# West Ilsley News

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5pm on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November

#### DIARY

#### **NOVEMBER**

5<sup>th</sup> Bonfire night

7<sup>th</sup> Village Hall Christmas shop

20<sup>th</sup> Evergreens bazaar 21<sup>st</sup> Clay Pigeon shoot

26<sup>th</sup> Christmas greetings and WIN deadline

#### 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 26<sup>th</sup> November and it will appear in the

December edition. Last year we raised £200 -can we do better this year?

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#### PRESCRIPTION SERVICE

Since 1973 the Downland Practice has used a mini bus to bring patients with no transport to the Practice and have also used drop off points in the villages for medication.

This has been a very popular service and a recent survey carried out by the Practice has shown how highly valued it is by patients who used it. The Practice is now closely monitored by outside agencies and has had to formalise its arrangements for medication drop off.

The following suggestions have been proposed to keep the service running in the village:

We would like to find 2 or 3 responsible people who are prepared to form a rota. The responsible person would sign a sheet at each delivery

accepting responsibility for the medication received, with the medication would be a list of the patients due to collect that week. Currently deliveries are on a Tuesday and Friday.

Patients (or their representatives) would sign the sheet when they collect the medication.

You would not be expected to be permanently on hand to give out the medication but could set times during the week when you would be available.

The responsible person and the distribution times for that month would be advertised in WIN.

The Rota could be arranged to suit the volunteers. I am willing to be on the rota but we need to find at least two more willing participants. If you are prepared to help please contact me on the address below

Fred Carter

Elvira, Main Street. Tel No. 01635 281621

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#### **EVERGREENS**

On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November there will be an outing by coach to Bath, leaving from outside West Ilsley church at 9 am. Members £7, nonmembers £10. Names to Julia Rockall 281597

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH, ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The next service will be in the church at 4pm on Thursday 18 November when we will be making mini advent wreaths for the children to take home. 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.

#### MOBILE LIBRARY

This will be in Fir Tree Paddock from 2.10-2.40pm on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November and Tuesday 30 November.

EVERGREENS BAZAAR
WEST ILSLEY VILLAGE HALL
SATURDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER
AT 2PM
CAKE STALL
GIFT STALL
BOOKS AND GAMES
RAFFLE
TOMBOLA
TEA AND BISCUITS

#### WHAT'S ON AT THE HARROW?

MEXICAN NIGHT Friday 12th November 7pm till late Book your tables NOW!!





HUNTING
Sunday 14th
November
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Hounds
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We will be sending a donation for every tree sold to Macmillan Nurses.

Thank you from Storm Ryan and Merry Christmas! (281500) or mark.balloon@btinternet.com

#### TENNIS COURT MEETING

A meeting will be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 8pm in the village hall to discuss the way forward for the tennis court. Both the tennis court fencing and surface are in need of replacement and we would like to hear the views of players/interested parties. Please could you let Liz Dray know in advance if you will be attending – 281688 or <a href="mailto:lizdray@btinternet.com">lizdray@btinternet.com</a> as we may use a smaller venue if numbers attending are low

and would like to be able to communicate this to you.

#### **CHRISTMAS SHOP**

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November 1 pm to 4 pm

## West Ilsley Village Hall

Santa will be there from 2pm to 3 pm
Many stalls
Honey, jams chutney etc
Hire hats with gifts
Julia's embroidery
Phoenix cards
Bottle stall
Lots of Christmas gifts and toys
Refreshments

#### SKI APARTMENT AVAILABLE FOR USE

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> - Sunday16<sup>th</sup> January 2011 (4 nights) Located in Mont D'Arbois, the ski station just up from the resort of Megeve, France, 45 mins drive from Geneva airport or by regular coach service.

The apartment is on 2 floors and sleeps up to 8 people. (1 double, 2 singles, bunk beds and double sofa bed with 2 bathrooms). It adjoins the hotel with free use of an indoor swimming pool and games room. There is a large bar and restaurant on site.

The apartment is opposite the ski slopes of the Mont D'Arbois/Rochbrune area, which has kms of good skiing suiting all abilities. It is very close to the neighbouring ski areas of Les Gets, Morzine, Avoriaz and Chamonix.

If you would like to go please contact Alison Banks on 281705. There is no charge but we would like a donation to go to the West Ilsley Tennis Court.

#### NEWS FROM THE VILLAGE HALL

After more than 30 years Audrey Tizzard would like to step down from the Village Hall Committee. We are therefore looking for new committee members, a Treasurer, a Bookings Secretary and a Cleaner. Please think about whether you could give a little time to supporting this fantastic village resource by joining us.

Village Hall AGM – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm in the Village Hall – all welcome.

More details from Neil Slater 281325



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#### DOG POO

Would whoever is responsible for allowing their dog to plonk a huge dollop of poo outside our gate at Paddock View please in future carry a poo sack and clear it up! You must know who you are! It is not very pleasant to clear-up dog poo for the inconsiderate person who cannot be bothered to clear the mess for themselves, particularly since Colin and I are considerate dog owners who clear up any mess our pooch should deliver.

The person(s) responsible for the continued fouling of footpaths is giving us dog owners a very bad name in the village. PLEASE STOP IT.

Thank you Janice and Colin Sheppard



#### ALL SAINTS WEST ILSLEY

### Kay and Ian Fewtrell-Smith

November Church Services in All Saints, West IIsle		
7 <sup>th</sup>	Family Communion	9.30am
14 <sup>th</sup>	Service of Remembrance	10.55am
21 <sup>st</sup>	All Age Worship	11.00am
28 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion	8.30am

N.B. The usual pattern of services this month has changed slightly, due to the Remembrance Day Service on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November. This service will be attended by the Royal British Legion and will be preceded by a procession through the village. Help for Heroes is a new reminder that our servicemen and women are in action now: we hope you will join us in remembering and giving thanks for those who have died in action for us.

Everyone is welcome at the Downland Advent Carol Service on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November at Great Shefford church at 6pm. This is always well attended and enjoyed as a forerunner to the Christmas celebrations.

#### Harvest

All Saints was beautifully decorated for Harvest Festival, with colourful autumn flowers, fruits and vegetables. The produce, some of which was brought up to the altar by the children during the service, was gratefully received by Willows Edge Nursing Home, in Newbury.

#### Harvest Lunch

Harvest Lunch followed the morning service. We didn't 'feed the 5,000' by a long chalk, but over 80 people squeezed into the village hall, rather more than at first anticipated. We all enjoyed the cottage pies, apple pies, crumbles and cheese and there was a real buzz to the event. There are too many people to thank individually for providing and cooking the food, for setting up and clearing away, for providing raffle prizes and selling tickets, for the publicity and all the other hundred and one things that have to be done. So a big 'thank you' to everyone who was involved, we really appreciate your participation in what is a true 'village' event.

#### **United Benefice Communion Service**

Everyone is invited to the service here at All Saints on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October when, as it is the only service in the benefice that morning, we will be joined by others from the East Downland Benefice. This service will be followed by light refreshments.

Working Party. Instead of holding a 'Spring Clean' this year, we invite everyone to come and wield a duster, mop or broom on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am and help us make All Saints fresh and clean ready for our winter services. This year, in particular, we are preparing the church for our Remembrance Day service on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November. It is West Ilsley's turn for the procession and attendance of

the Royal British Legion, so help with tidying the churchyard would also be appreciated. Please put the date in your diary and come armed for work inside or outside – or both!

#### Sunday 21st November - Clay Pigeon Shoot

This will take place off the A34 Ridgeway roundabout heading towards West Ilsley between 10am and 4pm. There will be a barbeque and refreshments as well as £100 prize for the best on the day. There will be tuition on tap for some of the time so novices are welcome for proper help and instruction. Further details can be obtained from Rosanne Pilditch on 01635 280553.

#### **Rabbit Hutch**

We have a well used but very sturdy rabbit hutch going free to anyone who would like it.

It is quite large with two sections and is split level. It could do with a little TLC in terms of a lick of paint and some new felting to the roof but is very well made. If anyone is interested please contact Rachel on 281350.



DOWNLANDS MONTHLY UPDATE -OCTOBER 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 <a href="http://maps.police.uk/view/thames-valley">http://maps.police.uk/view/thames-valley</a>. The Downlands neighbourhood crime rates are still on the decrease compared to the same 3 month (Jun-Aug) period in 2009. The current figures show that all crimes are down by 18.2%. Vehicle crime is currently down by 35% and closely followed by robbery which is down by 29.2%. However I would like to stress the importance of not leaving valuables on display in your vehicle as there have been 3 vehicles broken into in East Ilsley across August and September.

I recently attended an information day on a new crime prevention scheme called CESAR which is to assist with the prevention of farm and construction machinery being stolen. The theft of machinery is a highly-organised worldwide problem that sees offenders getting away with millions of pounds per year. In the UK last year £750 million worth of machinery was stolen and £4.5 billion worth was stolen throughout Europe in the same year. CESAR involves marking/tagging technology secured in and on the machinery, combined with a database which holds information of the piece of equipment and its owner. I would strongly recommend this to any owner of farming/construction machinery and a visit to the website www.cesarscheme.org.

Our number one priority for the neighbourhood is still hare coursing. We have received calls throughout September where hare coursing has been seen in Peasemore, West Ilsley, and Chaddleworth. We would like people to report any sightings of such activities or if you have any information reference coursing please contact us on 0845 8 505 505. Our second and third priority are speeding on Fiddlers Lane, East Ilsley and Beedon Hill. Myself and PC Easton have unfortunately not been able to conduct any checks on either roads across September but will be looking to conduct checks in the near future. Other issues which have been raised include anti-social behaviour at Leckhampstead and East Ilslev play parks which I am regularly patrolling, but if you seen any such activity please phone Thames Valley Police on the non-emergency number.

A 17yr old male from Beedon was arrested on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2010 for a public order offence. The male has been charged with the offence and will be attending West Berkshire Youth Court in October.

I have recently started to send this newsletter to people via email, which seems to be an effective method of distributing it. If you know of any one who might like to receive this newsletter please let me know, via my email address which is <a href="mailto:dominic.bartlett@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk">dominic.bartlett@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk</a>. It does not just have to be individuals: it could be part of a village newsletter, a parish council, a group noticeboard, whatever it may be, the more the merrier.

During September I visited Brightwalton Primary School and took part in one of their lessons, which involved Indian dancing. It was a great exercise and I would like to thank Brightwalton Primary school for inviting me as it was a great opportunity to work with the children under different circumstances that I would not normally be able to do. Straight after the Indian dancing, I then visited Beedon Primary School where I took part in African drumming. Again I would like to thank the school for allowing me to take part, as not only did I get to meet the children but I also learnt a new skill. On an entirely different note, I also managed to attend Brightwalton's Parish Council meeting. This was my first opportunity to meet the council and introduce myself and it also allowed them and the public to raise any concerns or issues they might have.

I am still working hard to promote community messaging and the benefits it has for our community. It is a free service that provides information to subscribers about crime and police activity in their area via phone or email. It also includes information on what we and our partner services are doing to bring offenders to justice or combat anti-social behaviour, and information on opportunities for local residents to raise concerns

with their local policing teams. More information can be obtained directly from me or via our website, and you can sign up here too:

http://www.tvpcommunitymessaging.org/rmwebpor tal/startup.aspx

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.

### West Ilsley Village Hall Committee Bonfire Night Fireworks

(kindly paid for by donations from WI Trust, Cricket Club and the Fete funds)



All villagers and their friends and families welcome to join us for a fun evening on

## Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 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

## LUXURY WREATHS CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS



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### Turkey & Tinsel Bazaar Aldworth village hall Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November

9 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

## FREE Walters' Turkey Tasting FREE Mulled Wine

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Father Christmas will visit!

Oxford Welsh Male Voice Choir Concert in aid of "Help for Heroes" Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 p.m.

in

## Compton Parish Church

Ticket £10 to include light refreshments From:

Compton and Chieveley Surgeries Warminghams Estate Agents, Goring David Sheppard: 01635 578177

#### WHO TO CONTACT

#### VILLAGE HALL

Audrey Tizzard - Treasurer and Bookings 281646

Rates: £7.50/hr Villagers £15/hr Non Villagers

#### CHURCHWARDENS

Alexandra Axtell .281306 Ian Fewtrell-Smith 281625

TENNIS COURT

Membership: Liz Dray - lizdray@btinternet.com

Play without joining - to book: Amanda Knight - 281609

#### PARISH COUNCIL

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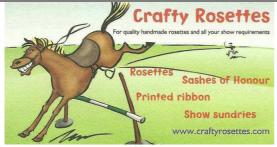
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