



Acorn News

April 2026



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Spring is finally on its way, days are warming up and gardens are keeping us busy!

We're looking forward to seeing you at our events & activities this month.

Regular activities for you to join in with during April include Bingo, Day Club, Snack & Chat, Craft Club, Exercise Class and Singing for Seniors.

Our coach outing to The Valley, Evesham is on 1st April, and there are two theatre trips to Kenilworth on 8th & 14th April.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) is on the 15th April, following Day Club, please come and support your Association, we look forward to seeing you (details page 4).

We're looking for donations for our Spring Fair & Plant Sale on 23rd May see page 5. The various types of donations are being managed by a few people, so please review the guidance given. Your generosity is appreciated by us all.

On 20th May we are holding an Information & Advice event at the Village Hall, open to everyone. An opportunity to talk to a wide range of organisations and service providers working to support local people at all stages of their lives, see page 14

Dates to book for:

Day Club on 15th April (page 8)

Snack & Chat on 30th April (page 9)

Lunch Clubs on 14th April & 12th May (page 11)

Coach Outing to Ragley Hall, Alcester, on 3rd June (pages 12/13)

Our volunteers give their time freely to support you. We ask that conversations remain polite, and that we treat everyone with courtesy. Please remember they are your friends and neighbours too.

Lifts

Please let us know if you need a lift to any event, or if you have any spare seats and are able to give someone else a lift.

Event Management

For events held at the Village Hall, booking is usually not open until 5th of the month. For Outings, Lunch Club and Theatre trips you can book straight away.

NB: many events are initially oversubscribed so we maintain waiting lists. Whilst we are not able to guarantee a place, it is likely that nearer the date we would be able to offer one as we regularly get cancellations due to ill health / change of circumstances. Refunds are not guaranteed, however we endeavour to take individual circumstances into account.

Plans for Outings and Theatre Trips this year

We have coach outings to Evesham on 1st April, and to The Children's House at Sudbury on 15th May. Theatre visits include a musical 'Come from Away' on 8th April, and a comedy 'Backstairs Billy' on 14th April. These events have already been advertised and booked.

A theatre visit to see Agatha Christie's 'Witness for the Prosecution' is booked for 26th May, and a coach outing to Ragley Hall on 3rd June is advertised on pages 12/13.

Further events being planned include:

7th July—a 'car share' trip to Guy's Cliffe Walled Garden

A kitchen garden that lay abandoned and derelict for over 30 years, now woken from its slumbers, to once again play an important part in Warwick's history.

22nd July—a 'car share' trip to Charterhouse, Coventry

A medieval monastic house connected by acres of green space to Coventry's bustling urban community.

2nd September—a coach outing to Leicester, including Richard III Visitor Centre, where great storytelling, a beautiful design and 21st century technology, tells the fascinating and moving story of the king's life, death, and one of the greatest archaeological detective stories ever told.

4th November—a coach outing to The Valley, Evesham (our second visit this year!)

Theatre visits include:

July—'Stepping Out'

August—'Bleak Expectations' (Dickens meets Monty Python)

September—'Goodnight Mr Tom'

November—'Gaslight' (classic thriller)

December—'Jack & Beanstalk' (Pantomime)

If you have news / photos to share or articles of interest, contact Liz Young (see details on page 23). Please let us have your contribution by the 14th of the month.

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Notice of Annual General Meeting

Cubbington Seniors Association welcomes members to attend the AGM

Wednesday 15th April 2026 at 3:45 pm

Cubbington Village Hall, Broadway, Cubbington, Leamington Spa CV32 7JR

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approve Minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting
4. Chair's Report
5. Secretary's Report
6. Approve Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2025
7. Election of Trustees
8. Any Other Business

Liz Young (Chair)

Volunteers

We need practical & administrative support to run and organise our events, with activities such as seated exercise, theatre trips, coach outings, fundraising fairs, editing Acorn News.

We are looking for people with energy and commitment, as well as a willingness to attend events and support our members.

The Management Committee has a vacancy for the role of Secretary, this group have a vital role managing the administration & finances of the charity, and generally keeping the momentum going for all we do.

Do you have time, empathy and enthusiasm to enhance the welfare of our members?

If you or a friend / relative over the age of 18, are looking to make a difference in the local community, we'd love to hear from you.

Contact a committee member for a chat.



Donation Appeal for Spring Fair & Plant Sale on Saturday 23rd May at Village Hall

Bottles for the Tombola

including non-Alcoholic drinks to arrive with Chris by 18th May.

Contact – Chris Daly 01926 772599

Gifts & Nearly New items

Nearly new items, Toiletries and Gifts and useful items around the home.

To allow us time to sort & price, please book a collection or delivery
between 5th & 18th May

Contact - Marion Briggs 01926 831145

SECOND HAND GARDENING EQUIPMENT

Garden Tools and Equipment in serviceable condition.

We would also like your surplus garden ornaments, & ceramic plant pots
for indoor or outdoor plants. Clean, plastic pots & plant trays etc.

Useful DIY Tools are also welcome.

To allow us time to sort and price please book a collection or delivery between
5th & 18th May

Contact - Caroline Marrow 01926 831692 or Colin Marrow 07860 667669

P L A N T S

Donations of Plants would be much appreciated between
12 noon and 1pm on the day (23rd May)

CAKE DONATIONS

Donations of cakes would be very welcome.

Please take to the Village Hall from 12 noon on the day (23rd May)

OR deliver to a committee member the day before.

RAFFLE PRIZES

If you have a raffle prize to donate, please give to any Committee member
thank you!

**Your support will be much appreciated for this
Fundraising Event**



Mick Hurrell is a local trainer specialising in over-60s fitness
Come and try our Gentle Exercise Class



A wide ranging programme of seated & standing exercises, safe and suitable for all

£2 per member per 1 hour session

April 2026 Classes

- Thursday 2nd Doors open 10:45am (Class 11am)
- Thursday 9th Doors open 10:45am (Class 11am)
- Thursday 16th Doors open 10:45am (Class 11am)
- Thursday 23rd Doors open 10:45am (Class 11am)
- Wednesday 29th Doors open 11am (Class 11:15am)

Maximum 30 per class, although we often have spaces available

Come and join us!



Message from St Mary's

I am sure many of you will have recognised, because you have heard the bells ringing, that the work on the Tower has finally taken place. The Stonemason arrived along with the required 'Cherry Picker', and the work on the Tower was completed on a dry and not too breezy day! You may have noticed that the second finial on the south side of the Tower had to be removed for health and safety reasons. The work being completed has meant the barriers have been removed and we can once again have access to all areas. Unfortunately the insurance company were only prepared to pay for the work to repair the roof, which means St Mary's Church will need to find the money to pay for the work of the stonemason and the hire of the 'Cherry Picker'. Following the completion of the work, we were very pleased to be able to ring the bells for the first time for a wedding, the Bride and Groom chose to get married on the same day as the Bride's grandparents had done 61 years before, and they were delighted to hear the bells ringing for their special day.

Since then the bells have continued to be rung on practice nights and also to call people to worship, as I have said previously you are all warmly invited to join us for our regular services:

Palm Sunday - Sunday 29th March at 10am - All Age Communion Service

Wednesday 1st April at 7.30pm - Tenebrae Service (a quiet service of readings and reflection)

Thursday 2nd April at 7.30pm - Maundy Thursday – Holy Communion Service

Friday 3rd April Good Friday

10am - All Age Service

2pm-3pm - Hour by the Cross

7.30pm – Service of Readings and Hymns

Easter Sunday - Sunday 5th April at 10am - All Age Communion Service

Sunday 12th April at 10am – Holy Communion Service (Common Worship)

Sunday 19th April at 10am – Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

Sunday 26th April at 8.30am – Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

Sunday 26th April at 10am – All Age Service

You are also invited to these events in our Parish Room next to the church:

On Saturday 28th March between 2-4pm we are holding a Family Easter Craft Activity Afternoon, a time when we can all come together and make things for Easter.

All are welcome (perhaps also bring your grandchildren if they are coming to stay).

'Thursday Pop In' coffee mornings continue on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month, from 10am to 12noon. A place where you can meet others over a cup of tea or coffee, and also enjoy a slice of homemade cake! Come and join us!

This month's dates for 'Thursday Pop In' are 9th & 23rd April

Blessings, Revd. Ann St Mary's Vicarage 01926 698489



Day Club

at Cubbington Village Hall

Members only (free of charge event)

Raffle & Refreshments

Wednesday 15th April

2pm Musical Entertainment

Dave Moylan has been a professional entertainer for much of his life... as a musician performing all types of music all over the UK, as well as accompanying some of the country's best-known entertainers.

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Raffle & Refreshment

Thursday 30th April

Doors open at 12:30pm

Please book your place with Ann

FROM 5th April by phone / email / website

**If you have a food allergy or food intolerance,
please let us know when booking**

*If 5 or 6 friends wish to sit together,
ask Ann to reserve a table for your group*

Places are limited so don't leave your booking too late!

This month

we'll be having a

Pork & Stuffing Bap



After lunch, there will be a selection of board games and activities for us to enjoy for the rest of the afternoon, as well as time for chatting!

Don't forget Crafting Corner 2pm to 4pm



Crafting Corner

Thursday 30th April

2pm – 4pm

Meeting in the annexe at the Village Hall

We'll be making plans for items to sell on our Crafting Stall at the Spring Fair on Saturday 23rd May, your donated hand-crafted items will be welcome.



We hope you will join us

Singing Seniors

Wednesday 8th April

Cubbington Sports & Social Club,

Windmill Hill CV32 7LN

Members only (£2 entrance fee)



Doors Open 9:45am Singing 10:00am

followed by tea / coffee

No prior experience is necessary—every voice is welcome

Singing has been proven to encourage the body to release positive endorphins which make you feel happy, it reduces stress and anxiety and promotes feelings of well-being

Why not come and join us?



Lunch Club @ 12 noon

Two course menu

choice of mains & desserts

Share a meal

Enjoy companionship

No washing up!

Tuesday 14th April at The Bowling Green, Southam CV47 0EP

£15.95 per person

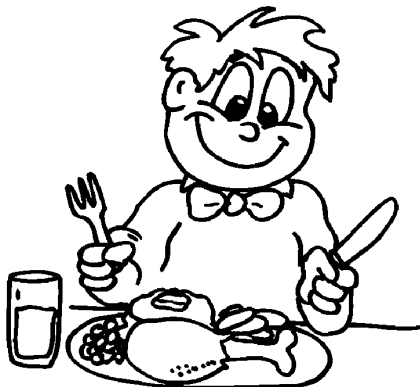
Tuesday 12th May at The Red Lion, Hunningham CV33 9DY

£16.00 per perso

Pre-order from a set menu

To book call Colin, visit our website, or send an email to
bookings@cubbingtonseniors.org

If you need a lift, please ask when booking



Wednesday 3rd June 2026

Coach outing to Ragley Hall at Alcester

Cost per member: £15.75

We have been fortunate to be able to arrange a private tour of this beautiful Ragley Hall.

Built in 1680 and now home to the Marquess of Hertford, the Hall has been used for weddings and as a film/TV set (The Crown, Dr Who)

You will see the Great Hall and staircase, beautifully restored bedrooms, saloons, and hear about the history of the Hall including its use as a hospital in WWII

What makes Ragley uniquely special is that the collections displayed throughout the state rooms have all been accumulated by the same family over 9 generations. This really brings to life the fact that the Hall is still a lived-in family home.

After the tour, you will be free to explore the gardens, stables and carriage collection

Tea & coffee will be provided on arrival and at lunchtime (included in the price)



However, there will be no food provision so bring a picnic.

We will be able to sit in the gardens or café area to eat this.



Coach pickup route starts at Kenilworth Road at 9:30am, arrive at 10:30am

Departing Ragley Hall at 3:30pm to arrive back in Cubbington at 4:30pm

Don't forget to bring a picnic!!

BOOK: 'Ragley Hall' on Wednesday 3rd June 2026

You can book through the website 'cubbingtonseniors.org' (Members page)

OR send an email with key details to: **bookings@cubbingtonseniors.org**

OR return this slip in an envelope marked 'Ragley Hall' to

2 Kenilworth Road, Cubbington CV32 7TR

No. Seats ____ for:

(1)(2).....

(3)(4).....

Bank Transfer £..... or Amount enclosed £.....



Information & Advice Event
Wednesday 20th May
at Cubbington Village Hall
11am to 3pm

An opportunity to talk to a wide range of organisations and service providers working to support local people at all stages of their lives

Organisations confirmed so far include:

Act on Energy – *Advice on energy bills and keeping warm*

Age UK – *the leading Seniors support charity*

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Pam Redford – *Warwick District Councillor for Cubbington & Leek Wooton*

Penderels Trust - *Supporting people to live independently*

VASA – *Community Transport*

Warwickshire County Council - *Direct Payments for Social Care*

Warwickshire Fire & Rescue Service – *Fire safety in your home*

Warwickshire Vision Support – *Help for those with sight loss*

Wenman Healthcare – *Mobility and Home Adaptations specialists*

Admission Free - refreshments available - all are welcome

Acorn News Co-ordinator (Volunteer) wanted!!!!

Can you help to write this Newsletter (Acorn News)?

The general design is already set up on Microsoft Publisher, but needs updating every month with our forthcoming events, outings and special announcements.

You would be given a lot of help to make changes, insert new information and write short articles using information given by the Committee. You would then be able to take over Acorn News after a period of training.

You would need to be able to prepare the Newsletter by the deadline set by the printers.

You would need to work with our team of volunteers who deliver the Newsletter to our members and supporters.

You would be our main contact with the printers and advertisers (mainly once a year to renew their subscriptions and get their adverts).

If you are happy using a computer, writing short articles and working to a deadline, then this could be the volunteer job for you!

For more information or an informal chat, contact Jane Tietjen, 07906 543847



Saturday Bingo at Cubbington Village Hall

11th & 25th April

Doors Open 2pm

members & non-members welcome

Book of 6 Games with 2 Flyers £5

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Refreshments



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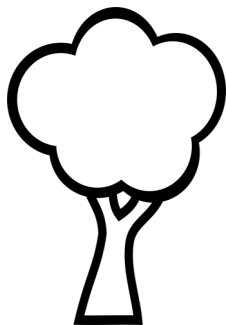


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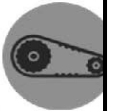
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2026 Diary

NB: events may be added or dates may change, please check each edition of Acorn News.

Times shown are 'Doors Open' rather than 'Start Time' of any event at Village Hall or Sports & Social Club.



April

April	1st	9:30am	Wednesday	Outing - Evesham
April	2nd	10:45am	Thursday	Exercise Class
April	8th	9:45am	Wednesday	Singing Seniors
April	8th	7:00pm	Wednesday	Priory Theatre (curtain up 7:30pm)
April	9th	10:45am	Thursday	Exercise Class
April	11th	2:00pm	Saturday	Bingo
April	14th	12 noon	Tuesday	Lunch Club - The Bowling Green
April	14th	7:00pm	Tuesday	Talisman Theatre (curtain up 7:30pm)
April	15th	2:00pm	Wednesday	Day Club + AGM
April	16th	10:45am	Thursday	Exercise Class
April	23rd	10:45am	Thursday	Exercise Class
April	25th	2:00pm	Saturday	Bingo
April	29th	11:00am	Wednesday	Exercise Class
April	30th	12:30pm	Thursday	Snack & Chat

May

May	9th	2:00pm	Saturday	Bingo
May	12th	12 noon	Tuesday	Lunch Club - The Red Lion
May	13th	9:45am	Wednesday	Singing Seniors
May	14th	10:45am	Thursday	Exercise Class
May	15th	09:00am	Friday	Outing - Children's Country House
May	20th	11:00am	Wednesday	Information & Advice Event
May	21st	10:45am	Thursday	Exercise Class
May	23rd	2:00pm	Saturday	Spring Fair & Plant Stalls
May	26th	7:00pm	Tuesday	Priory Theatre (curtain up 7:30pm)
May	27th	11:00am	Wednesday	Exercise Class
May	28th	12:30pm	Thursday	Snack & Chat
May	30th	2:00pm	Saturday	Bingo

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BANK INFORMATION

Cheque:	payable to Cubbington Seniors Association
Bank Transfer:	
Bank Name	NatWest
Account Name	Cubbington Seniors Association
Sort Code	53 61 31
Account Number	65208455
Reference	event/activity you are paying for

With the closure of local bank branches, as well as the time it takes to count cash and process cheques, we'd like to encourage members to pay us by bank transfer where possible. We will of course continue to accept cash & cheques, however bank transfers help to reduce the time it takes to manage the money we receive as well as providing a detailed record of payments.

Please ensure cash & cheques are given to us in an envelope clearly marked with your name, event title and amount enclosed. An appropriate booking form (or the payment slip for Acorn500) should also be included.

Cubbington Seniors Association

Incorporating Offchurch, Weston-under-Wetherley, Eathorpe, Hunningham, Wappenbury

Charity Number: 516878

President: Terry Morgan

Vice-Presidents: Maggie Guest, Marion Lee, Jeremy Lewitt

Acorn500 Monthly cash-draw Lottery

This is a key fundraiser for our Association

You can join or buy extra numbers at any time

of the year, each member can have up to 5

Contact our Promoter Colin Marrow

Winners

March 2026

	Prize	Number
1	£100	66
2	£61	455
3	£43	81
4	£30	424
5	£22	256
6	£17	166

Acorn500 operates under the Gambling Act 2005

Enjoy Life - Have Fun - Stay Active

Cubbington Seniors Association is a registered charity run entirely by Volunteers. Our focus is to promote the welfare and quality of Seniors' lives through the provision of a range of social and recreational activities and outings for our members.

Membership is open to anyone aged 60 and above living in the villages of Cubbington, Offchurch, Weston-under-Wetherley, Eathorpe, Hunningham and Wappenbury. A younger spouse or partner, living at the same address, is also very welcome to join.

Want to join us?

If you'd like more information about joining as a member or volunteer please contact one of the committee (see page 23) or visit our website

www.cubbingtonseniors.org

