Poppies planted by volunteers outside the Village Hall during the Remembrance Exhibition last year are now blooming.

Photo by Mrs. Barbara Harris.
Village News

Speeding on Leamington Road - A statement by the Council.
The Parish Council has taken steps to address what is seen as a
growing problem of speeding on Leamington Road.

Following our representations, Warwickshire Police have agreed
to prioritise Leamington Road for speed checks. These have taken
place on several occasions since January. During four checks
carried out in the first three months of this year 33 motorists
were caught exceeding 40mph, two exceeding 50mph with
the highest recorded speed being 55mph. These results confirm
the scale of the problem and mean that the Police intend to
continue to carry out checks until speeds are reduced.

Clearly it is possible for residents to fall foul of these checks. This
is an unfortunate but unavoidable result of needing to tackle a
serious road safety issue which could easily result in a death or
serious injury if not addressed. The obvious message is drive
responsibly and you won’t get caught!

The Parish Council is aware that a very small number of residents
appear to be opposed to this initiative and have gone as far as
making threatening comments. The Council would like to make it
clear that it deplores this extraordinary behaviour and views it as
irresponsible and totally misguided. We are confident that the
overwhelming majority of the Village will support these efforts
which are simply aimed at improving the safety of Leamington
Road for all residents.

Village Allotments
The Village Allotments are located on the Church Road side of the
A45 near the speed camera. There are currently two plots vacant,
so if you would like to know more, please email the Parish Council
Clerk at rytonondunsmore@btconnect.com.

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Oi!
We're not taking it any more!
We all have to pay more because you can't be bothered to clean up after your dog!

Bag it. Bin it. Or get fined!
Report dog fouling right now using our free mobile web app at www.rugby.gov.uk/app

CLEAN, GREEN, SAFE
Parish Plan Update

Ryton - a special place to live

Almost two years ago, following the publication of the Parish Plan, over 50 villagers came together to form different Action Groups. Their remit was to explore ways to address the concerns expressed by villagers in their responses to the questionnaire.

It is thanks to the commitment of those volunteers that we can report that many of those issues have been resolved already or are in the process of being addressed.

The Village Hall Group has worked extremely hard to raise the profile of this valuable village amenity and promote the many and varied events that take place there. They have benefited, in turn, from the improved advertising opportunities provided by the bimonthly Village Newsletter and Website.

The Newsletter and the Website have greatly improved communication within the village and are a valuable source of information about what’s new, what events are taking place, the different organisations which meet in the village for example. They have been set up as a result of suggestions made by villagers in the questionnaire. We are very grateful to both Dale Keeling and Stuart Wells for their commitment and enthusiasm with these projects.

The Countryside Action Group have also been very active, setting up events, such as the bat walk and hedge survey, which have been very successful and enthusiastically supported.

Two other groups have been working ‘behind the scenes’ to address the dog fouling problems we have in the village and prepare for the compilation of the Village Directory – you can expect to see some results this summer.

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Some issues, such as Village Transport and the setting up of a Good Neighbour support scheme have been thoroughly researched and explored, but it has been felt by the groups that it would be best to hold back on progressing their ideas at the moment. We are very grateful to all the members of these groups for all their time and efforts and hope very much to develop their ideas further in the future.

The Parish Council were presented with a long list of objectives of which over half have been met. For example, the new pavements all the way to Ryton Pools are a great improvement and the repairs to the Leamington Road pavements are due to take place this year with the stretch of pavement between the Co-op and Leamington Road next on the list.

Overall, it feels like lots of progress – thank you to everyone who has been involved in any way.

Mrs. Ba Marsh
Parish Plan Committee

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Around the Village

Special services at St Leonard's

Thursday 29 May - Ascension Day
Holy Communion at 7.30pm

Thursday 19 June - Corpus Christi
Holy Communion at 7.30pm with visiting choir "Musica Sacra"

Race Night at the Village Hall - Saturday 31st May
Why not come along and join us for this fun filled interactive night where you can place bets on horses or dogs along with your friends and family.

These events are always good fun. Doors will open at 7.30pm for an 8pm start. Please feel free to bring your own food and drink to the event.

Village Hall hire
The hall, two side rooms and very large kitchen, car-parking space are all available for hire, for a club/group activity or a one off event such as a birthday party etc.

If you would like more information and details on prices and availability please contact Sarah Miller on 07810 874976.

Village Mini Bus
The mini bus is available to hire by anyone or any group in the village, it has 17 seats, can be driven on an ordinary licence. Hire cost is 60p per mile, to book or for more details please contact Douglas on 02476 306895.

Village Litter Pick
Help to keep your Village tidy! Come and join us at 10am on Saturday 24th May. (meet outside the Village Hall.)

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2014 is the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of WWI. The war changed forever the way of life in villages like Ryton – Over the Heritage Open Days weekend we shall try to explore and commemorate the changes here 100 years ago, and the events in the first few months of the war (such as the Christmas football matches in the trenches), and remember the sad loss of our local boys.

St. Leonard’s Church is opening its doors to the public for an exhibition of flowers to honour those that went to fight in the Great War. If you would like to help us and get involved with this flower festival, please contact Jo Hibberd 02476 302028.

Other events include; Provost Williams art exhibition, Agricultural machinery and farm yard animals on show, Bell ringing demonstrations, Ladies Guild choir and the Church Choir, for more information on any of the events or how to get involved, please contact Steve Garrett Tel:02476 639228.

To all villagers in Ryton
- Saturday September 13th 3 o’clock -
Ryton’s re-enactment of the Christmas Truce

Are you proud of your forefathers?
Are you proud of what they did for us?
Should they be remembered?
Do you want the chance to stand proud and be counted? **You can!**
We want **you** to be part of this unique football match.
You don’t even have to even kick the ball!
All you need is a trench coat and big boots!
Or something similar... All welcome to be part of this unique event!

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We have had a busy half term in school with the children preparing for Easter as we journeyed through Lent. Our Easter service was well attended by families and friends of the school and we also held an Easter bonnet competition.

This term we look forward to our traditional crowning of the May King and Queen on Friday 6th June followed by our Summer Gala on Saturday 7th June.

Are you looking for a Nursery place for your child for September? Our fantastic Nursery has spaces available. Why not make an appointment to have a look around and see our school in action.

Our extended provision ‘The Ark’ offers affordable childcare in the afternoons. There are also free places available for two year olds whose parents are in receipt of certain benefits. Contact our school office for more details.

Do You Have Green Fingers?

Provost Williams Primary School are keen to invite volunteers from the local community into school to help our pupils maintain our raised beds. Could you spare some time to help the children with planting, weeding and generally looking after our crops and plants? If so, please contact Mr. Henderson or the school office on Tel: 02476 302166.

‘Open to children from birth upwards with a grown up at any age.’

Tuesdays at 9am - 11am
Fridays at 1.30pm - 3pm.
(Based at ‘The Ark’ at Provost Williams Primary.)

For more information please Tel: 02476 302166.

www.provostwilliams.warwickshire.sch.uk
This is what we are up to at Youth Club this summer. Why not come along and join in? We meet every Tuesday in the hall next to St. Leonard’s Church. Juniors (9 to 12yrs) 6.15pm to 7.30pm, Seniors (13 to 17yrs) 7.45pm to 9.15pm.

If you’d like a taster come to the Open Evening on June 10th

29th April - Planting potatoes and veg
6th May - Making Volunteers Laugh
13th May - Cups and String/Rec
20th May - Rec / Making Biscuits
27th May - ‘Mocktail Party’

3rd June - Invitations and prep for Open Evening next week
10th June - Open Evening
17th June - Swimming, Newbold Common
24th June - Treasure Hunt

1st July - Skateboarding trip at the Memorial Park
8th July - ‘Capture the Flag’/Obstacle Race
15th July - Kite making and Flying

- SUMMER BREAK -

2nd Sept - Welcome night for new members, ‘ice breakers’
9th Sept - Film Night at the Village Hall
16th Sept - Pop bottle rockets
23rd Sept - Making Cupcakes
30th Sept - Campfire at Orchard/Field

We also need Volunteers to help with the sessions. We only ask Volunteers to do one session a month so it’s not too onerous. Please help if you can, contact Geoff Marsh Tel: 02476 304295.

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Village Hall Groups & Classes

Mondays
Baby Clinic is held on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at the Village Hall between 9.30am-11.30am.

Tuesdays
Evergreens 50 plus meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month 1.45-3.45pm. With the aim of providing entertainment for the over 50’s. New members are always welcome, for details please contact Cllr. John Louden Tel: 02476 301269.

Line Dancing takes place on the 3rd and 4th Tuesday of the month between 7.30pm and 9.30pm. Please contact Graham for more details Tel: 02476 301770.

Wednesdays
Beaver Scouts (6-8yrs) meet from 6pm to 7.15pm. The Cubs (8-10yrs) meet from 6.15pm to 7.30pm. Scouts (10-14yrs) meet from 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

Thursdays
Ladies Guild meet the first Thursday of the month from 7.45pm, new members are always welcome, please contact June for more information Tel: 02476 302353.

Bingo on the 2nd and last Thursdays of the month, please arrive 7.30pm for an 8pm start.

Fridays
History Group meet every forth Friday of the month, 7.30pm-9.30pm. For details, contact Steve Garrett Tel: 02476 639228.

May’s meeting includes a talk by Chris Holland entitled ‘When Warwickshire went to war’ and June’s meeting theme is ‘Coventry in the 11th Century’.

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Something to promote? A question to ask? What's going on?

Looked at the Website recently?

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Do you need a Helping Hand?

If you are looking for an alternative to residential care or extra support for those everyday tasks that are becoming difficult for you or a loved one – then we’re here to help - from 30 minutes per week to Live-in Care.

Our Ryton-on-Dunsmore care team has been providing award winning quality homecare since 1989 and can help with: personal care, housekeeping, help getting around or even to provide a break to an existing family member or care-giver.

To find out how we can help you, call: 01926 680 771 or visit: www.helpinghands.co.uk
SATURDAY

JUNE 28TH

RYTON-ON-DUNSMORE

St. Leonard’s Church

FETE & FOOTBALL COMPETITION

12:00PM-4:30PM

10:00AM-5:00PM

KEEP THE FUN GOING AND JOIN US AT THE...

6PM-CONGA

COMMUNITY GATHERING

9PM AN EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! FEATURING JAZZ SINGER GEBBY EATON

Look for the flyer in your post!