# West Ilsley News

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5pm on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July

DIARY					
JULY					
1 <sup>st</sup>	Fete				
13 <sup>th</sup>	French evening at The Harrow				
AUGUST					
	SEPTEMBER				
14 <sup>th</sup>	Mexican evening at The Harrow				
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Safari supper				
28 <sup>th</sup>	Macmillan Big Coffee morning				
OCTOBER					
8 <sup>th</sup> –14 <sup>th</sup>	Curry week at The Harrow				
12 <sup>th</sup>	Spanish evening at The Harrow				
	NOVEMBER				
	DECEMBER				
1 <sup>st</sup>	West Ilsley "At Home" Christmas Party				

#### **EVERGREENS**

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July there will be a coach outing to Poole. The Coach will leave from outside West



Ilsley church at 9 am. Members £10, non-members £12.50. Names to Julia Rockall 281597

# CCB OIL CLUB - A FUTURE LEGACY OF WARM IN WEST BERKSHIRE!

Launched in March 2012, the CCB Oil Club has now attracted over 100 members and is successfully negotiating savings via bulk buying fuel oil for heating homes in off-grid areas.

The CCB Oil Club is a legacy of the winter's 'Warm in West Berkshire' project - which reached thousands of people across West Berkshire. By offering advice, guidance and one-to-one direct support on keeping homes warm, by maximising their income and fuel efficiency, the project helped many vulnerable people. Amongst the projects of the Warm in West Berkshire project, the CCB Oil Club is a truly long term benefit to the district saving money on fuel, time spent researching the best price and the environment by keeping tankers on the roads of West Berkshire to a minimum.

The CCB Oil Club is growing fast - and has already surpassed the 100 member mark. Joining is easy, simply go online www.ccb-oil-club.org.uk or call 0118 9612000 to join up. The CCB Oil Club fully supports established oil clubs across West Berkshire - making sure that wherever you live, if it's off mains gas, we can get you the best possible price by harnessing the power of bulk buying fuel oil.

Gemma Pearce, CCB Oil Club Co-ordinator explained: "We're delighted that so many people have signed up for the CCB Oil Club - and through the negotiation of the club, we've managed to buy May's delivery of oil at 6p less per litre than the average market price. A real win-win for everyone involved!"

To reach more vulnerable people - who are offgrid and may not have broadband or email access, we'd like to gauge interest from members of our local communities to act as local coordinators for the CCB Oil Club. Anyone can call CCB to find out more about the opportunity and how we can all work together in West Berkshire to make the CCB Oil Club a true, long-lasting legacy of "Warm in West Berkshire."

For further information:

Gemma Pearce, Oil Club Co-ordinator CCB, Community Council for Berkshire Tel 0118 9612000

Email: oilclub@ccberks.org.uk

#### And a note from a satisfied user:

In March you e-mailed details on the CCB oil Club. I needed to order oil so I contacted them. Around the 28 May the best price on the Boilerjuice website was 59p per litre. The oil club

obtained a price of 0.5282p pl (all prices ex VAT). This price applies whether you order 500 litres (min) or more. Even with a £20.00 annual membership fee there would be a saving. It works as follows:

In May orders had to be placed by noon on 23 May. A price was obtained on 25 May and communicated to members by 28 May. Deliveries to be completed by 8 June

In the past I have tried to order a large quantity assuming it would attract the best price. With this arrangement I can top up as soon as I go just below half full.

This may be of interest to others in the village. Joe Clerkin



#### WEST ILSLEY JUBILEE SONG

(to the tune of "we plough the fields and scatter", words Anon)





They bought the buns and burgers, and lit the barbecue
The village got the bunting out in red and white and blue
And someone fixed the weather, the clouds were cleared in time
The early indications
– the evening would be fine

Thank you to the farmers, it was a cracking do This our opportunity to send our thanks to you



They took us up on trailers,
to get us to the site
We all got in the spirit
to party through the night
The vista from the Ridgeway
was beautifully clear
And yet again we talked about
how much we like it here





They built a great big beacon, and all the drinks were free Some fizzy wine to toast with and Arkells Jubilee
Then Alan swung his bucket so who would dare say "no"
With him in charge you're guaranteed The funds will really grow!

At ten they lit the beacon

— a vision to behold

The heat was very welcome

— it really was quite cold

The moon it was enormous

and flames were reaching high

The fireworks all around us

were lighting up the sky



And so we all say thank you, to Richard, Dave and Pete, And all their many helpers who gave us such a treat The general opinion on which we all agree – You absolutely made it a Diamond Jubilee!

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#### **FETE NEWS**

Fete committee: Alan Bloor, Jo Coles, Teri Muggeridge, Simon Richards and Hayley Watling. As I'm sure you are all aware the fete is fast approaching (Sunday 1st July). We are still on the lookout for **bric-a-brac**, **books**, **toys and any other unwanted items** for our successful bric-a-brac stall run by Christian and Claire Alexander (thank you very much). Bring it all along either on the morning of the fete or to the Cricket club on the Saturday (30<sup>th</sup> June) or deliver to The Harrow. Could all those who were lucky enough to win trophies last year please return them (polished) to The Harrow. If you wish items to be collected please contact Alan Bloor (281341).

Our crockery smashing stall is making a comeback this year so please collect together all your **unwanted or chipped crockery** and deliver to The Harrow or bring along the morning of the fete. This year's **children's fancy dress competition** is Olympic themed. Ages 7 and under and over 7's so start on your outfits.

The **produce show** posters are out and about and the classes are listed below. We do hope everyone has planted their potatoes for the potato class!! Hopefully the frosts at the beginning of May have not caught your potato or other produce you are growing.

We still need a few **volunteers** to help run some of the stalls so if you would like to help out please contact Alan Bloor. We will be on the cricket pitch from 8am the morning of the fete. Please come along and help out.

If anyone would like to donate any **raffle prizes** please free to contact Hayley at The Harrow.

There will be a **bottle stall** again at the Fete so if you have any bottles to donate please drop off at Tony Elliott 2 Moorland Close or Alan Bloor, Burydown Cottage.

#### **Produce Show 2012**

#### Flowers and gardening

- 1. Single Rose
- 2. Arrangement of cottage flowers
- 3. Single flower specimen
- 4. A small table decoration (3 flower varieties and foliage)
- 5. A small patio container
- Best Hanging Basket ( judges will be around the village the week before the fete)
- 7. Best kept front garden ( judges will view front gardens from the road/path)

#### Fruit and vegetables

- 8. Gardener's choice a basket containing potatoes and two other vegetables
- 9. Heaviest home-grown potato
- 10. Three onions or Shallots
- Largest number of potatoes grown in a pot
- 12. A bunch of 3 culinary herbs (tied and in water)

#### **Home cooking**

- 13. A jar of soft fruit jam
- 14. A jar of stone fruit jam
- 15. A jar of marmalade
- 16. A jar of chutney
- 17. A homemade alcoholic drink (e.g. beer, sloe gin, wine)
- A homemade soft drink (e.g. lemonade, Elderflower cordial)
- 19. Ladies only chocolate brownies
- 20. Gentlemen only An apple pie
- 21. Bake a cake for a Queen (Diamond jubilee themed cake)— open to all

### 22. Loaf of yeast bread – open to all Children's classes (under 7's)

- 23. Decorate a flowerpot
- An Olympic themed drawing, painting or collage
- 25. Cress grown in an unusual container
- 26. 6 cheese straws

#### Children's classes (under 12's)

- 27. A beach on a plate
- 28. An Olympic themed drawing, painting or collage
- 29. Cress grown in an unusual container
- 30. 6 plain flapjacks



#### **WEST ILSLEY DOG SHOW**

Entry fee: £1.00 per class

1.BEST PUPPY under 8 months of age
Kindly sponsored by Sporting Agenda

2.PRÉTTIEST BITCH

Kindly sponsored by Cool Solutions

3.HANDSOMEST DOG

Kindly sponsored by Frontier Agriculture Ltd **4.CHILD HANDLER – rosettes to all entries** 

Kindly sponsored by Crafty Rosettes

**5.BEST TRICK** 

Kindly sponsored by Woodland Enterprises

6.BEST BISCUIT CATCHER

Kindly sponsored by R.P.Warrick contractors

7.TEMPTATION ALLEY

Kindly sponsored by Sporting Agenda

8.BEST GOLDEN OLDIE over the age of 8

Kindly sponsored by Cool Solutions

9.BEST 6 LEGS

Kindly sponsored by Sue Huntingdon and Graeme Callagari

10.BEST IN SHOW – all winners of the above classes qualify for free entry to this class Kindly sponsored by Moonraker Disco

# DVD & Game stall

#### West Ilsley Fete

Do you have any unwanted DVD's or video games i.e. X-Box, DS, PSP etc.

If so please call Charlie who can collect 07884451103



# The Really Nearly Good as New Fashion Shop

at West Ilsley Fete

### Sunday 1st July 2012

Remember to save your unsuitable or unwanted clothing and accessories – ladies, gents & children.

To arrange drop off or collection in advance call Avice Morris – 077857 100400

Or

Barbara Coakley – 07788 728404 Alternatively leave at the Cricket Pavilion on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June from 12noon

#### Afternoon Teas

St Mary's Church
Aldworth
WEDNESDAYS
(2<sup>nd</sup> May to 29<sup>th</sup> August 2012)
2.30 to 4.30

#### **Enjoy Afternoon Tea!**

See the newly conserved "Aldworth Giants" & 1000 year old Yew Tree.

Relax in our peaceful churchyard or enjoy TEA in our historic church. Please help us raise funds to improve St Mary's Church facilities. Details: David Sheppard: 578177

#### YOU are WELCOME

to Aldworth's weekly Saturday Market 9 a.m. to 12 noon Aldworth Village Hall

Fresh and local produce
Flowers & Plants in season

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Homemade cakes etc.

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(second Saturday of each month)

#### Refreshments

If **YOU** would like a stall please contact Kathy: 01635 578177

#### CONTACT FROM DOWN UNDER

We received the following email from Australia this month, with a charming photo too – if anyone would like Barry's email address, contact us at WIN.

I just happened to find your site during a "nostalgia" session. My Mother, my Grandmother and me were evacuated to West Ilsley in 1941 from Portsmouth. We were accommodated by the Theobalds. Tom Theobald was the landlord of the Harrow. My Mother and Grandmother helped out in the pub. We left in 1945 to return to Portsmouth. I was then aged five. I have many happy memories of my early life in the pub and the village. I've attached a picture of me and my Mother taken outside the Harrow taken, I think, in 1943. I could give you lots more detail if you are interested but only if you are interested. I now live in Sydney.

Cheers, Barry Woods



# ALL SAINTS WEST ILSLEY Kay and Ian Fewtrell-Smith

July Church Services

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1 <sup>st</sup>	Family Communion	9.30am			
8 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion	8.30am			
15 <sup>th</sup>	*No service in West				
	llsley				
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Family Service	11.00am			
29 <sup>th</sup>	*No service in West				
	llsley				

\*Please see the lych gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice or go online at http://tinyurl.com/east-downland.

The Chapel Farm Barn Service, Hill Green is on July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm, accompanied as usual by the Wantage Silver Band and will be followed by tea. This month, as well as a United Benefice service on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July at Chieveley, there will also

be one on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July at Winterbourne. Both services are at 9.30am and everyone is very welcome.

#### **Jubilee Posies & Puddings**

There will have been some very well dressed tables in West Ilsley over the Jubilee weekend, with beautiful and very diverse table arrangements created at our very enjoyable event in church last month. Thanks must go to members of the PCC for all their hard work, but particularly to Veronica Smith who demonstrated to everyone how to produce such amazing displays.

As you can see, our **Pet Service** last Sunday was attended by a number of children who brought their animals to be blessed. The service was thoroughly enjoyed by all, animals and humans alike. There were dogs of all shapes and sizes, and one little guinea pig called Hazel, who seemed not in the slightest bit intimidated by being surrounded at close quarters by so many larger creatures. Everyone was impeccably behaved, got on well together and there were no accidents!



Date for your diary

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September – Safari Supper. Whether you enjoyed our previous one and would like a repeat performance, or would like to see what you missed out on, put this date in your diary now

Contacts: If you have anyone or anything specific you would like mentioned in church prayers at services throughout the year, do speak to either lan (281625) or Alexandra (281306). If you would like to organise a baptism, wedding or funeral or would like to talk to a member of the clergy for any other reason, ring Revd John Toogood (our Rector) on 01635 247566 or email him at cwando@btinternet.com.

#### WHO TO CONTACT

#### VILLAGE HALL

Ros Duckworth-Bookings-281471 rosduckworth@btinternet.com Rates: £7.50/hr Villagers £15/hr Non Villagers

#### PRESCRIPTIONS

Prescriptions can be collected from Liz Elliott at 2 Morland Close, between 10 am and 6 pm, Monday to Friday 281997. Should you wish to collect outside the above hours, please telephone to ask if it's convenient.

Prescription requests can be put through the door any time. The

surgery bus makes deliveries on Tuesday and Friday mornings.						
CHURCHWARDENS						
Alexandra Axtell 281306 Ian Fewtrell-S	mith	281625				
TENNIS COURT						
Membership: Liz Dray - lizdray@btinternet.com 281688						
Play without joining - to book: Amanda Knight - 281609						
PARISH COUNCIL						
Clerk:						
Alison Banks - <u>Alison@poplars.org.uk</u>	28170	05				
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Jo Scriven - Jo.clifton@tynan-darcy.com	28140	05				
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Alan Bloor - Alanpeter.bloor@virgin.net	2813	41				
John Mountford - jgmountford@btinternet.com	28170	03				

#### Roger Stowell

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