



Swanbourne Village News

Newsletter No. 137 June – July 2017

My name is Unis



Hello Swanbourne! I thought my mum might write this for me as it is my first time - but oh no, she says I have to start as I mean to go on... So here I am, the new kid on the block - my name is Unis, and I am a two year old black Labrador bitch.

I am a Canine Partner and I am VERY enthusiastic; I love my life very much indeed. I love doing my tasks, I love playing, I love people, I love all my new friends and I love comfort (if there is a softer surface to lie on I'll find it).

There will never, ever be another Derby and I know that.

His are big shoes to fill - but I'm up for the challenge. I'm still young, and still training (and trying so very waggly hard...).

continued...

My name is Unis, contd.

As you can imagine my life is full of 'firsts' at the moment and I Love It All. Since I arrived I have wagged my through the Village dog walk (absolutely brilliant - if you didn't make it, please come next time - even just for a cup of tea), a Village tea, new walks, making new friends, the pub (they have dog biscuits ☐), taxis, trains, picnics - talk about having to exercise my self control -> food at my nose level!!

I have even been to a couple of concerts and a play with a wolf in it (I was not at all sure about that..).

And I'm learning lots too - including that not everyone wants me to help take their coat and/or socks off, and that it is ok for the laundry basket to follow me when I tug on the rope thing.

I have met a lot of you now and wagged at even more. Thank you for being so wonderful and making me so welcome - I can quite see why Derby was so happy here.

Until next time.

Lots of doggy love and wagginess

Unis x

PS my mum says I should tell you that her life is so much easier again now, and she doesn't feel anything like as disabled. Knowing that makes me wag, a lot - it's what I'm here for.



Photo above – The Wag and Walk event, which started from the Shoot Room on Sunday 23rd April 2017.

DIARY DATES 2017

Sat 27th May – Ice Cream Open Day 2-4pm at Church Farm, Swanbourne.
Tue 30th May - Play Out Tuesday (Half term holidays); from 10.00am (see P5).
Mon 5th June – SCA tea in the afternoon, 2.30pm in the Village Hall (see P4).
Mon 5th June - Book Club, 7.45pm for 8pm at the Betsey.
Sat 10th June - Church Fair starts at 12.30pm; Swanbourne House School (see P12).
Mon 3rd July – SCA lunch 12.30pm in the village Hall (see P4).
Wed 5th July - Parish Council meeting, 6pm in Swanbourne Village Hall (see P3).
Sun 9th July – Swanbourne vs Mursley Cricket Match (see P4).
Sat 15th July – Sports Day (see P5)
Sat 15th July – Family Event, Brises Farm (see P4)
Wed 19th July – SCA meeting, 8pm in the Village Hall. All welcome.
Sun 23rd July – Cricket, Tri Twenty20 Tournament (see P4)

SWANBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL – Your local Parish Councillors:-

Tom Finchett (Chairman) – Playing Field Committee liaison.

Tel. 01296-720256 email: office@swanbourneestate.co.uk

Clive Rodgers (Vice Chairman) – Planning matters and liaison with SCA; PC communications.

Tel. 01296-720062 email: - CLMRodgers@btinternet.com

Helen Cleaveley – Speedwatch and MVAS.

Tel. 01296-728567 email: - cleaveleyh@yahoo.co.uk

Simon Hitchins – Local Area Funding meetings for Funding and Grants.

Tel. 01296-720264 email office@swanbourne.org

David Blunt – Highways (liaising with BCC) and verges.

Tel. 01296-720397 email: - david.blunt@hart-house.net

Jean Tuer – Village Hall liaison. Tel. 01296-720251 email: - jeantuer@btconnect.com

Linda Sirett – Devolved Services (verge mowing, sign cleaning, footways in the village). Tel. 01296-728034 email: - office@buckinghamgolfclub.co.uk

SWANBOURNE PARISH CLERK:-

Linda Knights Tel. 01296-730592 email:- clerkswanbournepc@gmail.com

Next Parish Council meeting

The next PC meeting will be at 6pm, on Wednesday 5th July, 2017, in Swanbourne Village Hall.

PC Transparency

Notes from the Parish Assembly (from 17th May) will be posted on the SCA website by late June. There is also a complete record of PC agendas and minutes for the last 18 months on the SCA website.

Village Planning Applications – Update

- 17/00667/ALB - Swanbourne House School; alteration, listed building – Approved.
- 17/00666/APP - Swanbourne House School; convert window to door – Approved.
- 16/02775/APP - Land at Mursley Road (housing development) - Pending.
- 16/02628/APP - Betsey Wynne PH – Extensions; parking changes - Approved.
- 16/04483/APP - Home Farm Nursery; Single storey extension - Approved.
- 16/01272/APP - Deverells Farm development (housing) revised – Pending.

Broadband cable installation planning

Stuart Greenwood is acting as Broadband “Tsar” for Swanbourne, and will help you plan your cable route and installation. If you wish to talk through any of the practical aspects with Stuart, you can call him on 07855397076. **Please note that Stuart has a new email address as follows:- stuartavb@gmail.com**

For Andrew Mills (manager, AVB), please email: andrew@avbroadband.co.uk

AVB ultrafast fibre broadband update as at 22nd May 2017

As some of you may be aware we have stated for many months that it is our intention to be providing ultrafast broadband speeds of up to 1Gb/s by Christmas this year. Our new data centre will allow us to comfortably deliver on this promise. Over the coming weeks we will start announcing incremental increases across all of our broadband packages for no additional cost. With the team again focussing on connections we will be continuing to connect properties in Swanbourne this week and next.

AVB

Date for your diary! Sat. July 15th: a Family Event at Brises Farm, Nearton End. Come along and dance to a live band - Secklow Brass - and enjoy a family quiz. Proceeds to Swanbourne Chapel. More details to follow. Frankie (720454)



SCA - Please join us for “Tea in the Afternoon” at 2.30pm in the Village Hall on 5th June. All are welcome.

The SCA also invite you to join us for lunch at 12.30pm on 3rd July in Swanbourne Village Hall. Frankie (720454)



Calling all aspiring cricketers!

The dates have been confirmed for Swanbourne's annual cricket matches.

Sunday 9th July - Mursley vs Swanbourne –

At Mursley from 1pm

Sunday 23rd July - Tri Twenty20 Tournament –

At Drayton Parslow from 10am (match times tbc)

If you would like to play, please contact Ash on

07545 247927 or ash.sherwood15@gmail.com Ash



COMMUNITY INFORMATION CONTACTS

SWANBOURNE NEIGHBOURHOOD AND COUNTRYSIDE WATCH

As a member of the scheme you can receive regular information from Thames Valley Police which will bring you up to date with crime in our area. Scheme members can also report suspicious activity to other members by informing the watch co-ordinator who will circulate the information. Email swanwatch7@gmail.com or tel: - Mo on 720269 or Doody on 728161.

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Monday am Circuit Training Kirstie Davies – info@theenergyeffect.co.uk

Monday pm Pilates Lesley Gowers – Tel. 07976 666797

Tuesday Yoga classes – Paul Blissett daytime and evening yoga classes – Tel. 680454 for further details or email to: paulblissett@hedgelayer.co.uk

Wednesday am Pilates – Tel. Phil Nuttridge Tel. 01280 817200

Thursday am Yoga Class; pm Giocosco Concert Band - Tel. David Sharp 01908 503461 or email d.sharp@open.ac.uk

Friday am Pilates Lesley Gowers – Tel. 07976 666797

Newsletter Editors: - Clive Rodgers and Linda Rodgers; email CLMRodgers@btinternet.com

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Village information via email circulation - Newer village residents may like to know that information is regularly circulated by email. If you wish to be added to the circulation list, please contact Marion Lowe at mazlowe2011@hotmail.co.uk Marion will circulate items on your behalf, but please send in as part of the body of the email.

Swanbourne Community Association - www.swanbournecommunityassociation.com

Swanbourne Estate - www.swanbourneestate.co.uk Tel. 720256.

Swanbourne History Group - www.swanbournehistory.co.uk

Swanbourne Shop - <https://www.facebook.com/SwanbourneStores/> Tel. 720288.

Betsey Wynne Public House - www.thebetseywynne.co.uk Tel. 720825.

Playout Tuesdays at the Playing Fields

May Half Term - Tuesday 30th May 10.00-12.00 Play Out

We request that children under 10 have an adult or older sibling with them during the event. All welcome. Join us on Facebook for news at

www.facebook.com/playoutswanbourne

Swanbourne Sports Day

We are hoping to hold the Village Sports Day again on Saturday 15th July subject to funding. If you are in a position to support this event either with time, in kind, or with sponsorship please contact Eleanor Markland ellemarkland@gmail.com or David Thrower david@redshift-media.co.uk. It was a hugely successful event last year and we hope to make it just as good this year.

Eleanor

Winslow Community Bus

www.winslowbus.com wdcbenquiries@btconnect.com Tel. 01296 715786

*We will pick up near to your house. *Denotes bus pass accepted.*

EVERY Wednesday – Villages into Winslow for Market Day – Claydons, Horwoods, Swanbourne, Mursley, Nash, Whaddon £3.00 return, free with bus pass. Ring Sue for details.

Tuesday 6th June Buckingham Bus* – an hour in town- an hour at Tesco. Ring to book. Door to door.

Thursday 8th June Westcroft Bus* Morrison's Aldi Boots B&M etc. Picks up Winslow, Horwoods, Nash, Whaddon. Ring to book.

Monday 12th June Asda Shopping in Bletchley, also H&M, M&S, Primark. £4.00

Tuesday 20th June Visit Ryton Organic Gardens - £12.00 travel & entrance.

Thursday 22nd June Westcroft Bus

Thursday 29th June Visit The Gardens of the Rose in St Albans. Cream tea £5.50, travel & entrance £12.00

Tuesday 4th July – Buckingham Bus*

Thursday 6th July - Visit MK Museum – guided tour and lunch. £10.50 travel & entrance.

Sunday 9th July – Sunny day out in Swanage! £20.00

Tuesday 11th July – Lunch at The Crown in Granborough. £3.50 travel.

Thursday 13th July Westcroft Bus*

Thursday 20th July – Visit Saville Gardens, Windsor Great Park. This natural haven of beautifully designed gardens and woodland can be enjoyed by everyone. £18.50 travel & entrance.

Sunday 23rd July – A day out in Bournemouth! Do your own thing. £20.00.

Monday 24th July –Asda Shopping £4.00

Thursday 27th July –Westcroft Bus*

Thursday August 3rd – 1 ½ hour boat trip from Runnymede to Windsor – then the afternoon in Windsor. £20.00 travel and fare.

NEW Milton Keynes THEATRE PROGRAMME OUT – Book now!

All prices are for tickets in Band A price range (Circle or stalls) and travel.

Performances start 2.30pm unless otherwise stated. Door to door service!

Thursday 8th June –Billy Elliot –the musical –funny, uplifting, spectacular.
Circle M&N £34.00

Wed 12th July **2pm** – Jane Eyre – ‘theatre at its most imaginative’ a collaboration between National Theatre & Bristol Old Vic. Stalls Row G £24.50

Wed 19th July – Wonderland – enchanting musical adaptation of Alice – Circle C/D £34.50

Wed 26th July – Judgement in Stone – Roy Marsden, Sophie Ward, Shirley Ann Field, - a new thriller from Ruth Rendell Circle KK £24.50 **BOOK BY 5/6**

Wed 9th August – La Cage aux Folles – new production of award winning musical Stalls JJ/KK/MM £37.00 **BOOK BY 12/7**

Wed 27th September – Cilla - The story of Cilla’s rise to fame -Stalls H,J,K £39.00

Wed 1st November Cabaret –landmark musical - Stalls L,M £38.00

Wed 29th November Sunset Boulevard Love and obsession in the Golden Age of Hollywood Circle D £29.50

Shows in 2018 (nothing like planning ahead!!)

Wed 18th July 2018– Flashdance based on the film –Circle D £29.50

Thursday 20th September 2018– Warhorse – the unforgettable theatre event -Circle C £50.00

Wed 26th September 2018!_War Horse –Circle D £50.00

Volunteer Drivers required! We need more Community Bus drivers!

Swanbourne Village hall has some vacant slots for hire during the week. We have Monday morning session free, Monday evening from 7pm and also Thursday morning and afternoon slots.

Please contact Simone on 07582967171

Leanne-dawn.gibb@hp.com Leanne Mobile – 07917556732 *Leanne*

Art in St. Martins

An exhibition by local artists Cheryl Wilyman (painter), Katy Blunt (painter) and Michele Greene (sculptor) will be held in the delightful setting of the 900 year old Church of St. Martins in Dunton (near Whitchurch) as part of the Bucks Open Studio event. We will be open on Wednesdays (14th and 21st June) from 2pm-8pm, and weekends (17th/18th June and 24th/25th June) from 11am- 4.30pm. We look forward to seeing you. *Michele*

DOG SOCIALISERS WANTED

Without the invaluable support from our socialisers we could not provide these lifesaving dogs. We are looking for socialisers to provide young dogs with all the experiences it needs to become a **Medical Alert Assistance Dog**.

Socialisers need to be within travelling distance of the centre which is based in Great Horwood.

We also have a small satellite in the Witney area. We place puppies, or young dogs in family homes throughout their training, replacing the need for kennels. You provide: you must be 18+, have a secure garden, and be willing to give time, patience and commitment to produce lifesaving dogs.

If you are interested and think you can support us by becoming a volunteer socialiser, please contact us on 01296 655888 or email Helen Bliss:-

helen.bliss@medicaldetectiondogs.org.uk

Jane & Ian Grant with dog in training Ralph



The charity Medical Detection Dogs was co-founded in 2008 by Dr Claire Guest, a scientist and animal behaviour expert, and Dr John Church, a former orthopaedic surgeon. The charity is based in Buckinghamshire and works in partnership with researchers, NHS Trusts and universities to train specialist dogs to detect the odour of human disease. It has two main arms: cancer detection dogs and medical alert assistance dogs.

Bio Detection Dogs are trained to detect the odour of volatiles associated with cancer cells present in urine or breath samples. The cancer dogs have the capacity to provide second line screening for cancers that are currently difficult to diagnose reliably, such as prostate cancer. Two papers produced by the charity in 2004 (BMJ) and 2011 (Cancer Bio mark) have shown dogs to reliably detect bladder cancer. Current research projects include the detection of breast and prostate cancer.

<http://medicaldetectiondogs.org.uk/>

Swanbourne History Group

Our website has recently been updated and improved. Our WW1 Servicemen records are compiled by Linda Rodgers and give details of all WW1 Servicemen connected to Swanbourne within a downloadable document produced in WORD. Here is a direct Website link: - <http://www.swanbournehistory.co.uk/details-ww1-servicemen-connected-swanbourne/>

Ninth in our series on Swanbourne WW1 Veterans – Frederick Pitkin Royal

Warwickshire Regiment 13th Battalion attached to the Somerset Light Infantry

Fred Pitkin was born on 18th September, 1883, the son of Alfred Pitkin, an agricultural labourer, and his wife Susanna (nee Alderman), who lived in Smithfield End. He was the youngest of 11 children (two of whom died young): Ann (1865), Alice (1866). Charles(1867, died in infancy), Mary (1872), Ellen (1873), Amy (1875), William (1876), Louisa (1878), Emily (1880) and Edward (1881, died at 10 months).

In 1891, aged 7, he was at school, and living in Smithfield End, but by 1901, he was living in Duck End and in employment as an under-gardener (not domestic) suggesting that he worked at Swanbourne House for the 2nd Lord Cottesloe. In 1911, aged 28, he was recorded in the census as living in Boot Road (probably in Barrack Row) and 'working in gentlemen's garden'.

On 17th February 1907, Frederick, who would have been aged 24 at the time, was baptised at St Swithuns. He was the only one of the nine children who lived into adulthood who is recorded as having been baptised there, though the two children who died in infancy were both baptised there before they died. Frederick's father was a stalwart of the Methodist chapel and several of the other children were baptised as children at the chapel, so it is interesting that he should have been baptised as an adult in the Anglican Church. It is not known where or when he enlisted, but he joined the Royal Warwickshire Regiment's 13th Battalion, which formed in Golden Hill, Isle of Wight in October 1914 as a Service Battalion for the Fourth New Army (K4) and joined the 97th Brigade of the 32nd Division, then moved to Totland Bay. On 10th April 1915 it became a 2nd Reserve Battalion and in May moved to Swanage and joined the 8th Reserve Brigade and then moved to Blandford. On 1st September 1916, it became the 33rd Training Reserve Battalions and moved to Wool, Dorset. It would seem that the Battalion was attached to the Somerset Light Infantry. But Frederick may never have served abroad, as he died on 11th April 1916 at the Royal Naval Camp, Tarrant Monkton, Blandford, Dorset, aged 32 years. His death certificate states the cause of death as '1. Asthma and 2. Pneumonia and Syncope'. The informant was W. Pitkin, brother, of Swanbourne, in attendance. Frederick was buried in Swanbourne Cemetery on 17th April, where there is a Commonwealth War Graves headstone. In his will he left his effects of £165.2s.7d to his brother. *Linda and Ken*

THE SCA SWANBOURNE LOTTERY is being held again this year.

Thanks go to Roger Parker who is the lottery promoter, contact him 07709222790. PRIZES are 1st £250, 2nd £100, 3rd £50 and multiple 4th of £25. As there will only be a max of 200 tickets sold, the chances of winning will be high! Tickets cost £10 - look out for lottery sellers. Proceeds will support SCA projects for the village. The draw will be at the Church Fair on 10th June at SHS. Registered Lottery Licence #1052.

Straight talking

From the Editors - a quote from a Swanbourne resident (who prefers to remain anonymous) re: dog mess hung on branches.

"I've often wondered why somebody (in Swanbourne) keeps doing this.... Is the idea to go back and collect it later? If so, they are forgetting - the bags rot and the mess eventually falls on to the path anyway. I suppose it still (temporarily) stops people from stepping in their dog's muck...I don't know if that's the reasoning behind it, but it's so lazy and makes the place look so untidy. Put it in a bin!!"



Swanbourne Poores Land Charity

The Swanbourne Poores Land charity has its origins in the enclosures of the fields of Swanbourne in 1763, when the vicar, churchwardens and overseers of the poor were awarded a field of around 9¼ acres, the rent of which would be used to provide grants to the poor of the village.

In 1895, the responsibility for the charity was transferred to the vicar and 4 trustees nominated by the Parish Council, and this arrangement has continued to the present day. With changing times and the advent of the welfare state, the need for such a charity was much reduced, and it became the custom to make small annual payments to a number of people, mainly pensioners, who were considered by the Trustees to be worthy recipients.

Over many years, the Charity Commission have urged the Trustees to move from this arrangement into providing more targeted to people who have a specific identifiable need for financial support. The amount of money available to the trustees is small, and the needs are likely to be much larger than can be met by the charity as it exists at present. We have therefore agreed to stop giving out the small regular amounts, and instead will try and respond to specific requests for support which will be considered on an individual basis. We would also like to find additional sources of funding to boost our resources for the future, including inviting donations from anybody who wishes to support the charity. Please contact Ken Harris on tel: 720454 for further information. Trustees: Ken Harris (chair), Jane Smith, Trudy Timms, Diane Edmundson, Rev Simon Faulks (ex-officio). Ken

SWANBOURNE HISTORY GROUP PRESENTS A FOSSIL AND MINERAL STALL AT SWANBOURNE FETE ON SATURDAY, 10th JUNE. PURCHASE* RARE FOSSILS & MINERALS FOUND LOCALLY- AGED APPROX 180 MILLION YEARS OLD!!



*Jurassic bivalves, Ammonites and Pyrite (fool's gold) similar to those illustrated above will be on sale.
Proceeds will fund the Swanbourne History Website (and a proportion will be a donated to church funds).

SWANBOURNE REFUSE COLLECTION DATES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Food waste</u>	<u>Recycling Bin</u>	<u>Waste Bin</u>	<u>Garden waste</u>
Monday : May 29	No Collection	No Collection	No Collection	No Collection**
Tuesday : May 30	COLLECTION	COLLECTION	No Collection	No Collection
Tuesday: Jun 06	COLLECTION	No Collection	COLLECTION	No Collection
Monday : Jun 12	No Collection	No Collection	No Collection	COLLECTION
Tuesday : Jun 13	COLLECTION	COLLECTION	No Collection	No Collection
Tuesday : Jun 20	COLLECTION	No Collection	COLLECTION	No Collection
Monday : Jun 26	No Collection	No Collection	No Collection	COLLECTION
Tuesday : Jun 27	COLLECTION	COLLECTION	No Collection	No Collection
Tuesday : July 04	COLLECTION	No Collection	COLLECTION	No Collection
Monday : July 10	No Collection	No Collection	No Collection	COLLECTION
Tuesday : July 11	COLLECTION	COLLECTION	No Collection	No Collection
Tuesday : July 18	COLLECTION	No Collection	COLLECTION	No Collection
Monday : July 24	No Collection	No Collection	No Collection	COLLECTION
Tuesday : July 25	COLLECTION	COLLECTION	No Collection	No Collection
Tuesday : Aug 01	COLLECTION	No Collection	COLLECTION	No Collection

****The brown bin collection due on Monday 29th May (Bank Holiday) will now be on Saturday, 3rd June.**

Please drop off your bric-a-brac, toys, books and bottles at the VH on Sat. 3rd June between 9am-4pm.



For the Bake-Off entrants, please bring your cakes to the fete by 2pm on 10th June.

Saturday 10th June



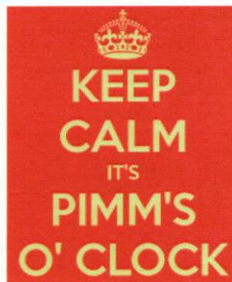
Church Fair Swanbourne



12:30 - 4:30

Swanbourne House School

Fun day out for all the family...



The Great
Swanbourne

Bake Off

Bring your Cakes and Jams and be entered into our Brand NEW Bake off – they will be judged and prizes will be given...
Adults and under 13YR



Secklow Brass Band

Cake competition

Tug of War

Raffle

Flowers and Plants

Toys/Bric-a-Brac/Books

Bottle Tombola

Tossing Bale/Wellie Wanging

Mini Endeavour

Shooting -

Crockery Smashing

Tractor Rides

Aeroplanes

Car Wash

Pimms and Cider stand

BBQ and Samosas

ice Cream stall

5 Brand new stalls

Tea & Coffee & Cake

It will be fun!

