

West Ilsley News

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Deadline for the next publication is:

5pm on Thursday 27th January

CHILDREN'S CHURCH, ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The next service will be in the church at 4pm on Thursday 13 January when we will be making Christingle oranges. Services are aimed at all ages from babies to older ones and last approximately half an hour followed by drinks.

If you would like any further details please do contact us on the following numbers:

Denise Brown on 01635 281825 or Liz Dray on 01635 281688

CHRISTMAS TREES

A big thank you to everyone who bought a Christmas tree from me – I sold out! As I managed this I (well mummy) will be sending a cheque for £50 to Macmillan Nurses. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas.

Storm Ryan

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

After more than 30 years on the Village Hall Committee, Audrey Tizzard is stepping down from her role as Treasurer, Bookings Clerk and Cleaner at the Village Hall. Many, many thanks go to Audrey for her hard work and commitment to the village. At Audrey's last official event – The Village Bingo – Audrey received a bouquet of flowers in recognition of her time on the committee. I am sure the whole village joins with us in our huge vote of thanks.

Thanks to everyone who came to the Village Hall Christmas Bingo. It was a great night with lots of chocolate prizes! Thanks to Audrey, Maureen and our 'caller' John for their hard work.

At the AGM Sue Simmons kindly took over as Treasurer, Bookings Clerk and Cleaner. Doug

Brown remains as Chair and Neil and Mandy Slater as Secretary.

Therefore for all bookings enquiries please contact Sue Simmons on 281460 or suesimmons@toucansurf.com.

Elaine Clemenger also holds an emergency key for the hall.

Please come to our
Bring and Buy Sale
Saturday 5th February
10.30 – 12.30

1, The Maltings, West Ilsley.

Briony is going to visit a school in Uganda in May and would like to raise money to buy a pencil for every child in the school. There are 1,500 children in the school with about 150 children in each class. Please save any unwanted gifts, toys you have grown out of, or good quality bits and bobs. Bring them on the day, drop them off any time before hand or we will come and collect. Come and buy on the day! Coffee and cake available too! Many thanks Briony Slater and Lucy Paterson. Please call 281325 and we will come to collect any items for sale.

WHAT'S ON AT THE HARROW?

Thank you to all of you who came along and supported The West Ilsley Male Voice Choir on Wednesday 22nd December at The Harrow. We raised £90 which we donated to the Air Ambulance. It was a great night, thank you again !! Look forward to the next one !!

BURNS NIGHT

Friday 28th January

7pm till late

Book your tables NOW !!

Special menu and drinks!

Come down and forget

about the January blues!!





DOWNLANDS MONTHLY UPDATE - DECEMBER 2010

Here is the latest update for the Downlands Neighbourhood from Police Community Support Officer Dominic Bartlett. The latest crime statistics for the Neighbourhood can be found at [<http://maps.police.uk/view/thames-valley>]. The neighbourhood has seen a 12.5 per cent decrease in all crime compared to the same three month period last year (August-October). Robbery has seen the largest decrease of 35 per cent, closely followed by burglaries which has decreased by 31 per cent. We are still working hard to provide security advice and crime prevention advice to help reduce such crimes, and actively patrolling to prevent any criminal activity. I am pleased to say that reports of anti-social behaviour (ASB) have decreased during this period by 27.6 per cent, and we are actively patrolling hot spot areas.

A 26 year old male from Burghfield was arrested during November following an incident in West Ilsley. The male had reportedly caused damage to crops and when confronted by a local gamekeeper became threatening and abusive. The male was issued with a harassment warning. Throughout November we have received numerous calls about hare coursing. There have been reports across West Ilsley, Chaddleworth and Peasemore. All reports were quickly attended by police units who completed a through search for the offenders and intelligence reports have been submitted reference persons and vehicles involved. The neighbourhood team also conducted a joint operation with the Hungerford and Wantage teams across a weekend in November to tackle hare coursing. Across the weekend we responded to reports of coursing across the 3 areas. Although no arrests were made, persons and vehicles were stopped and details taken. If you witness hare coursing or see suspicious activity please do not hesitate to report it to us.

Following on from the above, there has also been a small spate of garages and outbuildings which have been broken into across the Downlands neighbourhood. Please make sure that your garages and outbuildings are securely locked, and do not leave tools and ladders out as these can be used to break into your house. You can also secure valuable items such as bicycles, lawn mowers and power tools to a strong anchor point inside your garage/shed. If you would like more crime prevention advice you can either visit our website www.thamesvalley.police.uk or contact

myself via our non-emergency number and I will be more than happy to visit you.

Some of you may have heard of our rural text alert but for those of you who haven't I will quickly explain. During 2009 we decided to create a text alert system to help combat rural crime such as hare coursing. It is a system we use where by if we receive a report of coursing we send the vehicle details and incident details out via text message. It has been very successful and we have received excellent feedback from those who receive the messages. If you would like to receive these messages please contact me via email dominic.bartlett@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

During November I visited The Ilsley's primary school and took part in an Indian dance class. It was great fun and allowed me to work with the children in different way from normal. I also visited Beedon's and West Ilsley's stay and play groups for parents and toddlers. Whilst there I got to speak to the parents about road safety and provide advice on topics such as regulations for child seats. In December I am hoping to visit East Ilsley's coffee morning as I have unfortunately not been able to visit for while. I would like to say that if you have any groups or meetings that you would like me to visit/attend please do not hesitate to contact me, my email is dominic.bartlett@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk or phone 0845 8 505 505.

You can now send non-emergency messages to us using the online form that is available on the Thames Valley Police website. A number of people have already sent their concerns using this method. To do this, please follow the link:

<http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/yournh/yournh-about-nh-pol/yournh-tvp-pol-area-n155-hys>

Please allow some time for us to get back to you as we do check our mail box only at certain times of the day.

For more information about your local Neighbourhood Police Team, contact 0845 8 505 505 or visit www.thamesvalley.police.uk

CHRISTMAS AND BANK HOLIDAY COLLECTION CHANGES

There will be no green waste collections between 26 December and 22 January. All normal collections will resume on 24 January.

Please be aware that around any bank holiday week, your collection day is likely to change. This year due to the number of bank holidays over the Christmas period there will be some changes to your normal collections. Please check the dates below to make sure you put out your rubbish and recycling on the right day.

Normal collection day	Revised Collection day
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Thu 30 Dec	Tue 4 Jan
Thu 6 Jan	Mon 10 Jan
Thu 13 Jan	Sat 15 Jan
Thu 20 Jan	Fri 21 Jan

If you require any further information on recycling or rubbish collections, please do not hesitate to contact me. **Lisa Vine, Waste Officer**

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, WEST ILSLEY
Ian and Kay Fewtrell-Smith

January Church Services

2 nd	Family Communion	9.30am
9 th	Holy Communion	8.30am
16 th	Family Service	11.00am
23 rd	*No service at West Ilsley	
30 th	*No service at West Ilsley	

* Please see the lych gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice.

There is a United Benefice Communion at 10am on Sunday 30th January at Chieveley.

Christmas Services

Christmas is a special time for all and however familiar the tree and crib are, the sense of wonder never fails to materialise. Our thanks to all those who made the church look so beautiful.

It was lovely to see so many faces in church over Christmas. We were away for the Carol Service and as Denise Brown was unable to reach West Ilsley due to the weather, Alexandra Axtell ably took over this lovely candle-lit service. So, thank you for rising to the occasion, Alexandra.

Thanks must also go to Zoe Carrington, who played the keyboard so superbly at the Crib service on Christmas Eve. The other youngsters involved in the service played their parts beautifully and even the pony, Sam, made his 'mark' by adding to the steamy atmosphere of the stable! Only in West Ilsley are all the senses authentically catered for...

All Saints also benefited financially from all your donations given for Christmas Greetings in the WIN, so many thanks to all those who contributed.

Cleaning Rota

Thanks to the responses we had to our request for more cleaners for All Saints, each one of us now needs to be on cleaning duties only once every eight weeks. However, we can always do

with new blood so if you would like to help, please don't hold back!

Dates for Your Diary

Saturday 5th February – Winter Warmer – add this to your diaries now!

Finally, we would like to wish everyone a very happy 2011.

WHO TO CONTACT

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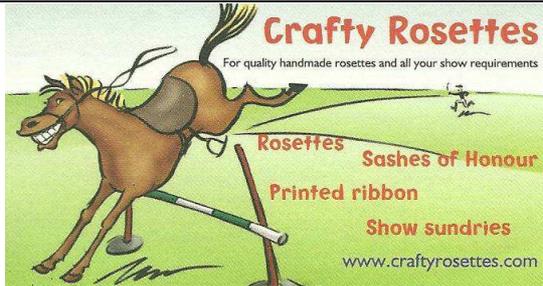
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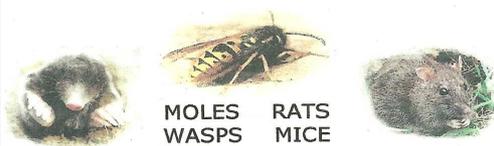
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