



Village Shop News Update

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Two items of very good news this month. Firstly, our new shop manager, Jai, has taken up his role at the shop and seems to be settling in quickly to all the challenges of the job. And the big news, that you will probably have heard about by now, is that the shop volunteers have been awarded the prestigious Queen's Award for Voluntary Service for their service to the community. This is a big deal and is considered equivalent to an MBE so everyone who has participated should be justifiably proud. There will be a presentation of an engraved crystal by the Lord Lieutenant of Northamptonshire within the next month or so and two representatives of the volunteers will be invited to attend a garden party at Buckingham Palace next year. Well done to all our volunteers past and present.

Colin Wootton is in the process of producing an illustrated booklet charting the first 17 years of the shop's existence which we hope to have available in the shop this month. It is a wonderful pictorial history so do watch out for it.

With summer now in full swing, the freezer is well stocked with ice-creams and ice lollies and we also have plenty of summer fruits in stock, such as strawberries and raspberries, in good time for Wimbledon.

As ever, we continue to try to cater for everyone's needs and, with fuel prices soaring, a trip to the shop for your groceries, as well as being local and convenient, can also be cost effective. If there is anything you would like us to stock it is always worth asking and we can see what we can do.

With our wide range of well-priced wines, we are always on hand to keep you well fuelled for your summer barbecues and garden drinkies for those lovely long evenings.

Digby and Alison