

# *Kingston Parish & Church Magazine*



**September 2021**

## Village Diary

Kingston Village Hall AGM, Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm in the Village Hall

The Orchard Tea Party has been rescheduled for Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> September

## Wheelie bin collection dates

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Black bin

Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> September

Blue and Green bins

Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> September

Black bin

Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Blue and Green bins

Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> September

Black bin

## Editorial

This month's beautiful cover photo (and another inside) were taken by Heather Ginn. We seem to be blessed in this village with several expert and aesthetically-pleasing photographers.

Don't forget that the Orchard Tea Party has been rescheduled for Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September. Please see the poster below.

Unfortunately, the Village Picnic scheduled for Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> August had to be postponed due to inclement weather. Rescheduled for the following Saturday, hopefully it went off this time without a hitch and was much appreciated by all those who attended.

Please see the important announcements in this issue regarding the change of status of the Village Hall. Notice that the Kingston Village Hall AGM and public vote on change of constitution to Charitable Incorporated Organization (CIO) status will be held on Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm in the Village Hall

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## Vicar's Letter

As I write this in August, the Taliban recapture of Kabul is breaking news, and the abject military failure of the western nations, including our own, is being paralleled by an abject moral failure to care for people who are now facing a horrific death for 'collaborating' with us over the past years.

Despite some public pronouncements from the Taliban, already stories are emerging of such 'collaborators' being tortured to death, and of women whipped in the street for wearing 'inappropriate' clothing. In the face of such horrors, it's no surprise that many want to escape, and some have already died trying to do so. How desperate does someone have to be to hand over their child to a complete stranger, knowing they might never see them again, but fearing that the alternative is worse?

Despite this, such desperate people are being turned away both by government policy and some strands of public opinion. This is not the Christian way: the Bible consistently and frequently tells us that strangers are to be welcomed, especially those in need.

God told the people of Israel that strangers living among them were to follow the same rules, and be given the same benefits, as the genetic descendants of Abraham. Jesus taught that the way we treat those who come to us in need is how we will be judged as having treated Jesus himself. In his Parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus made it clear that the neighbour whom we are commanded to love is not limited to 'one of us'.

So what can we do? First we can pray: ask God to rescue those in danger, to defeat the evil of the Taliban by bringing them to their senses, and to open the hearts and minds of the world to receive refugees. We can lobby: write to our elected representatives to get government policy changed. We can give: there are still aid agencies able to work in Afghanistan, and we can support them.

Finally, we can welcome: when we encounter people who have fled such situations, we can ensure that what they get from us is a smile and an outstretched hand. Then, when we stand before God, we will hear "just as you did it to one of the least of these ... you did it to me."

***Revd. Steve Day***

### **Afghan crisis**

If you wish to donate to help Afghans in need some charities are running appeals:

<https://www.tearfund.org>

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/where-we-work/asia/afghanistan>

<https://www.unicef.org.uk/donate/donate-and-help-protect-children-in-afghanistan>.

## Church services for September

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September**      **Holy Communion 8.30am**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September**      **Family Service 10.30am**

**ZOOM Chapel: 10.00am** 5<sup>th</sup> September

**Morning Prayer** (Mon – Sat) at 8.15am

**Telephone service** on Mondays at 5.00pm

For further information and the Zoom link see [www.papworthteamchurches.org](http://www.papworthteamchurches.org)

The church will be open *every day* between approximately 9.30 am and 5 pm.

## Church cleaning

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday                  Peter and Suzy Stokes

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday                Donal and Monica O'Donnell

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday                Peter Reynolds

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday                Janet Clear

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday                Linda Rimmer

## Church flowers and brasses

5<sup>th</sup> September          Christine Allison

12<sup>th</sup> September        Janet Clear

19<sup>th</sup> September        Miki Ellar

26<sup>th</sup> September        Henrietta Burbridge

## STILL LOOKING- FINANCE SCHOOL GOVERNOR

Bourn Church of England school is urgently looking to recruit a Financial Governor to the governing board. This person would have a background in finance with the ability to operate strategically.

Governors are all volunteers who work together for the benefit of the School and are the link between the School and the community it serves.

If you are interested in finding out more about this role, please contact the clerk of Governors clerk@bourn.cambs.sch.uk for a detailed job description and application form.

Date of closure for applications 5 Sept 2021.



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# RIDE + STRIDES for Churches 2021

## Across Cambridgeshire and the country on 11 September 2021

Cambridgeshire's Historic Churches Trust's annual 'Ride and Stride' takes place this year on the 11<sup>th</sup> September. This is the sponsored event where participants visit as many churches as they can by their chosen means of transport, and at the same time raise money for the work of the Trust, which offers grants and loans for church repairs throughout the county.

We have recently been awarded a £3,000 grant and a £20,000 loan by the Trust and so we hope that Kingstonians will support the event. Half the money raised may be awarded to Kingston church for the Restoration Fund.

I am intending to walk around Cambridge churches and college chapels on the day and if you would like to sponsor me (50p or £1 a church?), please get in touch. If you are interested in participating yourself – again, please contact me.

***Peter Reynolds***



## CHURCH ROOF AUCTION OF PROMISES - ONLINE

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

Many villagers will already know that the church roof needs repairing. The works were planned and specified before the pandemic but have been held up; because of this there is now an urgent need to proceed with repairs.

The roof of the South Aisle leaks in heavy rain and, in addition, because there was a significant fall of plaster, the ceiling of the Nave has a temporary ceiling with permission for only two more years.

Some repairs are optional for a long time: repairing a leaking roof is not - we need to do the work ASAP.

We have detailed architects' specifications for the works, contractors' competitive quotations, and have selected a contractor, but before we commission the work we need to secure funding. The work is expected to cost in the order of almost £118,000.

Much grant aid funding and, where appropriate to use it, loan funding is available for such works but we - Kingston Church – need to be able to offer a significant contribution before other funders will make offers.

The church maintains a dedicated Restoration Fund which currently has a balance of just over £25,000. To facilitate the repairs we need to raise additional funds to increase the fund to at least £30,000 and preferably more.

In addition to the £25,000 in our own Restoration Fund we have already received an offer of a £3,000 grant and a £20,000 working loan, to cover cash flow during the works, from The Cambridgeshire Historic Churches Trust. Past auctions for the church have normally raised around £4,000 so let's set that as a target and see if we can beat it!

The immediate need now is to acquire offers of 'Lots' to sell. Please consider what you can offer and respond to Torrie Smith, Patrick Thompson or Peter Reynolds as per the advertisement in the magazine.

In due course we hope that by holding the auction online we can, with suitable publicity, attract bids from a much wider community than just Kingston residents, so please don't be shy about offering exciting 'Lots' to sell.

***Peter Reynolds - Church Warden***

***Patrick Thompson – Treasurer***

***Torrie Smith***

## Old photographs of Kingston, 1



*All Saints and St Andrew, Kingston*, about 1890, before the extensive restoration undertaken by Comper and Bucknall for the Revd Salisbury James Murray Price (Rector 1893-94). This is the oldest known photograph of the church. Note the late C13 south chancel window is bricked up and the south aisle windows half bricked up: indications that the parish didn't have the money to maintain the glazing. The southern entrance to the church tower was filled in in 1894, but is still visible internally: it was used by one Charles 'Clocky' Custance, who lived opposite in either Elizabeth or Shingled Cottage; his duty it was to wind up the church clock. The diamond-shaped outline of the clock may just be discerned, centred on the small one-light, round-headed aperture below the southern belfry window. Is that a figure in the doorway? Price rebuilt the south aisle and in the process probably destroyed medieval wall paintings. Village lore tells us that he intended to demolish what we know as The Old Rectory and build a new one! **P. R.**

# **Church Roof Auction**

## **30/10/2021**

### **Online**

**We need lots of valuable lots to sell !!!**

**Please consider what you are able to offer for  
auction**

**Especially unique happenings, events and  
venues that others cannot normally access**

**Make your offers soon to;**

**Torrie Smith -**

**Peter Reynolds -**

**Patrick Thompson -**

## Kingston Village Cream Tea

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September

3:30 - 5:30



Delicious homemade scones with jam and cream served in the village orchard (free of charge)

Pop-up Kingston pub selling a range of drinks

Children's games and face painting

Organised by Kingston Parish Council

## District Councillor News

Please note that I provide full reports to Kingston Parish Council at its bi-monthly meeting, so please check out the meeting minutes and my blog at [www.tumihawkins.org.uk/caldecote-ward/reports](http://www.tumihawkins.org.uk/caldecote-ward/reports) for details on the items below and more.



I hope you all had a good summer whether staying at home, out somewhere in the UK or managed to get out of the country for a bit. Clearing the cobwebs of the last 16 months and recharging our batteries is important for our wellbeing.

You can do something positive each day to help with your wellbeing. **Action for Happiness** is an organisation that helps people take practical action, to create more happiness in the world! Check out their calendar that gives prompts for each day of the month <https://www.actionforhappiness.org/calendars> and please share with friends and family.

### **COVID19 Update**

Covid19 delta variant is still here with us, but the effect has been moderated due to the take up of covid vaccinations. It is only when we are all vaccinated that we are all protected. The 16 or 17 year olds can now get their COVID-19 vaccination at any of the NHS walk-in vaccination clinics at Grafton Centre, Chesterton Indoor Bowls Centre and Cherry Hinton Village Leisure Centre.

Please let's protect one another and continue to wear a facemask in enclosed public spaces and social distance.

South Cambs office is still closed to the public. Most staff are working from home. We now hold face to face public meetings whilst observing covid safety guidelines. These meetings are streamed online on the council website and on facebook, so you can still watch.

### **Funding for Businesses**

The Council has created The Growth Fund scheme to support local micro and SME businesses that plan to expand. The scheme is open to businesses from all sectors affected by local and national restrictions. Find out if you are eligible and how to apply at <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/business/business-support-and-advice/growth-fund-grant-scheme/>

### **Biodiversity SPD Consultation**

We're consulting on our Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document until 17 September 2021 and everyone is welcome to take a look and please give us feedback. The SPD will provide up to date guidance for developers on what to look out for in local and national policy - important things to get right, to enhance biodiversity. Check it out at <https://www.scambs.gov.uk/residents-asked-to-comment-on-biodiversity-guidance/>

### **OxCam Arc Spatial Strategy Consultation**

The Government through MHCLG is seeking views from the public that will help to create the vision for the **OxCam Spatial Framework**, which is to guide the future growth of this area from now to 2050. The East West Rail proposal is part of the growth plan in the OxCam spatial framework. I have put a summary on my blog to help understand the importance of this consultation.

<https://tumihawkins.org.uk/consultation-on-vision-for-oxford-cambridge-arc/>

## Greater Cambridge Local Plan Update

Please be on the lookout – by the time you are reading this, we will be getting ready to publish the papers showing the “preferred options” and the sites selected to support that strategy. This is in readiness for discussion at the meeting of the Joint Local Plan Advisory Group taking place on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

### Here to Help You

Please feel free to contact me in the usual ways if you need help with South Cambs council services (planning, housing, housing repairs, benefits, council tax, bin collection, environmental health, noise nuisance, etc).

You can also contact me by phone 01954 210840,

email [tumi@tumihawkins.org.uk](mailto:tumi@tumihawkins.org.uk),

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## Book of the Month

“Eternal” by Lisa Scottoline

Someone gave me the book as a gift, saying “You’ll like this, it’s about the Second World War”. It’s true that I like books about the war, but I put them in three categories: non-fiction (mostly like); fictionalized non-fiction (mainly like); and fictionalized stories that incorporate true events (sometimes like). This new book falls into the third category so it’s touch and go whether I will like it or not. The author usually writes detective novels so this a rare incursion to the world of historical novels which does not bode well.

When you start reading this book about Rome (the “eternal” city) in the late 1930s and early 1940s, it is mindful of Elena Ferrante’s Neapolitan novels (which we all liked, right?); the atmosphere is similar, as is the writing style and the tangled relationships. I suspect this similarity was not accidental. The scene is Italy during Mussolini’s regime, at the time when he began cow-towing to Hitler. War is looming. And the three late teenagers who are the central characters in the story are hanging around before their real lives begin. Marco, Sandro, and Elisabetta are the best of friends, except for one problem – both the boys are in love with the girl and she isn’t sure which one she prefers (probably Sandro, although Marco woos her more passionately). But their lives get turned upside down when Mussolini, in order to incur Hitler’s favour, turns on Rome’s Jewish population. Sandro is Jewish and, given the harsh impositions, is forced to give up his studies (he’s a brilliant mathematics student) and his parents lose their home and jobs. Meanwhile Marco has got himself a job working in the local Fascists office. So Marco and Sandro end up on opposite sides and Elisabetta is caught in the middle. Then things go from bad to worse. The Allies invade southern Italy, Mussolini’s regime collapses, and the Germans move in to prop up his new puppet government and rule the roost in Rome. What this all means is that the Jewish Ghetto in Rome is subjected to further privations and eventually its inhabitants are rounded up and transported to Auschwitz. Sandro and his father are seized but Marco and Elisabetta find a way of spirited Sandro away before he can be sent to Poland. From that point onwards, as they say, the plot thickens. Eventually, the Allies release Rome from its misery, but by then the die is cast.

The events in the book are all true: Mussolini’s regime, the war, the repression of Rome’s Jewish population, the clearing of the Ghetto and its inhabitants sent to Auschwitz (of over two thousand sent there only sixteen returned at the end of the war). In addition, some of the characters featured in the story existed and had roles to play in the events described. So a lot of the book is authentic and, by the end, it certainly tugs at your emotions. All in all, I recommend this book to you.

**Peter Holly**

## Kingston Village Hall AGM and public vote on change of constitution to Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) status

**Thursday 30 September at 8.00pm in the Village Hall**

This is an important public meeting to give parishioners the opportunity to discuss and vote on the proposal to change the governance of the Village Hall to CIO status. As we explained in the June magazine, the CIO structure has a number of significant benefits over the existing 1970's "Custodian Trustee" structure, in the areas of individual trustee's (i.e. committee member's) legal and financial liabilities, as well as updating and modernising the aims and policies of the charity. ACRE, the national village hall advisory body, is advising older halls like ours to make this change and has agreed a draft constitution with the Charity Commission. The Parish Council, likewise, supports this change.

The public notice of this change has been posted on the village notice board, circulated by email and is reproduced in this month's magazine.

We will also be using the AGM to call on more parishioners to join the committee. We hope to see you there.

*Paul Wright (Chair) on behalf of the Kingston Village Hall Management Committee.*

### If you would like to support the people of Haiti

you can donate at:

<https://www.redcross.org.uk/stories/disasters-and-emergencies/world/haiti-earthquake-appeal>

<https://www.unicef.org/appeals/haiti>

### Open Cambridge

takes place from 10-19 September.

There are both in person and online events and details can be found at

<https://www.opencambridge.cam.ac.uk/events>

## Downsizing House & Shed Sale

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Bourn Lodge, Caxton Road, Bourn.

10.0a.m -2.0p.m

Victorian Grates, Furniture, Memorabilia, China, Toys, Pictures Etc.

All Proceeds to  
Bourn Church

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**under section 121(2) of the Charities Act 2011**

The trustees of the Kingston Village Hall (registered charity number 274947) hereby give notice that they propose to transfer the land and property held on trust for the purposes of Kingston Village Hall to a new Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) to be called Kingston Village Hall, which is being formed for the purpose of transferring the ownership and management of the Kingston Village Hall to a charity which benefits from incorporation.

This land and property which formerly comprised the village school and outbuildings situated at the crossroads on the Green at postcode CB23 2NN. A plan of this land shown below

Any representations about this proposal should be made in writing and sent by Email to the Secretary, Sarah Wright at [kingstonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:kingstonvillagehall@gmail.com), or by post to: The Secretary, Kingston Village Hall, The Green, Kingston, Cambs CB23 2NN **by 7 September 2021.**

Any representations received after that date will not be considered.

***Paul Wright**, Chairman, Kingston Village Hall Trustees.*



## Kwirky Korner

### Kwirky Olympics

One of the Japanese softball team returned to her home in the city of Nagoya, when, at an official reception, the mayor asked to look at her medal and then proceeded to bite on it – an action that broke all protocols. Even the competitors had been warned not to follow this practice. He immediately apologized and offered to pay for a replacement. The Olympics committee agreed to provide another medal, at the same time announcing that “We just want to officially confirm that the Tokyo 2020 medals are not edible.”

British Olympic bronze-winning gymnasts, 16 year-old twins Jessica and Jennifer Gadirova, were thrilled to add to their summer accomplishments by learning about their successful GCSE results. So now it’s on to their A Levels – and Paris! It’s looking good on both counts, unless, of course, they get the dreaded “twisties”.

One Olympian gold-medallist, Jamaican Hansle Parchment, almost lost his chance to compete. On the way to his semi-final in the 100 metres hurdles, he got on the wrong bus and ended up at the wrong venue. With no money and no connecting bus, a volunteer stepped forward and paid for a taxi to get him to the right place. Coming in second in the semi-final but going one place better in the final, Parchment and the Jamaican authorities have traced the Good Samaritan and are looking to reward her for her kind services.

Every morning during the Olympics a mystery man dressed in a business suit stood outside the Olympic Village holding up motivational signs (in English) which said such things as “Good morning athletes! Even if you don’t get a medal, you’re still the best!! So believe in yourself!” Apparently, he was upset by all the attention going to the medal winners and wanted to bolster the confidence of all those who were “also rans” – which, of course, is the vast majority of the competitors.

Russian authorities are claiming that the Olympic results and medal count were rigged against them – they achieved their lowest position since 1912. Maybe they are forgetting that, because of their doping history, they were lucky to be there at all.

The USA swimmer, Katie Ledecky, has added myth-busting to her record-busting exploits. She has declared that it’s absolutely OK to eat before going swimming – so another of my mother’s “old wives tales” hits the dust.

One of the best/worst moments of the Games was when a Canadian diver who was competing for a medal got her routine all wrong and ended up just jumping straight down into the pool, entering feet first. Just like we would all do. Scoring 0.0 for her non-dive in the semi-finals of the 3-metre springboard event, as she walked up to

her position, one commentator was heard to say “This should be spectacular!” The diver is also a philosopher as afterwards she said she was going to be alright as “to err is human, to forgive is divine”, which would also suggest that she has studied eighteenth century English poetry.

In a case of the pot calling the kettle black, after many people called into question the victory of an Italian runner who came first in the 100 metres, a British speedster has now failed a drug test which might mean that the 4x100 relay silver medallists lose their medals. When informed of this, the Italian could only smile to himself.

In the most unfortunate incident in the Games, a German coach punched a horse that was refusing to jump the course. Now actress Kaley Cuoco, star of the TV series “The Flight Attendant”, has offered to buy the horse, Saint Boy. As she has remarked,

I feel it’s my duty and heart to comment on this disgrace... this is not Olympic show jumping. This is a disgusting classless abusive representation of our sport in so many ways. This team should be ashamed of themselves.

The actress is a keen equestrian and her husband is a horse trainer. Now she says to the current owners, “Name your price! I’ll show it the life it should have.”

Gold medallist USA swimmer, Caeleb Dressel, has a black lab dog named Jane who can jump off the starting board and race down the pool almost as fast as her owner. The video of the dog leaping off the starting blocks is amazing. In the meantime, on returning to Texas, the gymnast, Simone Biles, was bitten by a dog on her farm, which just about sums up her summer.

## **THE WONDER OF WOOD - 11 & 12 September, 10am to 5pm**

at Burwash Manor, New Road, Barton, Cambridge, CB23 7EY

The Wonder of Wood showcases some of the region’s finest wood workers, crafters and artisans, and the ethos is to introduce children to the joys of engaging with nature, and to entice them away from screen time and back into the great outdoors.

From willow weaving to artisan carpentry, den building to spoon carving, survival skills to tree surgery, plus plenty more, this is a great weekend out. Get the children involved in the many woodland activities that will be on offer such as pond dipping and den building, find out more about the magical fenland wildlife, and listen to captivating stories from our storyteller. There will be plenty of opportunity to marvel at wood workers creating things of beauty in front of your very eyes, and you can even try your hand at these wonderful crafts yourself! Not only this, but there will be locally produced food and drink on hand to ensure you don’t go hungry or thirsty. We hope to see you there! Adults: £10, Under 16s: FREE

[Info@thewonderofwoodfair.com](mailto:Info@thewonderofwoodfair.com) [www.thewonderofwoodfair.com](http://www.thewonderofwoodfair.com)



## Fun Charity Dog Day !

In aid of VIP Companionship for Older People (Registered charity: 1140646)

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

**Longstowe Sports Ground and Pavilion, CB23 2UJ**

**For details call 01954 719555.**

**Gates open 12.30pm, Judging starts at 1.30pm**

**Tea Tent: Tea/Coffee and Cake**

**Entry £10 per dog**

**All Classes and Competitions Free!**

**Adults & Children Free**

Dogs may enter as many classes as appropriate.

- |                                       |   |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Best Condition Dog or Bitch*       | 4. Golden Oldies ( 9 years plus)                  |
| 2. Best Country Sporting Dog or Bitch | 7. Dog with the waggiest tail                     |
| 3. Best Puppy (under 1 year)*         | Championship (winners classes:1,2,3,4 to compete) |
| 5. Dog most like Owner!               | *Classes may be split depending on numbers        |
| 6. Best 6 legs!                       |   |

**Have - A - Go Competitions:**

Sit & Stay Knockout,

Racing,

Bale jumping,

**Training Academy – hints & tips**

**Stalls & other attractions plus tombola**

**All welcome.....**



## Record Corner

### Silly Tracks

There's a current commercial in the USA advertising the latest Apple iPhone that's on heavy rotation. More importantly, it features a great but silly song which starts with the immortal lines:

Can I have a taste of your ice-cream?

Can I lick the crumbs from your table?

Can I interfere in your crisis? No, mind your own business.

The two female singers manage to utter these words with a sleazy leer, which adds to the allure. The record is perfectly silly. Wonderfully so.

Thinking about it, I've always had a healthy penchant for silly songs. The early '60s – one of my favourite periods - was a golden age for this genre. Indeed, there were three kinds of recordings then, all of which featured different levels of silliness:

there were scores of mawkish love songs (involving some silliness), instrumentals (which could be silly), and, above all, undisguised and unabashed silly songs.

Examples of the latter were "Alley Oop" by The Hollywood Argyles, Papa-Oom-Mow-Mow by the Rivingtons, and the immensely crazy "Surfin' Bird" by The Trashmen (which was a complete rip-off the Rivingtons "song" and all the better for it). Yes, if you want silly songs that's the age that's replete with them.

Unfortunately, thereafter, everything got very serious and no silliness was allowed. Even the Beatles' silly tracks were treated with professorial intensity, with people looking for the latest messages about Paul's death. Listeners ransacked the "White Album" for transcendental enlightenment. My advice is don't listen to the track "The Continuing Story of Bungalow Bill" for any deep meanings – it's a silly song in a thin disguise. But, thank goodness, after years of gravity and navel-gazing came punk and post-punk and silly songs became the latest fashion again. And that's where the silly song quoted from above comes in. Amazingly, when I looked it up, I found it was a 1979 British recording (of course) by a group called Delta 5. Pride abounds! The record was titled "Mind Your Own Business" and was released on the Rough Trade label. Sung by twin (not related) female bass-players with supreme snarliness and snottiness, the record brings silliness to a near pitch of perfection. While I've always been ambivalent about punk/post-punk, amongst the trash were some golden (silly) nuggets like Plastic Bertrand's "Ca Plane Pour Moi" which has French lyrics which make no sense at all as the irresistible driving beat drowns out any words that might have any significance. It could be about doing the washing up for all I know. But it's brilliant – and surprisingly a big hit in the UK. It's a celebration of pre-Brexit foolishness Francaise.

Sorry I digress. Back to the Delta 5 recording, it transpires that the members of the band met in Leeds and were active from 1979-1981. They were formed from the same art school scene at Leeds University as the Gang of Four and The Mekons and "Mind Your own Business" was their debut single, released in September 1979. As we all said then (right?), they all had a lot of street cred. According to a review of their music, they combined feminist politics with a two-base-funk-punk sound. Active in the Rock against Racism movement, they managed to all get themselves beaten up in a street brawl with right-wing thugs (which merely added to their street cred, bruises and all). When their debut album failed (silly things, they forgot to be silly), they disbanded. A compilation record "Singles and Sessions, 1979-1981" was released in 2006.

Listening to their classic track again, it starts with a long bass-led intro, then the singers enter with their wonderful refrain printed above which gets repeated several times with overdubs and double tracking. Then there's a demented guitar solo which takes us nowhere – but that's the point. You have to remember that silly music has to be judged by its own set of criteria. This is not "Bridge Over Troubled Water". You also have to remember that rock music can take itself much too seriously. Thank goodness for silly diversions or I'd be listening to Eva Cassidy for the rest of my life. Bring on the silliness!

I'll continue this conversation in next month's silly (sorry, serious) magazine.

**Peter Holly**

## The Artisan Collective Fair

3-5 September at Wimpole Estate

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