side line by Matt Johnson, Nigel Astbury, Julia Bennett and our awesome supporters - the parents! They have also had much younger players wanting to step up into the team and when they have they have not disappointed us!

The Juniors have been incredible too. Competing at tournaments well above their level and working hard as a team. It has been great to see so many new members join us this season and we hope to replicate that next season. We have started an after school club at Welford School this term and is has been very well attended. We plan to run this next season too.

It is not easy to sum up the work that goes in behind the scenes but the committee for this club go above and beyond. We are lucky to have them and immensely grateful for their contribution

Finally, it is a fond farewell to Julia and Dan Bennett as they retire from the club after a combined total of 43 years with the club. Julia has been a player and coach and Dan has been the Mixed team's steadfast goalkeeper. Both have served on the committee for many years and Dan captained the Mixed team for many years. Their commitment and dedication will be missed.

2023/2024 TROPHY WINNERS

U8s coach's award A. Taylor

U10s coach's award Alfie Murphy

U12s coaches' award Toby Laxton and Oscar Holsgrave

> Badger's Players' Player The Foreman Trophy Ben Laxton

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MONDAYS		MONDAY FRIDAY	
Genna's Yoga Sanctuary 10.30am-12.15pm	VH(MH)	MONDAY - FRIDAY Welford Pre-school 9.15 - 3.15pm	PSM
WI Craft 4 th week 2:00pm - 4:00pm	VH(BR)	Breakfast club 7.45am - School start	PSM
Bell-Ringing 1 st and 3 rd week 7.30pm	CH	After School Club. End of School - 5.30pm	PSM
Rainbows 5-7 years 5.15 - 6.00pm	WYCC	Alter School Club. End of School - 5.30pm	POIVI
Brownies 7-10 years 6.15 - 7.30pm	WYCC	SATURDAYS	
Guides 10-14 years 7.30 - 9.00pm	WYCC	Blockhead Quilters 2nd week 9:30am - 4:00pm	r VH(MH)
Table Tennis 7.00-9.00pm	VH(MH)	Welford Movie Night 1st week 7:30pm - 10:00p	om
Welford in Harmony 7.30—9.00pm	CPL	(Oct - May)	VH(MH)
Wellord in Harmony 7.30—9.00pm	OFL	SUNDAYS	
<u>TUESDAYS</u>		Explorer Scouts 14-18 yrs 7.00-8.30pm	WYCC
Intermediate Pilates 9.30-10.30am	WYCC	<u>EVENTS</u>	
Intermediate Pilates 6.00-7.00pm	WYCC	<u>JUNE</u>	
Intermediate Pilates 7.15—8.15pm	WYCC	8th Queen Eleanor Choir	CH
GN Coffee Morning 1st week 10-12.30	VH(MH)	8th Kidsfest	WPF
Short Mat Bowls 7.00pm-9.00pm	VH(MH)	21st Wine tasting with Duncan Murray	WSF
Visualise 2nd week 10:00am - 4:00pm	VH(MH)	22nd Remap tea & coffee pm	VH
Bridge 1st & 3rd week 7:30pm - 10:00pm	VH(BR)	22nd Quiz Night 25th Curry Night	WYCC WSF
(September - May)		30th Clothes swap	VH
Hockey Juniors Reception / KS1 1545-1645	SCH	•	***
WEDNESDAYS		JULY 6th Gingo	WYCC
Welford Watercolourists 9.00am-12.00	VH(BR)	13th WSSES Summer BBQ	SCH
Pilatesway 9:15am - 10:30am	VH(MH)	13th Welford in Harmony St Mary's RC churc	
Stitching Bee 3rd th week 2:00pm - 5:00pm	VH(BR)	14th Big Screen Wimbledon Men's Final	WSF
Gardening Club 2nd week 7:30pm - 9:45pm	VH(BR)	20th Family Fun Day	WSF
(September - May)	VII(DIX)	21st Welford in Harmony Choir 7.30pm	CPL
Football U9s (Y4 & below), Colts (16+), Vets (35)	+)	<u>AUGUST</u>	
From 6.15pm	WSF	18th Welford Golf Open	CAGC
Clubbercise 6:15pm - 7:15pm	VH(MH)	<u>SEPTEMBER</u>	
Beginners Pilates 10.00-11.00am	WYCC		nor house
Set the pace fitness club 7pm-8pm	WYCC	22nd Toy & Clothes swap	VH
Book Club 4th week 7:00pm - 8:30pm	VH(BR)	VENUES:	
Hockey Training	VII(DIX)	CAGC Cold Ashby Golf Club	
KS2 / Secondary 7.00-8.00pm	LUT	CH Church	
16+ / Adults 8.00-9.00pm	LUT	CPL Chapel	
THURSDAYS		PSM Pre-School Mobile	
Parish Council 4 th week 7.30pm	VH(MR)	PP Pocket Park	
Women's Institute 2nd week 7.30-10.00pm	VH(MH)	SCH Welford School	
Village Hall Meeting 4th week 2:30pm	VH(BR)	VH(BR) Village Hall Billiard Room VH(MH) Village Hall Main Hall	
Yoga with Carla 7pm-8pm	WYCC	WSF Welford Sports Field	
FRIDAYS		WYCC Welford Youth and Community C	Centre
Babes and Tots 9.30 - 11.00am	WYCC	WPF Welford Playing Fields	on a
Bosworth Tots 9.30 - 11.30am	HBVH	WW Welford Wharf	
Beaver Scouts 6-8 years 5.00-6.00pm	WYCC	RC Rugby College	
Cub Scouts 6.00-7.30pm	WYCC	NKA North Kilworth All weather	
Scouts 7.30-9.00pm	WYCC	NSC Naseby Sports Court	
Welford Community Cafe and Rita the Refill sho		WTC Welford Tennis Club YPF Yelvertoft Playing Fields	
Alternate weeks from 19/4/24 10:00am - 12:00	VH(BR)	HBVH Husbands Bosworth Village Hall	
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For further information or to have your dates listed please contact us on **welfordbugle@outlook.com** Keep up to date with events or advertise on www.welfordvillage.co.uk or follow @Welfordvillage on twitter.

WELFORD, WE WANT YOUR VIEWS...

We'd love to know what you think about various issues and would be hugely grateful if you could complete this anonymous questionnaire to let us know your thoughts. This survey is being conducted by the Green Welford group of volunteers.

The questions we ask about age and children are for profiling purposes—we're not collecting any information that would allow you to be identified, so please feel free to answer honestly

Choose how to participate



On paper: Fill this in and return it to the special box positioned in the bus shelter



Online: Go to https://bit.ly/welford2024 and fill in the Google form on your computer, tablet or mobile. (Or scan the QR code)

Your age For profiling only, this will not allow you to be identified Under 18 18-24 25-34 35-4	4 45-54 55-64 65-79 80+
Your gender For profiling only, this will not allow you to be identified Male Female Other term	Dependent children in your household Please tick box if you have any dependent children in these age brackets 0-4 years 5-11 years 11-17 years

For each of the village events below, please tick ALL the statements that are true for you

	l've heard of it	l've been before	I might go in future			l've been before	I might go in future
Sports Field Association Quiz Nights	C	O	•	Wharf Inn Cider & Sausage Festival	O	C	C
Vegan Sunday Lunch at the WYCC	O	O	•	WADS Pantomime/performances	O	O	C
Green Welford Kidsfest	O	O	•	Scouts Bingo Nights	0	0	O
Welford Village Cinema	O	O	•	Theme menu evening at the Elizabethan	0	0	O
Rita the Refill Roadster	O	O	•	Brownies/Guides Coffee Mornings	0	0	O
Gingo (Bingo with Gin)	O	O	•	Live Music at the Wharf Inn	O	O	C
EcoFika Community Café	O	O	•	Christmas Windows	O	O	C
Football Club Fun Days	O	O	•	Welford Church Fete	O	O	C
Clothes Swap Events	O	O	•	Welford in Harmony Events	0	O	C
WSSES School Association Casino Night	O	0	•	Open Days at the Canal/Wharf	O	O	C
Scouts Big Breakfast	0	O	•	Church Café/Sunday Breakfasts	O	C	C
Historical Society Exhibitions	0	O	•	Music Concerts/Recitals	O	C	C
Church quizzes	<u> </u>	0	<u>O</u>	WSSES School Assoc. Pamper Evening	0	0	0

What sort of events would you like to see offered?

What do you think is causi	ng climate change? Tick all that apply
Human activities (e.g burning fossil fuel)	Natural causes (e.g. volcanic/solar activity)
It's just a natural cycle	None; it's not actually happening

How concerned are you about	Not at all	A little	Fairly	Very
Using sustainable energy sources	0	0	0	0
Energy efficiency	0	O	O	•
Water management	O	O	O	•
Waste management	O	O	O	O
Eliminating plastic	0	•	O	•
Sustainable food and drink	O	O	O	O
Biodiversity	O	O	O	O
Using electric vehicles	O	O	O	O
Equality, diversity and inclusion	O	O	O	O
Employee welfare and wellbeing	O	O	O	O
Community and cultural support	O	C	O	O
Immigration	O	C	O	O
Societal breakdown/behaviour	O	O	O	<u> </u>

Which of the following ar Please tick all that apply	e you doing regularly?
Recycling instead of throwing away	Cutting down on plastic use
Switch off heating/ electricity when out	Limiting meat consumption
Buying locally- produced food	Avoid products with too much packaging
Choosing plant-based alternatives to dairy	Switched to a renewa- ble energy supplier
Supporting environ- mental campaigns	Reducing food waste
Buying FairTrade (or similar) items	Avoiding companies with poor reputations
Actively supporting diverse companies	Travelling and driving less
Installed solar/ renewable energy	Switched to an electric car
Actively reducing water consumption	Rewilding/tree- planting-type projects
Volunteering for local organisations	Become vegetarian or vegan

Below are some statements other people have made about climate change and the environment. How much do you agree or disagree with each?

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither	Agree	Strongly Agree
There's too much concern about employee welfare and wellbeing	•	•	O	O	O
There's too much concern with the environment, global warming and climate change	•	•	O	O	O
Large companies should do more to help the environment and support communities	•	•	O	O	O
Governments should regulate/provide subsidies to help businesses become sustainable	•	•	O	O	O
Governments should do more to ensure everyone is paid fairly and has equal opportunity	•	•	O	O	O
I always assess the environmental credentials of products before buying them	•	•	O	O	O
I am willing to pay more for environmentally friendly products and services	•	•	O	O	O

Any further comments?