West IIsley News

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November 2007

Anne, Marnie, Angela, Sandra and Andrea request the pleasure of your company at the

West IIsley Christmas Drinks Party

Saturday 1st December 2007

Village Hall

Drinks and Canapés Tickets include raffle entry

7 pm to 9 pm pay bar available after 9 pm Tickets £12.50 each, Concessions £10.00 available from:

Andrea, Clock Cottage & Sandra, Rowles Farm 281224 281220

Or email westilsleynews@msn.com
This is not a profit-making event, but any surplus after
costs will be split between
The Evergreens and the Village Hall

STORM'S CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY SERVICE IN AID OF MACMILLAN NURSES

I am offering a very special Christmas card delivery service to all villagers! Instead of you having to walk around the village I will personally deliver them with the help of my new pony Sam! All you have to do is deliver them to my house, Forge Cottage and I will sort them then deliver

them on Sunday 16th December. I am fundraising for Macmillan nurses. Please drop a small donation in with your cards marked 'Donation' on the envelope!

See you all then from Storm and Sam!

LUXURY WREATHS CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS



INDIVIDUALLY MADE TO ORDER
PLEASE TELEPHONE
VERONICA SMITH

01635 281704

For news from Keeper's Stables check out the website: www.deniscoakley.co.uk

DIARY

November

5th Bonfire Night

12th Parish Council Meeting

17th Evergreens Bazaar

DECEMBER

1st Christmas Drinks Party

2nd Craft & Gift Sale 1-5 Village Hall

Deadline for the next publication is 5pm on Monday 26th November

Contributions to the WIN can be made by conversation, phone, email, handwritten or typed copy and "word" file, but most importantly, please do contribute. Contact details:

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Please direct your feedback to either of the editors.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

If you would like to send Christmas greetings to friends and neighbours in the village via the WIN and donate a sum towards Church Funds rather than sending cards, let me have a note of what you want to appear and your donation any time from now up until 26th

November and it will appear in the December edition. Andrea Cook

Enjoy this Christmas
With a Walters Turkey
Producers for over 30 years of
traditional farm fresh turkeys



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Or

Barn reared white turkeys
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sausages, sausagemeat, bacon etc
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CHILDREN'S CHURCH, ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Afterschool Service

In October we heard the story of Abraham in the desert beautifully illustrated with the wooden Godly play figures and sand.

The dates for the forthcoming services will be as follows:

Thursday 15 November - Remembrance Thursday 13 December - Advent - travelling to Bethlehem

Our Afterschool services are held at 4pm in the church and are very informal with songs to well-known tunes, participation from the children and a simple story to listen to. The children have the opportunity to become more familiar with the church and learn about prayer, religious festivals and other topics in a relaxed atmosphere. The

services are aimed at all ages from babies to older ones.

The services are well supported but we would love to see new faces or friends from outside the village. Do come and join us if you have a free half an hour.

Don't forget to sign up in the church if you would like the travelling Mary and Joseph to visit your house for a night before Christmas.

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

Denise Brown on 01635 281825 Liz Dray on 01635 281688.

ILSLEY UNDER FIVES



Please join us for a
Fund Raising Coffee Morning!
Wednesday 7 November
10.00 - 11.30 am

West Hsley Village Hall

Phoenix Cards and Virgin Vie products will be on display so this is a great opportunity to stock up before Christmas (toddlers welcome, but not necessary!)



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



It is time to start thinking of Christmas once again, any village resident lady or gent 80 years or over who would like to receive a Christmas food parcel from the Newbury weekly news. Please let me have your name as soon as

possible. Olive Clarke 281368

HARVEST LUNCH

In time-honoured fashion, the harvest lunch was held in the village hall after the harvest festival. Miraculously, with not a little help from Anna Sugden, delicious shepherd and cottage pies, peas, apple pie and cream all appeared from kitchens around the village, followed by cheese

and coffee. There was even a pear crumble to add variety (and very good it was too!!!). With a few villagers away on holiday, numbers were down a little, but justice was done to the feast. Not bad for a fiver! Actually, the best value for miles around at any time of the year.

So, a big "thank you" to all those who cooked, provided food, sold raffle tickets (and provided prizes) and cleaned up afterwards, but especially to Anna and Kay for the organisation of the lunch. Just over £400 was raised for church funds, but the important thing is - we all had a good time. See you next year!! Ian Fewtrell-Smith

WELCOME

David and Jo Coles have moved into 2 Catmore Road. Welcome!



Jessica and Marc-André Walsby say "We moved in

to 6 Rowles Paddock at the end of September. We would very much like to thank our new neighbours for their warm welcome." Welcome to them too!

Village Hall Committee **AGM**

Thursday 22nd November, 2007 At WI Village Hall 8pm

New faces welcome. We maintain and manage the Village Hall for the benefit of Village residents. In addition we run annual fun events such as the Summer Camp Out, The Village Fireworks, Bingo Nights and a stall at The Fete all to replenish our funds.

We meet 3-4 times a year to discuss and organise the above.

New committee members most welcome and needed. Please call Angela (281500) or Alison (281705) if you are interested.

EVERGREENS

On Thursday 15th November we shall be leaving



coach bν outside West IIsley church at 9 am for an outing to Bath. Members £7, nonmembers £10.

Tokens can be used. Names to J Collier 281283.

UNDER 5's

Amanda Knight

The Toddler Group will begin meeting again on 31 October when we will be holding a Halloween themed session. We are planning to introduce the little ones to a few basic party games. Fancy dress optional. Pre-schoolers who are still on half term will be very welcome to join us. November we will be holding a coffee morning during our session at the village hall. Phoenix cards and Virgin Vie will be attending and we hope that villagers will enjoy a cup of coffee with us whilst stocking up on Christmas stationery and The Toddler Group will receive 10% of takings. Please do come and join us for the morning!

(IIsley Under Fives Toddler Group meets on Wednesday mornings: 10:00 am - 11:30 am in West IIsley Village Hall (term time only). We have heaps of toys, ride-ons and a baby area for the littlest ones and tea and coffee for the parents/carers. New faces always welcome! For further details please feel free to contact me (281609).)

EVERGREENS BAZAAR WEST ILSLEY VILLAGE HALL SATURDAY 17TH NOVEMBER AT 2 PM

Tombola Cake stall Raffle **Books and Games** Gift Stall Tea and biscuits

CRAFT AND GIFT SALE

Sunday 2nd December 1-5 in the Village Hall

Knitted bags and scarves etc Hand made Christmas cards Soaps, bath fizzers etc Gifts in baskets

Embroidered towels and much more to buy for Christmas.

Come along to see us in aid of the Village Hall Refreshments

Admission 50p Children free Ring Julia 281597

MANUAL LABOUR REQUIRED TO HELP IN WEST ILSLEY WOODWORKING 'ENVIRONMENT'.

Work will mainly be scrubbing furniture for that Farmhouse/Country look. Hours to suit. Please call Marnie on 01635 281786

(1 Catmore Road, West IIsley)



Domestic Electrical Installation

Building regulation Part P Compliant installation/inspection/testing/fault finding and certification
Portable Appliance Testing @ 110/240 VAC

Contact Keith Pentecost Tel: 01635-281389 (East IIsley)

Mobile: 07985-797333

West Ilsley Village Hall Committee Bonfire Night Fireworks

(kindly paid for by WI Trust Funds)
All villagers and their friends and families
welcome to join us for a fun evening on

Monday 5th November (next field but one to the pond)

BBQ from 6pm Bonfire lit at 6.30pm Fireworks at 7pm

BBQ (Hot Dogs and Burgers) and Refreshments available for sale from 6pm plus

Glow sticks for sale
The Cricket Club bar will be open afterwards

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Rosanne Pilditch

Church Services for November:

4th No service 10am

11th Service of Remembrance 10.55am

18th Songs of Praise 6pm

25th Holy Communion 8am

The Carol Service will take place on 16th

December, followed by mince pies, and there will

be a Crib Service just before Christmas. Further details will follow.

Harvest Festival and Lunch

Thank you to all those who decorated the church for Harvest Festival – it looked fantastic – and to those who brought produce for the Willows Edge nursing home in Newbury. A huge thank you also to lan and Kay Fewtrell-Smith and Anna Sugden for organising a very enjoyable Harvest Lunch in the village hall.

Clay Pigeon Shoot

Many thanks to Richard Gore and his team for organising last Sunday's Clay Pigeon Shoot, and to Anna Sugden (again!) for her endless supply of bacon butties. The beautiful weather ensured a good day for all. £825 was raised for church funds.

FOR SALE

Reproduction antique yew desk with green leather and gold tooling inlay.

8 Drawers (3 lockable with keys)

5ft 4in wide x 2ft 3in deep

£80 ono

Tel No 01635 280532

Christmas BINGO

Friday 14th December In the Village Hall 7.30pm

All the Family welcome
Bingo and Raffle Prizes
Bring your own refreshments
Admission: Adults 20p, Children 10p
Bingo Books 30p
Any donations of prizes to Audrey, 5 Fir Tree
Cottages
Proceeds to Village Hall Funds

A Winter Wonderland

Friday 7th December
6.30pm – 8.30pm, The Ilsleys School
A Christmas fundraiser with Santa,
great Stalls, games & prizes,
kids activities, mulled wine, and lots of
Christmas Spirit.
Main raffle this year - 2 tickets to Arsenal V
Reading.

Please come and join in.