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Submission date for articles for the next issue is 12 February

Welcome to Genie's latest 'Village Matters' newsletter

In this issue: Vaccination update; Vaccination Scam warning; Bourdillon Play Area closed; Crime Report; Covid Support for business; Dog Fouling Awareness campaign; Alabama Rot disease; Goring Arts online; Cascade

Please forward this email to anyone you feel may also like to receive these newsletters. Thank you.

system seeks volunteers; Star Count; Lottery Tickets for Q1F - and our latest update of parish council meetings and new planning applications.

Update from the Goring and Woodcote Medical Practice on the progress on the local Covid-19 vaccination programme **Goring and Woodcote**

vaccinated will be those aged 70-74 years.

Medical Practice NHS

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79 years.

'Alabama Rot' - Suspected local outbreak in dogs in this area

Genie has contacted all the local Veterinary practices in the area to check reports that there is an outbreak of what is commonly known as 'Alabama Rot' in the

South&Vale

Business Support

Action Fraud: Criminals continue to take advantage of Covid vaccine rollout as phishing email reports soar

Action Fraud is raising awareness of another

Monday 25 January.

coronavirus vaccine scam, after it received a high

No Dog

Bag it - Bin it

Foulin

volume of reports relating to a phishing email on

tiers of patients in their Covid vaccination clinics at Wallingford Community Hospital and at the Goring Surgery. They are now on the group of patients aged 75-

Practice staff, and the volunteers helping them, continue to make steady progress working through the priority

The next clinic is being held today (Saturday 30 January) at Goring Surgery. They have now vaccinated the majority of the Care Home residents, Care Home staff, other Health Care professionals, patients aged over 80 years and over and those that are housebound. They are continuing to receive stock of the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine and are arranging appointments to vaccinate patients as soon as they receive notification of their next batch. The next group of patients to be

The Practice request that patients do not to call to ask about their appointment as they will contact people on their list as soon as they have notice of receiving their next allocation of vaccine. Some patients may receive an invitation for their vaccination from the new vaccination hub based at the Kassam Stadium in Oxford. If you receive such an invite, you should take up the offer. More vaccination news will follow in the next edition of Genie Village Matters on the 16 February and on our Facebook and Twitter social media channels.

For up-to-date information about Covid, locally and nationally, and also the help and support available for residents in Goring, Streatley and South Stoke, visit the local Covid website HERE or via the Genie website by clicking on this icon.

Villages Emergency Response Cascade e helpline System from Helpline @ Q1F

More Volunteers Needed Following the earlier lockdowns, local residents requested better up-to-date and accurate information. Therefore, as described in an earlier Genie and GGN we have been trying to develop a

cascade system for emergency information. More info at: http://www.goringandstreatley.org/reaching-everyone/ We had a break over Christmas and the New Year, and are now continuing with the next steps in the set-up of

the cascade system. To keep everyone safe and to comply with the lockdown restrictions, the identified preferable. Our aim is to reach as many households as possible via Genie.

cascaders will confirm the addresses in their zone, which we suggest they do when taking their daily exercise. Each household in the zone will then be contacted to ascertain which method of communication would be We have had an excellent response for cascaders but are still looking for coverage for the following roads:

Goring Gap area. Otherwise known as Cutaneous and Renal Glomerular Vasculopathy (CRGV), this is a rare but potentially fatal

up to the South and Vale Business Support mailing list to ensure they keep up to date with the latest news about the financial support available to them during the ongoing

South Oxfordshire District Council is currently administering a number of government-funded support grants which cover the

periods during national lockdowns and localised tier restrictions,

restrictions.

as well as further support for pubs.

dogs affected by the disease. But Cholsey's Larkmead practice has had two suspected cases and Reading's Castle practice has had one in the last few days and they have been referred to a specialist for confirmation or otherwise of the diagnosis. The Castle practice has asked people to share their warning notice put out on social media and for dog owners to be extra vigilant as the practice has heard of a suspected case in Goring too. The advice is to avoid muddy areas, rinse your dog, especially after Castle Vets

KNOWN AS ALABAMA dog, click these links to The Royal Veterinary College, RSPCA, The Kennel Club & ROT RINSE YOUR DOC AFTER A DOY WALK AND PRESENT TO IR VET IF ANY UNEXPLAINED JOUNDS APPEAR ON THEIR LECS Countryfile Magazine. **Latest news on Covid financial support for Business** Businesses in South Oxfordshire are being urged to sign

To ensure they find out as soon as new grant funding becomes available locally, businesses are urged to visit svbs.co.uk to sign up to the Business Support mailing list. The website also includes lots of advice for businesses as well as links to further support. For more information, click here: https://www.southoxon.gov.uk/covid-19/south-and-vale-businesses-urged-to-<u>sign-up-to-mailing-list-for-the-latest-news-on-financial-support/</u>

times in 24 hours. It appears to come from the NHS and asks the recipient to click on a link to accept or decline an invitation to receive the coronavirus vaccine. If they click accept, they are asked to input personal information

The national reporting centre for fraud and cyber crime has previously warned about coronavirus vaccine scams,

Head of Action Fraud, Pauline Smith, is warning the public to remain vigilant as fraudsters continue to act:.

with many people reporting receiving fake text messages purporting to be from the NHS.

CLICK HERE to read the full details. New 'Dog Fouling Awareness Campaign' launched by South Oxfordshire District Council Maps of local towns and villages showing the areas with the highest number of complaints about dog owners not picking up

after their animals are shown in the campaign information.

People of all ages can be infected with toxocariasis from dog faeces. It is a rare infection caused by roundworm parasites which are

and **HERE** for the page on how to report instances of dog fouling.

and their bank card details.

The Goring branch of The Arts Society continues to be active even though they are unable to meet in person. They are enjoying monthly lectures by experts in their fields accessed through Zoom and You Tube, in addition to virtual tours. As part of their promotion of the arts, one of their aims has been

Goring Arts Society

to encourage young people to take part in creative artistic activities across all the arts. Thanks to the gift aid contributions of their members they have a small annual budget which they can use to support this. For many years The Arts Society Goring has supported a number of schools under the Young Arts banner, enabling teachers to enrich the curriculum by funding access to additional specialist teachers, artists, writers

CPRE'S Star Count – 6-14 February 2021

It's a lockdown-friendly activity that you can do from your doorstep, garden, balcony or even your bedroom window. You don't need a telescope or binoculars to take part. CPRE wants you to look at Orion using your naked eye and count how many stars you can see within the rectangle formed by

stay safe while doing so, and not to travel.

Countryside charity CPRE (formerly the Campaign to Protect Rural England) is asking the public to tell them how many stars they can see inside the Orion constellation for their annual Star Count survey, between 6-14 February 2021. This year, because of the coronavirus pandemic and lockdown, the charity is asking people to take part from home only, to

and workshops outside the school location.

To complement their school support this funding has been broadened to Arts Volunteering. This means that they are now able to work with libraries, museums and community groups, as well as schools. They can give grants to arts projects in our local community. The aim is to give access to the arts in all its guises to as wide a group of people as possible. They are passionate about the benefits that creativity and arts education can bring to our community. If you have a project for which you would welcome support please contact Sally Wicks sally.wicks@btinternet.com.

CPRE is interested in what you can see because it helps them to measure the amount of light pollution in your area and across England. For more information on how to take part from home, a downloadable fun family activity pack, and how submit your results, see https://www.cpre.org.uk/what-we-care-about/nature-and-landscapes/dark-skies/star-count-2021/

You can count the three stars in the middle - the belt - but not the corner stars. Make a note of the number of

the four corner stars..

Little Stoke 14/01/21 Female found safely **Lower Basildon** 17/01/21 Children seen in the derelict Grotto (aka ILAM) building

> * Editor's Note: Perhaps this is a cri(me) for help and could have read 'Gentleman with insomnia seeks person with similar condition with a view to nocturnal conversation during lockdown'.

In consultation with the local policing team, and at their advice of a local town implementing a similar approach, the decision has been made to CLOSE the Bourdillon play equipment area for 2 weeks, re-opening no later than

Upon reopening, If the play equipment area continues to facilitate users to break the lockdown rules, a further

Please do review the current lockdown rules, and the rules regarding management of "playgrounds", which

Playgrounds are primarily open for use by children who do not have access to private outdoor space, like their

closure may be necessary and implemented after additional consultation with our local policing team.

own garden. Although parents, guardians or carers can take children to a playground for exercise, they must not socialise with other people while there. Goring High Street roadworks completed and barriers removed The road was reopened just before 5pm yesterday (Friday 29 Jan) after being closed to through traffic since 11 January. The three main measures to improve traffic calming and pedestrian safety are shown below.

All council meetings are open to the public and the press (Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960) and probably most, in the southstokeparish council foreseeable future, will be 'virtual' ones due to the Covid-19 pandemic. At the beginning of every meeting there is usually a 'Public Forum' when members of the public can address the council. Click on the link below for your parish council's web page for up-to-date details of meetings, agendas, minutes and how to log on etc. Goring-on-Thames PC 23 February at 7.30 pm (Planning Committee Meeting) 8 March at 7.30 pm (Full Council Meeting) Council meetings are usually on the second Monday of every second month month at the Bellême Room, Goring Village Hall. Planning committee meetings are usually held in the council's meeting room in the Old Jubilee Fire Station, Red Cross Road, Goring on Thames. Contact details for the clerk: Tel: 01491 874444. Email: clerk@goringparishcouncil.gov.uk Streatley PC Dates of individual meetings are not normally published on the council's website but usually held on the second Monday of every month (except August), starting at 7.30pm, and are held in the Morrell Room. The dates going forward for 2021 are: 8 February and 8 March. Contact details for the clerk: Tel: 07766 541577 Email: clerk@streatley.org South Stoke PC

MEETING DATES of forthcoming Parish Council meetings and MINUTES of decisions made at

The purpose of 'Meetings & Minutes' is to help keep residents of Goring,

Streatley and South Stoke informed about their council's forthcoming meetings and to provide easy access to the minutes of previous meetings. Please note that meeting dates may change and extra

meetings may be called. This will be shown on the website.

previous meetings

Hall. See <u>website</u> for details

Current local

which to respond are at the top.

STREATLEY

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will remain until the consultation period has expired.

Planning Applications

This twice monthly 'Planning Alert' lists all the current planning applications submitted to SODC (South Oxfordshire District Council) and WBC (West

Berkshire Council) relating to properties in Goring, Streatley and South Stoke, and occasionally other applications that are locally relevant. They are listed by parish, in expiry date order, so the applications with the shortest periods in

Should you be interested in finding out more, or commenting on any of these applications, click on the Reference number link to the application. To make a comment to the planning department, follow the advice given on the application. New applications, if there are any, will be added to the lists in subsequent Alerts and existing ones

Click below to see details of six applications for Goring, three for Streatley, and one for South Stoke.

T810 Ash - Fell to ground level

T830 Cherry - Fell to ground level

Reading RG8 9Q

squirrel damage.

20/02943/TPW

4 February 2021

existing garage 21/00076/HOUSE

10 February 2021

Streatley C.E. Voluntary Controlled School The Coombe Streatley

WG1 Group Ash/Sycamore - Fell sycamore with broken laterals and

T809 Ash - Remove as part of proactive management

T812 Sycamore - Remove deadwood and trapped branch T814 Sycamore - Reduce lateral spread towards play area by 2m.

Apple - Remove or make safe lateral with stress fracture.

T847 Ash - Reduce lowest northern lateral over highway by 2m

Mad Hatters Wantage Road Streatley Reading RG8 9LB

Retrospective application for the erection of a lean-to carport at side of

Kiddington House Aldworth Road Streatley Reading RG8 9RE

T811 Ash - Repollard to previous pruning points

Remove deadwood. Remove rubbing branch

SOUTH STOKE Cavendish Cottage Ferry Road South Stoke RG8 0JP Location: Erection of Single Storey timber clad detached garden Proposal: room/outbuilding

Location: **Broomgrove Croft Road Goring RG8 9ES** Variation of condition 2 (approved plans - to use alternative brick & tile) Proposal: in application P19/S3382/FUL. Erection of a new 5-bed dwelling with linked garage on land to the rear. Reference Number: P21/S0131/FUL **Consultation Deadline: 10 February 2021**

P20/S4657/HH

8 February 2021

Application for approval of details reserved by condition 4 (Archaeology) and 7 (Photographic Survey) of previous application Proposal: 20/01313/HOUSE: New pool building and pool with associated landscaping Reference Number: 20/02773/COND1 **Consultation Deadline: 25 February 2021**

Location: The Beehive Station Road Goring RG8 9HB Proposal: storey rear extension Reference Number: P20/S4603/HH **Consultation Deadline:** 3 February 2021 49 Springhill Road Goring RG8 0BY Location: Proposal: & alterations. Reference Number: P21/S0096/HH

Location: 92 Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DR Proposal: home office Reference Number: P20/S4897/HH Consultation Deadline: **16 February 2021** * * * * The Orchard Manor Road Goring RG8 9DP Location: Discharge of condition 3 (Sustainable Design) & 4 (Tree Protection) in

application P20/S2910/FUL, single-storey dwelling and conversion of Proposal: existing for ancillary accommodation (not subject to public consultation) P21/S0140/DIS Reference Number: **Consultation Deadline:** Target decision date 19 February

To visit WBC's planning website:

To comment on any of these stories please email contact@genienews.org To send in news items, use news@genienews.org

Streatley: Wallingford Road. Goring: Wallingford Road, Cleeve Down, Gatehampton Road, Elvendon Road, Springhill Road, Milldown Road, Station Road/Red Cross Road/Yew Tree Court, Thames Road/The Birches, Cleeve Road, Mill Road/Waltham Court. Any residents of these roads who have the time to help with this joint village effort please contact the Goring & Streatley Helpline 01491 525639 or info@goringandstreatleyhelpline.co.uk for further information.

dog disease causing damage to the skin and blood vessels to the kidney, often contracted after walks in muddy places in the winter. As of 29 January, Goring's veterinary practice and its associate practice in Burghfield have had no reports of a muddy walk, and that if the dog develops wounds on the skin, especially on the lower WARNING 🔔 legs, to contact a vet as soon as possible. TONIGHT WE HAVE SEEN A POSSIBLE CASE OF CRGV, COMMONLY For detailed information about the disease and how to spot the signs and protect your

Each time the government announces a new grant it can take several weeks before they provide councils with the specific details they need in order to open the scheme for applications. For any specific questions please contact your local district councillor: maggie.filipova-rivers@southoxon.gov.uk ActionFraud National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Contre 0300 123 2040 The email, which attempts to trick people into handing over their bank details, was reported more than 1,000

passed though animal faeces - most commonly cats, dogs and foxes. It usually affects young children who come into contact with contaminated soil when they play. The councils' envirocrime officers can issue a £50 fixed penalty notice to someone who fails to clean up after their dog. If the case goes to court this could cost the owner or person in charge of the animal up to £1,000. **CLICK HERE** to see the campaign's details on SODC's website

charity. We are reliant on fundraising, grants and

there is also a chance to win Etsy vouchers too!

How many stars

ref =wl share

donations to continue our work supporting our community.

To help raise funds, we have signed up for the South Oxfordshire Charitable Lottery, and you can buy tickets to support us, and other local causes here: https://www.socharitable.co.uk/support/q1-foundation. Tickets cost just £1, and you have a 1 in 50 chance of a prize. The weekly Jackpot is £25,000! From each ticket purchased on our page, we receive 50p, and other causes receive 10p. Currently

To keep our costs low, you can also help by purchasing items for The Hub from our Amazon Wishlist: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2QOLBD664W7JI?

If you would like to get involved by donating to support our work, or volunteering,

#StarCount

stars you have counted, and then submit your count to the website.

Below is a list of incidents reported by

(Henley Neighbourhood Team) between

2/11/20 Public Order. Fisherman rude when asked to

November 2020 and January 2021

06/11/20 Male found at 2am ringing door bells 10/11/20 Male found at 2am ringing door bells*

30/12/21 Unmanned canal boat by Cleeve lock

GORING-ON-THAMES

PARISH COUNCIL

already working so hard in the local communities.

22/01/21 Hare coursing, Grove Farm

the Thames Valley Police

Goring-on-Thames

19/11/20 Action Fraud 23/11/20 Harassment 24/11/20 Neighbour dispute

South Stoke

24/01/21 Hare coursing

the clinically extremely vulnerable.

Monday 15 February.

states:

move

your support goes a long way, and means the world to us! Thank you!

Full details of their programme for 2021 and how to become a member (annual subscription £38) are on their website www.theartssocietygoring.org.uk. **Buy Lottery Tickets to support Q1 Foundation** 1 Foundation The Q1 Foundation, which runs The Hub, is a small local

please do reach out to Claire Rhodes on 01491 525 637 or info@q1foundation.org.uk. As a small, local charity,

Please remember you can call the Village Helpline on 01491 525639 for support or advice – for example prescription collection, or to request a volunteer driver to transport you to a Covid vaccination clinic.

Finding the constellation of Orion, the hunter: 1. Orion wears a belt and holds a club and a shield. 2. To find Orion, look south in the night sky and look for the row of three bright stars that make up his belt. 3. The two bright stars above his belt are Orion's shoulders, the two bright stars below are Orion's feet. If you look carefully, you might see that the top left star (Betelgeuse) is orange and the bottom right star (Rigel) is blue.

Goring Parish Council writes: We appreciate your help with continuing to e-mail the parish council rather than trying to visit the office. In the last general update, it was reported that England had once again entered full lockdown with shielding of Unfortunately though, the Bourdillon play equipment area is seeing a large number of visitors who are not adhering to the current lockdown rules. Reporting of the infringements of the government mandated lockdown rules by both members of public and the Parish Council, adds extra pressure to our local policing team who are

Bourdillon Play Equipment Area Closed

Council meetings are usually held on the third Monday of each month (except December) in South Stoke Village Contact details for the clerk: Email: clerk@southstoke.org.uk

Council

MEETINGS & MINUTES

Streatley

GORING-ON-THAMES PARISH COUNCIL

Reference Number: P21/S0029/FUL **Consultation Deadline:** 9 February 2021 **GORING**

First floor side extension, garage conversion, storm porch and timber

To visit SODC's planning website: http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building/find-application Information on how to comment on a SODC application: http://www.southoxon.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building/find-application/comment-planningapplication

Information on how to comment on a WBC application: https://info.westberks.gov.uk/representations other issues associated with this information.

South Stoke and the surrounding villages.

your contact list. More details on Genie newsletters here.

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Retrospective application for the Demolition & replacement of single Amendment to approval P20/S1569/HH demolition of existing and erection of new single storey rear extension; installation of front porch **Consultation Deadline:** 5 February 2021 Location: **Haydown Elvendon Road Goring RG8 0DT**

To Erect a garden shed at the rear of the garden

https://publicaccess.westberks.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application NB: Genie News will endeavour to make these alerts as comprehensive and accurate as possible, but Genie and its volunteers cannot accept any responsibility for any omissions, errors, incorrect links or

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