West Ilsley News

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I am so very thankful to have such good friends in the village. I have had numerous cards and beautiful flowers, offers of help and so much support that I am overwhelmed. Robin, who never wanted any fuss, would be amazed.

My thanks to everyone who has eased my burden at this very difficult time. Madeleine

THANK YOU

I would like to send my sincere thanks to all of you who have been in touch or sent cards and good wishes for my speedy recovery after my emergency admittance to Ashford hospital on the 4th June. After 3 operations they finally saved my life and I have started the very long recovery process. I am so grateful to have so many good friends in our wonderful little village and I miss you and can't wait to see you all again.

With my kindest regards. Tony

GREENFEST - 7TH SEPTEMBER, 10AM-4PM - HAMPSTEAD NORREYS

Join us on 7th September in Hampstead Norreys for GreenFest, a big, free, green event for the whole family. Throughout the day you'll be able to browse local sustainable business stalls, talk through domestic solutions with suppliers and attend a whole host of free talks and workshops that will inform and inspire you. There'll be plenty going on to engage the kids too from the littlest ones through to the teens.

At GreenFest we're providing a one stop shop where, no matter how far along your journey to living and thinking sustainably you may be, you will have the chance to learn something new. We've lined up some fabulous speakers to cover a whole host of fun and educational topics; climate change at a government and local level, eating seasonally and sustainably, creating a sustainable wardrobe and caring for the environment around you to name but a few. We have tonnes of workshops planned for the whole family plus plenty of fun crafty things to get stuck into, all themed around tips and advice to safeguard our beautiful surroundings. And to top it all off, the pub will be hosting MusicFest from 1pm til late, the perfect way to end your day with us.

GreenFest will be held across 5 venues in Hampstead Norreys....and everywhere in between. From the village green to the Hampstead Norreys Community shop and on to the pub, everywhere you turn there'll be something that captures your attention.

Visit <u>www.communitygreenfest.weebly.com</u> to keep up to date with what we have planned. We really hope we'll see you there.





WHATS ON AT THE HARROW

??QUIZ NIGHT**??**

Wednesday 28th August, 8pm

£3 each to enter Raising money for the charity MIND Please come and support this worthwhile cause.

We raised £40 at last month's quiz which is going towards the village fireworks. Thank you to everyone who came along and thanks to Justin for being quiz master.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, WEST ILSLEY

August Services at All Saints' Church

4thFamily Communion9.30am11thHoly Communion8.30am18thNo service in All Saints*See Catological Communication

*See Café Church below 11.00am

25th Family Service 11.00am Please see the lych gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice or go online at www.eastdownland.org.uk

Café in All Saints' Church

Our usual monthly café will be on Sunday 11th August between 10am and 11am. Do come and join us for a coffee, cake and chat. Everyone is welcome – you don't have to be a church goer, just a lover of tea, coffee, home made cakes and a good natter.

Ride+Stride 2019

The annual sponsored cycle, run or walk, takes place on Saturday 14th September between 10am and 6pm. Visit various lovely churches and raise money for your local church. Sponsor forms can be downloaded at

http://www.berkschurchestrust.org.uk/ride-and-stride-2/ or if you don't wish to take part you can just donate by visiting

https://www.justgiving.com/berkshirechurchestrust/Raisem oney but please remember to nominate All Saints', West Ilsley.

*Café Church Service

Our monthly benefice Café Church Service in Chieveley will **not** be taking place in August. The next Café Church Service will be at 11am on Sunday 15th September at St James', Winterbourne. Come at 10.45am for refreshments before the service.

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 6th October – Harvest Festival and Lunch. Saturday 16th November – Rock Choir Concert plus Saxophone Choir, in church.

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<u>Rector</u>: Revd J Toogood – 01635 247566 - edownlandrector@gmail.com

<u>East Downland Benefice Office:</u> - 07957 458107 eastdownland@btinternet.com – Usually manned on Thursday & Friday mornings between 9am and 1pm. *Kay and Ian Fewtrell-Smith*

NEWS FROM CAROLYNE CULVER, GREEN PARTY COUNCILLOR FOR RIDGEWAY WARD

Following a campaign we launched six months ago, West Berkshire Council has at last announced a climate emergency and pledged to develop a strategy to become carbon neutral by 2030. Ultimately the biggest challenge facing humanity is climate change because it effects whether we survive. The Greens have submitted some ideas for a carbon neutral strategy and a motion opposing a third runway at Heathrow. The airport is the largest single source of carbon emissions in the UK.

I am still campaigning for better plastic recycling. I've contacted other councils asking how they manage to do it when our council doesn't! I've asked to see West Berkshire Council's contract with Veolia, the waste management company who deals with all our waste and recycling.

I continue to oppose the garden bin charge because I think it discourages recycling and is a regressive tax. The council has opened subscriptions for the year beginning September 2019 this week, but it has scrapped the £25 March-to-September option. We have challenged them about this.

Remember you can report fly tipping, unemptied bins, pot holes and so on by searching for 'West Berkshire Report a Problem' on the internet or visiting <u>www.fixmystreet.com</u> If it's urgent please email <u>customerservices@westberks.gov.uk</u> or call 01635 551111. If you are not happy with the response you get please contact me. I hear from a lot of residents about all kinds of concerns which I obviously can't go into the details of here, but if you have a query and you're not sure who to speak to please do get in touch.

Residents in East IIsley are currently concerned about the lack of publicity about planning applications. I have spoken to West Berkshire Council about this and they have said they are only obliged to put up orange signs in the locality of a planning application. They used to send out letters but stopped doing that and saved £20,000 per annum. If you want to see information about planning applications please visit https://publicaccess.westberks.gov.uk/online-

applications/ If a planning application receives ten letters of objection it has to go to a planning committee where representatives of the three political parties debate it and local people can go along and speak. As district councillor I am allowed to 'call-in' applications to this committee too so that they get extra scrutiny.

Best wishes

Carolyne

Councillor for Ridgeway ward Carolyne.culver1@westberks.gov.uk (m) 07976 374146

WEST ILSLEY FETE 2019

Thankfully this year wasn't quite as hot as last year but the sun still shone on us.

The crowds flocked to West Ilsley for our annual village Fete & dog show. There was plenty to do for all the family and everyone was kept well lubricated at the cricket club bar, Nigel Chubb did a great job with his helpers, the bar was never empty. As did Dewi, Alan, PC & Richard on the BBQ, keeping us all well fed, thank you, it must have been very hot slaving over the flames! It was Dewi's first year running the bbq, I think we all agree he did brilliantly and Richard took a well earned step back, although he was still there to oversee.

As always everyone involved in the Fete worked tirelessly and the committee are extremely grateful to all who helped out and would like to thank everyone who attended and supported us on the day. A HUGE thank you to those of you who gave generous donations and sponsorship, without your help it just wouldn't work. Another big thank you to those of you who gave up their time to run stalls all day, it's not an easy task.

Thank you to the Carlisle Clan for all your help taking things back and forth and all your help throughout the day and also a big thank you to David & Tori Carlisle for the loan of the sheep and fencing.

The dog show was a success, with plenty of water and paddling pools available for the pooches. Penny and her helpers worked hard and did an amazing job with organising and judging, thank you.

Sarah & Benji put on a very interesting obedience demonstration.

The Evergreens ran the bottle stall and did amazingly well this year, thank you to everyone who donated a bottle, hopefully you didn't win it back!! Julia Rockall and her team were labelling bottles for days and days, thank you.

Rachel and Rosanne ran the teas, coffees & cake stall on behalf of Brightwalton School, they did a fantastic job keeping everyone happy with tea & cake, thank you.

PRODUCE SHOW RESULTS FLORAL

Single flower - Pauline Sinclair Floral Arrangement adult - Zu Kingdon Floral Arrangement child - Flo Ryan

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Most pots in a pot - Alan Bloor HOME COOKING

Jar of preserve/chutney/sauce - Flick Lucas Homemade alcoholic drink - Rachel Woods Homemade Bread - Juliet Ryder Ladies bake - Sandra Carlisle Gentlemen's bake - Dan Hudson Children's bake - Honor Pilditch **PHOTOGRAPHY** Adult - Alison Ryan

Child - Rory Manson

CREATIVITY

Child - Holly Ryder

Well done to everyone who entered the produce show, it must have been tough for the judges, thank you to Alison and Donna for all your hard work.

Name the Sheep - Steve Sweet

Best in Show - Jacob & handler Natalie Reserve Best In Show - Nico & handler Matthew Welly Wanging Results

Men - Will Thomas-Ferrand 31.7m

Ladies - Clarissa Morris 23.4m Girls 13-16yrs - Lucy Draper 24.7m Boys 13-16yrs - Mark Taylor 23.6m

Girls 8-12yrs - Erin 19.8m

Boys 8-12yrs - Ben W 30.3m

Girls 5-7yrs - Leila Walsby 10.6m

Boys 5-7yrs - Harry Turner 11.5m

Under 5's - James Ryder 5.3m

Well done to you all who wanged wellies, some pretty impressive distances were thrown. Big Will stole "The Sheriff's" winning title. Don't worry, there's always next year!

The Barrow of Booze was won by The Hudson's this year, cheers!!

The raffle, as always was very popular with the crowds, with some great prizes up for grabs, including a £50 voucher for The Eyston Arms, family Newbury Show tickets, rib of beef, leg of lamb and much, much more. It raised over £450 which is fantastic! Well done to those of you who won prizes. Olivia & Gail (on behalf of All Saints Church) did a great job on the clothes & bric-a-brac stalls, we know it's a tough job and thank you so much for running it so well on the day. Anything that wasn't sold we donated to charity.

The Tennis club ran the coconut stall and the crockery smashing this year and did a great job, thank you to everyone who helped run the stall.

The tug-of-war was a fun way to round off the fete, the Newbury firemen put on a good show for the crowds. West V's East is always a crowd pleaser and obviously West won. Well done to everyone who tugged.

As ever Wes rocked up just in time and entertained us all throughout the day on the microphone. We are very grateful, without him one of us would have to do it! Thank you Wes.

A big thank you to The Pearey Family for letting us use their paddock as the car park for the day.

We raised a fantastic amount of money this year and will be donating to various charities and organisations within the village as well as The Air Ambulance and The Newbury Fire Brigade.

Income - £4815.95 Outgoings - £3141.49 Donations given out - £1500.00 Retained profit for next year - £174.46 The amount we have been able to donate changes each year, it all depends on the footfall on the day. Amongst the costs this year were the lovely donkeys, the first aiders, the sound equipment and all the new electrical equipment.

This year we struggled with numbers of volunteers. Planning a Fete is tough and for the last several years it has fallen on the heads of the same people. Step up, your Fete needs YOU!!

We were missing a vital part of the fete team this year and it just wasn't the same without him. We muddled along and I think we did him proud, no doubt he will be on the phone soon enough for a low down. We all wish you well Tony!! Come home soon!! Xx

Thank you again to everyone!

Hayley Morrick, Tony Elliott, Justin Pilditch, Dries Hagen, Nigel Ryan

PARISH COUNCIL

Read the latest Parish Council Minutes and hear how village matters are being addressed. Visit our village website at www.westilsley.org - all the latest minutes from our meetings are available under the "Parish Council" tab.

2019 Parish council meetings: 9 Sept, 11 Nov

DEFIBRILLATOR CODE: C159

WHO TO CONTACT

VILLAGE HALL

Ros Duckworth–Bookings–281471 rosduckworth@btinternet.com Rates: £10.00/hr Villagers £12/hr Non Villagers

PRESCRIPTIONS

Prescriptions are delivered from Compton on Tuesdays mornings at 8.30. Please collect yours from 2 Morland Close on Tuesday or Thursday evening between 6.00 and 7.30. Repeat forms can be posted through the letter box anytime before Monday evening for the following week's delivery. Thank you for your co-operation in keeping to the times listed. Tony Elliott

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Tuesdays		Wednesdays	
(monthly)		(fortnightly)	
Outward Journey		Outward Journey	
Time	Place	Time	Place
9.45 am	Chieveley	9.45 am	Chieveley
10.15 am	Compton	10.15 am	Compton
10.30 am	East Ilsley	10.30 am	East IIsley
10.40 am	West IIsley	10.40 am	West IIsley

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Ilsley Under Fives

We are a small and friendly toddlers group run completely by parents in ast and West Ilsley and surrounding villages

Wednesday during term time from

:45am to 11:45 atWes We run different activities each week from crafts and games to exciting trips out and would love to welcome some new parents/carers and little ones to join us. Please email Jilian hobbs@outook.com for more information or find us on Facebook at "Isley Under fives



Remedial body Therapy

Rachel uses a combination of Remedial sports massage and McTimoney chiropractic to address problem areas. Treatment aims are to encourage symmetry, identify muscle imbalances, improve posture and alleviate discomfort.

Not In pain? It is also a good idea to get yourself assessed even when you are not in pain as a preventative way of fine tuning your posture and spotting minor issues before they build into bigger problems.

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